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# H. R. 3824

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 16, 1996

Mr. LONGLEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. REFUNDS FOR INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE**  
4 **EXPENSES IN MAINE.**

5 (a) GRANT TO STATE FOR REFUNDS.—The Adminis-  
6 trator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall pro-  
7 vide a grant in the amount of \$2,300,000 to the State

1 of Maine to be administered by the Governor of Maine  
2 under this section. The Administrator shall make such  
3 grant within 15 days after the date on which funds are  
4 appropriated for such purpose. Not more than \$200,000  
5 of such grant may be used by the State for administration.  
6 The remainder of such grant shall be used by the State  
7 to provide refunds to any person (including any govern-  
8 mental entity) who was required to comply with auto-  
9 mobile inspection and maintenance requirements adopted  
10 by the State for purposes of the Clean Air Act. The pur-  
11 pose of such refunds shall be to compensate such persons  
12 for the costs incurred by them for testing, repairs, and  
13 other work performed to comply with such inspection and  
14 maintenance requirements.

15 (b) PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS.—Such re-  
16 funds shall be made in accordance with such rules and  
17 procedures as may be established by the State, except that  
18 no refund provided to any such person shall exceed the  
19 amount expended by such person for testing, repairs, and  
20 other work performed to comply with such inspection and  
21 maintenance requirements.

22 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
23 authorized to be appropriated for purposes of this Act not  
24 more than \$2,300,000.

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