

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

124TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 81, L.D. 240, Bill, "An Act To Extend the Exception to Axle Fines during the Midwinter Season"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the emergency clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2360-A, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 453, §1, is amended to read:

3. Repeal. This section is repealed September 15, 2009 2011.'

SUMMARY

The committee amendment adds a sunset of September 15, 2011 to that portion of law in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 29-A, section 2360-A that eliminates axle weight fine violations during the months of January and February on most state roads.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 240

LR 905(02)

## An Act To Extend the Exception to Axle Fines during the Midwinter Season

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

Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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### Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - Highway Fund

Minor savings - General Fund

Minor revenue decrease - General Fund

### Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Decreases the number of civil violations.

A reduction in fines will decrease General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment extends the repeal date of the waiver of axle weight limits and tolerance fines during the months of January and February to September 15, 2011. It is unknown at this time whether or not this waiver causes significant pavement damage, increasing Highway Fund costs. An ongoing study is being completed by the Department of Transportation to assess the level of damage to pavement as a result of this waiver.