



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 822

LR 642(01)

An Act To Remove Taxes on Equipment Used for Business

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Damon of Bangor

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Current biennium revenue decrease - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Extending the business equipment property tax exemption to office furniture and otherwise eligible property located at a retail sales facility with interior customer selling space less than 20,000 square feet will trigger the state reimbursement provision of the Maine Constitution, Article IV, Part Third, Section 23 and will require the state to reimburse municipalities for 50% of their property tax revenue losses as a result of this bill. These reimbursements are revenue reductions to the General Fund. No estimate can be made of the amount of the revenue loss until additional clarifying language is added to the bill.