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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 110TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESS ION

SENATE AMENDMENT" A"to S.P. 650, L.D. 1676, Bill, "AN ACT to Continue the Maine Turnpike Authority."

Amend the bill by striking out all of the title and inserting in its place the following:

'AN ACT Relating to the Maine Turnpike Authority.'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

- '23 MRSA §335, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 658, §2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
- 1. Legislative approval. Prior to January 1, 1982, the Commissioner of Transportation shall evaluate alternative toll systems for the turnpike.

The evaluation shall include an analysis of the costs of any construction, reconstruction and maintenance, toll revenues, personnel changes and other relevant considerations of:

- A. The present closed system;
- B. The present closed system modified to include improved access or modified interchanges to encourage economic development;
- C. A barrier system; and
- D. A barrier system including modifications to the present closed system to provide improved access or modified interchanges to encourage economic development.

Any recommended barrier toll system and toll schedule shall include a system of toll barriers designed in such a manner that motor vehicles traveling the entire length of the turnpike will encounter no more than 3 toll barriers.

The chairmen of the legislative committee having jurisdiction over transportation shall appoint 3 members each from the committee to advise the commissioner during the evaluation.

The commissioner shall present the results of the evaluation along with his recommendations to the Legislature during the first week of January, 1982.

The legislative committee having jurisdiction over transportation shall review the recommendations and evaluation and report to the Second Regular Session of the 110th Legislature its recommendations along with any proposed legislation.

Statement of Fact

This amendment requires that an evaluation of the present closed system and any proposed barrier system be evaluated and compared. The amendment further requires that the commissioner make his recommendation to the Legislature, and that the legislative committee having jurisdiction over transportation review those recommendations and report to the Second Regular Session of the 110th Legislature including any legislation.

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