

Amendment to SB 25

1 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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3 1 Commissioner of Transportation; Small Claims. Amend RSA 228:29 to read as follows:

4 228:29 Small Claims. With the approval of the governor and council, the commissioner may
5 use the funds accruing to his *or her* department for the payment of small claims occasioned by
6 accidents due to the activities of his *or her* department. No such claim shall be paid to any one
7 person in an amount of over [~~\$600~~] **\$1,000**. Any person claiming damage due to the activities of the
8 department of transportation in an amount of less than [~~\$600~~] **\$1,000** may make application to the
9 commissioner for payment thereof. Said application shall be filed within 60 days of the date of the
10 accident. If the commissioner upon investigation is of the opinion that the damage was caused
11 because of activities of the department, he *or she* shall submit his *or her* recommendation to the
12 governor and council for approval.

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16 use the funds accruing to his or her department for the payment of small claims occasioned by
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18 person in an amount of over \$1,500. Any person claiming damage due to the activities of the
19 department of transportation in an amount of less than \$1,500 may make application to the
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21 accident. If the commissioner upon investigation is of the opinion that the damage was caused
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27 use the funds accruing to his or her department for the payment of small claims occasioned by
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29 person in an amount of over \$2,000. Any person claiming damage due to the activities of the
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1 because of activities of the department, he or she shall submit his or her recommendation to the
2 governor and council for approval.

3 4 Effective Date.

4 I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect July 1 2018.

5 II. Section 3 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

6 III. The remainder of this act shall take effect July 1, 2017.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill raises the amount the commissioner of transportation may pay to one person for small claims resulting from accidents due to activities of the department of transportation.