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Augusta, Maine
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1070 - Register of Probate	
Personal Services	50,113
Contractual Services	13,000
Commodities	2,950
Capital Expenditures	1,000
1075 - Sheriff	
Personal Services	319,158
Contractual Services	65,000
Commodities	7,000
Capital Expenditures	35,250
1076 - Tri-County Task Force	
Personal Services	33,052
1080 - Advertising and Promotion	
Contractual Services	3,000
1090 - Auditing	
Contractual Services	5,000
1095 - Debt Service	
Contractual Services	251,926
2000 - Interest Expense	
Contractual Services	7,000
2005 - Extension Service	
Personal Services	15,700
Contractual Services	5,410
Commodities	1,825
2025 - Employee Benefits	
Contractual Services:	
Social Security	74,335
Maine State Retirement System	18,200
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	222,500
Unemployment Compensation	10,000
Accrued Sick Leave	5,000
2045 - Program Grants	
Contractual Services:	
Womancare	1,600
Charlotte White Center	800
Little Red Schoolhouse	800
Penquis Community Action Program	4,500
Eastern Maine Development Corporation	6,080
Piscataquis Soil and Water Conservation	400
Heart of Maine	1,000
Cops Fast	11,260
2050 - Insurance	
Contractual Services	63,700
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$2,087,019</u>

; and be it further

Sec. 3. 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 1996. The following is a summary of revenues and appropriations:

Total Appropriations	\$2,087,019
Overlay	5,731
Available Credits:	
Estimated Revenue	\$433,092
Community Corrections	60,000
Surplus Transfer	80,000
Total Available Credits	573,092
Amount to be Raised by Taxation	<u>\$1,519,658</u>

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

Effective March 28, 1996.

CHAPTER 67

H.P. 1348 - L.D. 1845

Resolve, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Penobscot County for the Year 1996

Mandate preamble. This measure requires one or more local units of government to expand or modify activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, two thirds of all of the members elected to each House have determined it necessary to enact this measure.

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

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

Whereas, it is necessary that the taxes for the year 1996 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. Penobscot County; taxes apportioned. Resolved: That the following sum is granted as a tax on Penobscot County to be apportioned, assessed, collected and applied to the purposes of paying debts and necessary expenses of the county as authorized in this resolve, and for other purposes of law, for the calendar year 1996:

1996 TAX
\$5,140,843.75

; 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 1996, 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	
1 - District Court		
Personal Services	\$43,260	
Contractual Services	20,500	
Commodities	1,100	
2 - Superior Court		
Personal Services	65,318	
Contractual Services	19,099	
Commodities	1,350	
3 - Emergency Management Agency		
Personal Services	25,303	
Contractual Services	39,900	
Commodities	1,500	
Capital Expenditures	4,000	
4 - Telecommunications		
Personal Services	227,794	
Contractual Services	68,292	
Commodities	1,860	
Capital Expenditures	56,600	
5 - District Attorney		
Personal Services	159,783	
Contractual Services	101,567	
Commodities	7,000	
Capital Expenditures	22,500	

6 - County Commissioners		
Personal Services		105,962
Contractual Services		50,036
Commodities		2,500
Capital Expenditures		1,000
7 - County Treasurer		
Personal Services		6,527
Contractual Services		6,310
Commodities		1,050
Capital Expenditures		1,425
8 - County Buildings		
Personal Services		128,140
Contractual Services		283,825
Commodities		90,375
Capital Expenditures		2,000
9 - Jail		
Personal Services		1,817,967
Contractual Services		744,540
Commodities		247,750
Capital Expenditures		14,000
10 - Register of Deeds		
Personal Services		108,876
Contractual Services		147,478
Commodities		6,950
Capital Expenditures		400
11 - Register of Probate		
Personal Services		134,315
Contractual Services		79,324
Commodities		7,600
Capital Expenditures		16,400
12 - Sheriff		
Personal Services		639,047
Contractual Services		244,202
Commodities		23,950
Capital Expenditures		115,800
13 - Civil Process		
Personal Services		120,086
Contractual Services		24,499
Commodities		1,920
Capital Expenditures		4,700
14 - Roads and Mapping		
Personal Services		25,303
Contractual Services		7,418
Commodities		1,600
Capital Expenditures		4,500
15 - Workplace Safety		
Contractual Services		1,000
Commodities		2,000
Capital Expenditures		2,000
16 - Debt Service		
Debt Expenditures		434,775

17 -	Employee Benefits	
	Contractual Services:	
	Unemployment Compensation	15,000
	Maine State Retirement System	77,500
	Social Security	291,000
22 -	Insurance	
	Contractual Services	238,314
24 -	Bridge	
	Contractual Services	100
30 -	Program Grants	
	Contractual Services:	
	Eastern Maine	
	Development Corporation	47,000
	Katahdin Regional	
	Development Corporation	18,000
	Newport Regional	
	Development Corporation	18,000
	Heart of Maine	3,000
	Northern Maine	
	Regional Planning	520
	Bangor Public Library	5,000
34 -	Shaw House	3,600
	Green Valley Association	5,000
35 -	County Extension Service	68,471
36 -	Penquis Community Action	15,000
38 -	Soil Conservation District	21,748
44 -	Rape Response Services	1,250
46 -	Bangor Area Shelter	6,000
31 -	Interest Expense	
	Contractual Services	70,000
32 -	Building Improvement	
	Capital Expenditures	65,000
40 -	Wage Adjustment	
	Contractual Services	100,000
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$7,593,779</u>

; and be it further

Sec. 3. 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 1996. The following is a summary of revenues and appropriations:

Total Appropriations	\$7,593,779.00
Overlay	1,515.75
Available Credits:	

Estimated Revenue	\$1,625,851
Community Corrections	300,000
Transfer from Surplus	528,600
Total Available Credits	2,454,451.00

Amount to be Raised by Taxation	<u>\$5,140,843.75</u>
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Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve takes effect when approved.

Effective March 28, 1996.

CHAPTER 68

H.P. 1294 - L.D. 1776

Resolve, to Require Additional Promotion of the Maine Quality Seal

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

Whereas, the future of Maine's dairy farms is threatened by possible changes in the Federal Milk Marketing Order program, increasing competition from other regions of the country and increasing prices for fertilizer and feed; and

Whereas, it is believed that the Maine Certification Trademark, referred to in this resolve as the "Maine Quality Seal," connotes the important benefits of freshness and high quality of home-produced dairy products; and

Whereas, it is believed that there has recently been inadequate promotion of the Maine Quality Seal; 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. Additional promotion. Resolved: That the Maine Dairy Promotion Board, referred to in this resolve as the "board," shall increase the promotion of the Maine Quality Seal in relation to Maine dairy products; and be it further

Sec. 2. Seal color. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources shall determine whether the color