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House of Representatives, January 14, 1999

An Act to Collect Unpaid Fines in the State.

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice suggested and ordered printed.

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative MUSE of South Portland. Cosponsored by Representative McALEVEY of Waterboro.

2	Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §8109-A is enacted to read:
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	§8109-A. Permit to arrest
6	1. Arrest permit. The commissioner shall issue an arrest
8	permit to any private investigator duly licensed under this
	chapter who makes application to the commissioner and who meets
10	the requirements of this section allowing the private
	investigator to make a lawful arrest of any person in arrears in
12	the payment of a fine.
14	2. Education requirement. The education requirement for an
	arrest permit, which must be met before the issuance of the
16	permit, includes the successful completion of suitable training
	by the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in the laws pertaining to
18	arrest and in firearm use and certification.
20	3. Renewal of permit. An arrest permit is valid for 2
	years and is, unless revoked or suspended, renewable biennially.
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	4. Permit fee. The fee for the original arrest permit is
24	\$250. a portion of which covers the cost of the training
	requirement in subsection 2. The commissioner shall set the fee
26	for renewal of an arrest permit by rule.
28	5. Payment of compensation. The commissioner shall
	establish by rule the procedure for compensating a private
30	investigator an amount equal to 10% of the outstanding fine owed
	by each person lawfully arrested by the private investigator.
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	6. Rules. The commissioner shall adopt rules to implement
34	this section. Rules adopted under this section are routine
26	technical rules under Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.
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38	SUMMARY
40	This bill authorizes the Commissioner of Public Safety to
	issue an arrest permit to a licensed private investigator who
42	meets the necessary qualifications. The arrest permit enables a
	private investigator to arrest any person in arrears of payment
44	of a fine.

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