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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
126TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 446, L.D. 654, Bill, "An Act To Raise the Speed Limit on Interstate 295"

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

'An Act Regarding the Maximum Rate of Speed on the Interstate Highway System'

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

29-A MRSA §2073, sub-§1, ¶C, as amended by PL 2011, c. 415, §2, is further amended to read:

C. Make an adjustment of maximum rates of speed. An adjustment under this paragraph is exempt from the provisions of the Maine Administrative Procedure Act.

The commissioner may not set maximums that exceed 60 miles per hour or, on the interstate system or other divided controlled-access highways, 65 75 miles per hour or ~~75 miles per hour on the Interstate Highway System from the City of Old Town to the Town of Houlton.~~

The commissioner may not set maximums for the Maine Turnpike.

29-A MRSA §2074, sub-§3-A, as amended by PL 2011, c. 415, §3, is further amended to read:

3-A. Minimum fine. A person who operates a motor vehicle on the Maine Turnpike or the Interstate Highway System at a speed that exceeds the posted speed of ~~65 miles per hour or of 75 miles per hour on the Interstate Highway System from the City of Old Town to the Town of Houlton~~ by less than 30 miles per hour commits a traffic infraction punishable by a fine of not less than \$50.'

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 446, L.D. 654

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SUMMARY

This amendment, which strikes and replaces the bill, authorizes the Commissioner of Transportation to raise the speed limit on the Interstate Highway System to 75 miles per hour.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



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LD 654

LR 1941(02)

An Act To Raise the Speed Limit on Interstate 295

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-64)
Committee: Transportation
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor revenue decrease - General Fund

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Authorizing the Commissioner of Transportation to raise the speed limit on the interstate system or other divided controlled-access highway may decrease General Fund revenue generated by fines. The actual loss of revenue over time will depend on the location or locations where the limit is raised, enforcement policies of the State Police and how drivers choose to adjust to the new speed limit.

Additional costs, if any, to the Department of Transportation associated with new speed limit signs can be absorbed with existing staff and within existing budgeted resources.