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Majority
TAXATION

L.D. 1699
(Filing No. H-724)

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
125TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1251, L.D. 1699, Bill, "An Act To Create Excise Tax Equity and Consistency for Buses"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 3 the following:

Sec. 4. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**SECRETARY OF STATE, DEPARTMENT OF
Municipal Excise Tax Reimbursement Fund 0871**

Initiative: Allocates funds as a result of adding buses manufactured in model year 2006 and after to the list of items municipalities can be reimbursed for through the Municipal Excise Tax Reimbursement Fund.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	\$0	\$30,000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$30,000</u>

SUMMARY

The amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section to the bill.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

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Approved: 02/13/12 *MAC*

125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1699

LR 2575(02)

An Act To Create Excise Tax Equity and Consistency for Buses

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-724)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	Projections FY 2013-14	Projections FY 2014-15
Net Cost (Savings)				
Highway Fund	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
Revenue				
Highway Fund	\$0	(\$30,000)	(\$30,000)	(\$30,000)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation provides that the excise tax on a bus manufactured in 2006 and after is based upon the purchase price rather than the list price and that municipalities may be reimbursed through the Municipal Excise Tax Reimbursement Fund for these buses. The bill includes an Other Special Revenue Funds allocation of \$30,000 beginning in fiscal year 2012-13 to the Department of Secretary of State for additional payments to municipalities. Under current statute, the amount remaining in the Fund at the end of the year is transferred to the Highway Fund. Since payments deposited into the Municipal Excise Tax Reimbursement Fund through the International Registration Plan will not change under this legislation, but the reimbursement to municipalities will increase, the amount transferred to the Highway Fund will decrease by \$30,000 beginning in fiscal year 2012-13.