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

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " $\mathcal{H}$ " 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"

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

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### 'Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §154-B is enacted to read:

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

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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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P. 6.8.

2	Sec. 2. Appropriations and all appropriations and allocations are made		following			
4	SECRETARY OF STATE, DEPARTMENT OF THE					
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8	Administration - Motor Vehicles 0077					
10	Initiative: Allocates funds for one ad and operating expenses necessary tregistration suspension process for	to administer	a vehicle			
12	registrations with bad checks.	enose persons	paying 101			
14	Highway Fund	2003-04	2004-05			
16	Positions - Legislative Count	(1.000)	(1.000)			
	Personal Services	\$32,381	<b>\$41,</b> 903			
18	All Other	8,719	3,150			
20	Highway Fund Total	\$41,100	\$45,053			
22	CITARA A DAY					
24	SUMMARY					
<i>-</i>	This amendment is the minority re	port of the Jo	int Standing			
26	Committee on Transportation. It establishes a procedure for the suspension of the vehicle registration for failure to pay excise					
28	tax that is a revised version of the bill.					
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32	FISCAL NOTE REQ (See attached)					

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# 121st Maine Legislature Office of Fiscal and Program Review

### LD 362

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.