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114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION - 1989

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No. 1249

S.P. 464

In Senate, April 19, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator ESTES of York.

Cosponsored by Senator PERKINS of Hancock, Representative RYDELL of Brunswick and Representative FOSTER of Ellsworth.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Provide Additional Funding for the Overboard Discharge Assistance Program and the Overboard Discharge Replacement Program.

(EMERGENCY)



| 1 | Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not |
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| 3 | become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and |
| 5 | Whereas, in order for the Finance Authority of Maine and the |
| 7 | Maine State Housing Authority to continue providing overboard discharge finance assistance programs, it is vitally necessary |
| | that this legislation be enacted as an emergency measure; and |
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| · | Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts |
| 11 | create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of |
| | Maine and require the following legislation as immediately |
| 13 | necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and |
| 4. | safety; now, therefore, |
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| 17 | Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: |
| 17 | Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the |
| 1'9 | General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act. |
| 21 | 1988-89 |
| 23 | FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MAINE |
| 25 | Overboard Discharge Replacement Fund |
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| 3.0 | All Other \$100,000 |
| 29 | Provides funds to establish a |
| 31 | loan and loan guarantee |
| 7 - | program for businesses which |
| 33 | need to replace or upgrade |
| | their overboard discharge |
| 35 | systems and which are unable |
| | to obtain credit in the |
| 37 | private sector. These funds |
| | shall not lapse, but shall |
| .39 | carry forward to be used for |
| | the purpose established in |
| 41 | Public Law 1987, chapter 846 |
| 43 | and chapter 875. |
| 40 | MAINE STATE HOUSING AUTHORITY |
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| | Overboard Discharge |
| 47 | Assistance Fund |
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| 49 | All Other \$400,000 |
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| 51 | Provides funds to establish a |

1 guarantee program homeowners who need to 3 replace or upgrade their overboard discharge systems 5 and who are unable to obtain credit in the private sector. These funds shall not lapse, but shall carry forward to be used for the purposes established 11 Public Law 1987, chapter 846 and chapter 875.

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TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

\$500,000

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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The 113th Legislature, in its Second Regular Session and Third Special Session, enacted legislation to create overboard discharge replacement and assistance programs for businesses and homeowners. Public Law 1987, chapters 846 and 875 created programs within the Finance Authority of Maine and the Maine State Housing Authority to administer financial assistance and authorized these agencies to initiate their programs using their existing available resources.

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This bill provides a General Fund Appropriation to fully implement the overboard discharge financial assistance programs. The Finance Authority of Maine and the Maine State Housing Authority require an appropriation, as existing in-house resources have been exhausted.