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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
114TH LEGISLATURE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 786, L.D. 2032, Bill, "An Act Prohibiting Chlorofluorocarbons in Automobile Air Conditioners"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

38 MRSA §1606 is enacted to read:

§1606. Motor vehicle air conditioning

1. Definitions. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

A. "Motor vehicle" has the same meaning as defined in Title 29, section 1, subsection 7.

B. "CFC" means any of the chlorofluorocarbon chemicals CFC-11, CFC-12, CFC-112, CFC-113, CFC-114, CFC-115 and CFC-502.

2. Service. After January 1, 1992, a person may not perform service on motor vehicle air conditioners for compensation, unless that person uses equipment that is certified by the Underwriters' Laboratories or an institution determined by the commissioner to be comparable, as meeting the Society of Automotive Engineers standard applicable to equipment for the extraction and reclamation of refrigerant from motor vehicle air conditioners.

3. Recordkeeping. After January 1, 1992, a commercial establishment servicing automobile air conditioners shall maintain records at the establishment of the following:

A. The number of automobile air conditioners serviced by the establishment;

B. The amount of CFC purchased by the establishment; and

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2 C. The amount of CFC sold or used by the establishment.

4 The establishment shall maintain records for not less than 3
6 years and provide those records on request to the commissioner.

8 4. CFC coolant. After October 1, 1991, a person may not
10 sell any CFC coolant in a container containing less than 15
12 pounds of that coolant, unless it bears a warning label
 indicating the product's danger to ozone in the stratosphere.
 After January 1, 1992, a person may sell or offer for sale CFC
 coolant, suitable for use in motor vehicle air conditioners, only:

14 A. For commercial or industrial use; or

16 B. In containers containing more than 15 pounds of that
18 coolant.

20 5. Registration. A motor vehicle with a model year of 1994
22 or later may not be registered in the State or sold to a consumer
 or dealer in the State if it contains air conditioning equipment
 that uses CFCs.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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28 This amendment changes the original bill to delete the
30 rule-making requirement for the phase in of CFC recycling units,
32 enacts recordkeeping requirements for businesses servicing
34 automobile air conditioners, delays by one year the registration
 ban on motor vehicles with air conditioning units that use CFCs
 and removes a reporting requirement for the Department of
 Environmental Protection.

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