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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 505, L.D. 645, Bill, "An Act to Allow Motor Vehicle Safety Inspection Stations to Set Their Own Fees and to Require the Inspection of Brake Friction Material"

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

'An Act to Allow Motor Vehicle Safety Inspection Stations to Set Their Own Vehicle Inspection Fees'

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'Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1751, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1997, c. 786, §2, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1751, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Inspection fees. An inspection station may charge the following fees:

A. For inspections performed under subsection 2, the fee may not be more than \$12.50;

B. For inspections of pre-1996 model vehicles performed under subsection 2-A, the fee may not be more than \$15.50; and

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C. For inspections of 1996 and subsequent model vehicles performed under subsection 2-A, the fee may not be more than \$18.50.

The inspection fee is payable whether the vehicle passes inspection or not.

Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §1766, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1997, c. 786, §6 and affected by §14, is further amended to read:

3. Fee. Stickers are furnished by the Chief of the State Police at ~~\$1.50~~ \$2.50 each.'

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

FISCAL NOTE

	2001-02	2002-03
REVENUES		
Highway Fund	\$873,000	\$1,164,000

Increasing the fee paid for motor vehicle inspection stickers will increase Highway Fund revenue collected by the Department of Public Safety by \$873,000 and \$1,164,000 in fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03, respectively.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment repeals the statutorily set motor vehicle inspection fees and allows vehicle inspection stations to establish their own inspection fees, subject to a maximum fee level of \$12.50 for a standard inspection, \$15.50 for an enhanced inspection on pre-1996 model vehicles pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 29-A, section 1751, subsection 2-A and \$18.50 for an enhanced inspection performed on 1996 and later model vehicles pursuant to Title 29-A, section 1751, subsection 2-A. The amendment also increases the fee paid to the Chief of the State Police for vehicle inspection stickers from \$1.50 to \$2.50. This amendment changes the title of the bill to remove reference to inspection of brake friction material since the amendment removed that portion of the bill.

The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.