

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

No. 721

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7 H.P. 516

House of Representatives, February 26, 1985

8 Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered  
9 printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Brannigan of Portland.

11 Cosponsored by Representative Theriault of Fort Kent, Representative Walker of Norway and Representative Rydell of Brunswick.

12 STATE OF MAINE  
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE  
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17 AN ACT to Increase the Local Road Assistance  
18 Program.  
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
21 follows:

22 23 MRSA §1803, sub-§5 is enacted to read:

23 5. Local effort incentive. In addition to the  
24 reimbursement pursuant to this section, the State  
25 shall distribute to each municipality an incentive  
26 grant which reimburses on a dollar for dollar basis  
27 the amount expended by the municipality from local  
28 revenue sources in its immediate prior full fiscal  
29 year which are in excess of the amount granted to the  
30 municipality pursuant to subsection 1, provided that  
31 the incentive grant shall not exceed 50% of the total  
32 amount distributed to the municipality under subsec-  
33 tion 1, in the prior municipal fiscal year, and that  
34 the amounts expended, which are to be matched, are  
35 for local road improvement and maintenance. The lo-  
36 cal incentive grant established under this subsection

1 shall begin July 1, 1986, and shall be distributed in  
2 the same manner as provided in subsection 4.

3 STATEMENT OF FACT

4 This bill establishes a matching grant program  
5 which recognizes and rewards local tax efforts for  
6 local road expenditures. An incentive grant is pro-  
7 vided to municipalities which expend local revenues  
8 in excess of the amounts received from the Local Road  
9 Assistance Program. The state's reimbursement under  
10 the incentive grant would be capped at 50% of the  
11 amount received by the municipality under the exist-  
12 ing Local Road Assistance Program. If a municipality  
13 received \$12,000 in local road assistance and spent  
14 an additional \$25,000 from local revenue sources on  
15 local roads, the State would reimburse that munici-  
16 pality an additional \$6,000 under the incentive grant  
17 (i.e., a dollar for dollar match of \$13,000, which is  
18 the difference between \$25,000 and \$12,000, subject  
19 to the maximum of 50% of the original \$12,000 grant =  
20 \$6,000.)

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