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R. OF S.

L.D. 179

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TAXATION

Minority

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 130, L.D. 179, Bill, "An Act To Exempt Alternative Power Systems from Property Taxes"

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §656, sub-§1, ¶K is enacted to read:

K. Residential alternative power systems. As used in this paragraph, unless the context indicates otherwise, "residential alternative power system" means a power production system with a capacity that does not exceed 100 kilowatts and that relies on fuel cells, tidal powers, solar arrays and installations, wind power installations, geothermal installations, hydroelectric generators and biomass generators and that is used primarily for providing power to residential property.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Residential Alternative Power System Reimbursement (New)

Initiative: Provides funds to reimburse municipalities for 50% of the estimated revenue loss associated with the residential alternative power system property tax exemption.

GENERAL FUND	2005-06	2006-07
All Other	\$0	\$27,800

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

2 GENERAL FUND TOTAL \$0 \$27,800'

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SUMMARY

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8 This amendment is the minority recommendation of the Joint
Standing Committee on Taxation. It lowers the limit of the
10 generating capacity of alternative power systems qualifying for a
property tax exemption from 100 megawatts to 100 kilowatts and
12 relocates the exemption to a more appropriate location in the
statutes.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

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LR 0385(02)

An Act To Exempt Alternative Power Systems from Property Taxes

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2005-06	2006-07	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$27,800	\$28,634	\$29,493
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$27,800	\$28,634	\$29,493

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$27,800 in fiscal year 2006-07 to reimburse municipalities for 50% of the estimated revenue loss associated with this exemption.