

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 (After Deadline)  
2 (EMERGENCY)  
3 SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
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5 ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE  
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7 **Legislative Document**

**No. 1897**

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9 H. P. 1908 House of Representatives, January 28, 1982  
Approved for Introduction by a Majority of the Legislative Council  
pursuant to Joint Rule 27. Submitted by the Department of Finance and  
Administration pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

10 Speaker laid before the House and on Motion of Mr. Davies of  
Orono, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Af-  
fairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Kelleher of Bangor.

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12 **STATE OF MAINE**  
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO  
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17 **AN ACT to Make Additional Allocations**  
18 **From the Regulatory Fund, Public Utilities**  
19 **Commission for the Fiscal Year Ending**  
20 **June 30, 1983.**  
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22 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature  
23 do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment  
24 unless enacted as emergencies; and

25 Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to  
26 the operation of the department will become due and payable  
27 on or immediately after July 1, 1982; and

28 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these  
29 facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Consti-  
30 tution of Maine and require the following legislation as  
31 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public  
32 peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

2 Allocation from the Regulatory Fund; Public Utilities  
3 Commission. Income not otherwise allocated from the Regula-  
4 tory Fund, Public Utilities Commission is allocated for the  
5 fiscal year July 1, 1982 to June 30, 1983 and shall be  
6 segregated, apportioned and disbursed as designated in the  
7 following schedule:

8 1982-83

9 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
10 PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

11 Regulatory Fund

12	Personal Services	\$ 24,317
13	All Other	187,870
14	Capital Expenditures	<u>15,000</u>
15	Total	\$227,187

16 This makes additional  
17 allocations from the  
18 Regulatory Fund, Public  
19 Utilities Commission.  
20 Legislative allocation is  
21 required by Title 35,  
22 section 17, subsection 2.

23 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in  
24 the preamble, this Act shall take effect July 1, 1982.

25 STATEMENT OF FACT

26 This bill will authorize the use of regulatory fund  
27 income, which has not been previously allocated, for the  
28 following purposes:

29 1. To upgrade a vacant position (which is currently  
30 funded at Range 25, Step A) to Title 2, Range 88, Step C,  
31 cost \$15,000;

32 2. To increase the salaries of the commissioners and  
33 senior staff, cost \$9,317;

- 1           3. To increase the amount available to employ consult-  
2           ants for utility rate cases, cost \$151,909;
- 3           4. To increase the amount available to meet the opera-  
4           tional costs of the commission, cost \$35,961;
- 5           5. To purchase a Computer CRT Terminal, cost \$6,000;
- 6           6. To renovate lighting and ventilation systems, cost  
7           \$4,000; and
- 8           7. To improve the air conditioning system, cost  
9           \$5,000.

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