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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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Legislature having jurisdiction over taxation matters aggregate data on employment levels and qualified investment amounts of certified applicants for each year that a certified applicant claimed a credit under this section.

C. By December 31st of each year, beginning in 2025, the assessor shall report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over taxation matters the revenue loss during the report year as a result of this section for each taxpayer claiming the credit and, if necessary, shall include updated revenue loss amounts for any previous tax year. For purposes of this paragraph, "revenue loss" means the credit claimed by the taxpayer and allowed pursuant to this section, consisting of the amount of the credit used to reduce the tax liability of the taxpayer and the amount of the credit refunded to the taxpayer, stated separately.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the reports provided under this subsection are public records as defined in Title 1, section 402, subsection 3.

5. Rules; fees. The commissioner and the assessor may jointly adopt rules to implement this section, including, but not limited to, rules for determining and certifying eligibility. The commissioner may also by rule establish fees to offset the costs of administering this section. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A. Any fees collected pursuant to this subsection must be deposited into a special revenue account administered by the commissioner, and those fees may be used only to defray the actual costs of administering the credit under this section.

6. Evaluation; specific public policy objectives; performance measures. The credit provided under this section is subject to ongoing legislative review in accordance with Title 3, chapter 37. In developing evaluation parameters to perform the review, the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability, the joint legislative committee established to oversee program evaluation and government accountability matters and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over taxation matters shall consider:

A. That the specific public policy objectives of the credit provided under this section are to provide incentives for the revitalization of paper manufacturing facilities in counties with high unemployment and to create or retain high-quality jobs in the State by encouraging paper manufacturers to modernize their paper manufacturing equipment to better compete in the marketplace; and

B. Performance measures, including, but not limited to:

- (1) The number of qualified employees added or retained during the period being reviewed

and how employment during that period compares to the minimum employment requirements established in subsection 3, paragraph B, subparagraph (1);

(2) The amount of qualified investment made by certified applicants during the period being reviewed and how those investments compare to the minimum level of investment required in subsection 1, paragraph I;

(3) The increase in the vitality and competitiveness of the State's paper industry in the marketplace;

(4) The change in the number of paper manufacturers and machinery used for the production of paper products located in the State and the number of modernization projects undertaken at those paper manufacturing facilities during the period being reviewed; and

(5) Measures of fiscal impact and overall economic impact to the State and to the regions in which certified applicants are located.

Sec. 4. Legislative findings; purpose. The Legislature finds that it is in the best interest of the people of the State to encourage the modernization of the State's paper manufacturing facilities, particularly those facilities located in areas of high unemployment, to allow the State's paper manufacturing facilities to better compete in the paper industry. The Legislature further finds that investments in machines used for the production of paper products in the State will create new jobs, retain current jobs, benefit small businesses that supply goods and services to paper manufacturing facilities, increase the tax base and provide many other direct and indirect economic benefits to the State.

Sec. 5. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 1, 2024.

Effective January 1, 2024.

CHAPTER 483

S.P. 577 - L.D. 1733

**An Act To Provide Allocations
for the Distribution of State
Fiscal Recovery Funds**

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

PART A

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

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF**

Administration - Economic and Community Development 0069

Initiative: Provides funding for additional economic recovery grants for businesses and organizations within sectors that are struggling to recover from economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$20,000,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$20,000,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Administration - Economic and Community Development 0069

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for loans or loan guarantees through the Finance Authority of Maine for businesses having difficulty securing investment capital due to the COVID-19 pandemic and provides capital for rural development projects through the Maine Rural Development Authority.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$33,400,000	\$15,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$33,400,000</u>	<u>\$15,000,000</u>

Administration - Economic and Community Development 0069

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for business assistance programs through the Finance Authority of Maine for organizations employing emerging financing or organizational models that became market trends during the COVID-19 pandemic, including cooperatives, B corporations and employee stock ownership plans.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$5,000,000</u>	<u>\$5,000,000</u>

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$58,400,000	\$20,000,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$58,400,000</u>	<u>\$20,000,000</u>

PART B

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

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of Agriculture 0393

Initiative: Establishes one Contract Grant Manager position through June 10, 2023 and provides one-time funding to support the State's farms and food processors to ensure the sustainability of farms and farm families, increase the supply of local food to meet state food consumption goals and enhance the State's agricultural exports while reducing the State's reliance on food imports.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$101,116	\$105,996
All Other	\$19,792,888	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$19,894,004</u>	<u>\$105,996</u>

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$19,894,004	\$105,996
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$19,894,004</u>	<u>\$105,996</u>

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Office of Innovation 0995

Initiative: Provides one-time grant funding for economic recovery and development opportunities in the forest products industry to address reduced demand from the economic disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic and other industry effects.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$10,000,000</u>	<u>\$10,000,000</u>

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
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**MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF
Bureau of Policy and Management 0258**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for competitive grants for seafood processors and dealers to upgrade or replace aging or failing infrastructure, or reengineer and retool facilities, in response to product changes or safety protocols necessary as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
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All Other	\$10,000,000	\$0
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$10,000,000	\$0
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**MARINE RESOURCES,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$10,000,000	\$0
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$10,000,000	\$0
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SECTION TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$39,894,004	\$10,105,996
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SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$39,894,004	\$10,105,996
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PART C

