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STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
116TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 665, L.D. 903, Bill, "An Act to Bring the Bureau of State Police, the Department of the Attorney General and the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency into Conformity with the Criminal History Record Information Laws"

Amend the amendment in section 9 in that part designated "~~§623.~~" by striking out all of the indented paragraph (page 3, lines 12 to 16 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'The Department of the Attorney General may establish a fee structure for access and copying of records available to the public under this chapter. The cost of providing access and copying that are not covered by the fee must be covered by existing resources of the department. No additional money may be appropriated from the General Fund for this purpose.'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of section 11 and inserting in its place the following:

**'Sec. 11. Effective date.** This Act takes effect July 1, 1995.'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the fiscal note and inserting in its place the following:

**FISCAL NOTE**

Authorizing the Department of the Attorney General to establish a fee for access to and copying of records to produce funds that are substantially equivalent to the cost to make these records available will increase General Fund revenue by approximately \$20,000 annually beginning in fiscal year 1995-96.

**SENATE AMENDMENT**

2 The Department of the Attorney General will incur additional  
annual costs of approximately of \$60,000 beginning in fiscal year  
4 1995-96. The bill limits the amount of additional General Fund  
appropriations that the department may receive for this purpose  
6 to the amount of additional revenue. The net cost of \$40,000  
must be absorbed by the department utilizing existing resources.'

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12 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

14 This amendment permits the Attorney General to establish a  
fee for access to and copying of records. Costs of access and  
copying that are not covered by fees must be covered by existing  
16 resources. No additional funds may be appropriated from the  
General Fund for this purpose. The amendment removes the  
18 appropriation section, adds an effective date and replaces the  
fiscal note.

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