

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION-2025

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No. 1533

S.P. 617

In Senate, April 8, 2025

An Act to Ensure the Retention of R1 Research Institution Status by the University of Maine

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D M Grant", is positioned above the printed name of the Secretary of the Senate.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative OSHER of Orono and
Senator: RAFFERTY of York, Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, ROEDER of
Bangor.

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

Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
Educational and General Activities - UMS 0031

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to employ, as research assistants or teaching assistants, 25 graduate students per year in research graduate programs, until each student completes the student's program.

GENERAL FUND	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$2,686,441	\$5,372,883
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$2,686,441</u>	<u>\$5,372,883</u>

SUMMARY

This bill provides ongoing funds to support an additional 25 graduate students per year in research graduate programs until each student completes the student's program.