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MINORITY

L.D. 880

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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

124TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 328, L.D. 880, Bill, "An Act To Improve the Ground Water Oil Clean-up Fund"

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

'Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Remediation and Waste Management 0247

Initiative: Deallocates funding for 43.3 positions and other program costs to bring certain spending down to 5% of fund balance.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2009-10	2010-11
POSITIONS - FTE COUNT	43.300	43.300
Personal Services	(\$3,600,000)	(\$3,600,000)
All Other	(\$1,400,000)	(\$1,400,000)
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	(\$5,000,000)	(\$5,000,000)

Remediation and Waste Management 0247

Initiative: Reduction of state spending results in loss of federal matching grant of \$800,000.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	(\$800,000)	(\$800,000)
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	(\$800,000)	(\$800,000)

Remediation and Waste Management 0247

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 328, L.D. 880

Initiative: Provides for annual audit.

2	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2009-10	2010-11
3	All Other	\$20,000	\$20,000
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5	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$20,000</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>
6	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,		
7	DEPARTMENT OF		
8	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2009-10	2010-11
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10	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	(\$800,000)	(\$800,000)
11	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	(\$4,980,000)	(\$4,980,000)
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13	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>(\$5,780,000)</u>	<u>(\$5,780,000)</u>
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15 **SUMMARY**

16 This amendment is the minority report of the committee. The amendment adds an
17 appropriations and allocations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 880

LR 1411(02)

An Act To Improve the Ground Water Oil Clean-up Fund

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"
Committee: Natural Resources
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2009-10	2010-11	Projections 2011-12	Projections 2012-13
Appropriations/Allocations				
Federal Expenditures Fund	(\$800,000)	(\$800,000)	(\$800,000)	(\$800,000)
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$4,980,000)	(\$4,980,000)	(\$4,980,000)	(\$4,980,000)
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	(\$800,000)	(\$800,000)	(\$800,000)	(\$800,000)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill limits disbursements from the Ground Water Oil Clean-up Fund for administrative expenses, personal services and equipment costs to 5% of the balance of the fund. This fiscal note calculated the 5% on the average balance of the fund from fiscal years 2006 to 2008 of \$10 million or \$500,000 for a limit on disbursements. The annual budget for the department currently is \$5.5 million. In order to reduce the program costs to the \$500,000 limit, \$5 million would be eliminated. Deallocations of \$5 million are included in this bill to eliminate 43.3 positions for a cost reduction of approximately \$3,600,000 and for \$1.4 million in other program reductions. The cost reductions of \$5 million will prohibit the Department of Environmental Protection from participating in a federal matching grant program for Underground Storage Tanks. This would result in a loss of matching revenue of \$800,000 and ongoing deallocations of that amount are included in the bill. This bill also includes ongoing allocations of \$20,000 for annual audits.