

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**MAJORITY**

L.D. 1800

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**EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**SENATE**

**124TH LEGISLATURE**

**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*A*" to S.P. 705, L.D. 1800, Bill, "An Act To Adopt the Common Core State Standards Initiative"

Amend the bill by incorporating the attached fiscal note.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1800

LR 2604(02)

## An Act To Adopt the Common Core State Standards Initiative

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

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

#### State Mandates

##### Required Activity

Allows for the inclusion of a core of standards in English language arts and mathematics for kindergarten to grade 12 established in common with other states. Because the "Common Core of State Standards" has not been finalized, it is unclear as to what the potential impact to local school administrative units may be.

##### Unit Affected

School

##### Local Cost

Unknown

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 the Department of Education associated with adopting emergency rules to include a common core of standards in English language arts and mathematics for kindergarten to grade 12 in the statewide system of learning results and assessment can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.