An Act to Revise the Maine Turnpike Authority's Powers with Respect to Commuter Tolls.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

Presented by Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland.
Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §1973, sub-§4, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 595, §3, is amended to read:

A. The authority shall establish a system of commuter discounts to provide passenger vehicles with reduced rates which rates shall not exceed 50% of the normal passenger vehicle toll in effect on June 1, 1981, except that after July 1, 1985, commuter fares may be adjusted generally proportionately to any other fare adjustments.

Sec. 2. 23 MRSA §1973, sub-§4, ¶C is enacted to read:

C. Fees, fares and tolls for any class of vehicles may be adjusted based on time of day, week or year, number of passengers or other factors as the authority determines will promote the policies set forth in section 73.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill provides the Maine Turnpike Authority with greater flexibility in setting its toll rates, including commuter toll rates, in order to develop demand management, air quality promotion and other strategies envisioned in the Sensible Transportation Policy Act.