



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 738

LR 1375(07)

An Act To Promote the Maine Economy and Support Maine's Sporting Camp Tradition

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (S-305)
S "A" (S-340) to C "A" (S-305)
Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$10,374	\$10,374
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$10,374)	(\$10,374)	(\$10,374)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$88,500	\$88,500	\$88,500
Transfers				
General Fund	\$0	\$10,374	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation creates a moose hunting permit lottery system for hunting outfitters and will result in an increase in Other Special Revenue Funds revenue of \$88,500 beginning in fiscal year 2014-15 to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. It also reduces General Fund revenue by \$10,374 beginning in fiscal year 2014-15 from dedicating these permit fees.

The bill also includes requirements to offset the revenue loss from changes made to moose hunting permit fees during the 2014-2015 biennium by lapsing \$10,374 in fiscal years 2013-14 and 2014-15 from the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Carrying Balances - General Fund account to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to offset the loss in revenue . Due to the change in the effective date of this legislation to August 1, 2014, the initial estimated revenue loss in fiscal year 2013-14 will not occur and it is assumed that the provision to offset the revenue loss by lapsing funds from the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Carrying Balances - General Fund account also will not occur in fiscal year 2013-14. The future revenue reductions from moose hunting permit fees is not offset in the 2016-2017 biennium and future years.