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**NATURAL RESOURCES**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 938, L.D. 1252, Bill, "An Act to Create Certainty in Maine's Air Quality Program"

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

**Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §585-E, sub-§1, ¶C is enacted to read:**

C. "California enhanced vapor recovery system" means a service station vapor recovery system certified by the California Air Resources Board under requirements approved by the California Air Resources Board on March 23, 2000.

**Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §585-E, sub-§§2-A and 6 are enacted to read:**

2-A. California enhanced vapor recovery system. The board may not adopt rules or requirements mandating that any service station install or retrofit a vapor recovery system to meet the requirements of a California enhanced vapor recovery system.

6. Section repeal. No later than April 1, 2002 the department shall provide to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over natural resources matters an appropriate date for the repeal of this section.'

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

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**FISCAL NOTE**

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The Department of Environmental Protection will incur some minor additional costs to submit a required report to the Legislature. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted resources.'

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**SUMMARY**

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This amendment prohibits the Department of Environmental Protection, Board of Environmental Protection from adopting rules to implement the California enhanced vapor recovery system in Maine, as adopted by the California Air Resources Board on March 23, 2000. It does however allow for fine-tuning of the State's Stage II rule in the future to allow for adoption of minor elements of the California enhanced vapor recovery system, such as a swivel adaptor part, for use in current Stage II systems. The amendment also directs the Department of Environmental Protection to report back to the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources with an appropriate date for the repeal of this section. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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