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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
121ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 282, L.D. 362, Bill, "An Act To Rescind the Vehicle Registration of a Person Who Pays for That Registration with a Bad Check"

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 §154-B is enacted to read:

§154-B. Suspension for failure to pay excise tax

Whenever the payment of excise tax required to be collected prior to the registration of a motor vehicle pursuant to Title 36, section 1486 results in a protest or is returned by the bank upon which it was drawn because of insufficient funds, a closed account, no account or a similar reason, the collector of the tax may mail a notice of dishonor, as described in Title 11, section 3-1503, to the person liable demanding payment and warning the person that if the amount is not paid within 30 days after the mailing of the notice, the Secretary of State may be notified to suspend the registration certificate and plates for that motor vehicle. Upon receipt of written notice and other information as prescribed by the Secretary of State, the Secretary of State shall suspend the registration certificate and plates of the person liable for the tax. The Secretary of State may terminate the suspension after written notice from the collector of the tax that the excise tax and applicable charges have been paid.

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Office of Fiscal and Program Review**

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**An Act To Rescind the Vehicle Registration of a Person Who Pays for
That Registration with a Bad Check**

LR 0528(02)

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Minority Report

Fiscal Note

	2003-04	2004-05	Projections 2005-06	Projections 2006-07
Net Cost (Savings):				
Highway Fund	\$39,089	\$42,372	\$44,323	\$46,364
Appropriations/Allocations				
Highway Fund	\$41,100	\$45,053	\$47,170	\$49,388
Revenue				
Highway Fund	\$2,011	\$2,681	\$2,847	\$3,024

Fiscal Detail and Notes

As amended, the bill includes Highway Fund allocations of \$41,100 and \$45,053 in fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05, respectively, for one Clerk IV position and related expenses for the Bureau of Motor Vehicles within the Department of the Secretary of State to suspend vehicle registrations of those people who paid the vehicle excise tax with a bad check. The bureau will also collect increased revenues for the Highway Fund from reinstatement fees; the estimated amounts will be \$2,011 and \$2,681 in fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05, respectively.