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APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Reported by: Senator Michaud

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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
118TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 88, L.D. 268, Bill, "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$20,000,000 for Landfill Closure and Remediation"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$13,000,000 to Construct Water Pollution Control Facilities, to Close and Clean Up Municipal Solid Waste Landfills, to Clean Up Tire Stockpiles, to Mitigate Storm Water Pollution through a Comprehensive Watershed Protection Program and to Make Drinking Water Improvements'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of the preamble (page 1, lines 1 to 6 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'Preamble. Two thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, to authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide funds to construct water pollution control facilities, to close and clean up municipal solid waste landfills, to clean up tire stockpiles, to mitigate storm water pollution through a comprehensive watershed protection program and to make drinking water improvements.'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of sections 1, 5 and 6 (page 1, lines 10 to 20, lines 43 to 47 and page 2, lines 1 to 13 in L.D.) and inserting in their place the following:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

2 **Sec. 1. Authorization of bonds to provide for funds to construct**
4 **water pollution control facilities, to close and clean up municipal solid**
6 **waste landfills, to clean up tire stockpiles, to mitigate storm water pollution**
8 **through a comprehensive watershed protection program and to make**
10 **drinking water improvements.** The Treasurer of State is
12 authorized, under the direction of the Governor, to issue bonds
14 in the name and on behalf of the State in an amount not exceeding
16 \$13,000,000 to raise funds to construct water pollution control
18 facilities, to close and clean up municipal solid waste
landfills, to clean up tire stockpiles, to mitigate storm water
pollution through a comprehensive watershed protection program
and to make drinking water improvements as authorized by section
6. The bonds are a pledge of the full faith and credit of the
State. The bonds may not run for a period longer than 10 years
from the date of the original issue of the bonds. At the
discretion of the Treasurer of State, with the approval of the
Governor, any issuance of bonds may contain a call feature.

20 **Sec. 5. Disbursement of bond proceeds.** The proceeds of the
22 bonds must be expended as set out in section 6 under the
24 direction and supervision of the Department of Environmental
Protection and the Department of Human Services.

26 **Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue; to construct water**
28 **pollution control facilities, to close and clean up municipal solid waste**
30 **landfills, to clean up tire stockpiles, to mitigate storm water pollution**
32 **through a comprehensive watershed protection program and make**
34 **drinking water improvements.** The proceeds of the sale of bonds
must be expended as designated in the following schedule.

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34 **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,**
36 **DEPARTMENT OF**

36	Construction of water pollution control	\$5,500,000
38	facilities to provide the state match	
40	for \$12,500,000 in federal funds	
42	Grants to municipalities to close and	\$4,500,000
44	clean up solid waste landfills	
46	Cleanup of tire stockpiles to protect	\$2,000,000
48	the public health and safety and the	
	environment	
	Mitigation of storm water pollution through	\$500,000
	establishment of a comprehensive watershed	

protection program

HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Address environmental health deficiencies \$500,000
in drinking water supplies to provide
the state match for \$2,500,000 in
federal funds

TOTAL ALLOCATIONS

\$13,000,000'

Further amend the bill in section 10 by striking out all of the question (page 2, lines 45 to 47 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

"Do you favor a \$13,000,000 bond issue, which will match \$15,000,000 in federal funds, to construct water pollution control facilities, to close and clean up municipal solid waste landfills, to clean up tire stockpiles, to mitigate storm water pollution through a comprehensive watershed protection program and to make drinking water improvements?"

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

The estimated cost of sending this bond issue out to referendum will vary according to the total number of referenda enacted during the First Special Session of the 118th Legislature to be submitted in November. The estimated cost to the Secretary of State if one to 6 referenda are enacted is \$95,000. Each additional referendum costs an additional \$7,000.

If approved by the voters, the total cost of this bond issue is estimated to be \$16,646,500 with principal payments of \$13,000,000 and interest payments of approximately \$3,646,500.'

SUMMARY

This amendment reduces the amount of the bond issue to \$13,000,000.

The funds provided by this bond issue will be used for the following purposes:

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- 2 1. To construct water pollution control facilities, as a
match for \$12,500,000 in federal funds, \$5,500,000;
- 4 2. To close and clean up municipal solid waste landfills,
\$4,500,000;
- 6 3. To clean up tire stockpiles that pose a threat to the
8 public health and safety and the environment, \$2,000,000;
- 10 4. To mitigate storm water pollution through the
establishment of a comprehensive watershed protection program,
12 \$500,000; and
- 14 5. To address environmental health deficiencies in drinking
water supplies, as a match for \$2,500,000 in federal funds,
16 \$500,000.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT