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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 116TH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT " \mathcal{A} " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1343, L.D. 1810, Bill, "An Act to Strengthen the Maine Bottle Deposit Laws"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:

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'Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1866, sub-§8 is enacted to read:

8. Application to containers originally sold in the State. The obligations to accept or take empty beverage containers and to pay the refund value and handling fees for such containers as described in subsections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 apply only to containers originally sold in this State as filled beverage containers. A person who, for the purpose of obtaining a refund value or handling fee, tenders to a dealer, distributor, redemption center or bottler more than 10 cases with 24 empty beverage containers in each case that the person knows or has reason to know were not originally sold in this State as filled beverage containers is subject to the enforcement action and civil penalties set forth in this subsection. A person who violates the provisions of this subsection is subject to a civil penalty of the greater of \$100 for each container or \$25,000 for each tender of containers.'

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Further amend the amendment by striking out all of section 4.

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SENATE AMENDMENT

SENATE AMENDMENT " \mathcal{H} " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1343, L.D. 1810

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the fiscal note and inserting in its place the following:

'FISCAL NOTE

The additional workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial Department. The collection of additional fines may increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment removes the complaint procedure from the committee amendment. It also removes the appropriation section and replaces the fiscal note.

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