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tal threat, or removal is required by applicable law within 2 years from the date of application to the authority for a loan;

B. The applicant, if the applicant is not a unit of local government, demonstrates financial need for the assistance;

C. There is a reasonable likelihood that the applicant will be able to repay the loan; and

E. The applicant is an eligible enterprise which does not own or use directly or indirectly, by 50% or more common ownership, more than one location, excluding personal residences, at which an underground oil storage facility or tank is located, or the applicant is a unit of local government, which for the purposes of this section includes a public school required to install equipment related to the improvement of air quality pursuant to requirements for gasoline service station vapor control and petroleum liquids transfer vapor recovery.

The authority, pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II, shall adopt rules for determining eligibility, feasibility, terms, conditions and security for the loans and grants. In the case of loans, the authority may charge an interest rate which may be as low as 0% and which may be greater, depending on the financial ability of the applicant to pay as determined by the authority, up to a maximum of 2% betow the prime rate of interest charged by major Boston banks. The maximum the authority may loan or grant to any one borrower, including related entities as determined by the authority, is \$300,000. Money in the fund not needed currently to meet the obligations of the authority as provided in this section may be invested in such a manner as permitted by law.

Sec. 6. 38 MRSA \$569, sub-\$4-B, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 865, \$16 and affected by \$24 and 25, is amended to read:

4-B. Allocation from Ground Water Oil Cleanup Fund. From the fees assessed in subsection 4-A, 6ϕ per barrel of gasoline, refined petroleum products and their by-products, other than liquid asphalt, must be transferred by the department upon receipt as follows.

A. Sixty-two and one half percent of the 6φ per barrel fee must be transferred to the Finance Authority of Maine for deposit in the Underground Oil Storage Replacement Fund. <u>After \$3,000,000 has been transferred to the Maine State Housing Authority pursuant to paragraph B, 100% of the 6 φ per barrel fee must be transferred to the Finance Authority of Maine.</u>

B. Thirty-seven and one half percent of the 6φ per barrel fee must be transferred to the Maine

State Housing Authority for deposit in the Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund to be used initially for loans and grants to finance the costs of removal, disposal, replacement or abandonment of underground oil storage facilities and tanks located on owner-occupied or residential rental property, which facilities and tanks have been identified by the department as leaking or posing an environmental threat or as having been abandoned. <u>After \$3,000,000 has been transferred,</u> the Maine State Housing Authority does not receive a percentage of the 6¢ per barrel fee.

After an aggregate sum of $\frac{55,000,000}{510,000,000}$ has been transferred to the Finance Authority of Maine and an aggregate sum of 33,000,000 has been transferred to the Maine State Housing Authority pursuant to this subsection, the per barrel fee assessed pursuant to subsection 4-A must be reduced by 6e per barrel.

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

Effective June 20, 1991.

CHAPTER 440

H.P. 1154 - L.D. 1695

An Act to Allow the Officers of a Municipality the Option to Designate the State Police as That Municipality's Issuing Authority for Concealed Weapons

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

25 MRSA §2002-A is enacted to read:

§2002-A. Assignment of authority

Any municipality without a full-time chief of police may designate, if the Chief of the State Police agrees, the State Police as the issuing authority for that municipality. The designation must be made by written agreement with the Chief of the State Police. The agreement must include provisions for termination of the agreement. During the term of an agreement, the State Police shall perform all the functions of the issuing authority, including suspension and revocation of permits. The State Police are entitled to receive any fees authorized for performing the functions of an issuing authority.

See title page for effective date.