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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 108TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

(Filing No. S-179)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 179, L.D. 493, Bill,
"AN ACT to Assess a Surcharge on Fines and Penalties for the
Operation of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy."

Amend the Bill in that part designated "2807" by striking out all of the second paragraph and inserting in its place the following:

'In addition to every fine or forfeiture imposed for a criminal offense or traffic infraction, an additional amount shall be paid by the defendant to the clerk of the court in accordance with the following table:'

Further amend the Bill in that part designated "2807" by striking out all of the first paragraph after the table and inserting in its place the following:

'Where multiple offenses or infractions are involved,
the penalty assessment shall be based upon the total fine
or forfeiture for all offenses and infractions. When a fine
or forfeiture is suspended, in whole or in part, the penalty
assessment shall be reduced in proportion to the suspension.'

Further amend the Bill in that part designated "§2807." by striking out all of the second paragraph after the table.

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are to clarify language and to delete provisions for a surcharge on bail, which would be unconstitutional.

This is also to correct a typographical error which appears in the printed L.D. in the second column of the 2 tables appearing at the bottom of page 1 and top of page 2. The headings read "Amount of Fund" but should read "Amount to Fund." This will be corrected as the Bill is engrossed.

Reported by the Committee on State Government.

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