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(Governor's Bill)
(EMERGENCY)
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1595

H. P. 1359

House of Representatives, May 2, 1979

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Dow of West Gardiner.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Make Allocations from the Department of Inland Fisheries and
Wildlife for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1980, and June 30, 1981.**

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

Whereas, the 90-day period will not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife will become due and payable on or immediately after July 1, 1979; 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:

Sec. 1. Allocation of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Funds. In order to provide for the expenditures necessary for the operation of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for the next 2 fiscal years — from July 1, 1979, to June 30, 1980, and from July 1, 1980, to June 30, 1981 — the following sums or as much thereof as shall severally be found necessary, as designated in the following tabulation, are hereby allocated out of any moneys lawfully available to the department. Upon receipt of allotments duly approved by the Governor based upon work programs submitted to the State Budget Officer, the State Controller shall authorize expenditures of these allocations on the basis of such allotments and not otherwise.

	PAGE #	1979-80	1980-81
05 NATURAL RESOURCES			
09 DEPARTMENT OF INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE			
0266 Fish and Wildlife — Watercraft Registration & Safety	2-649		
Unallocated		\$ 275,825	\$ 276,574
0256 Fish and Wildlife — Central Administrative Services	2-647		
Unallocated		7,073,668	7,088,077
0267 Fish and Wildlife — Snowmobile Registration	2-651		
Unallocated		<u>444,342</u>	<u>450,078</u>
TOTAL CURRENT SERVICES		\$7,793,835	\$7,814,729

Amounting to \$7,793,835 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1980, and \$7,814,729 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1981.

Sec. 2. Reduction of revenue. In the event that actual revenue fails to equal estimates during either year of the biennium, the commissioner shall so report to the Governor and he may temporarily curtail allotments so that expenditures will not exceed the anticipated income.

Sec. 3. Revenue in excess of estimates. Actual revenue, in excess for that estimated and approved by the Legislature, received in either year of the biennium may be utilized by the department for current programs when recommended by the commissioner and the allotment of such funds is approved by the Governor.

Sec. 4. Unencumbered allocated balances. At the end of each year of the biennium, all unencumbered allocated balances, including existing balances, representing Inland Fisheries and Wildlife moneys shall be set aside in a separate account and may be used for other current programs when recommended by the commissioner and the allotment of such funds is approved by the Governor.

Sec. 5. New programs established by the 109th Legislature. In the event that legislation concerning the department is enacted by the 109th Legislature which requires an expenditure in addition to that now shown in section 1, the department is authorized to carry out the intent of such legislation through the use of such funds as are available. The same procedure as to the allotment of such funds shall be followed as that outlined in sections 1 and 2.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is stated in the emergency preamble.