

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**  
**SENATE**  
**132ND LEGISLATURE**  
**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 309, L.D. 692, "An Act to Increase Support for Statewide Emergency Broadcast Messaging"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

**Sec. 1. Transfer.** Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the State Controller shall transfer to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund \$250,000 on or before June 30, 2026 and \$250,000 on or before June 30, 2027 of the funds received pursuant to the Maine v. Google settlement and deposited to the account established pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 203-A to be used solely for activities identified in the court decree and approved by the Attorney General. Funds transferred pursuant to this section must be provided to the Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation to align state funding more closely with the statutory requirement to provide emergency broadcast messaging for public safety.

**Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**PUBLIC BROADCASTING CORPORATION, MAINE**

**Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation 0033**

Initiative: Provides additional one-time funds to align state funding more closely with the statutory requirement to provide emergency broadcast messaging for public safety.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>
All Other	\$250,000	\$250,000
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>

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

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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 309, L.D. 692 (S-458)

**SUMMARY**

This amendment directs the State Controller to transfer to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund \$250,000 on or before June 30, 2026 and \$250,000 on or before June 30, 2027 of the funds received pursuant to the Maine v. Google settlement and deposited to the account established pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 203-A to be used solely for activities identified in the court decree and approved by the Attorney General. Funds transferred must be provided to the Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation to align state funding more closely with the statutory requirement to provide emergency broadcast messaging for public safety. It also strikes and replaces the appropriations and allocations section.

**SPONSORED BY:** Rotundo 

(Senator ROTUNDO, M.)

**COUNTY:** Androscoggin

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)

**SENATE AMENDMENT**

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 692****LR 1567(04)****An Act to Increase Support for Statewide Emergency Broadcast Messaging****Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "A" to Original Bill (S-458)****Sponsor: Sen. Rotundo of Androscoggin****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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**Fiscal Note**

	<b>FY 2025-26</b>	<b>FY 2026-27</b>	<b>Projections FY 2027-28</b>	<b>Projections FY 2028-29</b>
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	(\$350,000)	(\$350,000)	(\$350,000)	(\$350,000)
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	(\$100,000)	(\$100,000)	(\$350,000)	(\$350,000)
<b>Transfers</b>				
General Fund	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$0
Private Trust Funds	(\$250,000)	(\$250,000)	\$0	\$0

**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

This amendment eliminates the ongoing General Fund appropriations in the bill of \$350,000 per year beginning in fiscal year 2025-26 and instead provides one-time General Fund appropriations of \$250,000 per year in fiscal years 2025-26 and 2026-27 only. This amendment also requires the State Controller to transfer \$250,000 in fiscal year 2025-26 and fiscal year 2026-27 from the Office of the Attorney General Settlement Account, Private Trust Funds account to offset the cost of the bill.