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and a	
1	L.D. 790
2	Date: $1/23/14$ Minority (Filing No. H-588)
3	APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS
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5	STATE OF MAINE
6	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
7	126TH LEGISLATURE
8	SECOND REGULAR SESSION
9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 541, L.D. 790, Bill, "An Act To Repeal the Bonding Authority of the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority"
11	Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 10 in the next to the last line (page 1, line 9
12	in L.D.) by striking out the following: "2013. Beginning October 1, 2013" and inserting
13	the following: '2014. Beginning October 1, 2014'
14	SUMMARY
15	This amendment changes the effective date from October 1, 2013 to October 1, 2014.
16	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
17	(See attached)

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# **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



### 126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 790

LR 1161(02)

An Act To Repeal the Bonding Authority of the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment '\(\mathcal{H}\)' (\(\mathcal{H}\)-588\)
Committee: Appropriations and Financial Affairs
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### **Fiscal Note**

Potential future biennium savings - General Fund

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Repealing the ability of the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority to issue bonds or negotiable securities effective October 1, 2014 may result in lower debt service costs in the future to the State or court system for projects that will not be funded through the Authority. Any potential debt service savings could be offset by any additional costs incurred if the alternative to bonding turns out to be renting facilities from private parties.

Repealing the ability to refund existing bonds at lower interest rates is not expected to have an impact in the short-term as the recent historically low rates have already allowed refinancing of existing bonds at favorable levels.