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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
116TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1306, L.D. 1761, Bill, "An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1994 and June 30, 1995"

Amend the amendment in Part F in section 4 in the 3rd line from the end (page 126, line 28 in amendment) by striking out the following: "4,000,000" and inserting in its place the following: '8,597,000'

Further amend the amendment in Part F in section 4 in the last line (page 126, line 30 in amendment) by striking out the following: "519,072,022" and inserting in its place the following: '527,669,022'

Further amend the amendment in Part F in section 6 in the last line (page 126, line 46 in amendment) by striking out the following: "519,072,022" and inserting in its place the following: '527,669,022'

Further amend the amendment by inserting after Part CC the following:

PART DD

Sec. DD-1. 36 MRSA §1811, as amended by PL 1993, c. 471, §3, is further amended by adding a new 2nd paragraph to read:

Notwithstanding the first paragraph, effective June 1, 1994 the rate of tax is 10% on the value of rental living quarters in

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any hotel, rooming house, tourist or trailer camp. This
paragraph is repealed May 31, 1995.

PART EE

Sec. EE-1. 22 MRSA §3189, sub-§1, amended by PL 1993, c. 410,
Pt. FFF, §5, is further amended to read:

1. Program created; intent. The Maine Health Program is
created to expand access of Maine citizens to basic health care
services. The Maine Health Program is intended to meet, to the
extent of available funds, the health care needs of uninsured
Maine residents with the highest priority being those needs of
residents who are financially needy and under the age of 18.
After ~~April 1, 1994~~ July 1, 1995, the Maine Health Program is a
privately administered and funded program that may be governed by
state law but there is no right or claim of entitlement to health
care benefits under state law created by operation of the program.

Sec. EE-2. 22 MRSA §3189, sub-§8-C, as enacted by PL 1993, c.
410, Pt. FFF, §9, is amended to read:

8-C. Legislative intent. It is the intent of the
Legislature that the appropriation for the Maine Health Program
end on ~~April 1, 1994~~ July 1, 1995.

Sec. EE-3. 22 MRSA §3189-A, sub-§2, ¶¶C and E, as enacted by
PL 1993, c. 410, Pt. FFF, §14, are amended to read:

C. The advisory board shall solicit proposals from private
entities to administer the Maine Health Program after March
31, 1994 1995. The advisory board shall plan for the
transition of program management from the Department of
Human Services to a private contractor between August 1,
1993 1994 and March 31, 1994 1995. The advisory board has
full authority to effect the transition to the private
entity, which shall commence administration of the Maine
Health Program on ~~April 1, 1994~~ July 1, 1995.

E. The advisory board shall draft any legislation it
determines necessary to govern the Maine Health Program as
it will operate after ~~April 1, 1994~~ July 1, 1995 and present
it for consideration by the Legislature as soon as practical
~~after August 1, 1993~~.

Sec. EE-4. Appropriation. The following funds are
appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of
this Part.

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1993-94

1994-95

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**HUMAN SERVICES,
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Maine Health Program

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All Other

\$555,000

\$2,220,000

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Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 3189, subsection 3, paragraph E-1, provides for the appropriation of funds to continue the adult portion of the Maine Health Program for the period April 1, 1994 to June 30, 1995 based on March 1994 enrollment figures.

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Sec. EE-5. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from the Federal Expenditure Fund to carry out the purposes of this Part.

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**Medical Care - Payments
to Providers**

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All Other

\$902,458

\$3,773,521

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Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 3189, subsection 3, paragraph E-1, provides for the allocation of funds to continue the adult portion of the Maine Health Program for the period April 1, 1994 to June 30, 1995 based on March 1994 enrollment figures.

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Sec. EE-6. Transfer of funds. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1585 or any other provision of law, the State Budget Officer is authorized to transfer to the Maine Health Program the funds necessary to support program costs through June 30, 1994 from other Department of Human Services General Fund programs. Any transfer must be based on the recommendations of the Commissioner of Human Services.

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This amendment increases the sales tax on lodging from 7% to 10% from June 1, 1994 until May 31, 1995. The revenues generated by this increase are used to fund the Maine Health Program, which is also reinstated by this amendment, and general purpose aid for local schools.

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