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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-706)
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 586, L.D. 1651, Bill,
"AN ACT to Make Allocations from the Highway Fund for the Fiscal
Years Ending June 30, 1981."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of the title and
inserting in its place the following: 'AN ACT to Make Allocations
from the Highway Fund for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1981,
and to Increase Revenues.'

Further amend the Bill in section 1 in Code #0406
← by striking out all of the 3rd line
(same in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'Unallocated 1,200,000 3,200,000'

Further amend the Bill in section 1 by striking out all
of the last 3 lines and inserting in their place the following:

'Total Allocations \$95,008,943 \$95,786,207

Amounting to \$95,008,943 for the fiscal year ending June 30,
1980, and \$95,786,207 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1981.'

Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end before
the emergency clause the following:

'Sec. 6. 29 MRSA §57-A, first sentence, as last amended by
PL 1975, c. 770, §145, is further amended to read:
Reports of records pertaining to convictions, adjudications,
accidents, suspensions, revocations and other information re-
quired by commercial users shall be furnished by the Secretary
of State at a fee of ~~\$2~~-\$3 for each request upon receipt of such
request from an individual, insurance company or other party
requiring such information.'

Sec. 7. 29 MRSA §152, first paragraph, first 2

sentences, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 589, §§1 and 2 are further amended to read:

Whoever transfers the ownership or discontinues the use of a registered motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer and applies to the Secretary of State for registration of another motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer in the same registration year shall be entitled to a certificate of registration permitting the use of number plates of the proper class of registration thereon upon payment of a transfer fee of ~~5~~8, provided the fee is the same as that of the former vehicle. If the fee for the vehicle to be registered is greater, he shall pay in addition to the transfer fee of ~~5~~8 the difference between the fee paid by him for the vehicle first registered and the fee for the vehicle to which the transfer is to be made.

Sec. 8. 29 MRSA §242, sub-51, 1A, first sentence is amended

to read:

Used for the conveyance of passengers, ~~15~~20.

Sec. 9. 29 MRSA §245-A, first ¶, 3rd and 4th sentences, as

amended by PL 1979, c. 227, are repealed and the following enacted in their place:

The Secretary of State shall furnish the person, partnership or corporation with one semipermanent plate for each such semitrailer or trailer, which plate shall expire either at the

end of each 8-year or 12-year semipermanent plate program or, in the case of new semitrailers or new trailers, at the end of the 12th registration year following the year of issuance, depending upon the type of registration requested by the applicant. The fee shall be \$10 for each semitrailer registration and \$5 for each trailer registration for not more than 2,000 pounds, GVW; for each registration year, or portion thereof; and there shall be no refund of payment of such fee, except that when a plate is returned within 120 days of the effective date of that year's registration with an affidavit that the plate has never been used and the Secretary of State is satisfied that the plate has never been used, the pro rata amount, based upon the unused portion of the semipermanent plate period at the time of surrender of the registration, shall be refunded.

Sec. 10. 29 MRSA §245-A, last 2 paragraphs, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 157, are amended to read:

At the beginning of each 8-year or 12-year semipermanent plate program, it shall be lawful to use and display the number plates issued for the ensuing 8-year or 12-year semipermanent plate program on and after December 1st of the preceding calendar year.

The first display date of all 8-year or 12-year semipermanent plates issued after the commencement of the 8-year or 12-year semipermanent plate program shall be either on and after the date of purchase or on and after February 1st next following the date of issuance, depending upon the number of registration years paid for by the registrant.

Sec. 11. 29 MRSA §246, first 2 ¶¶ ^{are} /repealed and the following enacted in their place:

With each application for registration of a motor truck, tractors and truck tractors shall be paid an annual registration fee graduated as follows when equipped with pneumatic tires:

From 0 pounds gross weight to 6,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$ 20
From 6,001 pounds gross weight to 9,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$ 25
From 9,001 pounds gross weight to 11,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$ 40
From 11,001 pounds gross weight to 14,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$ 70
From 14,001 pounds gross weight to 16,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$ 92
From 16,001 pounds gross weight to 18,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$115
From 18,001 pounds gross weight to 20,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$144
From 20,001 pounds gross weight to 23,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$173
From 23,001 pounds gross weight to 26,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$201
From 26,001 pounds gross weight to 29,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$246
From 29,001 pounds gross weight to 32,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$277
From 32,001 pounds gross weight to 35,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$308
From 35,001 pounds gross weight to 38,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$338
From 38,001 pounds gross weight to 42,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$370
From 42,001 pounds gross weight to 46,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$400
From 46,001 pounds gross weight to 50,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$431
From 50,001 pounds gross weight to 55,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$471
From 55,001 pounds gross weight to 60,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$523
From 60,001 pounds gross weight to 65,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$570
From 65,001 pounds gross weight to 70,550 pounds gross weight.....	\$627
From 70,551 pounds gross weight to 73,280 pounds gross weight.....	\$690

A registration fee of \$18 shall be paid for each thousand pounds or portion thereof of gross weight a vehicle is registered for in excess of 73,280 pounds.

Sec. 12. 29 MRSA §347, ^{2nd sentence,} as amended by PL 1975, c. 589, §15,

is further amended to read:

The annual fee for plates shall be \$15 ~~\$20~~ per plate, except that on application for additional plates applied for during the period between the first day of September and the 31st day of December in any year, 1/2 of the plate fee shall be charged.

Sec. 13. Termination date. The fees established in sections 8 and 11 of this Act shall terminate on October 1, 1981, and the fees in effect immediately prior to the enactment of this Act shall prevail.

Sec. 14. Effective date. Sections 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, ^{and} 13 of this Act shall take effect on July 1, 1979.

Fiscal Note

This amendment will generate approximately \$14,500,000 as described as follows:

Section 6 - \$ 400,000

Section 7 - \$ 800,000

Sections 8 and 11 - \$8,400,000

Sections 9 and 10 - \$4,800,000

Section 12 - \$ 100,000

~~STATEMENT OF FACT~~

The purpose of this amendment is to provide sufficient revenues to match the allocations from the General Highway

and for the biennium 1979-1981. To accomplish this purpose,

Section 6 increases the fee for motor vehicle record checks from

\$2 to \$3; Section 7 increases the motor vehicle transfer fee from
 \$5 to \$8; Section 8 increases automobile registration fees from
 \$15 to \$20; Sections 9 and 10 extend the long-term trailer plates for the next regis-
 tration period from 8 years to 12 years; Section 11 increases the cost of registration
 of trucks by 5% to 15% whichever is the greater; and Section 12 increases the cost of
 dealer plates from \$15 to \$20.50.

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