



# 126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act To Secure the Safety of Electrical Power Transmission Lines

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "**

**Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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### Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Public Utilities Commission (PUC) is directed to: (a) examine the vulnerabilities of Maine's transmission infrastructure to potential negative impacts of geomagnetic disturbances or electromagnetic pulses and identify potential mitigation measures; (b) monitor efforts by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and others to develop reliability standards related to geomagnetic disturbances and electromagnetic pulses; and (c) report back its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology by January 20, 2014. The PUC has adequate available resources for the expenses related to the activities required.