



# 126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1576

LR 2198(05)

## An Act To Fund Agreements with Certain State Employee Unions and Ensure Equitable Treatment for Other State Employees

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:**

**S "A" (S-370)**

**Committee: Not Referred**

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### Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund  
Current biennium cost increase - Highway Fund

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill authorizes a 1% salary increase effective September 1, 2013 and 1% effective July 1, 2014 for certain Executive Branch employees. It provides funding through the transfer of General Fund and Highway Fund Personal Services balances between programs and departments and from the Salary Plan program within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services. The General Fund cost is estimated to be \$2,531,317 in fiscal year 2013-14 and \$6,234,562 in fiscal year 2014-15. The Highway Fund cost is estimated to be \$879,796 in fiscal year 2013-14 and \$2,181,684 in fiscal year 2014-15.

This bill also authorizes the Governor to adjust the salaries of confidential employees to achieve parity with their counterparts in the legislative and judicial branches. That cost cannot be estimated at this time.

Any savings generated by suspending merit pay increases in fiscal year 2014-15 for employees in the legislative and judicial branches would remain in those agencies' respective budgets.