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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 52, L.D. 56, "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Facilitate the Repeal of the Taxation of Personal Property Valued at \$1,000 or More"

Amend the resolution by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Repeal the Taxation of Certain Individually Owned Personal Property Valued at \$1,000 or More'

Further amend the resolution by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §655, sub-§1, ¶P, as amended by PL 1997, c. 24, Pt. U, §1, is further amended to read:

P. All items of individually owned personal property with a just-value-of-less-than-\$1,000, except:

- (1) Items used for industrial or commercial purposes; and

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2 (2) Vehicles and camp trailers as defined in section
1481 not subject to an excise tax; and

4 **Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following
appropriations and allocations are made.

6 **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

8 **Personal Property Tax Reimbursement (new)**

10 Initiative: Provides funds to reimburse municipalities for 50%
12 of the property tax revenue lost as a result of the exemption for
individually owned personal property.

14	GENERAL FUND	2005-06	2006-07
16	All Other	\$0	\$6,101,000
18	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<hr/>	<hr/>
		\$0	\$6,101,000

20 **Maine Revenue Services 0002**

22 Initiative: Provides funds for the administrative costs
associated with the change in the exemption for personal
24 property, including funds for one part-time Property Appraiser
position.

26	GENERAL FUND	2005-06	2006-07
28	POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	0.500
	Personal Services	\$0	\$33,736
30	All Other	\$0	\$2,500
32	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<hr/>	<hr/>
		\$0	\$36,236

34 **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

36	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2005-06	2006-07
38	GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$6,137,236
40	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<hr/>	<hr/>
		\$0	\$6,137,236

42 **SUMMARY**

44 This amendment replaces the resolution and extends the
46 property tax exemption for certain individually owned items of

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personal property to include items with a just value of \$1,000 or
more.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

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RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Facilitate the Repeal of the Taxation of Personal Property Valued at \$1,000 or More

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current Cost - State Mandate

	2005-06	2006-07	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$6,137,236	\$6,444,360	\$6,766,5
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$6,137,236	\$6,444,360	\$6,766,502

State Mandate

New or Expanded Activity

Administrative activities and expenses associated with extending the personal property tax exemption

Unit Affected

Municipality

Costs

Insignificant

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations totalling \$6,137,236 in fiscal year 2006-07 to reimburse municipalities for 50% of the property tax revenue lost due to the expanded exemption for personal property and to support the related administrative costs.