

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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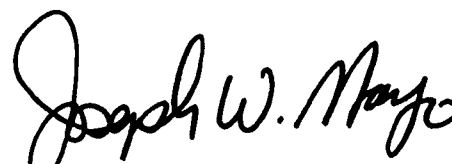
House of Representatives, November 29, 1995

**An Act to Authorize Appropriations and Allocations for the 1996-1997  
Biennium and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary for  
the Operation of State Government.**

(EMERGENCY)

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Reported by Representative KERR for the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations  
and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1153.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk



2	All Other		(33,000)
4	Provides for the		
6	deappropriation of funds for		
8	contracting legal services to		
	appeal Supplemental Security		
	Income (SSI) decisions.		
10	<b>Departmentwide - TOM</b>		
12	All Other	(20,000)	
14	Provides for the		
16	deappropriation of funds due		
18	to the elimination of a Total		
20	Quality Management training		
	contract with the Department		
	of Human Services training		
	unit.		
22	<b>Elder and Adult Services -</b>		
	<b>Bureau of</b>		
24	All Other	(15,000)	(15,000)
26	Provides for the		
28	deappropriation of funds		
30	through standardization of		
32	visitor and guardian ad litem		
	fees for public guardianship.		
34	<b>Health - Bureau of</b>		
36	All Other	(30,000)	(30,000)
38	Provides for the		
40	deappropriation of funds to		
	eliminate rollover of		
	contract funds.		
42	<b>Health - Bureau of</b>		
44	All Other	(40,000)	(80,000)
46	Provides for the		
48	deappropriation of funds for		
	tuberculosis treatment cost		
	reduction.		
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52	<b>DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES</b>		
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>(\$1,248,284)</u>	<u>(\$639,631)</u>

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**Sec. A-2. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from the Federal Expenditure Fund for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996 and June 30, 1997 to carry out the purposes of this Part.

	<b>1995-96</b>	<b>1996-97</b>
<b>HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF</b>		
<b>Aid to Families with Dependent Children</b>		
All Other	(\$1,369,137)	(\$227,232)
Provides for the deallocation of funds due to increased child support collections.		
<b>Aid to Families with Dependent Children</b>		
All Other		(56,967)
Provides for the deallocation of funds for contracting legal services to appeal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) decisions.		
<b>DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>(\$1,369,137)</u>	<u>(\$284,199)</u>

**Sec. A-3. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue funds for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996 and June 30, 1997 to carry out the purposes of this Part.

	<b>1995-96</b>	<b>1996-97</b>
<b>HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF</b>		
<b>Aid to Families with Dependent Children</b>		
All Other	\$2,162,421	\$358,863
Provides for the allocation of funds due to increased child support collections.		

2	<b>Aid to Families with</b>		
	<b>Dependent Children</b>		
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	All Other	350,000	350,000
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	Provides for the allocation		
8	of funds due to increased		
	federal child support		
10	collections incentives.		
12	<b>DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES</b>		
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$2,512,421</u>	<u>\$708,863</u>
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**PART B**

20       **Sec. B-1. Authorization to expend funds.** The Department of  
 22 Human Services is authorized to expend up to \$31,000 from the  
 24 General Assistance - Reimbursement to Cities and Towns account  
 26 and \$11,000 from the Aid to Families with Dependent Children  
 28 account in fiscal year 1996-97 for the purpose of reimbursing for  
 legal work done to assist state residents who, prior to the legal  
 work, had been receiving General Assistance or Aid to Families  
 with Dependent Children to become qualified to receive federally  
 funded disability benefits.

30       **Sec. B-2. Deappropriated General Fund amounts must remain in**  
 32 **unappropriated surplus.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of  
 34 law, the General Fund amounts deappropriated in Part A of this  
 Act must remain in unappropriated surplus and may not be  
 transferred or utilized for other purposes unless appropriated by  
 the Legislature.

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

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**FISCAL NOTE**

44	<b>Appropriations and Allocations</b>		
		<b>1995-96</b>	<b>1996-97</b>
46	General Fund Appropriations		
48	Part A, Section A-1	(1,248,284)	(639,631)
50	Federal Expenditure Fund		
52	Part A, Section A-2	(1,369,137)	(284,199)

2 Other Special Revenue  
4 Part A, Section A-3 2,512,421 708,863

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### 8 STATEMENT OF FACT

10 Part A of this bill makes "non-productivity" adjustments to  
12 General Fund appropriations, Federal Expenditure Fund allocations  
and Other Special Revenue allocations in the Department of Human  
Services.

14 Part B authorizes the Department of Human Services to pay  
16 the legal services for individuals appealing denial of Federal  
Supplemental Security Income benefits in order to reduce  
18 expenditure of General Assistance and Aid to Families with  
Dependent Children funds. Part B also provides that funds  
20 deappropriated from the General Fund may not be transferred or  
utilized for any other purpose unless appropriated by the  
Legislature.