

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 716

In Senate, February 29, 1996

An Act to Provide a Contingent Allocation to Establish a Federally Funded Military Rebuild Site to be Operated by the Maine National Guard at the former Loring Air Force Base.

(EMERGENCY)

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "May M. Ross".

MAY M. ROSS
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook. (GOVERNOR'S BILL).
Cosponsored by Representative O'NEAL of Limestone and
Senators: MICHAUD of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BERRY of Livermore, CLARK of Millinocket, CLUKEY of Houlton, DESMOND of Mapleton, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, GOULD of Greenville, JOY of Crystal, KEANE of Old Town, KNEELAND of Easton, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIROIS of Caribou, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

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

4 Whereas, the Maine National Guard has submitted a proposal
6 to the United States Department of Defense, National Guard Bureau
to establish a federally funded depot-level military rebuild site
8 at the former Loring Air Force Base maintenance building; and

10 Whereas, if this proposal is accepted, the employees of such
a facility will be required to be state employees, although the
12 State will be 100% federally reimbursed; and

14 Whereas, if this proposal is accepted the facility may be
established in the immediate future and it will be necessary to
16 have the means available to hire such employees; and

18 Whereas, the economic health of the State and Aroostook
County in particular will greatly benefit if this facility is
20 established and a prerequisite to such a facility is the
establishment of an employee system; and

22 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
24 create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
26 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
safety; now, therefore,

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

30 **Sec. 1. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from the
32 Federal Expenditure Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1995-96	1996-97
36 DEFENSE AND VETERANS' SERVICES,		
38 DEPARTMENT OF		
Loring Rebuild Facility		
40		
	(41)	(41)
42	\$1,436,556	\$1,684,979
	315,000	315,000
44	35,000	35,000

46 Allocates additional federal
48 funds for the Loring Rebuild
Facility. This allocation
50 includes funds for one

2 Manager position, 2
 3 Automotive and Heavy
 4 Equipment Supervisor
 5 positions, one Production
 6 Controller position, 3 Tool
 7 and Parts Attendant
 8 positions, one Clerk Typist
 9 II position, 4 Automotive and
 10 Heavy Equipment Supervisor
 11 positions, 9 Automotive and
 12 Heavy Equipment Mechanic
 13 positions, 9 Automotive and
 14 Heavy Equipment Worker
 15 positions and 5 General
 16 Laborer positions and capital
 17 equipment including computer
 18 equipment and peripherals,
 19 telephone equipment, special
 20 tools and off-ramp upgrade.

22 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND**
 23 **VETERANS' SERVICES**

24 TOTAL	\$1,786,556	\$2,034,979
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26 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the
 27 preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

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30 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

32 This bill provides the framework to establish a federally
 33 funded depot-level military rebuild site at the former Loring Air
 34 Force Base. The Maine National Guard has submitted a proposal to
 35 the United States Department of Defense, National Guard Bureau to
 36 operate a 100% federally funded depot-level equipment rebuild
 37 site at that location. The National Guard Bureau requires that
 38 employees not be federal employees but the National Guard Bureau
 will pay all the expenses of the facility.