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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 15, L.D. 115, “An Act to Assess Impact Fees on Megayachts”

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF
Megayacht Fund N459**

Initiative: Provides baseline allocations to establish the program.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$500	\$500
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$500	\$500

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

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, incorporates a fiscal note. The fiscal note states that, to the extent that the collection of impact fees requires a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, expenditure of local revenue may be required, and, as a result, the fiscal note flags the legislation as a potential mandate. The committee reviewed the fiscal note, and the minority of the committee determined that the requirements of the legislation do not amount to a mandate. Many municipalities already collect docking fees or other fees, and so the legislation does not require them to add new infrastructure to collect the impact fees. In addition, 50% of the impact fee is proposed to be distributed to municipalities to support harbor and sea level rise mitigation infrastructure and 50% to

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1 support public transit infrastructure, and this can be used to offset any cost to municipalities
2 of implementing the impact fees. As such, the minority of the committee believes that this
3 requirement does not mandate a municipality to do anything it cannot already do within
4 existing resources.

5 This amendment provides baseline allocations to establish the Megayacht Fund.

6 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

7 **(See attached)**