

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 350

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7 H.P. 291

House of Representatives, February 1, 1983

8 Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, sent
9 up for concurrence and ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Tuttle of Springvale.

Cosponsors: Representative McGowan of Pittsfield, Representative
11 Murray of Bangor and Representative Manning of Portland.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT to Provide State Aid to Airports
18 to Assist in the Maintenance of Airport
19 Emergency Services.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 6 MRSA §17, sub-§9-A is enacted to read:

24 9-A. Emergency airport rescue facilities and
25 services. Aid and assist in the operation of emer-
26 gency airport rescue facilities and services, includ-
27 ing, but not limited to, fire and emergency medical
28 facilities and services, that aid and assistance to
29 be as annual grants to defray no less than 15% at
30 Portland and Bangor and 30% at all other Maine air-
31 ports licensed by the Federal Aviation Administration
32 for the direct and indirect costs of constructing,
33 equipping, operating and maintaining those facilities
34 and services;

1 STATEMENT OF FACT

2 Under federal law, airports must provide crash,
3 fire and rescue services. The cost of those services
4 are absorbed by the local government running the air-
5 port, although the State receives substantial reve-
6 nues from the excise and sales taxes on aviation gas
7 and jet fuel. These revenues go into the General
8 Fund. This bill provides that the State grant a par-
9 tial subsidy to airports for the mandatory crash,
10 fire and rescue services. Smaller airports, where
11 costs for these services are higher on a per passen-
12 ger basis, would be reimbursed for no less than 30%
13 of these costs, while the 2 largest airports would
14 receive no less than 15% of these costs.

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