

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 363

S.P. 151

In Senate, February 5, 1991

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President PRAY of Penobscot
Cospponsored by Representative GOULD of Greenville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act Allowing Local Governments to Accept Federal and State Funds.

(EMERGENCY)



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

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6 Whereas, the 90-day period will expire after most 1991 town
meetings take place; and

8 Whereas, if passed as an emergency, this bill will
10 facilitate municipal administration and save printing
expenditures; and

12 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
14 create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
16 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
safety; now, therefore,

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

20 Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §5682-A is enacted to read:

22 §5682-A. State and federal funds

24 Notwithstanding section 5682, a municipality may accept
26 funds provided by the Legislature or by the Federal Government by
including a general article on the town meeting warrant, which
28 must read as follows: "Shall the town vote to accept all funding
provided by the Maine State Legislature and the United States
30 Federal Government?" This section applies to any town meeting
held after January 1, 1991.

32 Sec. 2. Retroactivity. This Act applies retroactively to
34 January 1, 1991.

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

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40 STATEMENT OF FACT

42 This bill allows municipalities to accept funds provided by
the Legislature or the Federal Government by including a general
44 article to that effect on the town meeting warrant.

46 This bill applies to town meetings held after January 1,
1991.