

125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1774

LR 2682(22)

An Act Regarding the Matching Funds Provisions of the Maine Clean Election Act

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with: H ''C'' (H-780) Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	Projections FY 2013-14	Projections FY 2014-15
Appropriations/Allocations Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	(\$927,880)	(\$473,001)	(\$927,880)
Revenue Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	(\$23,650)	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation, in response to a ruling by the United States Supreme Court, repeals requirements related to qualification for and distribution of matching funds. The bill includes an Other Special Revenue Funds deallocation to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices of \$927,880 in fiscal year 2012-13 for reduced payments to candidates related to eliminating matching funds. This analysis assumes participation in the Maine Clean Elections process will decrease due to the elimination of matching funds. Therefore Other Special Revenue Funds revenue will decrease from reduced qualifying contributions.