

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 118th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1997

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No. 1435

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S.P. 463

In Senate, March 11, 1997

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**An Act to Clarify Reimbursement by Responsible Parties to the Maine  
Coastal and Inland Surface Oil Clean-up Fund.**

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Reference to the Committee on Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Joy J. O'Brien'.

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President LAWRENCE of York.  
Cosponsored by Representative ETNIER of Harpswell and  
Senators: MacKINNON of York, RAND of Cumberland, Representatives: HONEY of  
Boothbay, WHEELER of Eliot, WRIGHT of Berwick.

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

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4       Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §551, sub-§8 is enacted to read:

6       8. Disbursements to state agencies. A state agency that  
8       seeks reimbursement from the Maine Coastal and Inland Surface Oil  
10       Clean-up Fund for costs related to oil spill response activities  
12       shall keep time records demonstrating the amount of spill  
14       response activities performed for which reimbursement is sought.  
16       A state agency may establish a dedicated account for receipt of  
18       disbursements from the fund. Disbursements from the fund to a  
20       state agency pursuant to subsection 5, paragraph B must be  
22       deposited in that account, if it has been established, and may be  
24       used by the agency to support its activities.

### SUMMARY

20       This bill authorizes a state agency that has incurred costs  
22       related to oil spill response activities to establish an account  
24       for receipt of disbursements from the Maine Coastal and Inland  
Surface Oil Clean-up Fund. The bill requires an agency seeking  
reimbursement to keep time records demonstrating the amount of  
spill response activities performed for which reimbursement is  
sought.