

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 115th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1991

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Legislative Document

No. 1141

H.P. 795

House of Representatives, March 18, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative JACQUES of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Representative ROTONDI of Athens, Senator MATTHEWS of Kennebec and Representative CLARK of Millinocket.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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**An Act to Provide for Accountability for Travel Expenses in the  
Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.**

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

2                   Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1667, first ¶, as amended by PL 1981, c. 493,  
4                   §101, is further amended to read:

6                   Not later than June 1st of each year, the Governor shall  
8                   require the head of each department and agency of the State  
10                   Government to submit to the Bureau of the Budget a work program  
12                   for the ensuing fiscal year. Such work program shall must  
14                   include all appropriations, revenues, transfers and other funds,  
16                   made available to said that department or agency for its  
18                   operation and maintenance and for the acquisition of property,  
20                   and ~~it shall~~ show the requested allotments of said the sums by  
22                   quarters for the entire fiscal year, classified to show  
24                   allotments requested for specific amounts for personal services,  
26                   capital expenditures and amounts for all other departmental  
28                   expenses. The Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation  
30                   shall further break down its budget to include institutional food  
32                   expenditures. The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife  
34                   shall further breakdown its budget to include travel  
36                   expenditures. Funds not expended for ~~this~~ these budget ~~item~~  
                      shall ~~items may~~ not be transferred between line categories. The  
                      Governor, with the assistance of the State Budget Officer, shall  
                      review the requested allotments with respect to the work program  
                      of each department or agency and shall, if ~~he deems it~~ necessary,  
                      revise, alter or change such those allotments before approving  
                      the same. The Governor may authorize the State Budget Officer to  
                      approve quarterly allotments not to exceed \$500 in any account.  
                      The aggregate of such those allotments shall ~~may~~ not exceed the  
                      total sums made available to said that department or agency for  
                      the fiscal year in question. The State Budget Officer shall  
                      transmit a copy of the allotments as approved by the Governor to  
                      the head of the department or agency concerned and also a copy to  
                      the State Controller. The State Controller shall thereupon  
                      authorize all expenditures to be made from the sums available on  
                      the basis of such those allotments and not otherwise.

38                   Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7034, sub-§7-A is enacted to read:

40                   7-A. Report to the Legislature. No later than December  
42                   31st of each year the commissioner shall make a report to the  
44                   joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction  
                      over fisheries and wildlife matters accounting for the travel  
                      expenditures of the department during the preceding fiscal year.

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48                   STATEMENT OF FACT

50                   The purpose of this bill is to provide accountability to the  
52                   Legislature for travel expenditures of the Department of Inland  
                      Fisheries and Wildlife.