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An Act to Remit 15 Percent of the Fine for a Violation of the Motor Vehicle Laws to the Municipality in Which the Violation Occurred

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BLIER of Buxton.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARLOW of Buxton, DUCHARME of Madison.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2602, sub-§4**, as amended by PL 2003, c. 498, §6 and
3 affected by §12, is further amended to read:

4 **4. Fines.** Except as otherwise provided in this Title, ~~fin~~es and ~~forfeitures~~ collected
5 ~~under this Title accrue to the General Fund, except that~~ 15% of a fine collected under this
6 Title must be remitted to the municipality in which the violation or traffic infraction
7 occurred if the Uniform Summons and Complaint or the Violation Summons and
8 Complaint that resulted in the fine was issued by a municipal law enforcement agency and:

9 A. Six percent of ~~fin~~es and ~~forfeitures~~ collected for all traffic infractions, including
10 ~~fin~~es and ~~forfeitures~~ collected for traffic infractions under section 561-A, accrues to
11 the Law Enforcement Agency Reimbursement Fund established in Title 4, section 173,
12 subsection 4-B. This paragraph does not apply to sections 525, 1767 and 2363;

13 B. Of the ~~fin~~es and ~~forfeitures~~ collected for traffic infractions under sections 511, 2354,
14 2356, 2360, 2380, 2387 and 2388, 7% accrues to the General Fund, 6% accrues to the
15 Law Enforcement Agency Reimbursement Fund and the balance accrues to the ~~General~~
16 Highway Fund; and

17 C. Of the ~~fin~~es and ~~forfeitures~~ collected for violations other than traffic infractions
18 under sections 511, 2354, 2356, 2360, 2380, 2387 and 2388, only \$5 or 13%, whichever
19 is greater, accrues to the General Fund and the balance accrues to the Highway Fund.

20 The remaining balance of the fines collected under this Title, after the collection of fines
21 under this subsection, accrues to the General Fund.

22 **SUMMARY**

23 This bill requires that 15% of a fine collected for a violation of the motor vehicle laws
24 must be remitted to the municipality in which the violation occurred if the fine resulted
25 from a summons issued by a municipal law enforcement agency.