

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS  
OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE  
AS PASSED BY THE  
One Hundred and Sixth Legislature  
1ST SPECIAL SESSION  
JANUARY 2, 1974 TO MARCH 29, 1974  
AND BY THE  
One Hundred and Seventh Legislature  
REGULAR SESSION  
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THE KNOWLTON AND MCLEARY COMPANY  
FARMINGTON, MAINE  
1975

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Sixth Legislature

AT THE

SPECIAL SESSION

January 2, 1974

to

March 29, 1974

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## CHAPTER 220

**AN ACT Making Additional Appropriations for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1974 and June 30, 1975 and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operation of State Government.**

**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 90-day period may not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year ; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of departments and institutions will become due and payable before July 1, 1974 ; 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:*

### SECTION 1

#### GENERAL FUND

##### APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL FUND

**Appropriations from General Fund.** In order to provide for necessary expenditures of government and other purposes for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1974 and June 30, 1975, the following sums or as much thereof as shall severally be found necessary, as designated in the following tabulations, are appropriated out of any moneys in the General Fund not otherwise appropriated.

	1973-74	1974-75
<b>BUSINESS REGULATION, DEPARTMENT OF</b>		
Departmental Operations		
Personal Services	(2)	\$ 35,808
All Other		2,600
Provides position count and funds for operation of the commissioner's office.		
<b>COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, DEPARTMENT OF</b>		
Departmental Operations		
Personal Services	(10)	18,106
All Other		11,894
Provides position count and funds to continue 5 district offices.		

	1973-74	1974-75
<b>EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT</b>		
Office of Energy Resources		
Personal Services	(-5) (\$21,500)	
All Other	( 15,000)	
Capital Expenditures	( 10,000)	
<p>L. D. 2375 included an appropriation for 1973-74 to implement the Office of Energy Resources. This deducts this appropriation for the 1973-74 year thereby making the office effective July 1, 1974.</p>		
Collective Bargaining		
Personal Services	(7)	100,000
<p>Provides funding to implement the collective bargaining legislation.</p>		

**HEALTH AND WELFARE, DEPARTMENT OF**

Supplemental Security Income—Mandatory		
All Other		655,000
<p>Provides additional funding for so-called "mandatory" payments to beneficiaries of the Supplemental Security Income Program who receive payments under the State's former Aid to the Aged, Blind and Disabled Program based on eligibility established for the month of December, 1973. These funds shall be expended pursuant to so much of the statement of intent of private and special law, chapter 170, approved January 18, 1974 as relates to mandatory payments. Any unexpended balance in this account on June 30, 1974 shall carry forward until June 30, 1975 to be expended for the same purposes.</p>		
Catastrophic Medical Expense		
Personal Services		(40,000)
<p>L. D. 2535 provides \$62,245 for 8 positions to implement program. This reduces the appropriation by \$40,000 and it is the intent of the legislature that the balance of \$22,245 be used as matching funds with the Federal Government to fund the positions.</p>		

**STATE EMPLOYEES MILEAGE ALLOWANCE**

All Other	(60,000)
<p>L. D. 2076 included an appropriation for 1973-74 for an increase in travel</p>	

1973-74

1974-75

## STATE EMPLOYEES MILEAGE ALLOWANCE—Cont.

allowance. This deducts this appropriation for the 1973-74 year thereby making the allowance increase effective July 1, 1974.

TOTAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS	\$548,500	\$128,408
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**Sec. 2. P. L., 1973, c. 628, section 20, amended.** Section 20 of chapter 628 of the public laws of 1973 is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

**Any balance remaining June 30, 1974 shall not lapse but shall be carried forward to be expended for the same purposes.**

**Sec. 3. R. S., T. § 162, sub-§ 6, amended.** Subsection 6 of section 162 of Title 3 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 4 of chapter 590 of the public laws of 1973, is amended to read as follows:

**6. To appoint a Legislative Administrative Director, a Director of Legislative Research, a Finance Officer, a Constituent Service Officer and a State Law Librarian, each of whom shall be chosen without reference to party affiliations and solely on the grounds of fitness to perform the duties of his office; each to be appointed for a term of 7 years from the date of his appointment and until his successor has been appointed and qualified;**

**Sec. 4. R. S., T. 3, § 164, sub-§ 12, amended.** Subsection 12 of section 164 of Title 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

**12. Assistants.** The Director shall appoint, with the approval of the Legislative Council, an assistant director for a term of 7 years from the date of his appointment and until his successor has been appointed and qualified, and such technical assistants, and shall appoint, subject to the Personnel Law, such clerical assistants, as may be necessary to carry out this chapter.

**Sec. 5. R. S., T. 3, § 167, amended.** The last sentence of the next to the last paragraph of section 167 of Title 3 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 10 of chapter 590 of the public laws of 1973, is amended to read as follows:

He shall be chosen without reference to party affiliation and solely on the grounds of fitness to perform the duties of his office for a term of 7 years from the date of his appointment and until his successor has been appointed and qualified.

**Sec. 6. R. S., T. 3, § 172, amended.** The 3rd sentence of section 172 of Title 3 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 480 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

He shall hold office for a term of 6 7 years from the date of his appointment and until his successor has been appointed and qualified.

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

Effective March 29, 1974

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## CHAPTER 221

**AN ACT Making Supplemental Appropriations from the General Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1975 and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operation of State Government.**

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

### GENERAL FUND

#### APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL FUND

**Sec. 1. Appropriations from General Fund.** In order to provide for necessary expenditures of government and other purposes for the fiscal year—July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1975—the following sums or as much thereof as shall severally be found necessary, as designated in the following tabulations, are appropriated out of any moneys in the General Fund not otherwise appropriated.

DEPARTMENT	1974-75
AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF	
Departmental Operations	
Personal Services	(5) —
Provides 5 count positions omitted in Current Services budget.	
ATLANTIC SEA RUN SALMON COMMISSION	
All Other	\$ 13,500
Provides an additional amount for the Union River Fishtrap Project.	
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, DEPARTMENT OF	
Departmental Operations	
All Other	4,000
Provides funds to help defray the travel expenses of young amateur skiers representing Maine in regional and national competitions.	
CONSERVATION, DEPARTMENT OF	
Municipal Recreation Fund	
All Other	100,000
Provides funds for grant-in-aid to municipalities.	