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APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

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**STATE OF MAINE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 309, L.D. 387, Bill, "An Act to Appropriate Funds for the State's Share of the Budget to Operate the Northeast Legislative Association on Prescription Drug Pricing"

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

'Sec. 1. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	2001-02	2002-03
HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Maine Rx Program		
All Other	\$18,000	\$18,000

Provides funds for the State's share of the budget to operate the Northeast Legislative Association on Prescription Drug Pricing, including one contracted position to work on the collective purchasing of prescription drugs by a group of 8 northeastern states.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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

FISCAL NOTE

	2001-02	2002-03
APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS		
General Fund	\$18,000	\$18,000

This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$18,000 and \$18,000 in fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03, respectively, for the Maine Rx Program within the Department of Human Services to pay for the State's share of the budget to operate the Northeast Legislative Association on Prescription Drug Pricing.'

SUMMARY

This amendment lowers the appropriation from \$25,000 to \$18,000 annually for the State's share of the cost to operate the Northeast Legislative Association on Prescription Drug Pricing. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.