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**STATE OF MAINE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1690, L.D. 2370, Bill, "An Act to Enforce Registration of Motor Vehicles"

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. 29 MRSA §102-B is enacted to read:

§102-B. Evasion of registration fees and excise taxes

A person required to register a vehicle in this State who instead registers the vehicle in another state or province is guilty of evasion of registration fees and excise taxes. Violation of this section is a traffic infraction punishable by a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$1000.

The Secretary of State shall notify the State Tax Assessor upon receipt of the court abstract so that the State Tax Assessor may determine whether further investigation is necessary.

FISCAL NOTE

The collection of registration fees, sales and excise taxes from individuals who register a motor vehicle in another state or province after being found guilty of evasion will increase both General Fund and Highway Fund revenue. The amounts can not be estimated at this time.

The additional workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial Department.

2 The collection of additional fines will also increase
General Fund revenue by a minor amount.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

8 This amendment replaces the bill and simplifies the language
of the bill. The amendment establishes evasion of the payment of
10 registration fees and excise taxes as a traffic infraction
punishable by a fine of \$500 to \$1,000.

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This amendment also adds a fiscal note.

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