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An Act to Establish Periodic Adjustments in the Mileage Reimbursements.

Received by the Clerk of the House on April 14, 1995. Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 14.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DAGGETT of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, MITCHELL of Vassalboro.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §8**, as amended by PL 1981, c. 710, Pt. B, is
5 further amended to read:

6 **§8. Mileage allowance**

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8 The State shall pay for the use of privately owned
9 automobiles for travel by employees of the State in the business
10 of the State such reimbursement as agreed to between the State
11 and their certified or recognized bargaining agent. For
12 employees and state officers and officials not subject to any
13 such agreement, the State shall pay ~~21¢ per mile effective May 1,~~
14 ~~1982~~ and 22¢ per mile effective July 1, 1982 and 28¢ per mile
15 effective January 1, 1996 for miles actually traveled on state
16 business. The Governor may suspend the operation of this section
17 and require state officials and employees to travel in
18 automobiles owned or controlled by the State, if such automobiles
19 be are available.

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21 Beginning July 1, 1996, the State Controller biennially
22 shall establish a mileage reimbursement rate for employees and
23 state officers and officials not subject to an agreement between
24 the State and a certified or recognized bargaining agent, to be
25 effective for that biennium, that reflects changes in the costs
26 to operate an automobile in the State since the most recent
27 adjustment in the mileage reimbursement rate.

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29 **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §1541, sub-§13, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 1983, c.
30 209, is amended to read:

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32 A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a state
33 agency, as defined in section 8002, subsection 2, may not
34 authorize reimbursement for travel by any person at a rate
35 greater than the rate established in section 8 for state
36 employees unless the agency paying the reimbursement is a
37 community agency and the source of funding to pay the
38 reimbursement is a nonstate source, in which case the
39 reimbursement rate may be set not to exceed any limits
40 imposed by the nonstate funding source.

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43 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

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45 This bill increases the mileage reimbursement rate for state
46 employees, officers and officials not subject to an agreement
47 between the State and a bargaining agent to 28¢ per mile
48 effective January 1, 1996. This bill also establishes a process
49 for a biennial review of the mileage reimbursement rate to ensure
50 it reflects the cost to operate an automobile. Finally, the bill

2 allows a community agency to set a higher reimbursement rate if
the money comes from a nonstate source and the reimbursement rate
4 does not exceed limits set by the nonstate funding source.