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CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
121ST LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1311, L.D. 1789, Bill, "An Act To Revise the Minimum Firefighter Safety Standards"

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

'Mandate preamble. This measure requires one or more local units of government to expand or modify activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, 2/3 of all of the members elected to each House have determined it necessary to enact this measure.'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 6 the following:

'Sec. 7. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2005.'

SUMMARY

This amendment adds an effective date of July 1, 2005 to give fire departments time to comply with the new standards and adds a mandate preamble.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)**

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

LD 1789

An Act To Revise the Minimum Firefighter Safety Standards



LR 2456(02)

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Exempted State Mandate

State Mandate

New or Expanded Activity

The bill requires an increase in certain minimum firefighter safety standards. This state mandate is likely to result in significant additional costs to municipal fire departments which can not be determined at this time. Pursuant to the Mandate Preamble, the two-thirds vote of all members elected to each house exempts the State from the constitutional requirement to fund 90% of the additional local costs.

Unit Affected

Municipality

Costs

Significant