

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35

(EMERGENCY)

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1979

H.P. 1503

House of Representatives, January 19, 1984

Submitted by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 24.
Speaker laid before the House and on Motion of Representative
Matthews of Winslow referred to the Committee on Appropriations and
Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Matthews of Winslow.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FOUR

AN ACT to Make Additional Allocations
from the Public Utilities Commission
Regulatory Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending
June 30, 1985.

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

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses inci-
dent to the operation of the Public Utilities Commis-
sion will become due and payable on or immediately
after July 1, 1984; 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 preser-
vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
therefore,

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

3 Allocations from the Public Utilities Commission
4 Regulatory Fund. Income not otherwise allocated from
5 the Public Utilities Commission Regulatory Fund,
6 \$200,000, is allocated for the fiscal year July 1,
7 1984, to June 30, 1985, and shall be segregated, ap-
8 portioned and disbursed as designated in the follow-
9 ing schedule:

10		<u>1984-85</u>
11	<u>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u>	
12	<u>PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION</u>	
13	Public Utilities Commission	
14	Regulatory Fund	
15	Positions	(8)
16	Personal Services	\$127,392
17	All Other	46,025
18	Capital Expenditures	<u>26,583</u>
19	Total	\$200,000

20 This makes additional allocations
21 from the Public Utilities Commis-
22 sion Regulatory Fund. Legislative
23 allocation is required by the Re-
24 vised Statutes, Title 35, section
25 17, subsection 2.

26 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited
27 in the preamble, this Act shall take effect on July
28 1, 1984.

29 STATEMENT OF FACT

30 This bill authorizes the use of Public Utilities
31 Commission Regulatory Fund income resulting from in-
32 creases in the Public Utilities Commission Regulatory

1 Fund assessment in 1984 for use beginning in fiscal
2 year 1984-85. The increase of \$200,000 has not been
3 previously allocated and will be allocated for the
4 following purposes:

5	Positions	(8)
6	Personal Services	\$127,392
7	All Other	46,025
8	Capital Expenditures	<u>26,583</u>
9	Total	\$200,000

10 Specifically, the personal services, All Other
11 and Capital Expenditures encompassed within the table
12 presented in this bill consist of the following pro-
13 posed uses for these additional funds:

14 1. To allocate funds for the establishment of 5
15 Clerk Typist II positions in the Public Utilities
16 Commission Regulatory Fund, beginning in fiscal year
17 1984-85. Cost of each position is \$13,268.50. One
18 Clerk Typist II will be assigned to each of the fol-
19 lowing commission divisions: Administrative Division;
20 Consumer Assistance Division; Legal Division; Techni-
21 cal Analysis Division; and Finance Division. The
22 cost of all 5 positions is \$66,342.50;

23 2. To allocate funds for the establishment of a
24 Clerk Steno III position in the Public Utilities Com-
25 mission Regulatory Fund, beginning in fiscal year
26 1984-85, position to be located in the secretary's
27 office. The cost of the position is \$14,887.50;

28 3. To allocate funds for the establishment of a
29 Computer Research Specialist position in the Public
30 Utilities Commission Regulatory Fund, beginning in
31 fiscal year, 1984-85, position to be located in the
32 Finance Division. The cost of the position is
33 \$23,081;

34 4. To allocate funds for the establishment of a
35 Utility Technical Analyst position in the Public
36 Utilities Commission Regulatory Fund, beginning in
37 fiscal year 1984-85, position to be located in the
38 Technical Analysis Division. The cost of the position
39 is \$23,081;

1 5. To allocate funds for a variety of All Other
2 budget category increases, including \$22,000 in gen-
3 eral operating expenses, increases in postage, print-
4 ing and legal advertising, \$11,000 in professional
5 services and \$13,025 as the appropriate increase
6 STA-CAP, for a total All Other category increase of
7 \$46,025; and

8 6. To allocate funds for an increase in the com-
9 mission's capital expenditures budget category in or-
10 der to facilitate the acquisition of a
11 word-processing system, with a total cost of approxi-
12 mately \$40,000, replacing a current annual rental
13 cost for an incomplete system in excess of \$42,000.
14 The amount proposed to be additionally allocated for
15 this purpose, together with \$13,000 in General Fund
16 reallocations, is \$26,583.

17

5324121383