



# 126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act To Protect Maine Lakes

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

**Committee: Environment and Natural Resources**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

### Fiscal Note

	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$70,000	\$46,419	\$39,646	\$40,387
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$70,000	\$46,419	\$39,646	\$40,387
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$675	\$675	\$675

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Environmental Protection has requested funding for one half-time Environmental Specialist III position to do data management, educational materials, data collection and editing and to work on creating partnerships with certain entities. The bill includes a General Fund appropriation in fiscal year 2014-15 of \$46,419 for one half-time Environmental Specialist III position, plus support costs, as well as rulemaking related to a fertilizer ban within 50 feet of the normal high water line of a great pond. The bill includes an allocation in fiscal year 2014-15 of \$675 for administrative costs associated with the position. This bill also provides a one-time General Fund appropriation in fiscal year 2013-14 of \$70,000 to support the Maine Lakes Society in implementing the LakeSmart program, analyzing data gathered by the Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program and supporting the Maine Joint Environmental Training Coordinating Committee in its development of environmental training programs.