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**Legislative Document**

**No. 515**

S. P. 302

In Senate, Feb. 8, 1933.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Viles of Kennebec.

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## S T A T E   O F   M A I N E

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE

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AN ACT Relating to the Transfer of Certain State Funds.

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**Emergency Preamble.** Whereas, at the present time the funds of several departments of the state have become depleted through extraordinary expenditures made necessary by the economic crisis through which we are now passing, and

Whereas, there are unexpended balances in several of the departments which might be available for transfer to the departments where needed, if the governor and council had authority to order such transfer, and

Whereas, certain vital activities of the state will be hampered and curtailed unless such transfers of funds are made, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of article 31 of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, now therefore, Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**Transfer of funds.** Notwithstanding any existing provisions of law, relating to the non-lapsing or continuing of appropriations for special purposes, or relating to special use of surpluses or balances in any department or appropriation, the governor and council are hereby empowered to transfer and lapse to the general funds in the treasury such unexpended

balances in any appropriation as may be necessary in their judgment to meet any emergency in financing the government from the effective date of this act until July 1, 1935.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble this act shall take effect when approved.