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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 332, L.D. 448, Bill, "An Act Regarding the Maintenance of Private Roads"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§3101." by striking out all of the last underlined sentence (page 1, lines 24 and 25 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following: 'As used in this section, "repairs" does not include paving, except to repair existing pavement or in locations where limited paving is demonstrated to be a cost-effective approach for fixing an erosion problem.'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in that part designated "§3102." by striking out all of the last underlined sentence (page 1, lines 38 to 40 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following: 'The commissioner's apportioning of the cost of repairs to the road undertaken pursuant to the provisions of section 3101 may not exceed 1% of an individual owner's property valuation in any calendar year.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

This bill may decrease the number of civil suits filed in the court system. The Judicial Department may realize some minor savings from reductions of workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of cases that will no longer be filed. Reductions in the collection of filing fees may decrease General Fund revenue by minor amounts.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

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6 This amendment is the majority report. It further defines
the meaning of "repairs" to private ways and limits the amount
8 that the road commissioner of a local road association may assess
individual property owners for road repairs in any calendar
year. This amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.