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TRANSPORTATION
Majority

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*A*" to H.P. 1367, L.D. 1950, Bill, "An Act To Prevent Dangerous Commercial Drivers on Maine's Highways"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Authorize State Participation in the Unified Carrier Registration System'

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

'Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §551, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

§551. Multistate agreement and federal programs

1. Authorization. The Secretary of State, acting with the concurrence of the Commissioner of Transportation and the Commissioner of Public Safety, may enter into a multistate agreement or federal program for the administration of this subchapter. The Secretary of State may participate in the Unified Carrier Registration System created under the federal Unified Carrier Registration Act of 2005 authorized in PL 109-59.

2. Purpose. It is the purpose of this section to:

A. Promote and encourage the fullest and most efficient use of the highway system by providing for a single point of contact for the administration of states' operating authority-requirements multistate and federal programs;

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- 2 B. Provide for a uniform set of rules among participating states;
- 4 C. Enable participating states to act cooperatively in the collection of fees and the enforcement of insurance requirements; and
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- 8 D. Establish and maintain the concept of one administrating state for each permiittee motor carrier based on the rules established under a multistate agreement or federal program.
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12 3. Principle. The Legislature, in authorizing the Secretary of State to enter into a multistate agreement or federal program, recognizes that the concept of one administrating state should promote the more efficient use of the highway system while protecting the travelling public. The Legislature further recognizes that a multistate agreement or federal program should reduce the administrative burden for the motor carrier industry by limiting the number of contacts necessary when a motor carrier operates in interstate commerce.

22 4. Authorization. The Secretary of State may enter into a multistate agreement or federal program for the administration of this subchapter consistent with the purposes and principles of this section. The Secretary of State may collect and distribute fees for other participating jurisdictions and receive fees from those jurisdictions collected on behalf of this State. The Secretary of State may collect, distribute and receive fees pursuant to the requirements of the federal Unified Carrier Registration Act of 2005 authorized by PL 109-59.

32 5. Rules. The Secretary of State, with the concurrence of the Commissioner of Transportation and the Commissioner of Public Safety, may make rules to implement a multistate agreement or federal program entered into under this section.

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

40 SECRETARY OF STATE, DEPARTMENT OF

42 Administration - Motor Vehicles 0077

44 Initiative: Allocates funds on a one-time basis for travel, printing and mailing costs that will be incurred as a result of the State's participation in the federal Unified Carrier Registration System.

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50 HIGHWAY FUND	2005-06	2006-07
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2	All Other	\$0	\$8,600
4	HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$8,600'</u>

6 **SUMMARY**

8 This amendment, which is the majority report of the Joint
10 Standing Committee on Transportation, replaces the bill. The
12 amendment authorizes the State's participation in the Unified
14 Carrier Registration System, which is a federal program to
16 consolidate motor carrier information systems. The amendment
also adds an appropriations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

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An Act To Prevent Dangerous Commercial Drivers on Maine's Highways

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium revenue decrease - Highway Fund

	2005-06	2006-07	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
Net Cost (Savings)				
Highway Fund	\$0	\$8,600	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
Highway Fund	\$0	\$8,600	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Bureau of Motor Vehicles within the Department of the Secretary of State will require an additional one-time Highway Fund allocation of \$8,600 in fiscal year 2006-07 for travel and printing and mailing costs which will be necessary as a consequence of the State's participation in the federal Unified Carrier Registration System (UCRS).

Under current law, the Highway Fund has budgeted annual revenue of \$1,700,000 as a consequence of the State's participation in the current Single State Registration System (SSRS) which expires on December 31, 2006. This amendment proposes to replace the State's participation in the SSRS with the aforementioned UCRS. If the State is not authorized to join the UCRS then the Highway Fund will experience a loss of revenue; the estimated amounts are \$850,000 in fiscal year 2006-07 and \$1,700,000 for each fiscal year thereafter.