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(Governor's Bill)
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1801

H. P. 1691

House of Representatives, January 15, 1980

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk of the House

Presented by Mr. Silsby of Ellsworth.

Cosponsors: Mrs. Locke of Sebec, Mr. Diamond of Windham and Mr. Norris of Brewer.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY

AN ACT to Increase the Fees for the Driver Education Evaluation Program.

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

29 MRSA § 1312, sub-§ 10-A, ¶ E, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 626, § 2, is amended to read:

E. The Department of Human Services may charge a registration fee not to exceed ~~\$40~~ **\$50** to participants in the education program, which shall be applied to defraying the expenses of the program.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill will increase the fees necessary to administer the driver education evaluation program for operating under the influence offenders from \$40 to \$50 per course. The present fees cover the program's operating expenses for the upwards of 350 persons a month required to take the course. There are currently no additional funds available to cover the cost of equipment replacement, instructor training and instructor fee increases. This program is a vital tool in the total effort to control the drinking and driving problem on Maine highways.

This proposal will insure no General Fund moneys are needed to sustain this vital safety program. It will generate \$36,000 per month based on 300 attendees.