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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
116TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 215, L.D. 283, Bill, "An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds, and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1994 and June 30, 1995"

Amend the amendment in Part C in section 6 by striking out all of paragraph A-1 and inserting in its place the following:

'A-1. Fifty percent of that portion of the benefit base that exceeds 4.5% but ~~does not exceed~~ 8.5% of household income, ~~plus 100% of that portion of the benefit base that exceeds 8.5% of income~~ to a maximum payment of \$3,000 \$750.'

Further amend the amendment in Part C in section 7 in subsection 2 in the last line (page 314, line 38 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$25,000" and inserting in its place the following: '\$40,000'

Further amend the amendment by inserting after Part HHHH the following:

PART III

Sec. III-1. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§9-D, as amended by PL 1991, c. 591, Pt. N, §1 and affected by §2, is further amended to read:

9-D. Fuel and electricity used at a manufacturing facility. Ninety-five percent of the sale price of all fuel and electricity purchased for use at a manufacturing facility. The sales or use tax rate applicable to 95% of the sale price of such fuel and electricity must be progressively reduced to 0 according to the following schedule:

Date of purchase	Sales or use tax rate
July 1, 1987, to June 30, 1988	4%
July 1, 1988, to June 30, 1989	3%
July 1, 1989, to June 30, 1991	2%
July 1, 1991, to June 30, 1993 1995	1%
July 1, 1993 1995, and thereafter	0%

Each year prior to the effective date of the next reduction, after the reduction beginning July 1, 1987, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over taxation shall review the effect of this subsection and report to the Legislature.

Sec. III-2. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§14 is repealed.

Sec. III-3. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Part.

	1993-94	1994-95
ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Maine Residents Property Tax Program		
All Other	\$7,161,039	\$7,519,611
Provides funds for a higher level of participation in the Maine Residents Property Tax Program.		
Tree Growth Reimbursement		
All Other		1,000,000
Provides funds for the 90% reimbursement level required by law in fiscal year 1994-95.		
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES		
TOTAL	<u>7,161,039</u>	<u>8,519,611</u>
SECTION III-3		
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	<u>\$7,161,039</u>	<u>\$8,519,611</u>

2 **Sec. III-4. Effective date.** Section 2 of this Part takes effect
September 1, 1993.'

4 Further amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering
6 any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
consecutively.

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10 **FISCAL NOTE**

12 This amendment will have a negative net fiscal impact to the
General Fund of \$1,285 in fiscal year 1993-94 and will have a
14 positive net fiscal impact to the General Fund of \$406,291 in
fiscal year 1994-95.

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18 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

20 This amendment extends the phaseout of the sales tax on
22 energy used in manufacturing, repeals the sales tax exemption on
sales of short-term periodicals and appropriates funds to an
24 amended circuit breaker program and the tree growth reimbursement
program.

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