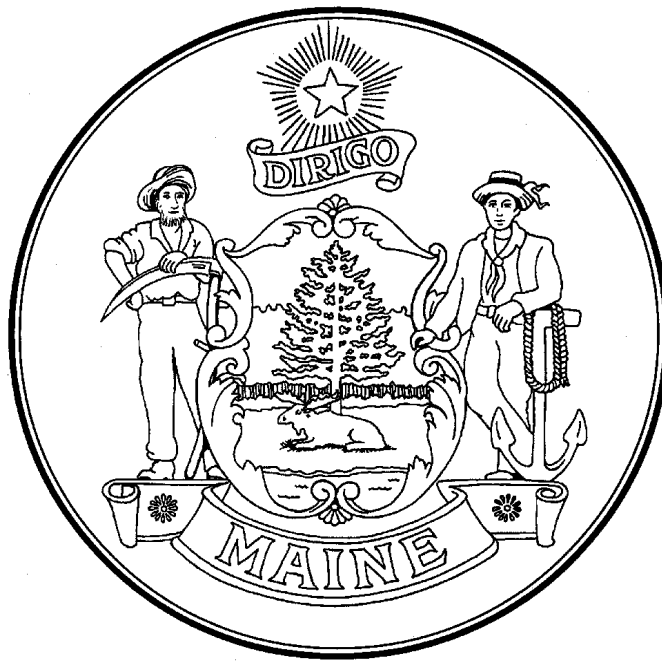


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MAJORITY

ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

132ND LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 740, L.D. 1870, "An Act to Establish a Climate Superfund Cost Recovery Program to Impose Penalties on Climate Polluters"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'Resolve, to Assess the Total Cost to the State of Greenhouse Gas Emissions'**

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. Department of Environmental Protection; assessment of cost to State of greenhouse gas emissions; report. Resolved:** That the Department of Environmental Protection shall conduct an assessment of the costs to the State of the emission of greenhouse gases for the period that began on January 1, 1995 and ended on December 31, 2024. The department may contract with a consultant to conduct the assessment required by this section. The assessment must include:

1. A summary of the various cost-driving effects of greenhouse gas emissions on the State, including effects on public health, natural resources, biodiversity, agriculture, economic development, flood preparedness and safety, and any other effect that the department determines is relevant;

2. A categorized calculation of the costs that have been incurred and are projected to be incurred by the State of each of the effects identified under subsection 1; and

3. A categorized calculation of the costs that have been incurred and are projected to be incurred by the State to abate the effects of greenhouse gas emissions from between January 1, 1995 and December 31, 2024 on the State and residents of the State.

On or before January 1, 2028, the department shall submit a report containing the results of the assessment conducted pursuant to this section to the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources matters, labor matters, judiciary matters and energy, utilities and technology matters. After reviewing the report, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources matters may report out a bill relating to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 133rd Legislature.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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**Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved:** That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Air Quality 0250**

Initiative: Provides funding for contracted support services related to the development of an assessment of the costs to the State from greenhouse gas emissions.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>
All Other	\$0	\$600,000
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$600,000</b>

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

**SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the bill with a resolve directing the Department of Environmental Protection to conduct an assessment of the costs to the State of the emission of greenhouse gases for the period that began on January 1, 1995 and ended on December 31, 2024. The department may contract with a consultant to conduct that assessment. On or before January 1, 2028, the department is required to submit a report containing the results of that assessment to the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources matters, labor matters, judiciary matters and energy, utilities and technology matters. After reviewing the report, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources matters may report out a bill relating to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 133rd Legislature. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)



# 132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1870

LR 2359(02)

## An Act to Establish a Climate Superfund Cost Recovery Program to Impose Penalties on Climate Polluters

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-570)  
 Committee: Environment and Natural Resources  
 Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Projections FY 2027-28	Projections FY 2028-29
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$600,000	\$0	\$0
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$600,000	\$0	\$0

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This resolve includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$600,000 in fiscal year 2026-27 to the Department of Environmental Protection for contracted services to develop an assessment of the costs to the State from greenhouse gas emissions for the period of January 1, 1995, to December 31, 2024.