

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

**LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
December 1, 1982 to June 24, 1983  
Chapters 453-End

AND AT THE

**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**  
September 6, 1983 to September 7, 1983  
Chapters 583-588

PUBLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES  
ANNOTATED, TITLE 3, SECTION 164, SUBSECTION 6.

---

J.S. McCarthy Co., Inc.  
Augusta, Maine  
1983

---

---

**PRIVATE AND  
SPECIAL LAWS**

OF THE

**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED AT THE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
and  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION  
of the  
ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
1983

---

---

when approved.

Effective December 10, 1982.

---

---

## CHAPTER 2

H.P. 97 - L.D. 97

AN ACT Making Additional Authorizations  
and Allocations Relating to Low Income Home  
Energy Assistance Federal Block Grants for the  
Expenditures of State Government for the  
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1983.

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

Whereas, the Federal Government has changed its method of distributing certain funds from categorical grants to block grants effective October 1, 1981; and

Whereas, the First Regular Session of the 110th Legislature enacted legislation requiring legislative approval prior to the state implementation of federal block grants; and

Whereas, it is essential to the well-being of those of our citizens who must rely upon State Government's program of low income home energy assistance that all potential resources be made available in a timely fashion; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of the state's low income home energy assistance program will become due and payable before July 1, 1983; 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. Block grant authorization. In accordance with the Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1670, the State is authorized to accept federal block grants in the following amounts:

	<u>STATE</u> <u>FISCAL YEAR</u> <u>1983</u>	<u>STATE</u> <u>FISCAL YEAR</u> <u>1984</u>	<u>STATE</u> <u>FISCAL YEAR</u> <u>1983</u>
	<u>DEPARTMENT</u> <u>ESTIMATE</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u> <u>ESTIMATE</u>	<u>TOTAL FEDERAL</u> <u>BLOCK GRANT</u>
Low Income Home Energy Assistance	13,787,355	(3,272,918)	10,514,437

Sec. 2. Block grant allocations. In order to provide for necessary expenditures of State Government and other purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983, the following sum, as designated in the following tabulation, is allocated from revenues derived from federal block grants. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the federal block grant allocation included in this Act shall be subject to the Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1585.

ALLOCATIONS  
STATE  
FISCAL YEAR  
1983

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Division of Community Services

Low Income Home Energy Assistance

All Other \$13,787,355

Sec. 3. Additional funds. Any additional funds that might become available due to implementation of block grants and the possible overlapping of other grants shall be carried forward for future allocation by the Legislature or may be used to offset any possible reduction in the block grants.

Sec. 4. Encumbered balances at year end. At the end of each fiscal year, all encumbered balances shall not be carried more than once.

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

Effective January 11, 1983.

## CHAPTER 3

H.P. 86 - L.D. 95

AN ACT to Appropriate Funds to the  
Legislative Apportionment Commission.