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Legislative Doc	ument				No. 116
H.P. 96		House o	f Represer	itatives, Jan	uary 22, 1985
Submitted by	y the Departme	nt of Trans	sportation	pursuant to	Joint Rule
	the Committee	on Transp	oortation s	uggested an	d ordered
printed.				EDWIN H.	PERT, Clerk
Presented by Rep Cosponsored Bethel and Senat	l by Representa	tive Strout	Princeton.		
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N	IN THE INETEEN HUN	YEAR OF			
	CT to Clari tment of T and Disp	ranspor	tation ·	to Manag	
Be it enacte follows:	ed by the P	eople o	f the S	tate of 1	Maine as
23 MRSA §234-A, is n place:	A §61, as repealed an				
§61. Vacati	on, sale o	r lease	of acqu	uired la	nd
1. Land	d acquired	may be	vacated	. The De	epartment
of Transport	tation may	vacate a	any land	d or par	t of land
	in land wh				
for transporting a deed	tation purd, and that	poses b	shall s	rest the	title to
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and assigns.	The valu	e at the	e time o	of vaca	tion may
be pleaded i			amages :	in any p	roceeding
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- 2. Land acquired may be sold. The Governor, on recommendation of the department, may sell and convey on behalf of the State the interests of the State in property taken or acquired by purchase for transportation purposes and deemed no longer necessary for those purposes.
 - 3. Lease and use of property. The department may make advantageous use of property acquired taken pending that use for transportation purposes, including, but not limited to, the leasing of those interests. All such property and interests shall be deemed to be for transportation purposes and shall be exempt from taxation.
- 4. Proceeds of sales and leases. The proceeds 14 of the sales or leases shall, as far as practicable, 16 be credited to the fund from which payment was made 17 for the land.

18 STATEMENT OF FACT

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The purpose of this bill is to clarify the Department of Transportation's existing authority and to give the department authority to manage and dispose all property acquired, not just land acquired for highway purposes. This statutory change is consistent with the enlarged responsibilities the partment has over all transportation modes.

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