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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
115TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 199, L.D. 290, Bill, "An Act to Require Seat Belts in School Buses"

Amend the bill in the first line after the enacting clause (page 1, line 3 in L.D.) by inserting at the beginning: 'Sec. 1.'

Further amend the bill in that part designated "§2014-A." by striking out all of subsection 2

Further amend the bill in that part designated "§2014-A." in subsection 3 in the first line (page 1, line 17 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "3." and inserting in its place the following: '2.'

Further amend the bill by inserting before the statement of fact the following:

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

1992-93

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Reimbursement for State Mandates

All Other \$75,000

Provides funds for the repair and maintenance of school bus seat belts.

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FISCAL NOTE

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1992-93

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Appropriations and Allocations

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General Fund

\$75,000

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10 This bill will result in an increased purchase price for
12 school buses and will decrease the number of school buses that
14 can be purchased within the \$5,000,000 annual limit on bus
16 purchases. School units may also incur additional expenditures
18 related to the maintenance and repair of seat belts. Under the
state mandate law, an additional General Fund appropriation of
\$75,000 in fiscal year 1992-93 is required by the Department of
Education, Reimbursement for State Mandates, to reimburse school
units for 100% of the costs incurred for seat belt maintenance
and repair.

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The Department of Transportation and the Department of
Education can absorb the costs related to the rulemaking required
in this bill within their existing budgeted resources.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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28 This amendment removes the requirement in the bill that
existing school buses be retrofitted with seat safety belts by
1996. The amendment also adds an appropriation and fiscal note.

Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Transportation
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House
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