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In Senate, December 7, 1994

An Act to Protect the Future of the United States Naval Shipyard at Kittery and the United States Naval Air Station at Brunswick.

(EMERGENCY)

Reference to the Committee on Housing and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

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Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). Cosponsored by Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, BUTLAND of Cumberland, CARPENTER of York, CASSIDY of Washington, KIEFFER of Aroostook, LAWRENCE of York, LORD of York, SMALL of Sagadahoc, Representatives: BAILEY of Township 27, BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BUCK of Yarmouth, CLUKEY of Houlton, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GUERRETTE of Pittston, JOYNER of Hollis, KNEELAND of Easton, LABRECQUE of Gorham, LEMONT of Kittery, LIBBY of Buxton, LINDAHL of Northport, MARSHALL of Eliot, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MURPHY of Berwick, NICKERSON of Tumer, OTT of York, PEAVEY of Woolwich, PENDLETON of Scarborough, POIRIER of Saco, REED of Dexter, STEDMAN of Hartland, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, UNDERWOOD of Oxford.

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

Whereas, the United States Naval Shipyard at Kittery and the United States Naval Air Station at Brunswick are major sources of revenue for the State and employers of the State's citizens; and

Whereas, under the federal Base Closure Act of 1990, 10 decisions on the closure of military facilities will be made during 1995; and

Whereas, closure of the United States Naval Shipyard at Kittery or the United States Naval Air Station at Brunswick and the resulting loss of jobs would create a substantial loss of revenue to the State and hardship to many of the State's families; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately 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:

Sec. 1. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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Economic Conversion Division

All Other

\$100,000

- Provides for the appropriation of funds for
 the support of community-based responses to
 the 1995 federal Base Realignment and
 Closure Commission proceedings.
- 44 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill provides a General Fund appropriation of \$100,000 4 to be used to support community-based responses to the base closure process. Funding will be used to cover travel costs for 6 research and meeting attendance, formulation of information requests for the Base Realignment and Closure Commission, 8 expenses incurred from consultant technical assistance and other expenses necessary to promote a visible show of community support 10 for the installations.

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