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House of Representatives, March 29, 1989

Reported by Representative CARROLL for the Commission on Coastal Search and Rescue pursuant to Public Law 1987, chapter 814.

Reference to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and printing ordered under Joint Rule 18.

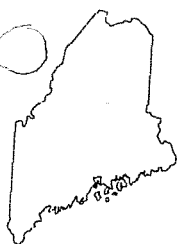
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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Fund the Law Enforcement and Search and Rescue
Activities of the Department of Marine Resources.**



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

3 **Sec. 1. Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated
5 from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1989-90	1990-91
7 MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF		
9 Bureau of Marine Patrol		
11		
13		
15		
	(15)	(15)
	\$434,626	\$579,501
	112,500	150,000
	238,750	

17 Provides funds for 15 Marine
19 Patrol Officer positions, 15
21 vehicles, a patrol boat, a
23 25% match for an additional
25 patrol boat and general
operating expenses to perform
law enforcement and search
and rescue services.

27	DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES		
	TOTAL	<u>\$785,876</u>	<u>\$729,501</u>

29 **Sec. 2. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from
31 Other Special Revenue funds to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1989-90	1990-91
33 MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF		
35 Watercraft Fund		
37		
39		
	\$26,250	\$35,000

41 Provides funds for a 75%
43 match for a patrol boat in
45 fiscal year 1990 and complete
funding for a patrol boat in
fiscal year 1991.

47 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

49 This bill provides the funding for the personnel and
51 equipment necessary for the Department of Marine Resources to

1 assume responsibility for coastal search and rescue and to
2 enhance its capacity for enforcement of boating laws. A
3 companion bill is being submitted to give the department the
4 responsibility for search and rescue.

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6 Funding for personnel and vehicles is to come from the
7 General Fund. To the extent this is not possible, the study
8 committee recommends that funds shall come from an increase in
9 the sales tax on boats.

11 The majority of the funding for the required 3 additional
12 boats for the department is to come from increases in boat
13 registration fees. In the first year, however, since the
14 increase in fees will not be in effect the entire year, some boat
15 funding will have to come from the General Fund.