

# 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  
JANUARY 1, 1975 TO JULY 2, 1975

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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 Seventh Legislature

1975

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## Section X

## Education and Cultural Services

	1975-76	1976-77
Education — Teacher Retirement		
All Other	(\$5,400,000)	\$5,400,000

Reduces appropriation in 1975-76 and appropriates same amount in 1976-77.

## Section Y

P & SL 1975, c. 78, 3rd sentence of the blocked paragraph under the caption "DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, HUMAN SERVICES" Supplemental Security Income — Mandatory and Optional Payments, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The department shall immediately take action necessary to determine the most current annual budget at the lower level of living for a retired couple, pursuant to Title 22, chapter 855-C, section 3272, and use that standard to determine the state ceiling for state optional benefit.

Total Appropriations	(\$408,176)	\$5,400,000
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**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective June 25, 1975

## CHAPTER 91

**AN ACT to Provide Funds to Pine Tree Legal Assistance, Inc.,  
for Continued Legal Representation for those in Need.**

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

**Appropriation.** There is appropriated to Pine Tree Legal Assistance, Inc., from the General Fund the sum of \$50,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, to carry out the purposes of the corporation in providing legal representation for persons unable to afford such representation.

Effective October 1, 1975

## CHAPTER 92

**AN ACT to Make Allocations from the Highway Fund for the Fiscal Years  
Ending June 30, 1976 and June 30, 1977.**

**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 state departments and agencies will become due and payable on or immediately after July 1, 1975; 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 Highway Fund.** Undedicated income to the Highway Fund for the next 2 fiscal years — from July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976 and from July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977 — shall be segregated, apportioned and expended as designated in the following schedules:

CODE #	POLICY AREA UMBRELLA IDENTITY Part Program	PAGE #	ALLOCATION FROM HIGHWAY FUND	
			1975-76	1976-77
01	GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
08000	DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION			
I	Current Services			
0062	BPI—Motor Vehicles Building— Maintenance .....	2-075	62,847	—
	Unallocated			
0135	BPI—State Police Headquarters Building—Maintenance .....	2-080	42,539	42,563
	Unallocated			
29000	DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE			
I	Current Services			
0077	Motor Vehicles—Administration ..	2-200		
01	GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
29000	DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE			
I	Current Services (continued)			
0078	Motor Vehicles—Public Services ..	2-202		
0079	Motor Vehicles—Driver Improvement/ Fiscal Responsibility .....	2-204		
0087	Motor Vehicles—Driver Examination .....	2-206	2,792,149	2,752,807
	Unallocated			

CODE #	POLICY AREA UMBRELLA IDENTITY Part Program	PAGE #	ALLOCATION FROM HIGHWAY FUND	
			1975-76	1976-77
04 02000 I	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION Current Services			
0097	Land Damage Board ..... Unallocated	2-406	119,252	117,441
12 16000 I	PUBLIC PROTECTION DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY Current Services			
0329	Public Safety—Motor Vehicle Inspection ..... Unallocated	3-478	160,817	115,664
0291	State Police ..... Unallocated	3-480	5,904,062	5,871,360
13 17000 I	TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Current Services			
0348	Transportation—Accounting Services ..... Unallocated	3-524	120,000	120,000
0349	Transportation—Auditing General Highway Fund ..... Unallocated	3-526	14,000	14,000
0350	Transportation—Purchasing Services ..... Unallocated	3-528	3,500	3,675
0351	Transportation—Gasoline Tax Administration ..... Unallocated	3-530	172,823	173,280
0352	Transportation—Auditing Special Revenues ..... Unallocated	3-532	14,000	14,000
0353	Transportation—Compensation for Injuries ..... Unallocated	3-534	228,778	229,134
0342	Transportation—Operation/Main- tenance of Office Building ..... Unallocated	3-536	404,350	835,275