Sec. C-1. Small Business Health Insurance Premium Support Program established. The Small Business Health Insurance Premium Support Program, referred to in this section as "the program," is established within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance as a temporary program to provide payments to small group health insurance carriers in the State to reduce insurance premium costs for small businesses and their employees. The program must provide for the issue of relief payments to small group health insurance carriers based on actual credits made monthly by the carriers and ensure the payments result in a reduction of small group health insurance premiums of \$50 per employee per month for 18 months starting November 2021, with an additional reduction for family coverage. The program must ensure that the employer and employee share in the

reduction pro rata according to their contributions to the premium. The bureau shall audit small group health insurance carriers for compliance and to ensure that the premium reductions provided through the program are not recaptured through premium increases in the next insurance renewal following the expiration of the program. Small group health insurance carriers shall notify their small business policyholders of the program, the purpose of the program and the end date of the program.

The bureau shall adopt routine technical rules pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A to carry out the purposes of the program.

Sec. C-2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL
REGULATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

Insurance - Bureau of 0092

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for a temporary premium relief program for small businesses that provide their employees with group health insurance.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
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All Other	\$19,500,000	\$19,500,000
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$19,500,000	\$19,500,000
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PART D

Sec. D-1. Transfer; Federal Expenditures Fund - ARP State Fiscal Recovery to Department of Labor, Unemployment Compensation Fund. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the State Controller shall transfer \$80,000,000 from the Federal Expenditures Fund - ARP State Fiscal Recovery balance to the Department of Labor, Unemployment Compensation Fund no later than November 30, 2021.

PART E

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

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Administration - Economic and Community
Development 0069**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for a targeted supplemental grant program to support recovery and survival for new businesses and entrepreneurs who were unable to qualify for other programs because they were not in business for a sufficient time period.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$5,000,000	\$1,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$5,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

**Administration - Economic and Community
Development 0069**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for technical assistance support to new businesses and entrepreneurs in their recovery from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$2,000,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$2,000,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$7,000,000	\$1,000,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$7,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

PART F

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL
SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

Purchases - Division of 0007

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to support and encourage business diversity through state procurement policies and outreach.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$750,000	\$750,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$750,000</u>	<u>\$750,000</u>

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND
FINANCIAL SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$750,000	\$750,000
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$750,000</u>	<u>\$750,000</u>
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**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Administration - Economic and Community
Development 0069**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for technical assistance grants to support business diversity initiatives.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$800,000	\$200,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$800,000</u>	<u>\$200,000</u>

**Administration - Economic and Community
Development 0069**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for entrepreneurial training for underrepresented populations.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$1,300,000	\$200,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$1,300,000</u>	<u>\$200,000</u>

SECTION TOTALS

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$2,050,000	\$950,000
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$2,050,000</u>	<u>\$950,000</u>

PART G

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

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Office of Innovation 0995

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to support and leverage private investments in research, development and innovation in the State’s technology sectors. These funds, which must be matched by the recipient, will be awarded to Maine organizations through a competitive process to help them increase revenues, create and preserve jobs and grow market share.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$25,000,000	\$14,646,609
	<u>\$25,000,000</u>	<u>\$14,646,609</u>

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$25,000,000	\$14,646,609
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$25,000,000</u>	<u>\$14,646,609</u>

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421

Initiative: Provides funding for modernizing licensing processes using contracted services for organizational change management and integration of information technology modernization with licensing regulations.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$500,000
	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>

Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for contracted services to conduct time-sensitive licensing for urgent economic development projects to support recovery and job growth.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$2,000,000</u>	<u>\$2,000,000</u>
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$2,500,000</u>	<u>\$2,500,000</u>

SECTION TOTALS

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$27,500,000	\$17,146,609
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$27,500,000</u>	<u>\$17,146,609</u>

PART H

Sec. H-1. Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Pilot Program. The Finance Authority of Maine shall establish the Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Pilot Program, referred to in this section as "the program," for certain health care professionals who commit to living and working in Maine for at least 3 years. Under the program, the authority shall pay up to \$25,000 per year and, in aggregate, the lesser of \$75,000 and 50% of the recipient's outstanding loan balance. The program terminates when the funds allocated pursuant to this Part to the Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Program Fund established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 12953 are fully expended or by December 31, 2024, whichever occurs first, unless other funding is made available to carry out the purpose of the program. Costs and expenses of maintaining, servicing and administering the Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Program Fund and of administering the program may be paid out of amounts in the fund.

The authority shall adopt routine technical rules pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A to carry out the purposes of the program, including application requirements and program eligibility.

