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**TAXATION**

Reported by: Senator HATHAWAY of York for the Committee.

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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
117TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 311, L.D. 892, Bill, "An Act Amending the Maine Residents Property Tax Program Allowing Persons Having Sole Responsibility for Property Maintenance the Entire Exemption"

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 2 in the first paragraph in the last 2 lines (page 1, lines 28 and 29 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "the property taxes, they may decide among them who the claimant is or each individual may apply" and inserting in its place the following: 'the rent or the responsibility for the payment of the property taxes, each individual may apply on the basis of the rent paid or the property taxes levied on the homestead that reflect the ownership percentage of the claimant and the claimant's household'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 2 in the 2nd paragraph in the first line (page 1, line 31 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "When" and inserting in its place the following: 'If'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

**1995-96**

**1996-97**

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL  
SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Maine Residents Property  
Tax Program**

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All Other \$75,000 \$75,000

Provides funds for the cost of benefits to additional claimants under the Maine Residents Property Tax Program.

**Sec. 3. Application.** This Act applies to claims filed on or after August 1, 1995.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

**FISCAL NOTE**

**1995-96 1996-97**

**APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

General Fund \$75,000 \$75,000

This bill will increase the number of claimants under the Maine Residents Property Tax program. This program will require additional General Fund appropriations of \$75,000 annually in fiscal years 1995-96 and 1996-97 for the costs associated with these new claimants.'

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

This amendment makes technical changes to the bill and adds an effective date and a fiscal note.