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House of Representatives, January 9, 1996

An Act to Modify the Requirement for Financial Order Approval of Allotment Increases in Amounts of \$10,000 or Less.

Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

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

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative SIMONEAU of Thomaston.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1667, 2nd \P , as amended by PL 1975, c. 771, §76, is further amended to read:

head of any department or agency of the whenever he--shall--deem the head determines necessary by reason of changed conditions, may revise the work program of his the department or agency at the beginning of any quarter during the fiscal year, and submit such the revised program to the Bureau of the Budget with his the head's request for a revision of the allotments of the remaining quarters of If, upon such-re-examination reexamination of that fiscal year. the work program, the State Budget Officer, with the approval of the Governor, shall-decide decides to grant the request for the revision of the allotments, the same procedure, so far as it relates to review, approval and control shall-be is followed as in the making of the original allotments. Department and agency heads are authorized to increase allotment up to \$1,000 for the Personal Services, All Other and Capital Expenditures allocations in the Federal Expenditure fund, Other Special Revenue fund, Federal Block Grant fund and internal service, enterprise and trust and agency fund accounts in the department or agency by notifying the State Budget Officer within 5 days of the action by means of a signed financial order. The State Budget Officer is authorized to increase allotment up to \$10,000 for the Personal Services, All Other and Capital Expenditures allocations in the Federal Expenditure fund, Other Special Revenue fund, Federal Block Grant fund and the internal service, enterprise and trust and agency fund accounts in the same department or agency upon receipt of a signed financial order from the department or agency head. Department and agency heads must not intentionally split increases in allotment in order to be within the authorization limits of \$1,000 or \$10,000. These financial orders authorizing allotment increases of up to \$10,000 are not subject to the 30-day prior submission requirement in Title 5, section 1585. Approved financial orders authorizing these allotment increases of up to \$10,000 must be transmitted to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction appropriations and financial affairs matters.

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This bill allows allotment increases of \$1,000 or less to be approved by the department or agency head and allotment increases of \$1,001 to \$10,000 to be approved by the State Budget Officer in Federal Expenditure Fund, Other Special Revenue Fund, Federal Block Grant Fund and internal service, enterprise and trust and agency fund accounts.