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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
124TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 778, L.D. 1134, Bill, "An Act Regarding the Maximum Fee for Processing an Environmental License Application"

Amend the bill by incorporating the attached fiscal note.

SUMMARY

This amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1134

LR 1930(02)

An Act Regarding the Maximum Fee for Processing an Environmental License Application

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

Committee: Natural Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential future biennium revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is required to continue the maximum threshold of \$250,000 in Environmental License application fees. The limit on the application fee was scheduled to decrease to \$75,000 beginning September 1, 2009. The \$250,000 fee would apply only to one-of-a-kind projects which would cover the extraordinary costs the State would incur in processing the application. The license application fees are calculated to cover actual department costs with a maximum of \$250,000. There have been only two circumstances in the past ten years where the magnitude of the proposed project merited the higher application fee. At this time, it is not possible to predict when another large scale project might occur requiring extensive work in processing the application.