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<b>**</b>	L.D. 1386
2	Date: 6/9/15 Minority (Filing No. H-352)
3	EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS
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6	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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8	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 940, L.D. 1386, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing High School Graduation Requirements"
11	Amend the bill by incorporating the attached fiscal note.
12	SUMMARY
13 14	This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, incorporates a fiscal note.

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**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT** 

Approved: 05/29/15 mac



# **127th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

## LD 1386

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An Act To Amend the Laws Governing High School Graduation Requirements

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A'' (H - 352) Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs Fiscal Note Required: Yes

# **Fiscal Note**

State Mandate - Unfunded Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

## **State Mandates**

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### **Required Activity**

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Requires school administrative units to include a plan for transitioning to a blended system of graduation requirements in their comprehensive plans and requires school boards to adopt policies to phase-in the blended system of graduation requirements by the 2016-2017 school year.

Unit Affected School

Local Cost Significant statewide

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**

The Department of Education has indicated that it does not have the resources available to support local school administrative units with the transition to a blended system of graduation requirements. The ability of the department to implement the requirements of this legislation without impacting other programs and services it already provides can not be determined at this time.