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Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 4 in the last line (page 1, line 19 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "resident." the following: 'A member of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed in the State who applies for an exemption shall present certification from the commander of the member's post, station or base or from the commander's designated agent that the member is permanently stationed at that post, station or base. For purposes of this subsection, "a person on active duty serving in the Armed Forces of the United States" does not include a member of the National Guard or the Reserves of the United States Armed Forces.'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 3 the following:

**Sec. 4. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

#### **Homestead Property Tax Exemption Reimbursement 0886**

Initiative: Provides reimbursement to municipalities for 50% of the property tax revenue loss associated with allowing nonresident members of the United States Armed Forces permanently stationed in the State to be eligible for the Maine Resident Homestead Property Tax Exemption.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
All Other	\$7,500	\$5,000
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GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$7,500	\$5,000

#### **SUMMARY**

This amendment requires a member of the Armed Forces who is permanently stationed in Maine to provide certification from the commander of the member's post, station or base that the member is permanently stationed at that location and provides that members of the National Guard or the Reserves of the United States Armed Forces are not eligible under this provision.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)