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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
121ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "E" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 973, L.D. 1319, Bill, "An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds, and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2004 and June 30, 2005"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of Parts FF and GG.

Further amend the amendment by inserting after Part MMM the following:

PART NNN

Sec. NNN-1. Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement proration.

The State Tax Assessor shall calculate the percentage reduction of payments under the BETR program that is necessary to achieve the program savings represented by the deappropriation provided in section 2 of this Part in fiscal year 2003-04 and fiscal year 2004-05. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, chapter 915, all payments to taxpayers under that chapter during fiscal year 2003-04 and fiscal year 2004-05 must be reduced by the percentage determined by the State Tax Assessor under this section. The State Tax Assessor shall submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 121st Legislature to provide for the continuation of the percentage reduction determined under this section beyond the current biennium.

Sec. NNN-2. Appropriations and allocations. The following

appropriations and allocations are made.

SENATE AMENDMENT "E" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 973,
L.D. 1319

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement 0806

Initiative: Deappropriates funds due to a percentage reduction
in payments to taxpayers under the Business Equipment Tax
Reimbursement program within the Department of Administrative and
Financial Services.


GENERAL FUND	2003-04	2004-05
All Other	(\$567,262)	(\$480,082)
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	(\$567,262)	(\$480,082)

Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any
nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment eliminates the proposed changes to the child
and dependent care income tax credit and the earned income tax
credit. It also includes a deappropriation to the Business
Equipment Tax Reimbursement program to be achieved through a
percent reduction to payments to taxpayers.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)**

SPONSORED BY: 
(Senator STRIMLING)

COUNTY: Cumberland

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



LD 1319

An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds, and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2004 and June 30, 2005

LR 2000(15)

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment " " to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Sen. Strimling

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2003-04	2004-05	Biennium
Net Cost (Savings)			
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations			
General Fund	(\$567,262)	(\$480,082)	(\$1,047,344)
Revenue			
General Fund	(\$567,262)	(\$480,082)	(\$1,047,344)