Sec. H-2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MAINE

Doctors For Maine's Future Scholarship Fund Z090

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for the Doctors for Maine's Future Scholarship Program as established in

the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 12103-A.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Fund N393

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Program Fund to enable it to make loan repayments to eligible program participants to address critical workforce shortages exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic, including but not limited to the behavioral health and oral care sectors.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,000,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**FINANCE AUTHORITY OF
MAINE
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$2,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Department of Health and Human Services Central Operations 0142

Initiative: Establishes one limited-period Public Service Coordinator II position through June 17, 2023 to support curriculum design services that will look across all department providers to make a crosswalk of all short-term certifications.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$125,010	\$131,405
All Other	\$24,990	\$18,595
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$150,000</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>

Department of Health and Human Services Central Operations 0142

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to increase the critical health care workforce by providing incentives to providers to serve as preceptors and clinical sites for health care students who require clinical hours and related oversight.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$1,100,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$1,100,000</u>

**HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
	\$650,000	\$1,250,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$650,000</u>	<u>\$1,250,000</u>

LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Establishes 3 limited-period CareerCenter Consultant positions and one limited-period Employment and Training Specialist III position through December 14, 2024 to create, track and coordinate all activities related to the tuition remission program, including enrollment and payment processing.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$315,105	\$328,884
All Other	\$109,895	\$521,116
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$425,000</u>	<u>\$850,000</u>

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Establishes 2 limited-period CareerCenter Consultant positions through December 14, 2024 to provide information on stackable credentials and prior learning credits and to assist out-of-state and foreign-trained health care workers to quickly recredential as licensed providers in the State.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$155,074	\$161,672
All Other	\$44,926	\$238,328
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$200,000</u>	<u>\$400,000</u>

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides one-time funding that invests in training and stackable credential attainment for incumbent frontline health care workers. To retain this critical workforce and reduce turnover, funds will be used for tuition remission for direct service health care workers to attain credentials and move up to the next rung on their career pathway.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,575,000	\$5,650,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$1,575,000</u>	<u>\$5,650,000</u>

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides funding to develop and refine health care career pathways and implement health care apprenticeships.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$900,000	\$1,800,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$900,000</u>	<u>\$1,800,000</u>

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to contract with a media consulting firm to design and implement a statewide multimedia campaign that promotes direct care worker jobs as a career choice.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Workforce Research Z164

Initiative: Establishes one limited-period Statistician position through December 14, 2024 to collect and prepare data for analysis in order to ensure that services funded through the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 are based on sound information and that results are accurately reported.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$73,051	\$76,299
All Other	\$26,949	\$123,701
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$200,000</u>

LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$3,700,000	\$8,900,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$3,700,000</u>	<u>\$8,900,000</u>
SECTION TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$6,350,000	\$11,150,000
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$6,350,000</u>	<u>\$11,150,000</u>

PART I

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Governor's Energy Office Z122

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to establish the workforce development program of the clean energy partnership to fund programs that advance clean energy workforce development and training programs, including but not limited to internships, scholarships, apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs and a climate corps pilot initiative through AmeriCorps. This initiative will also support the development of an online platform for attracting workers, sharing training opportunities and highlighting job opportunities in this sector and support the Governor's Energy Office in developing programs in partnership with the Department of Labor, industry, education institutions and others focusing efforts on supporting workers and business most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and related economic impacts.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$1,850,000</u>	<u>\$1,850,000</u>

Governor's Energy Office Z122

Initiative: Establishes one limited-period Public Service Coordinator II position through June 10, 2023 to manage industry and higher education sector engagement and program development.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$142,345	\$148,136
All Other	\$7,655	\$1,864

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$150,000	\$150,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Governor's Energy Office Z122

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to establish the clean energy innovation program of the clean energy partnership to fund programs that advance innovation in the clean energy sector, including but not limited to providing grants in coordination with the Maine Technology Institute, as well as supporting partnerships with the private sector, education intuitions and others. The programs will support innovation of advanced technologies and services that contribute to the achievement of the State's clean energy and climate goals. Funding may also be used for research and analysis of clean energy finance development tools.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$3,000,000	\$3,500,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$3,000,000	\$3,500,000

LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to develop and refine career pathways within the industry and implement clean energy apprenticeships.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$500,000	\$1,000,000

LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$500,000	\$1,000,000

SECTION TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$3,500,000	\$4,500,000
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$3,500,000	\$4,500,000

PART J

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

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Business Development 0585

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for outreach and a domestic trade pilot program within the Office of Business Development for the promotion of products and businesses in the State.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,000,000	\$1,800,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,000,000	\$1,800,000

Business Development 0585

Initiative: Provides funding for the management of the domestic trade pilot program within the Office of Business Development.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$200,000	\$400,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$200,000	\$400,000

Business Development 0585

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to support grant funding and contracts for project partners for state trade promotion opportunities for companies in the State.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$3,000,000	\$7,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$3,000,000	\$7,000,000

Business Development 0585

Initiative: Provides funding for trade and market analysis opportunities for companies in the State.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$600,000	\$1,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$600,000</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$4,800,000	\$10,200,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$4,800,000</u>	<u>\$10,200,000</u>

PART K

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

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Administration - Economic and Community
Development 0069**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to build out a complementary talent and workforce attraction and retention system that gets people to the State and into the workforce.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$2,000,000</u>	<u>\$3,000,000</u>

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$2,000,000</u>	<u>\$3,000,000</u>

