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INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 169, L.D. 498, Bill, "An Act to Reallocate Environmental Registration License Plate Revenue"

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2 and 3 and inserting in their place the following:

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7759, sub-§3, ¶¶A and B, as repealed and replaced by PL 1995, c. 217, §1, are amended to read:

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

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

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7759, sub-§3, ¶C is enacted to read:

C. Twenty percent of the balance must be allocated to the Bureau of Warden Service to be dedicated to enforcing laws regulating boats, snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles.

Sec. 4. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1997-98 1998-99

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DEPARTMENT OF**

Endangered Nongame Operations

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2	All Other	(\$128,836)	(\$172,000)
	Capital Expenditures	(78,000)	(78,000)
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6	TOTAL	<u>(206,836)</u>	<u>(250,000)</u>

8 Deallocation funds to reflect
 10 loss of revenue from the
 12 redistribution of dedicated
 14 revenues from the sale of
 16 environmental license plates.

14 **Enforcement Operations -
 Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

16	All Other	206,836	249,200
18	Allocates funds received as		
20	dedicated revenues from the		
22	sale of environmental license		
24	plates. These funds are to		
26	be used by the Bureau of		
28	Warden Service to enforce		
30	boating, snowmobile and ATV		
32	laws.		

28 **DEPARTMENT OF INLAND FISHERIES
 AND WILDLIFE**

30	TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$800)</u>
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32 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the
 34 summary the following:

34 **FISCAL NOTE**

36 **1998-99**

38 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

40	Other Funds		(\$800)
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44 The reallocation of dedicated revenue to the Maine
 46 Environmental Trust Fund will reduce the amounts accruing to the
 48 Maine Endangered and Nongame Wildlife Fund within the Department
 of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by \$206,836 in fiscal year
 1997-98 and \$249,200 annually beginning in fiscal year 1998-99.
 Additional dedicated revenue in these amounts will accrue to the

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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2 Bureau of Warden Service, within the Department of Inland
Fisheries and Wildlife.

4 The bill includes deallocations of \$206,836 and \$250,000 in
fiscal years 1997-98 and 1998-99, respectively, to the Endangered
6 Nongame Operations program to reflect the reduced amounts of
dedicated revenue available to support this program. Additional
8 allocations to the Enforcement Operations - Inland Fisheries and
Wildlife program of \$206,836 in fiscal year 1997-98 and \$249,200
10 in fiscal year 1998-99 are included to reflect the additional
amounts of dedicated revenue accruing to that program.'

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SUMMARY

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This is the minority report of the Joint Standing Committee
on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

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This amendment changes the allocation of funds received
through the sale of the environmental license plate so that half
of the amount currently received by the Department of Inland
22 Fisheries and Wildlife is allocated to the Bureau of Warden
Service and used to enforce boating, snowmobile and ATV laws.

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