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H.P. 15

House of Representatives, January 12, 1995

An Act to Equalize Payments for Emission Testing in the State.

Reference to the Committee on Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative LEMONT of Kittery.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FARNUM of South Berwick, GIERINGER of Portland, JONES of Pittsfield, LIBBY of Kennebunk, MARSHALL of Eliot, NICKERSON of Turner, RICE of South Bristol, Senator: LORD of York.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §154, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Emission inspection fee. The Secretary of State shall biennially collect a \$7 fee for each registered motor vehicle and transmit this fee to the Treasurer of State for deposit into the Motor Vehicle Emission Inspection Fund.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §201, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

1. **Appointment of agents by Secretary of State; scope of authority.** With the approval of the municipal officers, the Secretary of State may appoint a municipal tax collector, or other persons designated by a municipality, to collect excise taxes and an emission inspection fee on vehicles and to receive applications for licenses, license renewals, registrations and renewals of registrations of motor vehicles, trailers and semitrailers. The Secretary of State may authorize a municipal agent to issue licenses, registrations and renewals of licenses and registrations or may limit the agent's authority to the issuance of renewals only.

Sec. 3. 38 MRSA §2407, as amended by PL 1993, c. 418, §12, is repealed.

Sec. 4. 38 MRSA §2408, sub-§2, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 818, §2, is amended to read:

D. Proceeds of inspection fees as required under Title 29-A, section 154, subsection 1-A.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill eliminates the current emission inspection fee and instead requires that each motor vehicle registered in this State be assessed a \$7 fee biennially to cover the costs incurred by the Motor Vehicle Emission Inspection Program.