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(EMERGENCY) FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1160

S. P. 380

In Senate, March 13, 1979

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

Presented by Senator McBreairty of Aroostook.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Carry Forward to June 30, 1983 Appropriated Park Development Funds.

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

Whereas, funds appropriated for development of certain state parks will lapse to the General Fund if they are unencumbered by June 30, 1979; and

Whereas, the Bureau of Parks and Recreation does not anticipate encumbering the balance of the appropriated funds of June 30, 1979; and

Whereas, these funds are needed for the scheduled development of state parks; 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:

P&SL 1973, c. 103, § 2, is amended to read:

Sec. 2. Appropriation balances at year end. At the end of each fiscal year, all unencumbered appropriation balances representing state moneys shall carry forward from year to year to be expended for the same purposes. It is further provided that unencumbered appropriation balances of the Bureau of Parks and Recreation at June 30, 1979 1981 shall lapse to the General Fund. Encumbered appropriation balances at the end of each fiscal year shall be carried forward from year to year, but any balances at June 30, 1981 1983 shall lapse to the General Fund.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would prevent the loss of appropriated, park development funds, the encumberance of which will not be possible by the original date envisaged.