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L.D. 425
(Filing No. H-85)

**MINORITY
LABOR AND HOUSING**

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
129TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 334, L.D. 425, Bill, "An Act To Strengthen Small Businesses in Rural Maine by Changing the Minimum Wage"

Amend the bill by incorporating the attached fiscal note.

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, incorporates a fiscal note.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 425

LR 1761(02)

An Act To Strengthen Small Businesses in Rural Maine by Changing the Minimum Wage

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment *A(H-85)*

Committee: Labor and Housing

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium savings - All funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Current law requires the \$11.00 per hour minimum wage to increase to \$12.00 per hour on January 1, 2020 and by the CPI annually beginning on January 1, 2021. This bill repeals those provisions and lowers the minimum wage to \$10.00 per hour. This reduction in the minimum wage and elimination of the annual cost-of-living increases may result in savings to the State and municipalities beginning in fiscal year 2019-20, depending on the wages currently in place and decisions on future wages when increases are no longer required by law.