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ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 2039

H. P. 2053

House of Representatives, April 2, 1980

The Committee on Transportation suggested. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk of the House

Presented by Mr. Carroll of Limerick.

Cosponsors: Mr. McKean of Limestone and Mr. Strout of Corinth.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY

AN ACT to Revise Allocations from the Highway Fund for the Fiscal Years from July 1, 1979 to June 30, 1981, and to Provide Increased Revenues to the Highway Fund.

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

Sec. 1. 23 MRSA § 1103, as last amended by PL 1979, c. 127, §§ 151 & 152, is further amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read:

Notwithstanding this section, for the fiscal year 1980-81 only, the department shall increase its apportionment of state aid by 35% of the state aid joint fund so expended for reconstruction of improved state or state aid highways or for construction of unimproved bridges and approaches under the Bridge Act, provided the bridge is located between sections of improved state aid highways.

Sec. 2. 29 MRSA § 532, 4th ¶, as amended by PL 1975, c. 589, § 19, is further amended to read:

The fee for ~~said~~ a motorcycle or motor driven cycle learner's permit shall be ~~\$5~~ \$10 which shall include the first road test. The fee for all subsequent examinations shall be ~~\$3~~ \$5.

Sec. 3. 29 MRSA § 542, first ¶, last sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 212, § 2, is amended to read:

The fee for such license shall be ~~\$10~~ \$16.

Sec. 4. 29 MRSA § 542, 2nd ¶, last sentence, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 212, § 2, is amended to read:

The fee for such license shall be ~~\$5~~ \$8.

Sec. 5. 29 MRSA § 542, last sentence, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 212, § 3, is amended to read:

The fee for all 2-year licenses shall be ~~\$5~~ \$8.

Sec. 6. 29 MRSA § 582, sub-§§ 1 and 2, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 589, § 21, are amended to read:

1. Class 1 or 2 license. The examination fee shall be ~~\$8~~ \$13, which shall include the first road test. All subsequent examination fees shall be ~~\$5~~ \$8.

2. Class 3 license. The examination fee shall be ~~\$5~~ \$10, which shall include the first road test. All subsequent examination fees shall be ~~\$3~~ \$5.

Sec. 7. 29 MRSA § 2352, sub-§ 1, ¶ A, first line, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 745, § 13, is amended to read:

A. ~~\$5.00~~ \$7

Sec. 8. 29 MRSA § 2352, sub-§ 1, ¶ B, first line, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 745, § 13, is amended to read:

B. ~~\$4.00~~ \$6

Sec. 9. 29 MRSA § 2352, sub-§ 1, ¶ C, first line, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 745, § 13, is amended to read:

C. ~~\$3.00~~ \$5

Sec. 10. 29 MRSA § 2352, sub-§ 1, ¶ D, first line, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 745, § 13, is amended to read:

D. ~~\$1.00~~ \$2.50

Sec. 11. PL 1979, c. 439, Part A, § 1, under the caption "29 DEPARTMENT OF SECRETARY OF STATE," for the years 1979-80 and 1980-81, is amended to read:

0077 Motor Vehicles-Administration.....	2-117		
Unallocated		4,066,377	4,173,265
		4,016,377	3,692,265

Sec. 12. PL 1979, c. 439, Part A, § 1, under the caption "16 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY," for the years 1979-80 and 1980-81 is amended to read:

0291 State Police	2-681		
Unallocated		8,443,538	8,607,628
			8,207,628

Sec. 13. PL 1979, c. 439, Part A, § 1, under the caption “07 TRANSPORTATION,” for the years 1979-80 and 1980-81, is amended to read:

0341	Transportation-Planning & Services .. 2-175		
	Unallocated	730,809	768,000
		630,809	668,000
0339	Highway-Administration 2-701		
	Unallocated	3,694,645	3,827,050
		3,594,645	3,527,050
0336	Highway-State Aid Construction..... 2-733		
	Unallocated	7,900,000	7,900,000
		400,000	6,863,000
0355	Highway-Town Road Improvement		
	Fund 2-734		
	Unallocated	1,000,000	1,000,000
			700,000
0330	Highway-Summer Maintenance 2-720		
	Unallocated	27,285,700	28,719,900
			26,719,900
0332	Highway-Picnic Area 2-725		
	Unallocated	105,307	107,604
			7,604
0354	Highway-Winter Maintenance..... 2-741		
	Unallocated	17,111,208	17,908,874
		16,386,208	17,408,874
0358	Highway-Bond Interest 2-749		
	Unallocated	2,688,667	3,276,497
		2,469,267	3,065,897
0359	Highway-Bond Retirement 2-751		
	Unallocated	5,180,000	1,860,000
			1,290,000
0406	Highway-Highway and Bridge		
	Improvements 2-753		
	Unallocated	1,200,000	3,200,000
			2,700,000

Sec. 14. PL 1979, c. 439, Part A, § 1, the line “Total Allocations,” for the years 1979-80 and 1980-81, is amended to read:

Total Allocations	\$95,008,943	\$95,786,207
	\$86,314,543	\$89,287,607

Sec. 15. PL 1979, c. 439, Part A, § 1, last ¶, is amended to read:

Amounting to ~~\$95,008,943~~ **\$86,314,543** for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1980, and ~~\$95,786,207~~ **\$89,287,607** for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1981.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to revise the allocations from and increase revenues to the highway Fund to compensate for the expected shortfall of \$16,700,000 in revenues to this fund for the biennium of July 1, 1979 to June 30, 1981.

I. Revenue increases

This bill increases operator's license fees by \$1.50 per year, driver examination fees by \$5.00 for initial examinations and \$3 for subsequent examinations, motorcycle license fees by \$5, and certificate of title fees by \$2.

A. Increased operator license fee revenues =	\$1,050,000
B. Increased driver exam fee revenues =	306,000
C. Increased motorcycle license fee revenues =	50,000
D. Increased certificate of title fees =	400,000

Total increased fee revenues	\$1,806,000
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II. Program reductions

This bill reduces program allocations in the highway budget.

Program	Actual Reduction 1979-80	Actual Reduction 1980-81	Total	Actual Reduction 1979-81
1. Motor Vehicle Admin.	\$ 50,000	\$ 175,000	=	\$ 225,000*
2. State Police		400,000	=	400,000
3. Transportation: Planning	100,000	100,000	=	200,000
4. Transportation: Admin.	100,000	300,000	=	400,000
5. State Aid Construction	7,500,000	1,037,000	=	8,537,000
6. Town Road Improvement		300,000	=	300,000
7. Summer Maintenance		2,000,000	=	2,000,000
8. Picnic Area Construction		100,000	=	100,000
9. Winter Maintenance	725,000	500,000	=	1,225,000
10. Highway Bond Interest	219,400	210,600	=	430,000
11. Highway Bond Retirement		570,000	=	570,000

12. Highway & Bridge Improv.		500,000 =	500,000
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Total Actual Reductions	\$8,694,400	\$6,192,600	\$14,887,000

III. Total revenues

A. Increased fee revenues = \$1,806,000

B. Program reductions = \$14,887,000

Total = \$16,693,000

* This figure represents the difference between \$531,000 in the program allocation and the increased revenues of \$306,000 from driver examination fee increases dedicated to the Motor Vehicle Division.