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

**Department of Health and Human Services Central
Operations 0142**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to support nursing home, federally qualified health center and hospital

health care recruitment efforts to address critical health care workforce shortages to be spent as part of a collaborative public-private partnership with providers.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,500,000</u>

**HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,500,000</u>

SECTION TOTALS

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$3,000,000	\$4,500,000
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$3,000,000</u>	<u>\$4,500,000</u>

PART L

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

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Administration - Economic and Community
Development 0069**

Initiative: Provides funding for on-the-job training for youth to explore career options, including funding for internships and supports, such as transportation, child care and technology. A portion of these funds must be distributed to the Jobs for Maine's Graduates program and adult education programs.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$8,000,000	\$17,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$8,000,000</u>	<u>\$17,000,000</u>

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$8,000,000	\$17,000,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$8,000,000</u>	<u>\$17,000,000</u>

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$8,000,000	\$17,000,000
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$8,000,000	\$17,000,000
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LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides funding for youth preapprenticeship programs to support urgent workforce needs and support student exploration of good-paying careers.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000
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**LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000
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SECTION TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$9,000,000	\$19,000,000

SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$9,000,000	\$19,000,000
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PART M

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

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Administration - Economic and Community
Development 0069**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to build out the infrastructure and information needed to attract and integrate remote workers into the State's communities and economy through clarifying all rules and requirements for employees and employers and providing marketing and outreach around this information; consideration of any specifics around tax implications or offering any incentives longer term; and development of employer materials for out-of-state employers with a remote worker cadre in the State.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$2,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$500,000	\$2,000,000
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**Administration - Economic and Community
Development 0069**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to support coworking development. In addition to expanding the existing coworking development program, this funding will be used to leverage the spaces as a mechanism for integrating remote workers into their communities in the State.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000
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**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
	\$1,500,000	\$3,500,000

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$1,500,000	\$3,500,000
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PART N

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

**COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, BOARD OF
TRUSTEES OF THE MAINE**

**Maine Community College System - Board of
Trustees 0556**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to support workforce development plans designed to meet the needs of workers and students, as well as employers and industries, especially those most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, including the hospitality industry, heritage industries and health care, and skilled trades that are in demand and required for other economic opportunities, ranging from broadband expansion to affordable housing construction.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$15,000,000	\$20,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$15,000,000	\$20,000,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY TOTAL		

COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MAINE DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$15,000,000	\$20,000,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY		

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$15,000,000	\$20,000,000
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EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Learning Systems Team Z081

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for infrastructure and equipment grants for career and technical education programs with a focus on career development and training to meet the State's workforce needs for economic recovery, workforce development and supporting good-paying job opportunities for students in the State.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY		
All Other	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY TOTAL		

Learning Systems Team Z081

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for competitive grant funds for higher education institutions and adult education programs, with grant program criteria to be developed jointly by the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Department of Labor and the Department of Education based on meeting state workforce development plans designed to meet the needs of workers and students, as well as employers and industries, especially those most affected by COVID-19, and as required to support state economic growth strategies.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY		
All Other	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY TOTAL		

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

2021-22	2022-23
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$17,500,000	\$17,500,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY		

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$17,500,000	\$17,500,000
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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

Educational and General Activities - UMS 0031

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to support workforce development plans designed to meet the needs of workers and students, as well as employers and industries, especially those most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, and economic needs that are in demand and required for other economic opportunities.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY		
All Other	\$15,000,000	\$20,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$15,000,000	\$20,000,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY TOTAL		

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$15,000,000	\$20,000,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY		

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$15,000,000	\$20,000,000
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SECTION TOTALS

2021-22	2022-23	
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$47,500,000	\$57,500,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL		
RECOVERY		

SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$47,500,000	\$57,500,000
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PART O

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

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Economic and Community Development 0069

Initiative: Provides funding for the promotion of diversity, equity and inclusion in the State's workforce and investment in the promotion of diversity, equity and inclusion in public and private hiring to include technical assistance to the State and businesses for hiring and retaining a diverse workforce.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$500,000	\$1,000,000

**Administration - Economic and Community
Development 0069**

Initiative: Provides funding for infrastructure investments to support diverse businesses and nonprofits.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,000,000	\$2,500,000
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,000,000	\$2,500,000

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$1,500,000	\$3,500,000
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$1,500,000	\$3,500,000

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

**Department of Health and Human Services Central
Operations 0142**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for improved data collection to support efforts to advance opportunities and reduce structural economic and workforce barriers for individuals of diverse backgrounds, cultures, races, genders and religions, as well as to reduce barriers for diverse businesses and nonprofits.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$500,000
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$500,000	\$500,000

**HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$500,000	\$500,000

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$500,000	\$500,000

LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to assist people in underserved populations with addressing basic needs and seeking employment.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$500,000
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$500,000	\$500,000

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides funding to expand the progressive employment program for all underrepresented populations and to provide technical assistance to employers.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$500,000
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$500,000	\$500,000

**LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000

SECTION TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$3,000,000	\$5,000,000
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SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$3,000,000	\$5,000,000

