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STATE OF MAINE
 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-854)
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 SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1682, L.D. 1791, Bill,
 "AN ACT to License Users of Ionizing and Nonionizing Radiation
 Equipment."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the
 enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §103, sub-§9, as enacted by PL 1971,
 c. 423, §1, is amended by adding at the end a new sentence
 to read:

These duties shall include monitoring radioactive emissions from
 all nuclear power reactors.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated
 from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
 DIVISION OF HEALTH ENGINEERING

Personal Services	\$54,665
All Other	<u>4,535</u>
Total	\$59,200'

Statement of Fact

This amendment creates a legislative mandate for the
 Department of Human Services to monitor radioactive emissions from
 nuclear power plants. The amendment contains an appropriation to
 cover the cost of existing monitoring at Maine Yankee. This monitor-
 ing is presently financed with federal funds which are being
 dramatically cut back.

The amendment deletes any reference to other sources of

ionizing radiation. The Department of Human Services presently has authority to require registration and testing of x-ray and other equipment. If federal or other funds are not available for state inspection and calibration testing, the department can promulgate rules requiring operators of the equipment, at their own expense, to have this testing done by private technicians.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
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