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STATE OF MAINE

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fairs may submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature to implement its recommendations on matters relating to the report submitted by the parties pursuant to section 2.

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CHAPTER 130
H.P. 1151 - L.D. 1642

**Resolve, To Improve
Landowner Relations**

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 subject of this legislation needs to be addressed before that 90-day limit occurs; 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. Transfer. Resolved: That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, no later than September 15, 2007 the State Controller shall transfer \$49,868 from the Carrying Balances, General Fund account within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to the Maine State Parks Development Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Conservation, and no later than September 15, 2008 the State Controller shall transfer \$53,426 from the Carrying Balances, General Fund account within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to the Maine State Parks Development Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Conservation; and be it further

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

CONSERVATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Administrative Services - Conservation 0222

Initiative: Provides funds for the establishment of one limited-period Director of Recreational Access and Landowner Relations position and associated All Other costs.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$1,875	\$2,500

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REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL		

Maine State Parks Development Fund 0342

Initiative: Provides funds for the establishment of one limited-period Director of Recreational Access and Landowner Relations position and associated All Other costs. This position will start July 1, 2007 and the end date will be June 27, 2009. Forty percent of the funding for this position must be provided by the Department of Conservation and 60% must come from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. This position is established to work with the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife on issues regarding outreach and assistance to landowners who permit public recreational access on private lands.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
Personal Services	\$78,614	\$83,044
All Other	\$2,625	\$3,500
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$81,239	\$86,544

**CONSERVATION,
DEPARTMENT OF**

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2007-08	2008-09
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$83,114	\$89,044
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$83,114	\$89,044

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

Effective June 27, 2007.

CHAPTER 131
H.P. 963 - L.D. 1371

**Resolve, To Study the Impact
of Social Services and
Corrections Policies on
Homeless People in Maine**

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

Whereas, this resolve directs the Statewide Homeless Council to coordinate a study of the connection between the increasing numbers of homeless persons in the State, and the existing policies and procedures employed by the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Corrections that may affect homeless persons and to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services in time for legislative action during the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature; 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. Study. Resolved: That the Statewide Homeless Council established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, chapter 202, subchapter 5-A shall coordinate a study of the connections between social services, corrections and homelessness and shall submit the results of the study and any recommended legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2008. The study must include a review of best practices for homeless shelters and current practices used by social services and corrections agencies and facilities, including discharge practices, the rights and responsibilities of persons with mental illness and co-occurring disorders and best practices for housing and supportive services. The Statewide Homeless Council shall invite the participation of representatives of the Department of Health and Human Services including the Office of Substance Abuse, the Department of Corrections, the Maine State Housing Authority, representatives of hospitals in the State, statewide organizations representing homeless persons, representatives of community mental health provider agencies, homeless service providers and persons with mental illness, persons with substance abuse issues and other interested parties. The joint standing committee is authorized to submit legislation during the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature pertaining to the study.

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

Effective June 27, 2007

CHAPTER 132

H.P. 1089 - L.D. 1564

Resolve, To Encourage Financial Education of Children from Kindergarten to Grade 12

Sec. 1. Treasurer of State to organize seminar. Resolved: That the Treasurer of State, in conjunction with the University of Maine System, the Maine Community College System, the Institute for Financial Literacy, Jump Start, Inc. and other interested parties, shall organize a seminar in November 2007 to provide training on teaching financial literacy to public school students from kindergarten to grade 12; and be it further

Sec. 2. Transfer to the financial literacy program. Resolved: That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Controller shall transfer \$15,000 in fiscal year 2007-08 from the Office of Consumer Credit Regulation, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation to the financial literacy program, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Office of the Treasurer of State. The State Controller shall make this transfer at a time determined in consultation with the Director of the Office of Consumer Credit Regulation and the Treasurer of State; and be it further

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

TREASURER OF STATE, OFFICE OF THE Financial Literacy Program N004

Initiative: Allocates funds for costs associated with hosting a statewide seminar on teaching financial literacy to public school students, including speakers, materials and food.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$15,000	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$15,000	\$0

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