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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*A*" to H.P. 136, L.D. 198, "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Fund Mandates Enacted Solely for an Individual's Safety"

Amend the resolution by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act to Reimburse Maine Citizens for State Personal Safety Mandates'**

Further amend the resolution by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

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

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1666-B is enacted to read:**

**§1666-B. State mandates for personal safety**

When outlining a biennial budget or supplemental budget submitted in accordance with this chapter, the Governor must provide for the reimbursement to an individual citizen of 100% of the cost of an item or service purchased by that citizen to comply with any state mandate enacted primarily for a citizen's personal safety. This section must be liberally construed.'

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

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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**FISCAL NOTE**

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Significant amounts of additional funding will need to be included in the Governor's 2002-2003 biennial budget to provide funding for the cost of a citizen's compliance with all "mandates for personal safety." The amounts can not be determined at this time and will depend on the number of individual citizens seeking reimbursement for these types of mandates.'

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**SUMMARY**

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This amendment requires the Governor to include in the budget provisions for the reimbursement to citizens of costs for compliance with personal safety mandates. This amendment adds a fiscal note to the resolution.