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In Senate, January 27, 2021

An Act To Increase Funding for the St. Croix International Waterway Commission

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on January 25, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MOORE of Washington. Cosponsored by Representative JAVNER of Chester and Representatives: PERRY of Calais, TUELL of East Machias.

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

Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ST. CROIX INTERNATIONAL WATERWAY COMMISSION

St. Croix International Waterway Commission 0576

Initiative: Increases ongoing funding to the St. Croix International Waterway Commission to cover increased operational costs and for a portion of the cost of one full-time Administrative Assistant position. The funding is contingent upon the Province of New Brunswick, Canada providing a matching amount to the commission.

| GENERAL FUND | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| All Other | \$25,000 | \$25,000 | \$25,000 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$25,000 | \$25,000 | \$25,000 |

Sec. 2. Contingent effective date. Section 1 of this Act does not take effect unless the St. Croix International Waterway Commission notifies the Commissioner of Environmental Protection and the State Controller that the Province of New Brunswick, Canada has committed to providing at least \$25,000 per fiscal year to cover the increased operational costs of the commission and a portion of the cost of one full-time Administrative Assistant position. The State Controller shall notify the Revisor of Statutes upon receipt of notification from the St. Croix International Waterway Commission that the Province of New Brunswick, Canada has committed to providing funding under this section.

23 SUMMARY

This bill provides an additional \$25,000 per fiscal year to the St. Croix International Waterway Commission but only if the Province of New Brunswick, Canada commits to match the funding.