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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
123RD LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "D" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 640, L.D. 1796, Bill, "An Act To Authorize Bond Issues for Ratification by the Voters for the June and November 2007 Elections"

Amend the amendment in Part C in section 1 in the 3rd line (page 6, line 4 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$43,500,000" and inserting the following: '\$22,000,000'

Amend the amendment in Part C by striking out all of section 6 (page 6, lines 27 to 43 and page 7, lines 1 to 27 in amendment) and inserting the following:

Sec. C-6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized under this Part must be expended as designated in the following schedule.

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM

Provides funds for interior and exterior building renovations, improvements and additions at all campuses of the University of Maine System. \$3,000,000

MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY

Provides funds for interior and exterior building renovations, improvements and additions at the Maine Maritime Academy campus. \$1,500,000

MAINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

1
2 Provides funds for interior and exterior \$15,500,000
3 building renovations, improvements and
4 additions at all campuses of the Maine
5 Community College System.

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7 **MAINE STATE CULTURAL**
8 **AFFAIRS COUNCIL**

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10 **New Century Community Program**

11
12 Provides funds to revitalize downtown \$2,000,000
13 areas, preserve and strengthen state and
14 community historic and cultural assets
15 and expand access to digital and
16 educational resources.

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18 Amend the amendment in Part C in section 10 in the question in the first line (page 8,
19 line 5 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$43,500,000" and inserting the
20 following: '\$22,000,000'

21 Amend the amendment in Part D in section 1 in the 3rd line (page 8, line 26 in
22 amendment) by striking out the following: "\$55,000,000" and inserting the following:
23 '\$50,000,000'

24 Amend the amendment in Part D by striking out all of section 6 (page 9, lines 8 to 44
25 and page 10, lines 1 and 2 in amendment) and inserting the following:

26 **'Sec. D-6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue.** The proceeds of the
27 sale of the bonds authorized under this Part must be expended as designated in the
28 following schedule.

29
30 **DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC**
31 **AND COMMUNITY**
32 **DEVELOPMENT**

33
34 **Maine Technology Institute**

1
2 Provides funds for research, development \$50,000,000
3 and commercialization as prioritized by
4 the Office of Innovation's 2005 Science
5 and Technology Action Plan for Maine.
6 The funds must be allocated to
7 biotechnology, aquaculture and marine
8 technology, composite materials
9 technology, environmental technology,
10 advanced technologies for forestry and
11 agriculture, information technology and
12 precision manufacturing technology
13 through a competitive process, and must
14 be awarded to Maine-based public and
15 private entities to leverage matching
16 funds on at least a one-to-one basis.

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18 Amend the amendment in Part D in section 10 in the question in the 2nd and 3rd lines
19 (page 10, lines 24 and 25 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$5,000,000 in
20 loans and grant funds and would provide"

21 Amend the amendment in Part E in section 1 in the 3rd line (page 11, line 4 in
22 amendment) by striking out the following: "\$35,500,000" and inserting the following:
23 '\$15,000,000'

24 Amend the amendment in Part E in section 1 in the 4th line (page 11, line 5 in
25 amendment) by striking out the following: "\$21,875,000" and inserting the following:
26 '\$7,500,000'

27 Amend the amendment in Part E by striking out all of section 5 (page 11, lines 24 to
28 43 and page 12, lines 1 to 25 in amendment) and inserting the following:

29 **'Sec. E-5. Disbursement of bond proceeds.** The proceeds of the bonds must be
30 expended as set out in this Part under the direction and supervision of the Executive
31 Department, Land for Maine's Future Board. The proceeds of the bonds to be
32 administered by the Land for Maine's Future Board must be expended for acquisition of
33 land and interest in land for conservation, water access, outdoor recreation, wildlife and
34 fish habitat and farmland preservation in accordance with the provisions for such
35 acquisitions under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 353, including all costs
36 associated with such acquisitions, except that use of the proceeds of these bonds is
37 subject to the following conditions and requirements.

