

## OFFICE OF FISCAL AND PROGRAM REVIEW

Date: April 22, 2013  
To: Members, Joint Standing Committee on Taxation  
From: Elizabeth Cooper, Legislative Analyst  
Re: Final Amendment Review – LD 915

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An amendment and fiscal note for LD 915 are attached for your review.

### **LD 915, "An Act To Expand the Sales Tax Exemption for Certain Public Libraries To Include Sales by Those Libraries or Their Supporting Organizations"**

The Committee voted on April 5, 2013, with unanimous report of OTPA.

- The amendment clarifies that the expansion of the sales tax exemption applies as long as the proceeds from the sales are used to benefit the libraries.
- The fiscal note indicates that expanding the current sales tax exemption to nonprofit free public lending libraries that receive public funding to include sales by those libraries or by nonprofit corporations organized to support such libraries where the profit from the sales benefits the libraries reduces General Fund and Municipal Revenue Sharing by a total of less than \$60,000 over the biennium.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns about this amendment.

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126TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 639, L.D. 915, Bill, “An Act To Expand the Sales Tax Exemption for Certain Public Libraries To Include Sales by Those Libraries or Their Supporting Organizations”

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 50 in the last line (page 1, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "such a library" and inserting the following: 'that library as long as the proceeds from the sales are used to benefit the library'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment clarifies that the expansion of the sales tax exemption for sales to nonprofit free public lending libraries that receive public funding includes sales by those libraries or by nonprofit corporations organized to support those libraries as long as the proceeds from the sales are used to benefit those libraries.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 915

LR 1200(02)

## An Act To Expand the Sales Tax Exemption for Certain Public Libraries To Include Sales by Those Libraries or Their Supporting Organizations

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$23,602	\$32,885	\$34,364	\$35,911
<b>Revenue</b>				
General Fund	(\$23,602)	(\$32,885)	(\$34,364)	(\$35,911)
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$1,242)	(\$1,731)	(\$1,809)	(\$1,890)

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Expanding the current sales tax exemption to nonprofit free public lending libraries that receive public funding to include sales by those libraries or by nonprofit corporations organized to support such libraries where the profit from the sales benefits the libraries reduces General Fund revenue in FY 2013-14 by \$23,602 and in FY 2014-15 by \$32,885. Municipal Revenue Sharing is reduced by \$1,242 in FY 2013-14 and by \$1,731 in FY 2014-15.