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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
130TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1108, L.D. 1498, "An Act To Prevent Increased Heating Fuel, Natural Gas, Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Pricing in Maine by Prohibiting Adoption of Rules Limiting Greenhouse Gas Emissions"

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

'An Act To Require Major Substantive Rulemaking When Imposing Fees on Heating Fuel, Natural Gas, Gasoline or Diesel Fuel To Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions'

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

'Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §576-A, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2019, c. 476, §7, is amended by amending the 3rd blocked paragraph to read:

Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, except that rules adopted pursuant to this subsection that are designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through the imposition of a fee or other charge on heating fuels, natural gas, gasoline or diesel fuel are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill and requires that rules adopted pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 38, section 576-A, subsection 4 that are designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through the imposition of a fee or other charge on heating fuels, natural gas, gasoline or diesel fuel are major substantive rules.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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LR 1100(02)

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Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

Committee: Environment and Natural Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Highway Fund

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Transportation or the Department of Environmental Protection as a result of a requirement that rules adopted pursuant to Maine Revised Statute, Title 38, section 576-A, subsection 4, that impose a fee or other charges are major substantive rules rather than routine technical rules are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.