

127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Increase the Salary of the Governor and the Salary of Legislators upon Reduction in the Size of the Legislature

> Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Dunphy of Embden Committee: State and Local Government Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

Potential future biennium cost increase - General Fund

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$64,567
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$64,567

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill would increase the salaries of the Governor and members of the Senate and House beginning January 2019. The increase in salaries for the Legislature is conditional on approval of a constitutional amendment reducing the size of the Legislature to 125 members or fewer.

The additional General Fund cost of increasing the Governor's salary to \$150,000 in January of 2019, including salary and benefits, is estimated to be \$64,567 in fiscal year 2018-19 and \$129,134 annually thereafter beginning in fiscal year 2019-20.

The estimated cost for a 25% increase in salaries paid to 125 Legislators would be \$559,178 in fiscal year 2018-19. This amount is not reflected in the cost shown above because it is contingent on the constitutional change. This fiscal note also does not reflect any projected savings from reducing the size of the Legislature because that is included in a separate bill.