

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
120TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 493, L.D. 1582, Bill, "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$4,250,000 to Construct New or Retrofit Existing Pollution Control Structures on Maine Farms to Protect the Environment, to Construct Environmentally Sound Water Sources that Help Avoid Drought Damage to Crops, and to Recapitalize the Potato Market Improvement Fund"

Amend the bill in section 6 in that part designated "AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF" in the 3rd line (page 2, line 17 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$1,250,000" and inserting in its place the following: '\$2,000,000'

Further amend the bill in section 6 in that part designated "AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF" in the 9th line (page 2, line 24 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$1,000,000" and inserting in its place the following: '\$1,250,000'

Further amend the bill in section 6 in that part designated "AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF" in the 12th line (page 2, line 28 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$2,000,000" and inserting in its place the following: '\$1,000,000'

Further amend the bill in section 10 in subsection 1 in the first line (page 3, line 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$1,250,000" and inserting in its place the following: '\$2,000,000'

Further amend the bill in section 10 in subsection 2 in the first line (page 3, line 25 in L.D.) by striking out the

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2 following: "\$1,000,000" and inserting in its place the  
following: '\$1,250,000'

4 Further amend the bill in section 10 in subsection 3 in the  
6 first line (page 3, line 28 in L.D.) by striking out the  
following: "\$2,000,000" and inserting in its place the  
8 following: '\$1,000,000'

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

### 12 FISCAL NOTE

14 The estimated cost of sending this bond issue out to  
16 referendum will vary according to the total number of referenda  
18 enacted during the First Regular Session of the 120th Legislature  
to be submitted to the voters in November. The estimated cost to  
20 the Secretary of State if one to 6 referenda are enacted is  
\$121,392. Each additional referendum costs an additional \$8,000.

22 If approved by the voters, the total cost of this bond issue  
is estimated to be \$5,556,663 with principal payments of  
24 \$4,250,000 and interest payments of approximately \$1,306,663.

26 If approved by the voters, this bond issue will provide a  
total of \$4,250,000 to the Department of Agriculture, Food and  
28 Rural Resources for several different purposes. These purposes  
include \$2,000,000 for pollution control structures on Maine  
30 farms, \$1,250,000 for the development of certain water sources  
and \$1,000,0000 to recapitalize the Potato Market Improvement  
32 Fund.'

### 34 SUMMARY

36 The amendment reallocates the total amount of the bond issue  
38 by increasing funding for the construction or retrofitting of  
pollution control structures and for the construction of water  
40 sources and reducing the allocation to the Potato Market  
Improvement Fund. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.