



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Exempt Artificial Wetlands and Artificial Significant Vernal Pool Habitats from State Regulation

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Sen. Thomas of Somerset

Committee: Environment and Natural Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	Projections FY 2013-14	Projections FY 2014-15
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$8,116)	(\$10,821)	(\$10,821)	(\$10,821)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Exempting artificial significant vernal pool habitats and purely artificial wetlands from regulation by the state under the Natural Resources Protection Act will have the effect of reducing permit fee revenues collected by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for permit processes that pertain to areas containing purely artificial wetlands. Man-made vernal pools are already exempt from DEP regulation and as a result the bill will have no fiscal impact as to permits for activities in areas that contain such pools.