PART P

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

LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Establishes 4 limited-period CareerCenter Consultant positions through June 8, 2024 to increase individualized employment services for people who have been out of work during the COVID-19 pandemic.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$310,148	\$323,344
All Other	\$49,852	\$416,656
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$360,000	\$740,000

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides funding for apprenticeships to facilitate economic recovery for workers and businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,750,000	\$2,250,000
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,750,000	\$2,250,000

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides funding for connecting workers affected by the COVID-19 pandemic with jobs that match their skills, interests and geographic area, for overcoming barriers like transportation and child care and for the development of an online portal for connecting multiple workforce resources.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,800,000	\$1,900,000
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,800,000	\$1,900,000

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides funding for the Competitive Skills Scholarship Program to train disadvantaged individuals affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$500,000	\$1,000,000

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Provides funding to assist industries hardest hit by the COVID-19 pandemic with workforce development training, networking, recruitment and collaboration to raise career and industry awareness.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
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All Other	\$1,700,000	\$2,000,000
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,700,000	\$2,000,000

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Establishes one limited-period Eligibility Specialist position through June 8, 2024 and provides All Other for outreach and other expenses related to the worker opportunity tax credit program in order to create incentives for employing traditionally disadvantaged populations, which have been hardest hit by the COVID-19 pandemic.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$77,974	\$78,753
All Other	\$122,026	\$121,247
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$200,000	\$200,000

Workforce Research Z164

Initiative: Establishes one limited-period Senior Economic Research Analyst position through June 8, 2024 and provides All Other for evaluation of workforce programs funded by the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 through data analysis and impact evaluations.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$98,833	\$103,442
All Other	\$151,167	\$246,558
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$250,000	\$350,000

**LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$6,560,000	\$8,440,000
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$6,560,000	\$8,440,000

PART Q

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

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for contracted services to fully build an online licensing and compliance portal for the regulated community and citizens.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES		
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

PART R

Sec. R-1. Maine State Housing Authority expanded housing projects; project labor agreements; workforce diversity. The following requirements apply to certain housing projects funded with funds allocated in this Part.

1. Maine State Housing Authority to use project labor agreement. As a condition of awarding \$20,000,000 of the funds allocated in this Part to the Maine State Housing Authority for existing financing programs to a developer to expand affordable housing options, the Maine State Housing Authority shall require that developer to enter into a pre-hire, collectively bargained project labor agreement with the workers who will build the affordable housing. A project labor agreement must apply to all workers who build the affordable housing, including those employed by a contractor and all subcontractors of the developer. A project labor agreement must protect the collective bargaining rights of the workers involved in building the affordable housing.

2. Requirement to make good faith effort to promote workforce diversity; authority to refuse to award contract based on failure to make good faith effort. A contractor, subcontractor, firm, corporation, partnership or any other entity working on housing built using funds awarded through a financing program using \$20,000,000 of the funds allocated to the Maine State Housing Authority in this Part shall make, at all times, a good faith effort to promote workforce diversity, including diversity with regard to race and gender. If the authority determines that a contractor, subcontractor, firm, corporation, partnership or other entity is not making a good faith effort to achieve workforce diversity, the authority may refuse to award that entity a contract for any project funded using allocations provided in this Part for a period of 2 years.

3. Rules. The authority shall adopt rules to implement this section. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. R-2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Early Childhood Infrastructure N394

Initiative: Establishes one limited-period Contract Grant Specialist position through June 10, 2023 and provides funding for one contracted distinguished educator position to provide technical assistance and professional learning to school administrative units for pre-kindergarten expansion. Provides funds to the Department of Education for grants to school administrative units to establish new or expanded public prekindergarten programs to increase the number of children accessing high-quality prekindergarten. Priority will be given to programs that engage in community partnerships, provide longer duration of education, support inclusive programming and enroll socioeconomically disadvantaged students.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
Personal Services	\$81,773	\$85,615
All Other	\$3,918,227	\$5,914,385
	\$4,000,000	\$6,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES		
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$4,000,000	\$6,000,000

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$4,000,000	\$6,000,000
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EFFICIENCY MAINE TRUST

Efficiency Maine Trust Z100

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to accelerate weatherization and efficiency upgrades for homes in the State, especially for low-income, older residents and renters, to assist municipal, county, school and community organizations to secure efficiency grants by providing matching funds and to support incentives for industries and businesses to invest in energy cost-savings and efficiency measures, especially those businesses struggling to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic economic downturn, including through initiatives to develop and support climate change mitigation strategies designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions at industrial facilities in the State.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$15,000,000	\$35,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$15,000,000	\$35,000,000
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**EFFICIENCY MAINE TRUST
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$15,000,000	\$35,000,000

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$15,000,000	\$35,000,000
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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for a competitive grant program that matches local funding for the upgrade of municipal culverts at stream crossings.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
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Remediation and Waste Management 0247

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to support the treatment of drinking water, environmental testing and management of contaminated wastes caused by per-fluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
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**ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT
OF**

DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
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**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Child Care Services 0563

Initiative: Establishes one limited-period Social Services Manager I position through June 17, 2023 and

provides one-time funding for grants to renovate, expand or construct child care facilities to increase availability of accessible and affordable child care.

