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House of Representatives, January 24, 1961

Referred to the Committee on State Government, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Bragdon of Perham.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Revising and Clarifying the Laws Relating to the State Bureau of the Budget.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 15-A, § 5, sub-§ II, amended. Subsection II of section 5 of chapter 15-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 340 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

‘II. Work program and allotments. To examine and recommend for approval the work program and quarterly allotments of each department and agency of the State Government, before the appropriations ~~made for~~ **or other funds of** such department or agency shall become available for expenditure;’

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 15-A, § 8, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 8 of chapter 15-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 340 of the public laws of 1957 and as amended by section 7 of chapter 33 of the public laws of 1959, is further amended to read as follows:

‘Tentative revenue estimates prepared by the State Budget Officer during the month of September of the even-numbered years shall be revised by this officer during the following ~~month of~~ November for inclusion in the budget. The revenue estimates shall be classified so as to show the income by organization units, sources and funds, or in any other manner, at the discretion of the State Budget Officer.’

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 15-A, § 16, amended. The first paragraph of section 16 of chapter 15-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 340 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

'Not later than June 1st of each year, the Governor shall require the head of each department and agency of the State Government to submit to the Bureau of the Budget a work program for the ensuing fiscal year. Such work program shall include all appropriations, **revenues, transfers and other funds** made available to said department or agency for its operation and maintenance and for the acquisition of property, and it shall show the requested allotments of said ~~appropriations sums~~ by quarters for the entire fiscal year, classified to show allotments requested for specific amounts for personal services, capital expenditures and amounts for all other departmental expenses. The Governor and Council, with the assistance of the State Budget Officer, shall review the requested allotments with respect to the work program of each department or agency and shall, if they deem it necessary, revise, alter or change such allotments before approving the same. The aggregate of such allotments shall not exceed the total ~~appropriations sums~~ made available to said department or agency for the fiscal year in question. The State Budget Officer shall transmit a copy of the allotments as approved by the Governor and Council to the head of the department or agency concerned and also a copy to the State Controller. The State Controller shall thereupon authorize all expenditures to be made from the ~~appropriations sums available~~ on the basis of such allotments and not otherwise.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 15-A, § 16, amended. The first sentence of the 3rd paragraph of section 16 of chapter 15-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 340 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

'In order to provide some degree of flexibility to meet emergencies arising during each fiscal year in the expenditures for operation and maintenance of the various departments and agencies of the State Government, the State Budget Officer, with the approval of the Governor and Council, may require the head of each department and agency in ~~making requesting~~ original allotments, to set aside a reserve, the exact amount of which shall be determined by the State Budget Officer, of the total amount appropriated to the department or agency.'

Sec. 5. R. S., c. 15-A, § 17, sub-§ X, amended. The last sentence of subsection X of section 17 of chapter 15-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 340 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

'The State Controller shall set up and maintain special accounts ~~in the general fund~~ with respect to moneys received for designated purposes from the Federal Government.'

Sec. 6. R. S., c. 15-A, § 25, sub-§ I, amended. Subsection I of section 25 of chapter 15-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 340 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

I. Programs. To require the development of over-all long range public improvement programs for all departments and agencies of the State Government and to coordinate and present recommendations pertaining thereto to the Governor, the Governor-elect, the **State Budget Committee Officer** and the Legislature.'