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			1975-76	1976-77
13	TRANSPORTATION			
17000	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION			
I	Current Services (continued)			
034I	Transportation—Planning & Services .....	3-538	799,050	808,300
	Unallocated			
0339	Highway—Administration .....	3-540	3,328,263	3,227,094
	Unallocated			
0340	Highway—Highway Safety .....	3-542	133,754	130,007
	Unallocated			
0357	Highway—Topographic Mapping .	3-544	10,000	10,000
	Unallocated			
0334	Highway—Island Town Refunds .	3-546	23,000	25,000
	Unallocated			
0335	Highway—Access Roads to Ski Areas .....	3-546	—	—
	Unallocated			
0336	Highway—State Aid Construction	3-550	5,680,000	5,680,000
	Unallocated			
0337	Highway—Special State Aid Construction .....	3-552	500,000	250,000
	Unallocated			
0355	Highway—Town Road Improvement Fund .....	3-554	—	—
	Unallocated			
0356	Highway—Bridge Construction ..	2-556	1,750,000	1,750,000
	Unallocated			
0330	Highway—Summer Maintenance .	3-558	20,818,470	21,766,767
	Unallocated			
033I	Highway—Traffic Services .....	3-560	1,570,755	1,703,711
	Unallocated			
0332	Highway—Picnic Area .....	3-562	100,000	105,000
	Unallocated			
0333	Highway—Bridge Maintenance ...	3-564	3,118,727	3,139,777
	Unallocated			
0338	Highway—Radio Operations .....	3-566	177,322	139,304
	Unallocated			

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			1975-76	1976-77
13	TRANSPORTATION			
17000	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION			
1	Current Services (continued)			
0354	Highway—Winter Maintenance .. Unallocated	3-568	13,479,022	14,025,009
0296	Highway—Railroad Crossing Protection .....	3-572	5,000	5,000
0358	Highway—Bond Interest .....	3-574	3,431,413	3,858,458
0359	Highway—Bond Retirement .....	3-576	4,040,000	4,565,000
0406	Highway—Highway and Bridge Improvements .....	3-578	3,100,000	400,000
	Total Allocations		\$72,103,893	\$71,877,626

Amounting to \$72,103,893 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976 and \$71,877,626 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977.

**Sec. 2. Allocation of the Unappropriated Highway Fund Surplus.** The Unappropriated Highway Fund Surplus, with the approval of the Governor and Council, may be apportioned by the Department of Transportation for any of the purposes set forth in section 1. There is allocated from the Unappropriated Highway Fund:

Surplus \$1,365,000 for bond retirement which shall be segregated, apportioned and expended as designated in the following schedule:

		PAGE #	1975-76	1976-77
13	TRANSPORTATION			
17000	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION			
1	Current Services			
0359	Highway—Bond Retirement .....	3-576	\$750,000	\$615,000

**Sec. 3. Allocation for special state aid construction.** The allocation for state aid construction (special) shall be apportioned to the 16 counties on the basis of number of miles of improved and unimproved designated state aid highways located within each county not on the federal system, such apportionments to be expended by the Department of Transportation on sections of improved state aid highways where, because of excessive maintenance or hazardous conditions, reconstruction is desirable; and for construction of un-



improved sections of state aid highways located between improved sections in instances where the public use and safety require such construction.

**Sec. 4. State Police activities on the Maine Turnpike.** The Maine Turnpike Authority shall assume the cost of State Police activities on the Maine Turnpike and such costs shall be paid on the basis of monthly statements. On or about July 1, 1975 and prior to December 1, 1975 and thereafter prior to December 1 of each succeeding year, the Chief of the Maine State Police shall file a report with the Maine Turnpike Authority containing suggestions and information in regard to proposed State Police activities on the Turnpike for the succeeding period. The report shall include but not be limited to the following items: (1) personnel including information in regard to assignment of such personnel by shifts, (2) vehicles and equipment including a schedule of replacements of the same, and (3) estimated cost of items (1) and (2) with any additional information that will assist the Maine Turnpike Authority in determining the level of service of State Police activity proposed by the Chief of the Maine State Police. The Maine Turnpike Authority and the Chief of the Maine State Police or his designees shall review the information regarding the proposed patrol activities as contained in the report and such activities will be authorized when mutually agreed to by the Maine Turnpike Authority and the Chief of the State Police.

Moneys paid by the Maine Turnpike Authority to the Treasurer of State shall be credited 75% to the General Highway Fund and 25% to the General Fund, it being understood that the State Police personnel, the cost of which is paid by the Maine Turnpike Authority, shall be utilized exclusively for Maine Turnpike related activities except for emergencies.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect July 1, 1975.

Effective July 1, 1975

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## CHAPTER 93

### **AN ACT Concerning Certain Allocations from the General Highway Fund for the Repair of Certain Bridges in Baxter State Park.**

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

Whereas, maintenance of certain roads in Baxter State Park is the responsibility of the Department of Transportation and certain bridges on said roads are in urgent need of repair; 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:*

P&SL, 1955, c. 186, § 1, as last amended by P&SL, 1973, c. 67, is further amended by adding after the first sentence 3 new sentences to read as follows: