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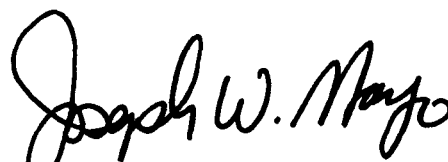
H.P. 1180

House of Representatives, December 11, 1995

**An Act to Repeal the Sunset Provision for Distribution from the Maine
Environmental Trust Fund.**

(EMERGENCY)

Reported by Representative O'GARA from the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation
pursuant to Public Law 1993, chapter 410, Part BBB, section 6.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

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

Whereas, the provision governing distribution from the Maine Environmental Trust Fund will be repealed on March 31, 1996; and

Whereas, this legislation eliminates the language that would repeal this provision; 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,

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7759, sub-§3, as repealed and replaced by PL 1995, c. 217, §1, is amended to read:

3. Distribution from fund. Money distributed from the fund may be used for marketing the plates and for the production and marketing of goods using the environmental plate design. After the Treasurer of State has reimbursed the Secretary of State for costs of producing and issuing environmental registration plates in accordance with Title 29-A, section 455, the Treasurer of State shall, at the end of each quarter in the fiscal year, distribute the balance in the fund as follows:

A. Sixty percent of the balance must be deposited in the Maine State Parks Fund established in section 610; and

B. Forty percent of the balance must be deposited in the Maine Endangered and Nongame Wildlife Fund established in section 7757.

~~This subsection is repealed March 31, 1996.~~

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill repeals the sunset provision for distribution from the Maine Environmental Trust Fund.