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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 508, L.D. 702, Bill, "An Act Regarding the Relocation of Utility Facilities as a Result of State Highway Construction"

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

'Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §256 is enacted to read:

The department shall develop a program whereby financial assistance may be provided to any utility as defined in section 255 that experiences serious financial hardship as a result of being required to move or relocate its facilities in or from any way because of department construction needs in building, relocating, widening or otherwise performing work on or with respect to any state highway.

Sec. 2. Transportation Department report. The Department of Transportation shall report to the Joint Standing Committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over transportation matters on or before December 1, 1992 with a program as set out in section 1 and any necessary legislation to implement the program. The report must identify the utilities to which the program may apply, circumstances under which financial assistance may be granted and the estimated cost of the program.'

FISCAL NOTE

Statutorily requiring the development and eventual implementation of a financial assistance program for the relocation of utility facilities will require future Highway Fund allocations to the Department of Transportation.

Costs associated with reporting back to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation by December 1, 1992 will be absorbed by the Department of Transportation utilizing existing budgeted resources.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment requires the Department of Transportation to develop a program to provide financial assistance to utilities that have experienced serious financial hardship as a result of having to relocate their facilities to accommodate DOT construction projects. The department will submit the program including necessary legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation for its consideration.

Reported by the Committee on Transportation
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