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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1080, L.D. 1446, Bill, "An Act to Establish an Ambient Water Toxins Program"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 2 (page 2, lines 49 to 50 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §551, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1979, c. 541, Pt. A, §268, is further amended to read:

1. **Research and development.** The Legislature may not allocate ~~not~~ more than \$100,000 \$208,275 per annum of the amount then currently in the fund ~~to--be--devoted~~ to research and development in the causes, effects and removal of pollution caused by oil, petroleum products and their by-products and their impact on the marine environment. Such allocations shall must be made in accordance with section 555. This subsection is repealed July 1, 1995.

Further amend the amendment in section 3 in subsection 1-B by inserting at the end a new sentence to read: 'This subsection takes effect July 1, 1996.'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of section 4 (page 3, lines 11 to 14 in amendment)

Further amend the amendment by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

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L.D. 1446

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

FISCAL NOTE

1994-95

APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

Other Funds \$208,275

This bill has a total first year cost of \$418,275 in fiscal
year 1994-95 to establish an ambient water toxins program. A
total of \$210,000 in General Fund appropriations with
authorization for 3 additional positions has been included in the
committee amendment to the supplemental budget (LD 1761). To
cover the remaining operating costs, the bill includes a one-time
Other Special Revenue allocation of \$208,275 in fiscal year
1994-95 from the Coastal and Inland Surface Oil Clean-up Fund.
The fund has adequate financial resources to cover this
additional level of support for this program.

Beginning in fiscal year 1995-96, the program's estimated
annual cost is \$639,000. Additional annual General Fund
appropriations of \$429,000 will be required to replace the Other
Special Revenue allocations and to cover the full costs of the
program.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment clarifies the intent of the Joint Standing
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources regarding the
allocation from the Coastal and Inland Surface Oil Clean-up Fund.

The amendment also conforms existing law to current drafting
standards and replaces the fiscal note.

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