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CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
126TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 104, L.D. 122, Bill, "An Act To Provide Assistance to Municipalities Recovering from a Municipally Significant Disaster"

Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 4 in the 5th line (page 1, line 14 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "cost of the" the following: 'uninsured'

Amend the bill in section 3 in paragraph C in the 6th line (page 1, line 22 in L.D.) by striking out "estimated" and inserting the following: 'actual'

Amend the bill in section 3 in paragraph C in the 8th line (page 1, line 24 in L.D.) by striking out "estimated total cost" and inserting the following: 'actual total cost contingent upon future appropriations to the Disaster Relief Fund established under section 745 for that purpose'

Amend the bill in section 3 in paragraph C in the 4th line from the end (page 1, line 31 in L.D.) by striking out "estimated" and inserting the following: 'actual'

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, clarifies that state resources pay for 50% of the cost of a municipally significant disaster, contingent upon future budgetary action by the Legislature. The amendment also requires the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services and the Department of Transportation to work with a municipality to determine the cost of uninsured damages rather than all damages. The departments determine the actual cost of damages for compensation rather than estimated damages. It also clarifies that the Governor may enter into agreements that obligate municipal financial resources up to 50% of the actual total cost of damages rather than estimated damages.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



Approved: 04/04/13 *MAC*

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LD 122

LR 331(02)

An Act To Provide Assistance to Municipalities Recovering from a Municipally Significant Disaster

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-61)
Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation provides that state resources pay for 50% of the actual total cost of a municipally significant disaster in the event such disaster is declared by the Governor. Any funding for such a disaster would be contingent upon budgetary action by the Legislature. No estimate can be made at this time regarding the amount of State assistance required for future disasters.