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In Senate, March 20, 1996

An Act to Amend the Maine Turnpike Authority’s Budget for Calendar Year 1996.

(EMERGENCY)

Submitted by the Maine Turnpike Authority and approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 24.
Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator STEVENS of Androscoggin.
Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, unanticipated delays in the implementation of the Maine Turnpike Authority's automatic toll conversion project that delayed the related reductions in the authority's complement of toll collection personnel will require the authority to increase the amounts it must pay from turnpike revenues for Personal Services in the authority's 1996 fiscal year; and

Whereas, proper staffing of the authority's toll collection activities is essential to the safe and efficient operation of the authority under its enabling legislation and pursuant to its general bond resolution; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1995, c. 29, §1, under the caption "MAINE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY," is amended by striking out all of that part relating to "Fare Collection" and inserting in its place the following:

Fare Collection

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<td>Personal Services</td>
<td>9,816,323</td>
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<td>All Other</td>
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Sec. 2. P&SL 1995, c. 29, §1, under the caption "MAINE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY," is amended by striking out all of the last line and inserting in its place the following:

**TOTAL** $43,236,740

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.
STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill allocates additional turnpike revenues to pay for unbudgeted expenses caused by the delayed completion of the Maine Turnpike Authority's toll conversion project and the associated delay in the effectiveness of the authority's planned reductions in the work force.