



# 131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act to Enable Occupational License Portability and Prohibit Use of Good Character Qualifications in Occupational Licensing

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Smith of Palermo

Committee: Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,014,142	\$1,095,250	\$1,151,919	\$1,211,988

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Professional and Financial Regulation (DPFR) has indicated that it will require ongoing Other Special Revenue Funds allocations totaling \$1,014,142 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$1,095,250 in fiscal year 2024-25 for an additional 9 full-time and 2 half-time positions and related All Other costs to support the anticipated increase in workload to review and certify certain applicants' eligibility for occupational licensure in the State. The individual boards and offices within DPFR that will require additional resources are listed below. According to the DPFR, licensing fees may need to be increased to cover the additional costs.

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation				
5 Professional Licensing Supervisor positions	\$365,070	\$503,074	\$531,747	\$562,140
Office of Securities				
3 Securities Specialist positions	\$218,131	\$299,772	\$316,853	\$334,955
Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection				
1 Consumer Credit Examiner position	\$66,599	\$90,995	\$96,151	\$101,619
State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers				
0.5 Professional Licensing Supervisor position	\$41,757	\$56,245	\$59,132	\$62,193
Board of Osteopathic Licensure				
0.5 Professional Licensing Supervisor position	\$41,536	\$55,946	\$58,818	\$61,863
Administrative Services - DPFR				
Technology and other administrative costs	\$281,049	\$89,218	\$89,218	\$89,218
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,014,142</b>	<b>\$1,095,250</b>	<b>\$1,151,919</b>	<b>\$1,211,988</b>