

ACF Committee Bills - Updated Through April 10, 2008

LD 2001 An Act To Reduce Wild Blueberry Theft

Sponsor: Sen. Weston of Waldo
 Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Law Ref.:

House Status: EMER ENACTED
 Senate Status: APPROP. TABLE

Sort: F
 Motion:

Active Item: 3
 Engrosser: Yes

Table Notes: ACF Highest Priority

Fiscal Note Summary: Current biennium cost increase - General Fund
 Minor revenue increase - General Fund

Correctional/Judicial Impact: Increases fines and the class of crime for violation of the laws regarding transportation and receipt of wild blueberries. Establishes new Class C crimes. Class C crimes must be served in a state correctional facility. The average cost to the state for each sentence is \$70,308 based on an average length of stay of 1 year, 10 months. The Judicial Department expects 0-1 cases every 5 years based on no violations filed in the history of the MEJIS system. The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

LD 2171 An Act To Amend the Animal Welfare Laws

Sponsor: Rep. Pieh of Bremen
 Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Law Ref.:

House Status: ENG AS AMENDED BY
 Senate Status: ENG AS AMENDED BY

Sort: F
 Motion:

Active Item: 6
 Engrosser: Yes

General Fund	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$38,478	\$71,340	\$72,548
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfers/Adj. to Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Cost (Savings)	\$0	\$0	\$38,478	\$71,340	\$72,548

Correctional/Judicial Impact: Expands the Class D crime of aggravated cruelty to animals to include "with criminal negligence." With the addition of this phrase, a person could be charged with a Class C crime instead of a Class D crime. See cost detail below.

Report Totals

Number of Bills: 2

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