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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
110TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

6 SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 2263, L.D. 2108, Bill,
7 "AN ACT Making Appropriations, Authorizations and Alloca-
8 tions Enabling the State Planning Office to Administer the
9 Small Cities Program Community Development Block Grant."

10 Amend the bill by striking out all of the title and
11 inserting in its place the following:

12 'AN ACT Making Authorizations and Allocations Enabling the
13 State Planning Office to Administer the Small Cities Program
14 Community Development Block Grant.'

15 Further amend the bill by striking out everything after
16 the title and inserting in its place the following:

17 'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature
18 do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment
19 unless enacted as emergencies; and

20 Whereas, the Federal Government has changed its method
21 of distributing certain funds related to the small cities
22 program community development block grant to allow for state
23 administration, effective October 1, 1981; and

24 Whereas, the Legislature has determined that it is
25 necessary and appropriate to enable the State Planning
26 Office to accept and distribute small cities program commu-
27 nity development block grant funds; and

28 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these
29 facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Consti-
30 tution of Maine and require the following legislation as
31 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public
32 peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

33 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as fol-
34 lows:

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2 PART A

3 Sec. 1. Block grant authorization. In accordance with
 4 the Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1670, the agency
 5 listed in this Part is authorized to accept the federal
 6 small cities program community development block grant in
 7 the following amounts:

	<u>State</u> <u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>1982</u>	<u>State</u> <u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>1983</u>	<u>Federal</u> <u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>1982</u>
	<u>Department</u> <u>Estimate</u>	<u>Department</u> <u>Estimate</u>	<u>Total Federal</u> <u>Block Grant</u>
13	Community Development	\$4,307,000	\$5,783,000 \$10,090,000

	<u>State</u> <u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>1983</u>	<u>Federal</u> <u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>1983</u>
	<u>Department</u> <u>Estimate</u>	<u>Total Federal</u> <u>Block Grant</u>
19	Community Development	\$10,045,000 \$10,045,000

20 Sec. 2. Block grant allocations. In order to provide
 21 for necessary expenditures of State Government and other
 22 purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1982, and June
 23 30, 1983, the following sums, as designated in the following
 24 tabulations, are allocated from the revenues derived from
 25 the federal small cities program community development block
 26 grant. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all fed-
 27 eral block grant allocations included in this Part shall be
 28 subject to the Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1585.

	<u>Allocations State</u> <u>Fiscal Year 1982</u>	<u>Allocations State</u> <u>Fiscal Year 1983</u>
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31 EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

32 State Planning Office

33 Community Development

34 Positions (5) (5)

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2	Personal Services	\$ 32,000	\$ 145,000
3	All Other	4,275,000	15,683,000

4 Ninety-eight percent of block grant
5 funds will be distributed to local gov-
6 ernments to undertake housing, economic
7 development and public works projects.
8 A portion of all other category
9 expenses, \$75,000 in fiscal year 1982
10 and \$85,000 in fiscal year 1983, will
11 support State Planning Office adminis-
12 trative costs and subcontracts to
13 regional nonprofit groups for outreach
14 and technical assistance activities.

15 TOTAL PART A
16 EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT \$4,307,000 \$15,828,000

17 PART B

18 5 MRSA §3305, sub-§1, ¶1 is enacted to read:

19 I. Act as the public agency of the State for the pur-
20 pose of accepting and distributing federal funds or
21 other assistance in relation to community and economic
22 development in those nonentitlement areas and for those
23 projects duly authorized under of the United States
24 Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, Title 1,
25 and its subsequent amendments. The director may
26 promulgate such rules as deemed necessary to distrib-
27 ute the funds or assistance. These rules shall be
28 adopted in accordance with the Maine Administrative
29 Procedure Act, Title 5, chapter 375, and shall be con-
30 sistent with the annual final statement for the State
31 Community Development Program submitted to the Federal
32 Government. The State Planning Office shall give
33 notice in writing of any such rules to the legislative
34 joint standing committee having jurisdiction over
35 appropriations and financial affairs at least 20 days
36 before the hearing, as stipulated in the Maine Adminis-
37 trative Procedure Act, or before the deadline for com-
38 ments if no hearing is scheduled.

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2 Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in
3 the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

4 STATEMENT OF FACT

5 The Federal Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981
6 contains provisions for the state administration of the
7 small cities program community development block grant. The
8 purpose of this block grant is to provide funds to units of
9 local government to support activities which either benefit
10 low and moderate income people, aid in the prevention or
11 elimination of slums and blight or address serious and
12 immediate threats to the health and welfare of a community.
13 This new draft enables the State Planning Office to act as
14 the public agency which would administer this program for
15 the State.

16 No more than 2% of federal funds may be used for state
17 administrative costs. The State must match funds used for
18 administration on a 50/50 basis.

19 Federal funds for the small cities program community
20 development block grant are expected to be available in
21 March, 1982. In order to distribute the funds to communi-
22 ties in a timely manner, emergency enactment is necessary.

23 Part A, section 1, authorizes the acceptance of the
24 federal block grant.

25 Part A, section 2, makes allocations of such funds for
26 state fiscal years 1982 and 1983 only.

27 Part B establishes the State Planning Office as the
28 public agency to accept and distribute these funds.

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