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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 894, L.D. 1251, Bill, "An Act to Change the Reimbursement Rate for Law Enforcement Personnel Who Testify in Court"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue funds to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1999-00	2000-01
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT		
Courts - Supreme, Superior, District and Administrative		
All Other	\$46,089	\$121,919

Allocates funds to authorize expenditures in excess of current allocations from the Law Enforcement Agency Reimbursement Fund to reflect the increase of the reimbursement amount paid to municipal and county law enforcement agencies from \$25 a day to \$50 a day.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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

6 **FISCAL NOTE**

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	1999-00	2000-01
10 APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS		
12 Other Funds	\$46,089	\$121,919

14 This bill increases the reimbursement fee paid to municipal
and county law enforcement agencies by the court from \$25 to
16 \$50. The additional amounts to be paid from the Law Enforcement
Agency Reimbursement Fund will be \$220,320 in fiscal year 1999-00
18 and \$299,635 in fiscal year 2000-01. These additional
expenditures will reduce the amounts to be transferred to the
20 General Fund at the end of these fiscal years by these same
amounts.

22 Based on initial estimates when this dedicated fund was
24 established, Public Law of 1997, chapter 750, the revenue
accruing to the fund was approximately equal to the estimated
26 expenditures, as a result no General Fund revenue is currently
budgeted to be transferred. Based on more recent estimates after
28 several months of actual experience, the dedicated revenue
accruing to this dedicated fund will be sufficient to cover these
30 additional expenditures. Adjustments to allocations to authorize
the additional expenditures will be less than the increased cost
32 due to these revised estimates and are estimated to be \$46,089 in
fiscal year 1999-00 and \$121,919 in fiscal year 2000-01.'

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36 **SUMMARY**

38 This amendment adds an allocation section and a fiscal note
to the bill.