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121ST LEGISLATURE
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 631, L.D. 1699, Bill, "An Act To Establish the Maine Military Family Relief Fund"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§5288." in subsection 1 in the next to the last line (page 1, line 16 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "Fund:" the following: '() \$1.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§5288." in subsection 3 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 29 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "2005" and inserting in its place the following: '2004'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in that part designated "§158." by striking out all of the indented paragraph (page 1, lines 35 to 45 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'The Maine Military Family Relief Fund is established as a nonlapsing fund administered by the Adjutant General according to rules prescribed by the Governor as Commander in Chief pursuant to the authority granted under section 103. The Adjutant General is authorized to make grants from the Maine Military Family Relief Fund to families of persons who are members of the Maine National Guard or residents of the State who are members of the Reserves of the Armed Forces of the United States in accordance with the rules.'

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Further amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Maine Revenue Services 0002

Initiative: Provides funds for the administrative costs associated with the Maine Military Family Relief Fund income tax checkoff.

General Fund	2003-04	2004-05
All Other	\$0	\$10,791
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General Fund Total	\$0	\$10,791

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2003-04	2004-05
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$10,791
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$10,791

DEFENSE, VETERANS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Veterans Services 0110

Initiative: Allocates funds to reflect the establishment of the Maine Military Family Relief Fund.

Other Special Revenue Funds	2003-04	2004-05
All Other	\$0	\$60,000
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Other Special Revenue Funds Total	\$0	\$60,000

DEFENSE, VETERANS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2003-04	2004-05
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$60,000
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$60,000

SECTION TOTALS	2003-04	2004-05
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2	GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$10,791
4	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	0	60,000
6	SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$70,791'

8 **SUMMARY**

10 This amendment adds a \$1 contribution option for the Maine
 12 Military Family Relief Fund to the individual income tax return
 form.

14 The amendment changes the start of the fund from the 2005
 16 tax year to the 2004 tax year. The amendment clarifies that the
 18 Governor as Commander in Chief shall prescribe the rules for the
 fund. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations
 section.

20 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**
 22 **(See attached)**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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

LD 1699

An Act To Establish the Maine Military Family Relief Fund

LR 2522(02)

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"
Committee: Legal and Veterans Affairs**

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2003-04	2004-05	Projections 2005-06	Projections 2006-07
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$10,791	\$5,030	\$5,145
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$10,791	\$5,030	\$5,145
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill is expected to generate between \$41,000 and \$61,000 annually for the Maine Military Family Relief Fund. It may also reduce contributions to other dedicated check-off funds. Maine Revenue Services will require \$10,791 in fiscal year 2004-05 for the administrative costs associated with the additional check-off. This fiscal estimate reflects these amounts as a General Fund cost. If sufficient revenue is generated from the check-off to support the \$2,000 per year transfer to Maine Revenue Services, the General Fund need would be approximately \$8,800 in fiscal year 2004-05 and approximately \$3,000 per year thereafter.

The Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management will need an Other Special Revenue Funds allocation of \$60,000 starting in fiscal year 2004-05. Although the new Maine Military Family Relief Fund is authorized to begin for the tax year starting on January 1, 2004, the department will not receive any of the voluntary check-off revenue until the collection of 2004 tax revenues is completed in fiscal year 2004-05.