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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
119TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1733, L.D. 2439, Bill, "An Act to Relieve all Counties from Expense and Responsibility of Transporting Clients"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Relieve Counties from the Expense and Responsibility of Transporting Certain Prisoners between Correctional Facilities and Courts'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 34-A MRSA §3073 is enacted to read:

§3073. Transportation to and from courts

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, transportation of a prisoner between a correctional facility and a court in connection with the prosecution of the prisoner for a crime committed within a correctional facility is the responsibility of the department.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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**CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF**

**State Prison**

Personal Services	\$15,600
All Other	9,000

Provides funds for overtime and vehicle-related costs required to transport certain prisoners to and from court.

**DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS  
TOTAL**

\$24,600'

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

**FISCAL NOTE**

2000-01

**APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

General Fund	\$24,600
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This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$24,600 in fiscal year 2000-01 for the Department of Corrections for overtime and vehicle related costs required to transport certain prisoners to and from court. The estimated future costs in fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03 will be approximately \$25,338 and \$26,098, respectively.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill and changes the title. The amendment relieves the counties of the responsibility of transporting prisoners between a correctional facility and a court when the transportation is in connection with the prosecution of the prisoner for a crime committed within a correctional facility. The amendment requires the Department of Corrections to transport such prisoners. The amendment also adds an appropriation section and a fiscal note.