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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
118TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 316, L.D. 438, "Resolve, to Reimburse a Lumber Company in Connection with Sales Tax Paid by the Company"

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the last line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "due." and inserting in its place the following: 'due; and be it further'

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

'Sec. 2. Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

1997-98

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND
FINANCIAL SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Miscellaneous Acts and Resolves

All Other \$48,000

Provides funds to reimburse Bond Brothers Lumber, Inc. for overpayment of sales taxes.'

Further amend the resolve by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

FISCAL NOTE

1997-98

APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

General Fund

\$48,000

This resolve will require the State Tax Assessor to reimburse a taxpayer for an overpayment of sales taxes outside of the 3-year statute of limitations for such reimbursements. Based on information provided last year at a public hearing on a similar resolve, Bond Brothers Lumber, Inc. overpaid sales taxes in the amount of \$37,743. Depending on when payment is made, interest on this amount could make the total refund as much as \$48,000. The Bureau of Taxation will require an additional General Fund appropriation of \$48,000 in fiscal year 1997-98 for this reimbursement to Bond Brothers Lumber, Inc.'

SUMMARY

This amendment adds an appropriation section and a fiscal note to the resolve.