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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
119TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 320, L.D. 954, Bill, "An Act to Improve Alcohol Server Education Courses"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 4.

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 4 the following:

'Sec. 5. 28-A MRSA §2519, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Precourse evaluation waiver. After review of a course, the advisory committee may exempt that course from evaluating its participants prior to taking the course.'

Further amend the bill in section 5 in subsection 5 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 33 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$28 \$10" and inserting in its place the following: '\$28'

Further amend the bill in section 7 in subsection 6-A in paragraph C in the first line (page 2, line 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "an officer of the bureau" and inserting in its place the following: 'the administrator of the course approved by the advisory committee to train instructors'

Further amend the bill in section 7 in subsection 6-B in paragraph C in the 2nd line (page 2, line 36 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "officer of the bureau administering the course for which the instructor is certified to teach" and inserting in its place the following: 'administrator of the course approved by the advisory committee to train instructors'

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

A of 8

2 Further amend the bill by inserting after section 8 the  
following:

4 'Sec. 9. 28-A MRSA §2519-A is enacted to read:

6 **§2519-A. Rules**

8 The bureau may adopt rules for the purpose of waiving the  
10 fee for the alcohol server education course in the event of  
12 demonstrated need and inability to pay. Rules adopted pursuant  
to this section are routine technical rules pursuant to Title 5,  
chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

14 **Sec. 10. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from  
16 Other Special Revenue funds to carry out the purposes of this Act.

18 **1999-00 2000-01**

20 **PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF**

22 **Liquor Enforcement**

24 All Other \$10,125 \$13,500

26 Allocates funds for the costs  
of administering a  
28 certification process for  
alcohol server course  
instructors.'

30 Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any  
32 nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read  
consecutively.

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

38 **'FISCAL NOTE**

40 **1999-00 2000-01**

42 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

44 Other Funds \$10,125 \$13,500

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**Rev.**

**REVENUES**

2	General Fund	(\$10,125)	(\$13,500)
4	Other Funds	10,125	13,500

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8 Dedicating the fee for attending an alcohol server education  
 10 course sponsored by the Bureau of Liquor Enforcement within the  
 12 Department of Public Safety will reduce General Fund revenue by  
 14 \$10,125 and \$13,500 in fiscal years 1999-00 and 2000-01,  
 16 respectively.

18 The dedication of the course fees will increase Other  
 20 Special Revenue funds collections. The estimated increases of  
 22 dedicated revenue to the Department of Public Safety are \$10,125  
 24 and \$13,500 in fiscal years 1999-00 and 2000-01, respectively.  
 26 This bill includes additional Other Special Revenue funds  
 28 allocations of \$10,125 and \$13,500 in fiscal years 1999-00 and  
 30 2000-01, respectively, for the Department of Public Safety,  
 32 Bureau of Liquor Enforcement, for the costs of administering a  
 34 certification process for alcohol server course instructors.

36 The Bureau of Liquor Enforcement will incur some minor  
 38 additional costs to adopt certain rules pertaining to the waiving  
 40 of fees for alcohol server training. These costs can be absorbed  
 42 within the bureau's existing budgeted resources.'

**SUMMARY**

32 The amendment provides that the advisory committee may  
 34 exempt courses from evaluating their participants. It further  
 36 clarifies the bill to refer to the administrator of the  
 38 instructor certification program as program administrator instead  
 40 of officer of the Bureau of Liquor Enforcement within the  
 42 Department of Public Safety. The amendment removes the decrease  
 in fee for the alcohol server training course and reinstates the  
 \$28 amount. A provision that allows the bureau to adopt rules to  
 waive the fee in cases of demonstrated need and hardship is also  
 added to the bill. The amendment also adds an allocation section  
 and a fiscal note to the bill.