38 1. Hunting, fishing, trapping and public access may not be prohibited on land
39 acquired with bond proceeds, except to the extent of applicable state, local or federal laws
40 and regulations and except for farmland protection projects.

41 2. Payment from bond proceeds for acquisitions of local or regional significance, as
42 determined by the Land for Maine's Future Board, may be made directly to cooperating

1 entities as defined in Title 5, section 6201, subsection 2 for acquisition of land and
2 interest in land by cooperating entities, subject to terms and conditions enforceable by the
3 State to ensure its use for the purposes of this Part. In addition to the considerations
4 required under Title 5, chapter 353, the board shall give a preference to acquisitions under
5 this subsection that achieve benefits for multiple towns and that address regional
6 conservation needs including public recreational access, wildlife, open space and
7 farmland.

8 3. The bond funds expended for conservation, recreation, farmland and water access
9 must be matched with at least \$7,500,000 in public and private contributions. Seventy
10 percent of that amount must be in the form of cash or other tangible assets, including the
11 value of land and real property interest acquired by or contributed to cooperating entities
12 when property interests have a direct relationship to the property proposed for protection,
13 as determined by the Land for Maine's Future Board. The remaining 30% may be
14 matching contributions and may include the value of project-related, in-kind
15 contributions of goods and services to and by cooperating entities as defined in Title 5,
16 section 6201, subsection 2.

17 4. Of the bond proceeds allocated to the Land for Maine's Future Board, \$1,700,000
18 must be made available to acquire public access to water in accordance with Title 5,
19 section 6203-A.

20 5. Of the bond proceeds allocated to the Land for Maine's Future Board, \$1,700,000
21 must be made available to protect farmland in accordance with Title 5, section 6207.

22 6. To the extent the purposes are consistent with the disbursement provisions in this
23 Part, 100% of the bond proceeds may be considered as state match for any federal
24 funding to be made available to the State.'

25 Amend the amendment in Part E by striking out all of section 6 (page 12, lines 26 to
26 44 and page 13, lines 1 to 44 in amendment) and inserting the following:

27 'Sec. E-6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue. The proceeds of the
28 sale of the bonds authorized under this Part must be expended as designated in the
29 following schedule.

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

State Planning Office

Land for Maine's Future Board

1
2 Provides funds in order to leverage \$15,000,000
3 \$7,500,000 in other funds to be used for
4 the acquisition of land and interest in land
5 for conservation; water access, which
6 must receive \$1,700,000; outdoor
7 recreation; wildlife and fish habitat; and
8 farmland preservation, which must
9 receive \$1,700,000.

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11 Amend the amendment in Part E in section 10 by striking out all of the question
12 (page 14, lines 21 to 26 in amendment) and inserting the following:

13 "Do you favor a \$15,000,000 bond issue to invest in land conservation,
14 water access, wildlife habitat, outdoor recreation opportunities, including
15 hunting and fishing and farmland and to invest in state parks, historic
16 sites and riverfront, community and farm infrastructure to be matched by
17 at least \$7,500,000 in private and public contributions?"

18 Amend the amendment by striking out all of Part F.

19 Amend the amendment in Part G in section 1 in the 3rd line (page 17, line 9 in
20 amendment) by striking out the following: "\$29,725,000" and inserting the following:
21 '\$76,725,000'

22 Amend the amendment in Part G by striking out all of section 6 (page 17, lines 32 to
23 39, page 18, lines 1 to 40 and page 19, lines 1 to 33 in amendment) and inserting the
24 following:

25 'Sec. G-6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue. The proceeds of the
26 sale of the bonds authorized under this Part must be expended as designated in the
27 following schedule.

28
29 **DEPARTMENT OF INLAND**
30 **FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

31
32 **Dam repair**

33
34 Provides funds for major rehabilitation of \$300,000
35 dams.

