



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 467(02)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Prohibit Certain Changes to a Direct Initiative of Legislation for a Period of Time after It Is Approved by the Voters

> Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " " Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Referendum Costs	Month/Year	Election Type	Question	Length	
	Nov-11	General	Referendum	Standard	
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The Secretary of State's budget includes sufficient funds to accommodate one ballot of average length for the general election in November. If the number or size of the referendum questions requires production and delivery of a second ballot, an additional appropriation of \$107,250 may be required.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

If approved by the voters, the Legislature would be prohibited from substantively changing measures enacted by a vote of the people. The fiscal impact of this restriction can not be determined at this time and will depend on the intent of future measures enacted by a vote of the people. If these measures represent significant additional costs or reductions in revenue to the State or local units of government, the options available to the Legislature to offset these costs or revenue decreases would be limited to changes other than affecting the intent of the measure itself.