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To Honorable Percival P. Baxter, Governor of Maine
Re: Veto of Appropriation

You have asked for our opinion as to the right of the Chief Executive to veto single items in an appropriation bill. Our Constitution makes no provision for a partial veto of any measure, and it is thoroughly well settled that in the absence of such a provision, the Governor must take the bill as it comes to him and approve or disapprove of it in toto. The authority upon this question can be found collected in 25 Ruling Case Law, page 891.

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