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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-seventh Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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STATE OF MAINE

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1955

ALLOCATIONS FROM GENERAL HIGHWAY FUND		945
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Department	1955-56	1956-57
FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION (Continued)		
Bureau of Purchases		
Metal Shelving for Stockroom	3,500	—
Mail Boxes	210	—
	65,710	—
TREASURY		
Inserting and Mailing Machine	4,500	—
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE		
Women's Dormitory and Dining Hall	465,000	—
	\$5,193,180	\$112,475

Amounting to \$5,193,180 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and \$112,475 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957.

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

Effective May 21, 1955

Chapter 212

AN ACT to Make Allocations from the General Highway Fund for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1956 and June 30, 1957.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and Resolves passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the said 90-day period will not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of the State Highway Commission will become due and payable on or immediately after July 1, 1955; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning 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:

Sec. 1. Allocation of General Highway Fund. Income to the General Highway Fund for the next two fiscal years—from July 1, 1955 to June 30, 1956, and from July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957—shall be segregated, apportioned and expended as designated in the following schedules:

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL, 1955

Department	1955-56	1956-57
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		
Highway Administration	\$ 573,158	\$ 571,830
Secretary of State—Motor Vehicle Division		
General Administration	399,756	452,280
Maintenance of Motor Vehicle Registration		
Building	12,526	—
Motor Vehicle Registration Board	—	386
Maintenance and Operation of Radio Equipment	43,927	44,565
Island Refunds	9,000	9,000
Wages and Work Week of State Employees	311,000	311,000
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY		
State Police—Administration	1,248,333	1,212,071
Maintenance of State Police Headquarters	11,314	11,314
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES		
Contingent Expenses	135,000	135,000
Bridge Maintenance	475,000	475,000
Construction of Picnic Areas	25,000	25,000
Traffic Services	191,484	190,747
Maintenance of State and State Aid Roads	6,700,000	6,700,000
Town Road Improvement Fund	1,000,000	1,000,000
Compensation for Injuries	55,000	55,000
Snow Removal	3,200,000	3,200,000
Grade Crossing Protection	20,000	20,000
Bridge Construction	1,000,000	1,000,000
Highway Construction—State and Federal	4,096,152	5,350,616
BOND RETIREMENT	1,500,000	1,400,000
BOND INTEREST	506,000	473,000
CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS		
To General Fund:		
Accounting Services	57,000	57,000
Auditing Services	5,000	5,000
Purchasing Services	1,085	1,137
Legal Services	12,932	13,088
Bureau of Taxation, Administration of		
Gasoline and Use Fuel Tax	44,340	45,139
Public Utilities Commission, Topographic		
Mapping	10,000	10,000
To Other Special Revenue Funds:		
Auditing Services	5,500	5,500
To Trust and Agency Funds:		
Employees' Retirement System—Pension	186,105	185,394
Employees' Retirement System—Expense	4,100	4,100
To Public Service Enterprises:		
Bangor-Brewer Bridge, Interest	45,000	43,500
Fore River Bridge, Interest	105,000	105,000
Total Legislative Allocations	\$21,988,712	\$23,111,667

In the event that the State Highway from Eastport to Perry, Route 190, should be reconstructed in whole or in part at the location known as the Carlow Island route, then the State Highway Commission is authorized and directed to remove the present bridge between Eastport and Perry over the waterway known as Bar Harbor, the cost of such removal to be paid from the above allocation for Highway Construction—State and Federal.

Sec. 2. Reduction in revenue. In the event that actual revenue receipts are less than the estimated revenue projected for either year of the biennium ending June 30, 1957, the State Highway Commission, with the approval of the Governor and Council, shall reduce the funds herein allocated for new construction of highways, except those highways which may be determined by the State Highway Commission and the Governor and Council to be vital for national security purposes. The reduction in allocations to be such as to offset, as nearly as possible, the reduction in revenue.

Sec. 3. Allocation of the Unappropriated General Highway Fund Surplus. The Unappropriated General Highway Fund Surplus, with the approval of the Governor and Council, may be apportioned by the State Highway Commission for any of the purposes set forth in section 1 hereof and for the construction and reconstruction of state aid roads.

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

Effective May 21, 1955

Chapter 213

AN ACT to Appropriate Moneys for Legislative Expenditures for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1955.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, sufficient funds were not provided to cover the expenses of the 97th Legislature incurred while in session; and

Whereas, funds available for legislative expenses are nearly exhausted, it is, therefore, necessary to provide additional funds for the increased operating costs of the current legislative session; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning 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:

Appropriation for legislative expenditures. In order to provide for the necessary legislative expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, the following sums or as much thereof as shall severally be found necessary, as desig-