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House of Representatives, February 9, 1999

An Act to Improve the Enforcement of Traffic Laws.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative NORBERT of Portland. Cosponsored by Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DAVIS of Falmouth, GAGNON of Waterville, LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, MAILHOT of Lewiston.

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

- Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2602, sub-§4, ¶¶B and C, as enacted by PL 4 1997, c. 750, Pt. A, §3, are amended to read:
- B. Of the fines and forfeitures collected for traffic infractions under sections 511, 2356, 2360, 2380, 2387 and 2388, 7% accrues to the General Fund, 6% accrues to the Law Enforcement Agency Reimbursement Fund and the balance accrues to the General Highway Fund; and
- 12 C. Of the fines and forfeitures collected for violations other than traffic infractions under sections 511, 2356,
 14 2360, 2380, 2387 and 2388, only \$5 or 13%, whichever is greater, accrues to the General Fund and the balance accrues
 16 to the Highway Fund_{r; and}
- 18 Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2602, sub-§4, ¶D is enacted to read:

20D. A surcharge of 20% must be levied on fines and
forfeitures collected under sections 103 and 2604 to be22remitted to the political subdivisions issuing the summons
for the traffic infraction. In addition to the 20%24surcharge, 50% of any increase in the amount of fines and
forfeitures collected under sections 103 and 2604 after26October 1, 1999 as the result of enforcement efforts by a
municipality or a county must be remitted to the political
subdivision issuing the summons for the traffic infraction.

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SUMMARY

This bill imposes a 20% surcharge on traffic fines and forfeitures and remits that amount to the political subdivision issuing the traffic summons. It also remits 50% of any increases in fines and forfeitures collected after October 1, 1999 to the political subdivision issuing the traffic summons.