**FEDERAL EXPENDITURES
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL
RECOVERY**

	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$101,703	\$106,583
All Other	\$4,898,297	\$4,893,417

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
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**HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
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HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE

Housing Authority - State 0442

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to expand housing options that are affordable to workers and their families to own or rent, through existing financing programs through the authority, as well as new incentives in partnership with the Department of Economic and Community Development using input from stakeholders, municipalities and community providers. These funds may also be used to provide planning and technical assistance for communities, developers and builders to encourage construction or production of affordable, energy-efficient housing units close to services and employment centers to support individuals, families and state workforce needs.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$10,000,000	\$40,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$10,000,000	\$40,000,000
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**HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE
STATE**

DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$10,000,000	\$40,000,000

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$10,000,000	\$40,000,000
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MAINE CONNECTIVITY AUTHORITY

Maine Connectivity Authority N390

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the expansion of affordable high-speed broadband access in the State, leveraging private funding and ensuring long-term benefit for the State through the new Maine Connectivity Authority. The new Maine Connectivity Authority will collaborate with organizations representing marginalized and historically disadvantaged groups when making determinations regarding the distribution of these funds.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$10,000,000	\$11,000,000
	<u>\$10,000,000</u>	<u>\$11,000,000</u>
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

MAINE CONNECTIVITY AUTHORITY DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$10,000,000	\$11,000,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$10,000,000</u>	<u>\$11,000,000</u>

**TRANSPORTATION, DEPARTMENT OF
Charging Infrastructure N396**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to expand state, municipal and other publicly accessible electric vehicle charging stations and related infrastructure. These funds will be administered by the department in collaboration with the Efficiency Maine Trust and will support the continued expansion of electric vehicle charging stations at town buildings, school buildings, state facilities and other public facilities and at private businesses open to the general public.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$3,000,000	\$5,000,000
	<u>\$3,000,000</u>	<u>\$5,000,000</u>
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Infrastructure Adaptation Fund N395

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to the department for the municipal, regional and state infrastructure adaptation improvements that support public safety and emergency management and infrastructure resiliency. Funds will be administered by the department and will be awarded by an interagency board using a competitive process. Project rating criteria may include the potential extent of public safety, emergency management and infrastructure resiliency benefits, ability to leverage

federal and other funding, project-readiness, overall benefit-cost and related economic benefits.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$5,000,000	\$15,000,000
	<u>\$5,000,000</u>	<u>\$15,000,000</u>
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Multimodal - Transit 0443

Initiative: Provides funding to support initiatives and competitive grants for local, regional and state workforce transportation pilot projects aimed at connecting workers to employment opportunities, especially in rural areas where transportation options are limited, thereby promoting economic security, workforce development and community benefits. This funding can be used for capital and operating costs including program start-up costs.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000
	<u>\$2,000,000</u>	<u>\$3,000,000</u>
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Multimodal Transportation Fund Z017

Initiative: Provides funding for the construction of a confined aquatic disposal cell within the Port of Portland and maintenance dredging of the marine facilities of Portland and South Portland. Funds from this allocation may be allotted only to replace unrealized federal funding.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Capital Expenditures	\$10,000,000	\$0
	<u>\$10,000,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

TRANSPORTATION, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$20,000,000	\$23,000,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$20,000,000</u>	<u>\$23,000,000</u>
SECTION TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES \$68,000,000 \$124,000,000
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY

SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS \$68,000,000 \$124,000,000

PART S

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

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for municipal wastewater and infrastructure projects, which will leverage local federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds and accelerate the timeline of these essential local projects that protect public health, provide community benefits, reduce the burden for local ratepayers and support construction jobs. Funding will be provided directly to recipients.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES 2021-22 2022-23
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY

All Other \$10,000,000 \$12,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES \$10,000,000 \$12,000,000
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL

Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the Small Community Grant Program, which supports septic repair and replacement projects, supporting water quality and public health for communities, water bodies and fisheries.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES 2021-22 2022-23
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY

All Other \$1,000,000 \$2,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES \$1,000,000 \$2,000,000
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS 2021-22 2022-23

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES \$11,000,000 \$14,000,000
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS \$11,000,000 \$14,000,000

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention 0143

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to expand efforts to address imminent risk to public health through investment in public water system improvements, including mitigation of lead in drinking water at schools and daycares and perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, or PFAS, effects. Funding will also be used for upgrades to critical infrastructure, including but not limited to supply sources, treatment facilities, pump stations, distribution piping and storage tanks to ensure compliance with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES 2021-22 2022-23
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY

All Other \$10,000,000 \$15,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES \$10,000,000 \$15,000,000
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

2021-22 2022-23

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES \$10,000,000 \$15,000,000
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS \$10,000,000 \$15,000,000

SECTION TOTALS 2021-22 2022-23

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES \$21,000,000 \$29,000,000
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY

SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS \$21,000,000 \$29,000,000

PART T

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

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF

Parks - General Operations Z221

Initiative: Establishes 2 limited-period Civil Engineer II positions through June 8, 2024 and provides funding to support urgent capital infrastructure improvements at state parks to accommodate the significant increased use seen during the COVID-19 pandemic and also to bolster the recreational and tourism opportunities for state parks as they support recovery in the State's tourism and outdoor recreation sectors.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES 2021-22 2022-23
 FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY

