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SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P.
139, L.D. 325, Bill, "An Act to Revise the Maine Turnpike
Authority's Powers with Respect to Commuter Tolls"20
Amend the amendment by striking out all of the emergency
preamble.22
Further amend the amendment by striking out all of section 1.24
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Further amend the amendment in section 2 by striking out all
of paragraph A-1 (page 2, lines 16 to 20 in amendment) and
inserting in its place the following:28
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'A-1. The authority is prohibited from imposing variable
surcharges based on the time of day and the number of
passengers in the vehicle. Notwithstanding any other
provisions of law, for the purposes of section 73 and
chapter 24, congestion pricing may be evaluated as a
reasonable transportation alternative to widening or
expansion of the Maine Turnpike to 3 lanes in each direction
from Exit 1 to Exit 6A on a projected basis without actual
implementation of congestion pricing on a demonstration
basis. If congestion pricing is implemented as a
demonstration project, it may not include surcharges, only
incentives to travel at nonpeak hours.'42
Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the
emergency clause.44
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Further amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering
any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
consecutively.

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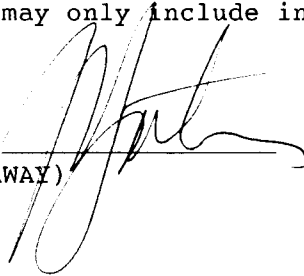
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STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment strikes language specifically authorizing the Maine Turnpike Authority to establish a system of variable surcharges based on the time of day or the number of passengers in the vehicle and prohibits the authority from imposing such surcharge pricing. This amendment also makes clear that congestion pricing, as a reasonable alternative to widening the southern end of the turnpike, need only be evaluated through utilization of projections, modeling and other appropriate methodologies. If a congestion pricing demonstration project takes place, it may only include incentives.

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