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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
AT THE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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RESOLVES
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED AT THE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION
of the
ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
January 4, 1978 to April 6, 1978

contractual services, commodities and capital expenditures for the accounts in the county budget:

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
1040 — Courthouse Contractual Services	\$ 40,000
TOTAL ANTIRECESSIONAL FISCAL ASSISTANCE	\$ 40,000

; and be it further

Sec. 5. Summary. Resolved: That the figures appearing in this resolve represent the total amount of taxes and the total specific expenditures authorized for the year 1978.

The following is a summary of receipts and appropriations:

Total Expenditures		\$920,974
Available Credits		
Transfer from Surplus	\$ 68,235	
Estimated Revenue	103,500	
Federal Revenue Sharing	165,000	
Antirecessional Fiscal Assistance	40,000	
Total Available Credits		376,735
Amount to be raised by taxation		\$544,239

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

Effective March 20, 1978

CHAPTER 74

**RESOLVE, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of
Washington County for the Year 1978.**

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

Whereas, Washington County has certain expenses and liabilities which must be met as they become due; and

Whereas, it is necessary that the taxes for the year 1978 hereinafter mentioned be immediately assessed in order to provide the required revenue for the county; 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

Sec. 1. Washington County; taxes apportioned. Resolved: That the following sum is hereby granted as a tax on Washington County to be apportioned, assessed, collected and applied to the purposes of paying debts and necessary expenses of the county as authorized herein, and for other purposes of law, for the calendar year 1978:

1978 TAX
\$419,964

; and be it further

Sec. 2. General Fund expenditures authorized. Resolved: That the following sums, based on the county budget filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, are authorized as General Fund expenditures by the county during the calendar year 1978, in the specific total amounts of expenditures for personal services, contractual services, commodities and capital expenditures for each account in the county budget:

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
1005 — Superior Court	
Personal Services	\$ 6,500
Contractual Services	73,026
1015 — Civil Emergency Preparedness	
Personal Services	15,475
Contractual Services	3,180
Commodities	300
Capital Expenditures	300
1025 — District Attorney	
Personal Services	\$ 7,011
Contractual Services	10,635
Commodities	800
1030 — County Commissioners	
Personal Services	8,000
Contractual Services	19,300
Commodities	650
Capital Expenditures	2,000
1035 — County Treasurer	
Personal Services	6,885
Contractual Services	2,010
Commodities	400

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
1040 — Court House	
Contractual Services	8,400
Commodities	8,500
1050 — Jail — Support of Prisoners	
Contractual Services	31,500
Commodities	9,100
1065 — Register of Deeds	
Personal Services	21,644
Contractual Services	21,810
Commodities	1,850
Capital Expenditures	700
1070 — Registry of Probate	
Personal Services	25,013
Contractual Services	2,145
Commodities	1,250
Capital Expenditures	200
1075 — Sheriff	
Personal Services	13,500
Contractual Services	29,450
Commodities	2,650
Capital Expenditures	10,260
1080 — Advertising and Promotion	
Contractual Services	500
1095 — Debt Service	
Contractual Services	10,350
2000 — Interest	
Contractual Services	2,000
2005 — Extension Service	
Contractual Services	24,500
2010 — Regional Planning Commission	
Contractual Services	4,394
2025 — Employees Benefits	
Contractual Services	
Maine State Retirement	44,000
Social Security	12,300
Group Insurance	1,500
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	9,957
Workmen's Compensation	2,884
Unemployment Insurance	8,650
2035 — Soil Conservation	
Contractual Services	500

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
2045 — County Sponsored Programs	
Eastern Maine Development District	9,950
Youth Summer Camps	3,000
Mental Health and Retarded Citizens Programs	5,000
Washington County Homemakers	5,000
Meals for Me.	4,500
Washington County Resource and Development Corporation	1,100
2060 — Airports — Maintenance	
Contractual Services	4,000
2080 — Contingent Account	11,556
2100 — Food Stamp Program	
Contractual Services	40,000
2105 — County Bridges	
Contractual Services	15,000
2130 — Miscellaneous	
Contractual Services	500
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TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$565,585

; and be it further

Sec. 3. Revenue sharing expenditures authorized. Resolved: That the following additional sums, based on the county budget filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, are authorized as expenditures by the county during the calendar year 1978, from federal revenue sharing funds received by the county, in the specific total amounts of expenditures for personal services, contractual services, commodities and capital expenditures for the accounts in the county budget:

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
1040 — Court House	
Capital Expenditures	\$ 2,500
1050 — Jail — Support of Prisoners	
Capital Expenditures	2,000
1090 — Auditing	
Contractual Services	2,500
2050 — Insurance — Volunteer Firemen	
Contractual Services	3,000

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
2075 — Capital Reserve Contractual Services	\$ 218,650
2095 — Telecommunications Contractual Services	12,822
Commodities	1,875
Capital Expenditures	7,000
Unnumbered Accounts:	Appropriations
County Parking Lot Maintenance	\$ 2,000
Firemen's Air Tanks	1,550
Social Services	2,500
Township Roads	10,000
Township Dumps	13,000
Building Improvements — County Buildings	20,000
TOTAL REVENUE SHARING	\$299,397

; and be it further

Sec. 4. Antirecessional fiscal assistance expenditures authorized. Resolved: That the following additional sums, based on the county budget filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, are authorized as expenditures by the county during the calendar year 1978, from antirecessional fiscal assistance funds received by the county, in specific total amounts of expenditures for personal services, contractual services, commodities and capital expenditures for the accounts in the county budget:

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
1030 — County Commissioners Personal Services	\$ 5,460
1035 — County Treasurer Personal Services	2,310
1040 — Court House Personal Services	8,820
1050 — Jail — Support of Prisoners Personal Services	29,312
1075 — Sheriff Personal Services	40,966
Commodities	1,500
2095 — Telecommunications Personal Services	10,863
Contractual Services	150
Commodities	1,150
TOTAL ANTIRECESSIONAL FISCAL ASSISTANCE	\$100,531

; and be it further

Sec. 5. Summary. Resolved: That the figures appearing in this resolve represent the total amount of taxes and the total specific expenditures authorized for the calendar year 1978. The following is a summary of receipts and appropriations:

Total Appropriations		\$965,513
Available Credits:		
Estimated Revenue	\$ 65,500	
Federal Revenue Sharing	299,397	
Antirecessional Fiscal Assistance	100,531	
Transfer from Surplus	<u>80,121</u>	
Total Available Credits		<u>\$545,549</u>
Amount to be raised by taxation		\$419,964

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

Effective March 21, 1978

CHAPTER 75

RESOLVE, Requiring the Commissioner of Business Regulation to Study the Costs and Benefits accruing to the State as a result of Self-insurance of all or Part of Group Health Insurance Coverage.

Whereas, there may be substantial savings to the State by providing that the State may self-insure part or all of the group health insurance benefits provided by the State; and

Whereas, there are many factors to be considered in determining whether such a plan would result in a cost saving while ensuring that members of the group have comparable coverage and other benefits; now, therefore, be it

Study by the Commissioner of Business Regulation. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Business Regulation shall direct a study with the assistance of a committee which shall include the State Controller, the board of trustees who administer the state group accident and sickness or health insurance and 2 state employees who shall be appointed by the commissioner. The commissioner shall provide assistance to the committee from bureaus within the Department of Business Regulation, consultants or actuaries as necessary, and be it further

Factors to be studied. Resolved: That the study shall include a consideration of at least the following factors: