

129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Veterans' Services

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Stewart of Presque Isle Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Reduction in tuition revenue - Higher educational institutions

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Expanding the tuition waiver for the child of a veteran who is attending state-supported postsecondary institutions to include a certificate program and master's degree programs will result in a reduction in tuition revenue to the state supported higher educational institutions. The amount of tuition loss can not be determined at this time. However, an estimate provided by the University of Maine System anticipates revenue loss of approximately \$350,000 per year. The system has indicated that unless General Fund appropriations are provided to offset the revenue loss, programs and services offered by the university may be impacted.