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**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 770, L.D. 2168, Bill, "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the State Compensation Commission"

Amend the bill in section 1 in the first paragraph in the 3rd line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$15,750" and inserting in its place the following: '\$10,815'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in the first paragraph in the 4th line (page 1, line 9 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$11,250" and inserting in its place the following: '\$7,725'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in the first paragraph in the 9th line (page 1, line 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$13,500" and inserting in its place the following: '\$9,270'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in the first paragraph in the 9th line (page 1, line 14 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "biennium." the following: 'Each member of the Senate and the House of Representatives must receive a cost-of-living adjustment in annual legislative salary, except that the percentage increase may not exceed 5% in any year. Beginning December 1, 2001, the salary for each legislative session must be adjusted each December 1st by the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for the most recently concluded fiscal year.'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 and inserting in their place the following:

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 770, L.D. 2168

2 'Sec. 2. Report. The Joint Standing Committee on State and  
Local Government is authorized to report out legislation on the  
4 recommendations of the State Compensation Commission in the  
Second Regular Session of the 119th Legislature.

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8 'Sec. 3. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated  
from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

10 2000-01

12 **LEGISLATURE**

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16 Personal Services \$63,523

18 Provides funds for the costs  
20 related to the increased  
salary for Legislators.'

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

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28 **FISCAL NOTE** 2000-01

30 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

32 General Fund \$63,523

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36 **REVENUES**

38 General Fund \$63,523

40 This bill includes an additional General Fund appropriation  
of \$63,523 in fiscal year 2000-01 for the Legislature for the  
42 costs related to the increased salary for Legislators.

44 This bill also adds a provision that requires an annual  
cost-of-living adjustment to Legislators' salaries. The  
46 estimated additional General Fund appropriations that will be  
required in fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03 will be  
48 approximately \$47,651 and \$66,700, respectively.'

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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**SUMMARY**

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This amendment is the majority report. It amends the original bill by lowering the proposed legislative pay increase from 50% to 3% in each year of the biennium. It also adds a provision that requires an annual cost-of-living adjustment to legislators' salaries. The amendment also removes provisions from the bill that would have required increases in constituent service allowances and the salaries of some constitutional officers and that would have reduced from 10 to 8 years the number of years required for legislative retirement eligibility. This amendment also authorizes the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government to report out legislation on legislative compensation in the Second Regular Session of the 119th Legislature.

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The amendment also adds an appropriation section and fiscal note to the bill.