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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 788, L.D. 2115, Bill, "An Act to Allow the Department of Transportation to Provide Privately Contracted Ferry Services"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§4401." in the first paragraph by striking out all of the last underlined sentence (page 1, lines 37 to 40 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following: 'During periods of facility repair or maintenance or during periods of extraordinary demand, the department may carry out its responsibilities by utilizing privately contracted vessels to provide additional or substitute service to islands served by the Maine State Ferry Service as long as the use of privately contracted vessels is in accordance with an agreement between the department and the State's collective bargaining agent as defined in Title 26, section 979-A, subsection 1.'

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

FISCAL NOTE

The additional costs associated with allowing the Department of Transportation to use privately contracted vessels to provide additional or substitute services for the Maine State Ferry Service can be absorbed by the department utilizing existing budgeted resources.'

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SUMMARY

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4 This amendment adds a provision to the original bill that
specifies circumstances that allow the use of privately
contracted vessels by the Department of Transportation. The
6 amendment also adds a statutory reference to the State's
collective bargaining agent as provided in the State Employees
8 Labor Relations Act. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to
the bill.