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**MINORITY  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
120TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 907, L.D. 1221, Bill, "An Act to Prevent Theft of Motor Fuels"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§2419.~~" by striking out all of subsection 2 and inserting in its place the following:

'2. Penalties. In addition to any other penalty, the court may suspend the person's license for not less than 30 days nor more than 180 days, which minimum may not be suspended.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 3 in the first line (page 1, line 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "The" and inserting in its place the following: 'If a court suspends a person's license, the'

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

**FISCAL NOTE**

The restoration of certain suspended driver's licenses will result in insignificant increases of Highway Fund revenue collected by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles within the Department of the Secretary of State from license fees.

This bill may increase prosecutions for Class E crimes. If a jail sentence is imposed, the additional costs to the counties are estimated to be \$83.36 per day per prisoner. The number of prosecutions that may result in a jail sentence and the resulting costs to the county jail system are expected to be insignificant.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

2 The additional workload and administrative costs associated  
with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system  
4 can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial  
Department. The collection of additional fines may increase  
6 General Fund revenue by minor amounts.'

8 **SUMMARY**

10 This amendment is the minority report of the Joint Standing  
Committee on Criminal Justice. The amendment gives the court  
12 discretion to order a license suspension for a person convicted  
of theft of motor fuels, instead of making the suspension  
14 mandatory.

16 The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.