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STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
128TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 138, L.D. 182, Bill, "An Act To Protect Firefighters by Establishing a Prohibition on the Sale and Distribution of New Upholstered Furniture Containing Certain Flame-retardant Chemicals"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 2 (page 2, lines 5 to 17 in amendment) and inserting the following:

**Sec. 2. Transfer funds.** The State Controller shall transfer \$101,717 by June 30, 2018 and \$65,909 by June 30, 2019 from the Medical Use of Marijuana Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Health and Human Services to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund.

**Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF  
Administration - Environmental Protection 0251**

Initiative: Provides appropriations in fiscal year 2017-18 for one full-time Environmental Specialist III position to monitor furniture sales and develop and oversee laboratory testing for compliance with a prohibition on flame-retardant chemicals in new upholstered residential furniture and appropriations for technology and office costs related to the position. The position is reduced to part-time in fiscal year 2018-19.

GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
POSITIONS - FTE COUNT	1.000	0.500
Personal Services	\$76,217	\$40,009
All Other	\$25,500	\$25,900
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$101,717	\$65,909

Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

**SENATE AMENDMENT**

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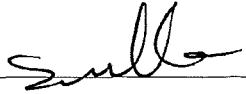
**SUMMARY**

This amendment increases the funding provided to the Department of Environmental Protection in fiscal year 2017-18 to provide funding for a full-time Environmental Specialist III position.

This amendment also provides for the transfer of funds from the Medical Use of Marijuana Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Health and Human Services to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)

SPONSORED BY: 

(Senator SAVIELLO)

COUNTY: Franklin



# 128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 182

LR 412(07)

## An Act To Protect Firefighters by Establishing a Prohibition on the Sale and Distribution of New Upholstered Furniture Containing Certain Flame-retardant Chemicals

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "B" to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Sen. Saviello of Franklin

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	(\$54,481)	(\$65,909)	\$0	\$0
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$47,236	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Transfers</b>				
General Fund	\$101,717	\$65,909	\$0	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$101,717)	(\$65,909)	\$0	\$0

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment reimburses the General Fund appropriations in the bill in the first two years of the biennium by transfers of \$101,717 by June 30, 2018 and \$65,909 by June 30, 2019 from the Medical Use of Marijuana Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account, in the Department of Health and Human Services to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund. The amendment also increases the General Fund appropriation in fiscal year 2017-18 to the Department of Environmental Protection by \$47,236 to \$101,717 to increase the Environmental Specialist III position from a part-time to a full-time position, to develop and initiate the prohibition program and to coordinate the purchase and laboratory testing of furniture products. In fiscal year 2018-19 the position is reduced to a part-time Environmental Specialist III position to coordinate the continued laboratory testing of furniture products.

As amended, the bill will still incur ongoing General Fund costs beginning in fiscal year 2019-20 that will not be reimbursed by any transfers.