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provisions of this Act relating to lawyer's trust accounts.

Sec. 7. Transfer of funds. The Treasurer of State shall transfer to the lawyer's trust account program manager as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 33, section 1952, subsection 7-B an amount equal to funds held on the effective date of this Act in the Unclaimed Property Fund of this State attributable to funds presumed abandoned in a lawyer's trust account for which no identifying client information can be found that were delivered to the Treasurer of State before the effective date of this Act.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 497

H.P. 1109 - L.D. 1516

An Act To Improve Efficiency in Communication in the Court System

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

Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Provides funding for one part-time Project Manager Associate position to oversee the acquisition, implementation, accuracy and maintenance of an electronic court notification system.

GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.500	0.500
Personal Services	\$41,625	\$57,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$41,625	\$57,000

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Provides funding to contract for an electronic court notification system. This includes one-time funding for a licensing fee and extra capacity for server storage and processing, as well as ongoing funding for maintenance and text message support.

GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$91,530	\$18,530
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$91,530	\$18,530

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT		
DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2019-20	2020-21
GENERAL FUND	\$133,155	\$75,530
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$133,155	\$75,530

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CHAPTER 498

S.P. 481 - L.D. 1544

An Act To Enact the Maine Revised Unclaimed Property Act

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §8-A, sub-§2, as amended by PL 2003, c. 20, Pt. T, §2, is further amended to read:

2. Unclaimed property. To provide, after reasonable notice to interested parties or their attorneys, for the transfer to the Treasurer of State for disposition as unclaimed property in the manner provided by Title 33, sections 1958 and 1959 chapter 45 of property in the possession or custody of the courts of this State as a result of civil or criminal litigation.

Sec. 2. 8 MRSA §1032, as amended by IB 2009, c. 2, §40, is further amended to read:

§1032. Payment of credits by slot machine or casino operator

A slot machine operator or casino operator shall redeem credits for players who earn credits on a slot machine or table game located on the premises of that slot machine facility or casino in accordance with rules adopted by the board. A slot machine operator or casino operator may not redeem a credit slip more than 365 days from the date of issuance. The funds reserved for the payment of such a credit slip or expired unclaimed jackpot must be retained by the slot machine operator or casino operator or casino operator and treated as gross slot machine income or gross table game income and do not constitute property subject to the requirements of Title 33, chapter 41 <u>45</u>.

Sec. 3. 9-B MRSA §161, sub-§2, ¶K, as amended by PL 2001, c. 262, Pt. B, §3, is further amended to read:

K. The examination or furnishing of any financial records by a financial institution authorized to do business in this State or credit union authorized to do business in this State to any officer, employee or agent of the Treasurer of State for use solely in