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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
121ST LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*A*" to S.P. 21, L.D. 35, Bill, "An Act To Increase the Assessment on Workers' Compensation Insurance To Fund the Workers' Compensation Board Administrative Fund"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 and before the summary the following:

**Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD**

**Administration - Workers' Compensation Board 0183**

Initiative: Allocates funds to reflect an increase in the assessment cap.

<b>Other Special Revenue Funds</b>	<b>2003-04</b>	<b>2004-05</b>
All Other	\$1,490,000	\$1,665,000
Other Special Revenue Funds Total	\$1,490,000	\$1,665,000'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment adds an appropriation section.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED  
(See attached)**

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

**121st Maine Legislature  
Office of Fiscal and Program Review**



**LD 35**

**An Act to Increase the Assessment on Workers' Compensation Insurance  
To Fund the Workers' Compensation Board Administrative Fund**

**LR 0283(02)**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment**

**Committee: Labor**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

**Fiscal Note**

Undetermined current biennium cost increase - All Funds

	<b>2003-04</b>	<b>2004-05</b>	<b>Projections 2005-06</b>	<b>Projections 2006-07</b>
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,490,000	\$1,665,000	\$1,665,000	\$1,665,000
<b>Revenue</b>				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,490,000	\$1,665,000	\$1,665,000	\$1,665,000

**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

This bill includes an Other Special Revenue Fund allocation of \$1,490,000 and \$1,665,000 in fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05 to increase the authorized level of spending of the Workers' Compensation Board as a result of increasing the assessment cap. Increasing the workers' compensation assessment will increase the cost to all State government agencies for the workers' compensation portion of personal services expense. The fiscal impact on the State's self-insured program can not be determined at this time and will depend on the actual amount assessed. Based on the actual assessment in fiscal year 2003, this proposal may increase costs to the State by \$171,712 in fiscal year 2003-04 and \$180,024 in fiscal year 2004-05.