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House of Representatives, March 1, 2005

An Act To Provide Adequate Funding for the Enforcement of Environmental Laws

Reference to the Committee on Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND
Clerk

Presented by Representative LERMAN of Augusta.
Cosponsored by Representative: EBERLE of South Portland.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §349, sub-§10** is enacted to read:

6 10. Disposition of fines. A fine collected under this
8 section, including a fine resulting from an administrative
10 consent agreement under section 347-A, subsection 4, must be paid
12 to the commissioner. A fine received by the commissioner must be
14 applied to expenses of enforcement incurred by the department.

12 SUMMARY

14 This bill requires all fines for criminal and civil
16 violations of laws administered by the Department of
18 Environmental Protection, including fines paid as a result of an
administrative consent agreement, be paid to the Commissioner of
Environmental Protection to be applied to the expenses of
enforcement incurred by the department.