

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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CHAPTER 66

H.P. 1374 - L.D. 1959

State's collective bargaining agreement made by the State and the Maine State Troopers Association as bargaining unit for the State Police.

An Act to Fund a Collective Bargaining Agreement

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

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of a state collective bargaining agreement will become due and payable July 1, 1991; and

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Legislature to act upon those portions of a collective bargaining agreement negotiated by the executive branch that require legislative action; 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. Supplemental appropriation from the General Fund. There are appropriated from the General Fund for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1992 and June 30, 1993 the following sums:

	1991-92	1992-93
FINANCE, DEPARTMENT OF		
Salary Plan		
Personal Services	\$307,500	\$314,300
Provides funds necessary to fund the 3rd year of the State's collective bargaining agreement made by the State and the Maine State Troopers Association as bargaining unit for the State Police.		

Sec. 2. Supplemental allocation from the Highway Fund. There are allocated from the Highway Fund for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1992 and June 30, 1993 the following sums:

	1991-92	1992-93
FINANCE, DEPARTMENT OF		
Salary Plan		
Personal Services	\$922,500	\$942,900
Provides funds necessary to fund the 3rd year of the		

Sec. 3. Allocations from the Highway Fund. There are allocated from the Highway Fund to the department listed the following sums.

	1991-92	1992-93
FINANCE, DEPARTMENT OF		
Executive branch departments and independent agencies-statewide		
Personal Services	(\$452,100)	(\$1,674,100)
Provides for the deallocations of funds from salary savings as a result of reforms in the retirement systems included in this section, including directing the Board of Trustees of the Maine State Retirement System to increase the interest rate assumption from 8% to 8.13% for fiscal year 1991-92 and 8.87% for fiscal year 1992-93. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1585, the State Budget Officer shall allocate this amount among the Highway Fund accounts affected by this section.		

Sec. 4. Special account funding. Funding provided by this Act must be segregated into a special account to be made available as needed upon the recommendation of the State Budget Officer with the approval of the Governor. The funds must include retirement costs. Positions supported from sources of funding other than the General Fund and the Highway Fund must be funded whenever possible from those other sources.

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

Effective July 26, 1991.

CHAPTER 67

H.P. 328 - L.D. 458

An Act to Provide Funds to the Maine Rural Water Association for Services to Water and Wastewater Systems

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

Whereas, this Act appropriates funds for fiscal year 1991-92 which begins before this Act would otherwise be effective; 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:

Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1991-92	1992-93
MAINE MUNICIPAL BOND BANK		
Maine Municipal Bond Bank - Maine Rural Water Association		
All Other	\$133,000	\$133,000
Provides funds for the Maine Rural Water Association to assist municipalities, water districts and sewer districts with water and sewer improvements and other related activities. These funds may not lapse and must be carried forward to the next fiscal year.		
Maine Municipal Bond Bank		
All Other	(\$83,000)	(\$83,000)
Provides for the transfer of funds originally provided in Public Law 1991, chapter 528, Part QQ.		
MAINE MUNICIPAL BOND BANK TOTAL	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>
HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Bureau of Health		
All Other	(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)
Provides for the transfer of funds originally provided in Public Law 1991, chapter 528 to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank for the Maine Rural Water Association.		
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TOTAL	<u>(\$50,000)</u>	<u>(\$50,000)</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	<u>\$-0-</u>	<u>\$-0-</u>

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

Effective July 30, 1991.

CHAPTER 68

H.P. 1321 - L.D. 1912

An Act to Promote Long-term Economic Development

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

Whereas, the basic elements of a sound economy are high-quality education and training, a high-quality environment and natural resource base, a sound infrastructure and a high level of investment in research, innovation and technology transfer; and

Whereas, substantial economic growth requires investment in innovation and emerging growth sectors; and

Whereas, improvements in the standard of living require investments in improving productivity; and

Whereas, this State has traditionally lagged behind other states in making such investments and was recently ranked 50th among the states in university research and development investment and 49th in science and engineering students per capita; and

Whereas, the research and development that has been done in this State has focused on the interests of the funding sources for those activities; and

Whereas, the Maine Science and Technology Commission was founded to provide a coherent Maine-based approach to investing in research and development; and

Whereas, the current recession and predictions for reviving this State's economy make it clear that the State needs to strengthen its commitment to improving the basic elements of economic growth prior to the expiration of the 90-day period; 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: