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S.P. 300

In Senate, February 26, 2009

An Act To Increase Funding for Higher Education

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative SUTHERLAND of Chapman and
Senators: President MITCHELL of Kennebec, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, TRAHAN of
Lincoln, Representatives: BECK of Waterville, CAIN of Orono, LOVEJOY of Portland,
WAGNER of Lewiston.

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

2 Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §10009 is enacted to read:

3 **§10009. State contribution to funding total operating costs**

4 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State shall contribute 55% of the
5 total operating costs of Maine Maritime Academy by fiscal year 2011-12.

6 **1. Transition; annual targets.** To achieve the level of funding for Maine Maritime
7 Academy required by this section, annual targets are established as set out in this
8 subsection.

- 9 A. For fiscal year 2009-10, the target is 45%.
- 10 B. For fiscal year 2010-11, the target is 50%.
- 11 C. For fiscal year 2011-12 and succeeding years, the target is 55%.

12 Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §10910 is enacted to read:

13 **§10910. State contribution to funding total operating costs**

14 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State shall contribute 55% of the
15 total operating costs of the university by fiscal year 2011-12.

16 **1. Transition; annual targets.** To achieve the level of funding for the university
17 required by this section, annual targets are established as set out in this subsection.

- 18 A. For fiscal year 2009-10, the target is 45%.
- 19 B. For fiscal year 2010-11, the target is 50%.
- 20 C. For fiscal year 2011-12 and succeeding years, the target is 55%.

21 Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §12723 is enacted to read:

22 **§12723. State contribution to funding total operating costs**

23 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State shall contribute 55% of the
24 total operating costs of the system by fiscal year 2011-12.

25 **1. Transition; annual targets.** To achieve the level of funding for the system
26 required by this section, annual targets are established as set out in this subsection.

- 27 A. For fiscal year 2009-10, the target is 45%.
- 28 B. For fiscal year 2010-11, the target is 50%.
- 29 C. For fiscal year 2011-12 and succeeding years, the target is 55%.

30 **Sec. 4. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
31 allocations are made.

32 **COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MAINE**

1 **Maine Community College System - Board of Trustees 0556**

2 Initiative: Increases funding to the Maine Community College System in order for the
3 percentage contributed by the State to be equal to 45% of the system's operating costs in
4 fiscal year 2009-10 and 50% in fiscal year 2010-11.

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6	GENERAL FUND	2009-10	2010-11
7	All Other	\$4,498,270	\$13,599,396
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9	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$4,498,270</u>	<u>\$13,599,396</u>

10 **COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, BOARD OF**
11 **TRUSTEES OF THE MAINE**

12	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2009-10	2010-11
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14	GENERAL FUND	\$4,498,270	\$13,599,396
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16	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$4,498,270</u>	<u>\$13,599,396</u>

17 **MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY**

18 **Maritime Academy - Operations 0035**

19 Initiative: Increases funding to Maine Maritime Academy in order for the percentage
20 contributed by the State to be equal to 45% of the academy's operating costs in fiscal year
21 2009-10 and 50% in fiscal year 2010-11.

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23	GENERAL FUND	2009-10	2010-11
24	All Other	\$4,018,894	\$6,123,794
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26	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$4,018,894</u>	<u>\$6,123,794</u>

27 **MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY**
28 **DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

29		2009-10	2010-11
30	GENERAL FUND	\$4,018,894	\$6,123,794
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32	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$4,018,894</u>	<u>\$6,123,794</u>

33 **UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE**

34 **Educational and General Activities - UMS 0031**

35 Initiative: Increases funding to the University of Maine System in order for the
36 percentage contributed by the State to be equal to 45% of the system's operating costs in
37 fiscal year 2009-10 and 50% in fiscal year 2010-11.

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1	GENERAL FUND	2009-10	2010-11
2	All Other	\$45,464,494	\$85,064,494
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4	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$45,464,494</u>	<u>\$85,064,494</u>
5	UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF		
6	TRUSTEES OF THE		
7	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2009-10	2010-11
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9	GENERAL FUND	\$45,464,494	\$85,064,494
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11	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$45,464,494</u>	<u>\$85,064,494</u>
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13	SECTION TOTALS	2009-10	2010-11
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15	GENERAL FUND	\$53,981,658	\$104,787,684
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17	SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$53,981,658</u>	<u>\$104,787,684</u>

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SUMMARY

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This bill requires the State to contribute 55% of the total operating costs of the State's public higher educational institutions by fiscal year 2011-12 and provides funding to Maine Maritime Academy, the Maine Community College System and the University of Maine System in order for the percentage contributed by the State to be equal to 45% of the operating costs in fiscal year 2009-10 and 50% in fiscal year 2010-11.

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