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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
122ND LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT "I" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1382, L.D. 1974, Bill, "An Act To Make Additional Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of State Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2005 and June 30, 2006"

Amend the amendment by adding after Part P the following:

PART Q

Sec. Q-1. Transfer from unappropriated surplus at close of fiscal year 2005-06. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, at the close of fiscal year 2005-06 the State Controller shall transfer an amount up to \$60,000,000 available from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Transportation, Highway and Bridge Improvement Highway Fund account after all required deductions of appropriations, budgeted financial commitments and adjustments considered necessary by the State Controller have been made and as the next priority after the transfers required pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, sections 1507 and 1511 and before the transfers required pursuant to Title 5, section 1536, subsection 1, paragraphs A to E.

Sec. Q-2. Purpose. The transfer under section 1 of this Part is in addition to the transfer authorized in Public Law 2005, chapter 519, Part HHH, section 2 and is intended to provide additional resources to the Highway Fund on a one-time basis to address the Highway Fund shortfall and does not represent any future General Fund commitment to the Highway Fund.

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L.D. 1974

2 **Sec. Q-3. Transfer.** Notwithstanding the Maine Revised
Statutes, Title 5, section 1585, or any other provision of law,
4 the amount transferred pursuant to this Part is considered an
adjustment to allocations in fiscal year 2006-07. These funds
6 may be allotted by financial order upon recommendation of the
State Budget Officer and approval of the Governor.'

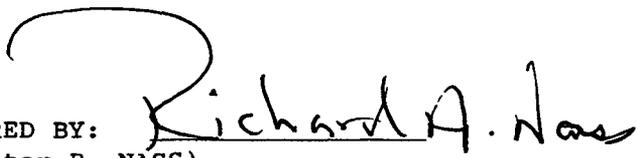
8 Further amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering
any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
10 consecutively.

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SUMMARY

16 This amendment directs the State Controller to transfer up
to \$60,000,000 from the available unappropriated surplus of the
General Fund at the close of fiscal year 2005-06 to the
18 Department of Transportation, Highway and Bridge Improvement
Highway Fund account. The amendment states the intent of the
20 transfer is to provide additional resources on a one-time basis
to address the Highway Fund shortfall. The amendment further
22 provides that the amount transferred may be allotted by financial
order upon the recommendation of the State Budget Officer and is
24 to be considered an adjustment to allocations in fiscal year
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SPONSORED BY: 
(Senator R. NASS)

COUNTY: York

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

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An Act to Make Additional Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of State Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "I" to Committee Amendment "B"

Sponsor: Sen. Nass

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential transfer of unbudgeted unappropriated surplus - General Fund

Potential current biennium cost increase - Highway Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The authorization of the transfer of up to \$60,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Highway and Bridge Improvement Highway Fund account in fiscal year 2006-07 will depend on whether any unbudgeted balance of the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund exists to effect the transfer. Highway Fund allocations for the Highway and Bridge Improvement program in fiscal year 2006-07 will be increased by the amount of any transfer that does take place.