

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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State of Maine



WHEREAS, 5 M.R.S.A. §1501 requires that the 1992-93 fiscal biennium commence on July 1, 1991; and

WHEREAS, a budget document contemplated by 5 M.R.S.A. §1662 et. seq. that would appropriate and allocate funds sufficient to operate State Government during that biennium has not become law; and

WHEREAS, this event substantially affects the means by which the Executive Branch may faithfully execute the laws in accordance with Article V, Part First, Section 12; and

WHEREAS, the failure to execute faithfully those laws that serve the government's most fundamental purpose -- to provide protection against the risk of harm to persons and their property -- poses a direct and imminent risk of harm to those persons and their property; and

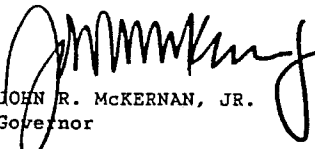
WHEREAS, this risk gives rise to a civil emergency within the meaning of the Maine Civil Emergency Preparedness Act, 37-B M.R.S.A. §701 et. seq; and


WHEREAS, that Act empowers the Governor, upon declaration of a civil emergency, to minimize and repair injury and damage resulting from such an emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN R. MCKERNAN, JR., Governor of the State of Maine, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, declare a state of emergency in the State, and do hereby deploy those forces and resources necessary and appropriate to execute those laws that minimize the risk of harm to persons and their property.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this eleventh day of July in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-One.




JOHN R. MCKERNAN, JR.
Governor


G. William Diamond
Secretary of State