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**STATE OF MAINE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 744, L.D. 963, Bill, "An Act to Protect Occupants from Diesel Exhaust Emitted by School Buses"

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

The requirement that a school board shall consider the amount of pollution emitted by a school bus when purchasing a school bus represents a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. The additional local costs are indeterminate. Unless General Fund appropriations are provided to fund at least 90% of the additional costs or a Mandate Preamble is amended to the bill and 2/3 of the members of each House vote to exempt this mandate from the funding requirement, the local school administrative unit may not be required to implement these changes.'

SUMMARY

This amendment is the minority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. This amendment adds a fiscal note to the bill.