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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
122ND LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*A*" to H.P. 516, L.D. 721, Bill, "An Act To Make the Minimum Wage a Livable Wage"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 5 the following:

'Sec. 6. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Division of Purchases 0007**

Initiative: Appropriates funds for 2 Procurement and Contracting Specialist positions, one Public Service Executive position with international econometric experience and general operating expenses to implement the new proposed system.

GENERAL FUND	2005-06	2006-07
Positions - Legislative Count	3.000	3.000
Personal Services	\$162,000	\$216,000
All Other	\$86,250	\$115,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$248,250	\$331,000

**Division of Purchases 0007**

Initiative: Appropriates funds to provide a significant upgrade to the department's electronic bid and response system to accommodate the comparison of the minimum wage to the average weekly wage.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 516, L.D. 721

Notes.

2	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>
4	All Other	\$100,000	\$100,000
6	<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>
8	<b>ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES,</b>		
10	<b>DEPARTMENT OF</b>		
12	<b>DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>
14	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$348,250</b>	<b>\$431,000</b>
16	<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<u><b>\$348,250</b></u>	<u><b>\$431,000</b></u>

16 **SUMMARY**

18       This amendment adds an appropriations and allocations  
20 section to the bill.

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

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

**122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 721****LR 0233(02)****An Act To Make the Minimum Wage a Livable Wage****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A'****Committee: Labor****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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**Fiscal Note**

	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>	<b>Projections 2007-08</b>	<b>Projections 2008-09</b>
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$348,250	\$431,000	\$431,000	\$431,000
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$348,250	\$431,000	\$431,000	\$431,000

**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

The Department of Administrative and Financial Services estimates that it will require three professional staff positions including one position with international econometric experience to implement this new proposed system. The projected annual costs for these positions including benefits plus the associated general operating expenses is estimated to be approximately \$331,000 annually. In addition, the department's electronic bid and response system will require an approximate \$100,000 upgrade to accommodate the comparison of minimum wage to average weekly salary. It is expected that this legislation will result in a significant increase in the cost of goods and services purchased statewide. The projected cost could be as high as \$500,000 or more annually. This additional cost is not reflected in the appropriations above.