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JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President PRAY of Penobscot

Cosponsored by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake, Representative CHONKO of Topsham and Senator PEARSON of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act Relating to the Maine Rainy Day Fund.

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

5 MRSA §1513, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 448, is 4 amended to read:

1. Maine Rainy Day Fund. The State Controller shall at the close of each fiscal year transfer from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Maine Rainy Day Fund an amount not to exceed 1/2 the excess of total General Fund revenues received over accepted estimates in that fiscal year <u>and an</u> additional \$5,000,000 each fiscal year. No An accepted revenue estimate shall may not be increased after adjournment of each First Regular Session of the Legislature except as provided. For the first year of the biennium, revenue estimates for the 2nd year of the biennium may be adjusted once during the Second Regular Session of the Legislature. Accepted revenue estimates may be increased for other fiscal periods only if 1/2 of the increase is appropriated to the Maine Rainy Day Fund at the same The fund shall may not exceed \$25,000,000-which-shall time. \$50,000,000 and may not lapse, but must remain in a continuing carrying account to carry out the purposes of this Aet section.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill increases the amount paid into the Maine Rainy Day Fund by \$5,000,000 per year until the fund reaches the total of \$50,000,000.

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