

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 115th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 819

House of Representatives, March 18, 1991

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

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative FOSS of Yarmouth.

Cosponsored by Senator FOSTER of Hancock and Senator PEARSON of Penobscot.

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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 Make Allocations for the Operating Expenditures of the Intergovernmental Telecommunications Fund of the Department of Administration for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1992 and June 30, 1993.**

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(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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Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the  
6 beginning of the next fiscal year; and

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Whereas, certain obligations and expenses will become due  
and payable on or immediately after July 1, 1991; and

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

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

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**Sec. 1. Adjustments to allocations.** Allocations may be increased  
20 or adjusted by the State Budget Officer with the approval of the  
Governor to cover specifically those adjustments determined  
22 necessary under any salary plan approved by the Legislature, and  
those reclassifications and range changes that have been approved  
24 by the Department of Administration and submitted for legislative  
review prior to the effective date of this Act.

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**Sec. 2. Exclusion.** Exclusive of the provisions of sections 5  
28 and 6 of this Act and of capital items obtained through lease  
purchases of other similar agreements consistent with the Maine  
30 Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1587 and other applicable  
laws, up to \$750,000 for Capital Expenditures may be expended in  
32 each fiscal year of the biennium. It is the intent of the  
Legislature that capital items purchased through the  
34 Intergovernmental Telecommunications Fund may not be given,  
transferred, sold or otherwise conveyed to any other department,  
36 agency or account, unless the transaction has received specific  
prior legislative authorization through the budgetary process.

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**Sec. 3. Encumbered balance at year-end.** At the end of each  
40 fiscal year all encumbered balances may not be carried more than  
once.

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**Sec. 4. Legislative intent.** It is the intent of the Legislature  
44 that all departments and agencies be assessed telecommunication  
charges on the basis of uniform billing procedures and in direct  
46 proportion to the services they are provided. During fiscal  
years 1991-92 to 1992-93, a department or agency may not be  
48 required to utilize resources in excess of levels that have been  
historically found to be necessary and available in order to  
50 maintain the level of service currently being received to satisfy  
those assessments.

2           **Sec. 5. Allocation.** In order to provide for the necessary  
 4 expenses of current operation and administration of the  
 6 Intergovernmental Telecommunications Fund, Department of  
 8 Administration, the following amounts, or as much as may be  
 necessary, are allocated from the revenues derived from  
 operations of the fund.

	1991-92	1992-93
10 <b>ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF</b>		
12 <b>Intergovernmental Telecommunications</b>		
14 <b>Fund</b>		
16           Positions - Legislative Count	(38.0)	(38.0)
Personal Services	\$1,409,498	\$1,530,755
18           All Other	7,336,896	7,507,787
20 <b>DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$8,746,394</u>	<u>\$9,038,542</u>

22           **Sec. 6. Supplemental allocation.** In order to provide for  
 24 expansion and upgrading of central telecommunications services  
 26 provided by the Intergovernmental Telecommunications Fund,  
 28 Department of Administration, the following amounts, or as much  
 as may be necessary, are allocated from the revenues derived from  
 operations of the fund.

	1991-92	1992-93
30 <b>ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF</b>		
32 <b>Intergovernmental Telecommunications</b>		
34 <b>Fund</b>		
36           Positions - Legislative Count	(1.0)	(1.0)
38           Personal Services	\$33,897	\$37,457
40           Allocates funds to		
reestablish a Data		
42           Communications position lost		
44           as a result of the voluntary		
cost savings program.		
46 <b>Intergovernmental Telecommunications</b>		
<b>Fund</b>		
48           Positions - Legislative Count	(1.0)	(1.0)
50           Personal Services	\$45,698	\$50,551
52           Allocates funds to		

2 reestablish a Chief of Leased  
 3 Space and Telecommunications  
 4 position lost as a result of  
 5 the Voluntary Cost Savings  
 6 Program.

7 **Intergovernmental Telecommunications**  
 8 **Fund**

10	Positions - Legislative Count	(6.0)	(6.0)
	Personal Services	\$178,096	\$194,810

12 Allocates funds for the  
 13 increased workload partially  
 14 due to an upgrade of the  
 15 State's microwave system for  
 16 the following positions: one  
 17 Account Clerk II, one  
 18 Storekeeper, 2 Data  
 19 Communications Specialists  
 20 and 2 Switchboard Operators.

21 **Intergovernmental Telecommunications**  
 22 **Fund**

26	Capital Expenditures	\$12,490	\$13,115
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28 Allocates funds for a utility  
 29 vehicle to move equipment and  
 30 staff between locations.

32	<b>DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION</b>		
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$270,181</u>	<u>\$295,933</u>

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

38 **FISCAL NOTE**

		1991-92	1992-93
42	Allocation from the Intergovernmental		
43	Telecommunications Fund		
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45	Section 5	\$8,746,394	\$9,038,542
46	Section 6	270,181	295,933
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48	<b>TOTAL ALLOCATIONS</b>	<u>\$9,016,575</u>	<u>\$9,334,475</u>

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## STATEMENT OF FACT

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4       The purpose of this bill is to make allocations for the  
6       operating expenses of the Intergovernmental Telecommunications  
      Fund, Department of Administration, for the fiscal years ending  
      June 30, 1992 and June 30, 1993 to make supplemental allocations  
      to support growth and expansion of the agency.