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**STATE OF MAINE
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SENATE AMENDMENT " C " 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"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 2. Use of financial incentives. To meet the criteria of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 73 and chapter 24, during 1995 the Maine Turnpike Authority shall implement a time-of-day pricing program that uses financial incentives only. During 1996, the Maine Turnpike Authority shall implement a time-of-day pricing program that uses financial incentives and any other measures enacted into law by legislation pursuant to section 4 of this Act. The Maine Turnpike Authority may design the program so that it is revenue-neutral over the period the program is in effect.

Sec. 3. System of variable discounts. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 1973, subsection 4, paragraph A, for the period beginning on the effective date of this section and ending on April 1, 1997, the Maine Turnpike Authority may establish a system of variable rate commuter discounts.'

Further amend the amendment in section 3 in the first line (page 2, line 22 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "studies" the following: **'and use of financial disincentives'**

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2 Further amend the amendment in section 3 in the 3rd line
(page 2, line 24 in amendment) by inserting after the following:
"studies" the following: 'and a report on the potential
4 effectiveness of financial disincentives, including peak period
surcharges'

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8 Further amend the amendment in section 3 by inserting at the
end of the first paragraph the following: 'The interim report
must include recommendations for a time-of-day pricing program to
10 be implemented in 1996. If the Maine Turnpike Authority
concludes, based on the program and study described in this
12 section and section 2 of this Act, that peak period surcharges
should be considered for the 1996 time-of-day pricing program,
14 the Maine Turnpike Authority shall submit legislation to the
joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction
16 over transportation matters as part of its interim report.'

18 Further amend the amendment by inserting after section 3 the
following:

20 'Sec. 4. Application. Nothing in this Act precludes the
22 consideration of pricing programs other than those listed in
section 2 of this Act as part of alternatives evaluations under
24 the Sensible Transportation Policy Act for projects other than
the widening of the Maine Turnpike to 3 lanes for each direction
26 of travel from Exit 1 to Exit 6A.'

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

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STATEMENT OF FACT

34 This amendment alters the committee amendment in the
36 following ways.

38 1. It requires an additional report on the use of financial
disincentives.

40 2. It requires the Maine Turnpike Authority to establish a
42 time-of-day pricing program during 1995 that uses financial
incentives only.

44 3. It requires the Maine Turnpike Authority to use, during
46 1996, financial incentives and any other enacted measures.

48 4. It allows any pricing program implemented under this
legislation to be revenue-neutral.

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5. It makes technical and clarifying changes.

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