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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 135, L.D. 184, Bill, "An Act To Improve Prevailing Wage Standards in Maine"

Amend the bill by incorporating the attached fiscal note.

SUMMARY

The amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



Approved: 02/22/05 *MAC*

122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 184

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An Act to Improve Prevailing Wage Standards in Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A'

Committee: Labor

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - Highway Fund

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Requiring that certain minimum wages be the higher of either state or federal minimum requirements will require either increasing annual Highway Fund costs in the Department of Transportation by an estimated annual cost of \$10,500,000 beginning in fiscal year 2006-07 or deferring or delaying a number of highway construction projects to compensate for the higher minimum wage requirements. Additional Highway Fund costs will also be incurred by the department in fiscal year 2005-06; the amounts will depend on those construction projects that are in progress when the provisions of this law become effective; the amounts can not be determined at this time. In addition, the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management is likely to incur additional General Fund costs for increased labor rates paid for certain department projects; the amounts can not be determined at this time.

Additional costs to the Regulation and Enforcement program within the Department of Labor associated with monitoring all Davis-Bacon wage determinations issued for state agencies and issuing a specialized determination in some cases can be absorbed utilizing existing budgeted resources.