



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Prohibit Herbicide Spraying on Abandoned Railroad Lines

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. McLean of Gorham

Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
Net Cost (Savings)				
Highway Fund	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
Highway Fund	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation prohibits herbicide spray on state-owned railroad lines that are abandoned or discontinued. The department has indicated that manual vegetation control on railroad lines would require a Highway Fund allocation of \$200,000 beginning in fiscal year 2013-14 based upon the increased price of this type of vegetation control over herbicide spray.