

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, March 30, 2021

**An Act To Allow the Adjutant General of the Maine National Guard
To Request Quick Response Funds from the Maine Budget
Stabilization Fund after Receiving Authorization from the Governor**

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1532, sub-§9** is enacted to read:

3 **9. Maine National Guard emergency funding.** The State Controller may transfer up
4 to \$100,000 from the stabilization fund to the Maine National Guard based on amounts
5 certified by the Adjutant General to be necessary to respond to a major disaster or
6 emergency declared by the President of the United States. Any amounts transferred from
7 the stabilization fund pursuant to this subsection must be returned to the stabilization fund
8 upon receipt of federal funding designated for response to the declared major disaster or
9 emergency. Transfers under this subsection are authorized only if:

10 A. The funds are allotted by financial order upon the recommendation of the State
11 Budget Officer and approval of the Governor; and

12 B. The funds needed to meet the obligations of the Maine National Guard in
13 responding to the declared major disaster or emergency are in excess of available
14 appropriations and any other funding sources at the time of the transfer.

15 This subsection is repealed 90 days after the adjournment of the First Regular Session of
16 the 131st Legislature.

17 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill authorizes the State Controller to transfer up to \$100,000 from the Maine
19 Budget Stabilization Fund to the Maine National Guard based on amounts certified by the
20 Adjutant General of the Maine National Guard to be necessary to respond to a major
21 disaster or emergency declared by the President of the United States. The transfer is
22 authorized only if approved by the Governor, and the amount transferred must be returned
23 to the stabilization fund once federal funding is available. These provisions are repealed
24 90 days after the adjournment of the First Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.