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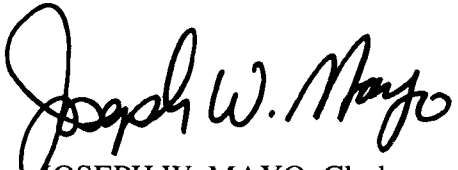
No. 698

H.P. 510

House of Representatives, February 28, 1995

**An Act to Direct Additional Funds to the Department of Conservation by
Amending the Loon Plate Laws.**

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative SHIAH of Bowdoinham.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BERRY of Livermore, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, CARLETON of Wells, CHARTRAND of Rockland, GREEN of Monmouth, LUMBRA of Bangor, MARSHALL of Eliot, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MERES of Norridgewock, PERKINS of Penobscot, SIROIS of Caribou, TRIPP of Topsham, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senators: MILLS of Somerset, RUHLIN of Penobscot.

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

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Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §455, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

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5. Reimbursement for production and issuance costs. The Treasurer of State shall transfer annually from the Maine Environmental Trust Fund to the Secretary of State \$10 for each set of environmental registration plates issued ~~or renewed for~~ the first time. This transfer is to reimburse the Secretary of State for costs associated with production and initial issuance of the plates and is not authorized for renewals.

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Sec. 2. PL 1993, c. 410, Pt. BBB, §5, first sentence is amended to read:

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The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Commissioner of Conservation and the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over transportation matters by January 15, 1996 on the issuance of environmental registration plates during the period April 1, 1994 to December 31, 1995.

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Sec. 3. PL 1993, c. 410, Pt. BBB, §6 is repealed.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill changes current law to ensure that, with the exception of the one-time administrative costs associated with production and initial issuance of environmental registration plates, all proceeds are devoted to natural resource protection programs.

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