



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 846

LR 1363(02)

An Act to Require Direct Wine Shippers to Comply with Maine Beverage Container Laws

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Minor revenue increase - General Fund

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill requires direct wine shippers to comply with the requirements of the Maine beverage container laws. The direct wine shippers will be required to register as an initiator of deposit with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP); the additional registrations will result in a minor increase in Other Special Revenue Funds revenue. If the direct shippers elect not to participate in a commingling agreement, unclaimed deposits will revert to the state; the additional General Fund revenue from the escheat is not anticipated to be significant. Any additional costs to the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations or to DEP to incorporate the changes in this bill are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.