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House of Representatives, January 11, 1999

An Act to Abolish the Maine Turnpike Authority.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, COWGER of Hallowell, GERRY of Auburn, GOODWIN of Pembroke, TRIPP of Topsham.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 Sec. 1. 23 MRSA c. 24, as amended, is repealed. 4 Sec. 2. Transition. Any rights, duties, obligations and powers belonging to the Maine Turnpike Authority are transferred 6 to and assumed by the Department of Transportation on January 1, The department shall submit a report, together with the 8 2001. necessary implementing legislation, to the Joint Standing 10 Committee on Transportation no later than January 1, 2000 to accomplish this transition. This report must include the 12 mechanisms necessary for the department to assume all the rights, duties, obligations and powers of the Maine Turnpike Authority by 14 January 1, 2001. Sec. 3. Effective date. Section 1 of this Act takes effect 16 January 1, 2001. 18 **SUMMARY** 20 22 This bill abolishes the Maine Turnpike Authority in 2 years and transfers duties and operation of the turnpike to the 24 Department of Transportation. The department is required to submit a plan by January 1, 2000 that will accomplish the 26 transfer by January 1, 2001.