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37 **DEPARTMENT OF**
38 **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

39
40 **Uncontrolled hazardous waste**

1		
2	Provides funds to investigate and clean up	\$2,000,000
3	uncontrolled hazardous substance	
4	contamination at sites posing	
5	unacceptable threats to public health and	
6	water quality.	
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8	Municipal landfills	
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10	Provides funds to identify and address	\$800,000
11	pollution problems at closed landfills	
12	under a statutory mandate to monitor and	
13	inspect closed municipal facilities. Bonds	
14	will repay municipalities that conducted	
15	remedial actions such as waterline	
16	extensions or landfill gas collection to	
17	protect nearby residential property.	
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19	Industrial landfills	
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21	Provides funds to address public health	\$300,000
22	and environmental threats by preventing	
23	pollution from abandoned landfills left	
24	behind by corporations that went	
25	bankrupt.	
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27	Air quality monitoring	
28		
29	Provides funds to replace aging or	\$300,000
30	obsolete equipment used to monitor air	
31	quality for public health concerns. The	
32	State can no longer rely on federal	
33	funding to support this effort.	
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35	DEPARTMENT OF	
36	TRANSPORTATION	
37		
38	Highway and Bridge Improvements	\$60,000,000
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40	Ferry and Port Improvements	\$500,000
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42	Airports	\$200,000
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44	Transit and Bus Improvements	\$1,000,000

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2	Pedestrian and Bicycle Trails	\$950,000
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4	Passenger and Freight Rail Improvements	\$9,675,000
5		
6	Provides funds for reconstruction of a	\$700,000
7	bulkhead and wharf at the former United	
8	States Coast Guard facility in Portland.	
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10 Amend the amendment in Part G in section 10 by striking out all of the question
11 (page 20, lines 11 to 13 in amendment) and inserting the following:

12 "Do you favor a \$76,725,000 bond issue for natural resource,
13 agricultural and transportation infrastructure that will leverage
14 \$110,080,000 in other funds?"

15 Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter
16 or section number to read consecutively.

17 SUMMARY

18 This amendment increases the bond for the improvement of roads and bridges to be
19 voted on in June 2008 by \$50,000,000 to \$60,000,000, but maintains the total amount of
20 the bond package at \$295,000,000 by:

21 1. Reducing the bond for the Executive Department, Land for Maine's Future Board
22 by \$2,000,000 to \$15,000,000 and the bond for University of Maine System infrastructure
23 by \$20,000,000 to \$3,000,000;

24 2. Eliminating the proposed bonds of \$1,500,000 for the Department of Education,
25 School Revolving Renovation Fund;

26 3. Eliminating the proposed bonds of \$1,500,000 for the Economic Recovery Loan
27 Program, \$1,000,000 for the Regional Economic Development Revolving Loan Program
28 and \$1,000,000 for the Agricultural Marketing Loan Fund, all in the Finance Authority of
29 Maine;

30 4. Eliminating the proposed bonds of \$1,500,000 for the Maine Rural Development
31 Authority;

32 5. Eliminating the proposed bonds of \$1,500,000 for the Department of Agriculture,
33 Food and Rural Resources, agricultural water source development grant program;

34 6. Eliminating the proposed bonds of \$7,500,000 for the Department of
35 Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands for capital improvements;

36 7. Eliminating the proposed bonds of \$5,000,000 and \$1,500,000 to the Department
37 of Economic and Community Development for investments under the Riverfront
38 Community Development Program and for public service infrastructure grants and loans
39 from the Municipal Investment Trust Fund, respectively;

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1 8. Eliminating the proposed bonds of \$3,000,000 for working waterfront
2 preservation;

3 9. Eliminating the proposed bonds of \$2,000,000 for upgrades to fish hatcheries; and

4 10. Eliminating the proposed bonds of \$1,000,000 for funding of small community
5 grants.

6 This amendment also eliminates the Riverfront Community Development Program
7 established in Committee Amendment "A."

8 SPONSORED BY: Richard A. Nass

9 (Senator NASS, R.)

10 COUNTY: York

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)



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LD 1796

LR 2594(13)

**An Act To Authorize Bond Issues for Ratification by the Voters for the June and November 2007
Elections**

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "D" to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Sen. Nass, R. of York

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

No net fiscal impact

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment decreases the funding for selected bond issue programs by \$50,000,000 and adds the same amount for Highway and Bridge Improvements.