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126TH LEGISLATURE

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1230, L.D. 1720, Bill, "An Act To Improve the Operations of the Office of the Attorney General"

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Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

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Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE

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Chief Medical Examiner - Office of 0412

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Initiative: Provides funds for contracted forensic pathologist services and histological laboratory services.

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GENERAL FUND

2013-14

2014-15

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All Other

\$57,000

\$84,000

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GENERAL FUND TOTAL

\$57,000

\$84,000

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Chief Medical Examiner - Office of 0412

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Initiative: Provides funds for statutorily authorized payments to medical examiners and reimbursements to funeral homes.

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GENERAL FUND

2013-14

2014-15

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All Other

\$50,000

\$50,000

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GENERAL FUND TOTAL

\$50,000

\$50,000

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District Attorneys Salaries 0409

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1230, L.D. 1720

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Initiative: Establishes one part-time Assistant District Attorney position in Prosecutorial District Number 4 for domestic violence prosecutions.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2013-14	2014-15
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	0.500
Personal Services	\$0	\$42,045
All Other	\$0	\$1,485
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$43,530</u>

ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2013-14	2014-15
GENERAL FUND	\$107,000	\$134,000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$43,530
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$107,000</u>	<u>\$177,530</u>

SUMMARY

This amendment deletes from the bill the proposed funding for a trial preparation assistant in the Criminal Division within the Office of the Attorney General and a part-time position to serve as the Domestic Abuse Homicide Review Panel Coordinator.

The amendment increases the proposed funding to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner within the Office of the Attorney General by \$10,000 in fiscal year 2014 and \$20,000 in fiscal year 2015 to cover the anticipated costs of preparing histological slides.

The amendment provides funding for one half-time Assistant District Attorney position to handle domestic violence prosecutions that will be funded through a grant secured by Prosecutorial District Number 4.

The amendment retains the provision in the bill that appropriates funds necessary to allow the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to provide for statutorily authorized payments to medical examiners and reimbursements to funeral homes.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1720

LR 2683(02)

An Act To Improve the Operations of the Office of the Attorney General

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment *A (H-707)*
 Committee: Judiciary
 Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$107,000	\$134,000	\$134,000	\$134,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$107,000	\$134,000	\$134,000	\$134,000
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$43,530	\$44,792	\$46,092

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$107,000 in fiscal year 2013-14 and \$134,000 in fiscal year 2014-15 for the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner within the Department of the Attorney General. It also includes an Other Special Revenue Funds allocation of \$43,530 in fiscal year 2014-15 to establish a part-time Assistant District Attorney General position for domestic violence prosecutions.