



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Require Every School Administrative Unit To Have a Food Service Director

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required Activity

Adds the requirement that school boards designate a person to serve as the food service director for the school administrative unit.

Unit Affected

School

Local Cost

Moderate limited scope

The required local activities in this bill may represent a State mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. Unless General Fund appropriations are provided to fund at least 90% of the additional costs or a Mandate Preamble is amended to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt this mandate from the funding requirement, municipalities may not be required to implement these changes.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to local school administrative units (SAU's) to have one person designated to serve as the food service director and the ability of the local SAU's to absorb those costs within existing resources can not be determined at this time and will depend on the qualifications for food service directors established by the Department of Education by rule. Information provided by the department indicates that 130 of the 184 total SAU's currently report someone as a food service director. The remaining 54 SAU's have someone that performs the duties, but that person may have another job title or perform other primary functions in addition to overseeing food service.

Additional costs to the Department of Education associated with rulemaking can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.