Personal Services \$197,142 \$206,360

All Other	\$1,960,572	\$7,958,728
Capital Expenditures	\$7,842,286	\$31,834,912
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$10,000,000</u>	<u>\$40,000,000</u>
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

PART U

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

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF

Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535

Initiative: Provides funding to support the replacement of antiquated infrastructure at the 88-year-old New Gloucester fish hatchery, create needed capacity at the Grand Lake Stream hatchery to manage fish disease threats and conserve an endemic population of land-locked Atlantic salmon and improve the quality of hatchery effluent at all 8 fish culture facilities, which will improve protections to receiving waters.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$5,000,000	\$15,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$5,000,000</u>	<u>\$15,000,000</u>
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

PART V

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

MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of Marine Science 0027

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to support energy efficiency improvements and improved public access to the ocean at the department's Boothbay Harbor facilities and improved public access at state facilities for recreational access to the ocean with rebuilt ramps, roadways and federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 compliant piers.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
Capital Expenditures	\$1,065,000	\$500,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$1,065,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Bureau of Policy and Management 0258

Initiative: Provides funding to support state research and policy initiatives related to economic sustainability in the State's fisheries related to protection of North

Atlantic right whales, lobster fishery monitoring and development of offshore wind energy.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$3,000,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$3,000,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Bureau of Policy and Management 0258

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for infrastructure projects that support fisheries connectivity and habitat restoration.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$0	\$7,635,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$7,635,000</u>
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Bureau of Public Health Z154

Initiative: Provides funding to purchase and upgrade equipment for public health monitoring related to shellfish and water quality with the goal of maximizing harvest opportunities in both the aquaculture and wild shellfish sectors.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
Capital Expenditures	\$475,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$475,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Marine Patrol - Bureau of 0029

Initiative: Provides funding for Marine Patrol infrastructure, including replacing and repairing failing floats and pilings at the Rockland facility; replacing failing infrastructure at the Boothbay Harbor and Lamoine watercraft facilities; and supporting construction of a new Marine Patrol offshore patrol vessel focusing on lobster fishery rules enforcement for right whale protection and using a Tier 4 clean-burning diesel engine that would be the first of its kind in the State.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
Capital Expenditures	\$3,325,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$3,325,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$7,865,000	\$8,135,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$7,865,000	\$8,135,000

PART W

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

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Business Development 0585

Initiative: Provides 2 years of grant funding to support electricity grid upgrades that will support economic recovery for new, struggling or growing businesses with a focus on rural economic development projects, including areas that have been hardest hit by COVID-19 economic effects and enabling heritage industry projects in food processing, forestry and other manufacturing projects. The grants will be managed in coordination with the Governor's Energy Office, seeking to leverage private capital and federal economic development funding opportunities.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000

PART X

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

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of General Services - Capital Construction and Improvement Reserve Fund 0883

Initiative: Provides funding for capital construction and repair to address air quality and energy efficiency improvements in Augusta area state-owned buildings.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000

Information Services 0155

Initiative: Provides funding to enhance of the delivery of digital services for citizens. This project aims to develop a single citizen login and begin the transition of services into a one-stop structure for government services such that citizens of the state can find and navigate State Government's digital presence without a full understanding of state agency structures.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$3,000,000	\$7,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$3,000,000	\$7,000,000

Information Services 0155

Initiative: Provides funding to modernize digital and physical technology assets, including the state radio network. Modernization of digital and physical technology assets are required to begin moving away from aging assets that represent accumulating technical debt and risk.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$5,000,000	\$15,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$5,000,000	\$15,000,000

Information Services 0155

Initiative: Provides funding to tackle the highest-risk areas identified by an external program review, including formalizing a business continuity plan for the State's information technology and setting a framework for providing leadership to state agencies in business continuity planning. This one-time funding for cybersecurity will augment the proposed General Fund appropriation request and provide the resources needed to tackle some of the highest-risk areas, including business continuity planning and workforce enhancements.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$2,000,000	\$4,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$2,000,000	\$4,000,000

Information Services 0155

Initiative: Provides funding to increase the effectiveness of remote work capability.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Information Services 0155

Initiative: Provides funding to support and maintain the State's cybersecurity program and investments.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		

All Other	\$4,078,002	\$4,095,400
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$4,078,002	\$4,095,400
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$21,078,002	\$37,095,400
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$21,078,002	\$37,095,400
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PART Y

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

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

American Rescue Plan Audit, Controller and Program Management N397

Initiative: Provides one-time allocations necessary to support all aspects of financial management oversight of funds from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund established in the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, including state discretionary and direct funds as well as the local pass-through funds authorized in the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		

All Other	\$9,228,561	\$12,766,569
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$9,228,561	\$12,766,569
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

PART Z

Sec. Z-1. Adjustments to allocations. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 37-B, section 746 or any other provision of law to the contrary, funds allocated to departments, agencies and programs in this Act may be adjusted in fiscal year 2021-22

either within the same department or agency receiving the original allocation or, if for the same purpose as the original allocation, between departments or agencies on recommendation of the State Budget Officer and approval of the Governor. The Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services shall report any adjustments to allocations made pursuant to this section to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs at least quarterly.

