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H.P. 433

House of Representatives, February 11, 2003

An Act To Eliminate a Defunct Account in the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources

(EMERGENCY)

Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. Macfarland MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND Clerk

Presented by Representative SMITH of Monmouth. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)
Cosponsored by Senator HALL of Lincoln and
Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, FLETCHER of Winslow, JENNINGS of Leeds,
LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, THOMPSON of China, Senators: KNEELAND of Aroostook,
STRIMLING of Cumberland, WESTON of Waldo.

	Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
2	become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
4	Whence
6	Whereas, in January 1995 the Legislature repealed statutory authority for the Maine Dairy Farm Stabilization Fund; and
8	Whereas, the repeal legislation did not provide for the disposition of the funds remaining on account; and
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12	Whereas, the outlook for the economy of the State and the revenue projections for State Government require prompt action;
14	and
	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
16	create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
18	necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,
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22	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
24	Sec. 1. State funds eliminated. Notwithstanding any other
24	provision of law, the State Controller shall merge with the General Fund unappropriated surplus the balance remaining in the
26	Other Special Revenue Dairy Farm Stabilization Fund within the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources pursuant to
28	the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1508.
30	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.
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34	SUMMARY
36	This bill merges with the General Fund the balance remaining
38	in the Dairy Farm Stabilization Fund within the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources. The statutory authority has been previously repealed.