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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 588, L.D. 1758, Bill, "An Act to Authorize Transfer of Property Taxes to the Passamaquoddy Tribe"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

Sec. 3. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from the Unorganized Territory Education and Services Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1997-98	1998-99
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DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT

Audit - Unorganized Territory

All Other	\$18,000	\$6,750
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Provides funds to reimburse the Passamaquoddy Tribe for services provided to residents of the Unorganized Territory by the Tribe.'

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

Other Funds \$18,000 \$6,750

This bill requires the Fiscal Administrator of the Unorganized Territory to reimburse the Passamaquoddy Tribe for costs of services provided by the tribe to reservation out-parcels. Allocations from the Unorganized Territory Education and Services Fund of \$18,000 in fiscal year 1997-98 and \$6,750 in fiscal year 1998-99 are included to authorize these payments. The funds to make this reimbursement come from the dedicated revenue of the Unorganized Territory Education and Services Fund. Sufficient unallocated surplus exists in the fund to make the retroactive payment required by this bill. The effect of these additional payments on future budgeted revenue and on the tax assessment of the Unorganized Territory can not be determined at this time.

The Bureau of Taxation will incur some minor additional costs to certify the amount of taxes assessed against reservation out-parcels. These costs can be absorbed within the bureau's existing budgeted resources.

SUMMARY

This amendment adds an allocation section and a fiscal note to the bill.