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H.P. 39

House of Representatives, January 8, 2025

An Act to Update Funding for the Board of Environmental Protection

Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204. Received by the Clerk of the House on January 6, 2025. Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

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Presented by Representative ANKELES of Brunswick.

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

**Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §341-G, first ¶,** as amended by PL 2003, c. 245, §2, is further amended to read:

There is established the <u>The</u> Board of Environmental Protection Fund <u>is established</u> to be used by the board as a nonlapsing fund to carry out its duties under this Title. Notwithstanding any <del>other</del> provision of law <u>to the contrary</u>, the funds identified in subsection 1 transfer annually to the Board of Environmental Protection Fund in an amount not to exceed \$325,000 \$450,000. Money in the Board of Environmental Protection Fund may only be expended in accordance with allocations approved by the Legislature.

10 SUMMARY

This bill increases from \$325,000 annually to \$450,000 annually the cap on the amount that may be transferred to the Board of Environmental Protection Fund from the Maine Environmental Protection Fund, the Maine Ground and Surface Waters Clean-up and Response Fund, the Maine Hazardous Waste Fund and the Uncontrolled Sites Fund.