PART AA

Sec. AA-1. 36 MRSA §5219-KK, sub-§1, ¶A-1, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 474, Pt. B, §13, is amended to read:

A-1. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018, "benefit base" means property taxes paid by a resident individual during the tax year on the resident individual's homestead in this State or rent constituting property taxes paid by the resident individual or the bureau pursuant to chapter 908 on behalf of a resident individual during the tax year on a homestead in the State not exceeding the following amounts:

- (1) For persons filing as single individuals, \$2,050;
- (2) For persons filing as heads of households that can claim the federal child tax credit pursuant to the Code, Section 24 for no more than one qualifying child or dependent or for persons filing joint returns, \$2,650; and
- (3) For persons filing as heads of households that can claim the federal child tax credit pursuant to the Code, Section 24 for more than one qualifying child or dependent or for persons filing joint returns that can claim the federal child tax credit pursuant to the Code, Section 24 for at least one qualifying child or dependent, \$3,250.

Sec. AA-2. 36 MRSA §6250, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:

2-A. Disability. "Disability" means a permanent and total impairment or condition that prevents an individual from being employed as determined by an agency of this State or of the Federal Government or pursuant to routine technical rules adopted by the State Tax Assessor.

Sec. AA-3. 36 MRSA §6250, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 534, Pt. C, §1, is amended to read:

3. Homestead. "Homestead" means the owner-occupied principal dwelling, ~~either real or personal property,~~ owned by the taxpayer and up to 10 contiguous acres upon which it is located. If the homestead is located in a multi-unit building, the homestead is the portion of the building actually used as the principal

dwelling and its percentage of the value of the common elements and of the value of the tax lot upon which it is built. The percentage is the value of the unit consisting of the homestead compared to the total value of the building exclusive of the common elements, if any. "Homestead" includes the taxpayer-occupied principal dwelling and up to 10 contiguous acres upon which it is located that is held in a revocable living trust for the benefit of the taxpayer.

Sec. AA-4. 36 MRSA §6250, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Liquid asset. "Liquid asset" means something of value available to an individual that can be converted to cash in 3 months or less and includes:

- A. Bank accounts;
- B. Certificates of deposit;
- C. Money market and mutual funds;
- D. Life insurance policies;
- E. Stocks and bonds; and
- F. Lump-sum payments and inheritances.

Sec. AA-5. 36 MRSA §6250, sub-§3-B is enacted to read:

3-B. Municipality. "Municipality" means a city, town, plantation or the unorganized territory.

Sec. AA-6. 36 MRSA §6251, as amended by PL 1993, c. 395, §31, is further amended to read:

§6251. Deferral of tax on homestead; joint election; age requirement; filing claim

1. Filing claim. ~~Subject to section 6252, an individual or 2 or more individuals jointly a taxpayer may elect apply to defer the property taxes on their the taxpayer's homestead by filing a claim for deferral with the municipal assessor after January 1st but no later than April 1st of the first year in which deferral is claimed if:~~

- ~~A. The individual or each individual, in the case of 2 or more individuals taxpayer filing a claim jointly, is 65 years of age or older or is unable to be employed by reason of disability on April 1st of the year in which the claim is filed; and~~
- ~~B. The individual or, in the case of 2 or more individuals filing a claim jointly, all the individuals together have household taxpayer has income, as defined in section 6201 5219-KK, subsection 7 1, paragraph D, of less than \$32,000 \$40,000 for the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year in which the claim is filed;~~
- ~~C. The taxpayer, if an individual, has liquid assets of less than \$50,000 or, in the case of 2 or more individuals filing a claim jointly, all the individuals together have liquid assets of less than \$75,000; and~~

D. The taxpayer's homestead receives a homestead exemption under chapter 105, subchapter 4-B.

The municipal assessor shall forward each claim filed under this subsection to the bureau within 30 days of receipt and the bureau shall determine if the property is eligible for deferral. Claims must be filed on a form approved by the State Tax Assessor and must include all information requested by the State Tax Assessor, including without limitation the taxpayer's and the taxpayer's direct heirs' contact information. Income and liquid assets of all individual owners of a homestead must be included in an application for deferral.

~~Claims from new applicants may not be filed pursuant to this chapter prior to January 1, 1994. For purposes of this section, "new applicants" means any person or persons that have not filed claims prior to April 1, 1991.~~

2. Property tax deferral. ~~When the If a taxpayer elects is determined to be eligible to defer property taxes for any year by filing a claim for deferral under subsection 1, it shall have has the effect of:~~

- ~~A. Deferring the payment of the property taxes levied on the homestead for the municipal fiscal year beginning on or after April 1st of that year;~~
- ~~B. Continuing deferral of the payment by the taxpayer of any property taxes deferred under this chapter for previous years that have not become delinquent under section 6260; and~~
- ~~C. Continuing the deferral of the payment by the taxpayer of any future property taxes for as long as the provisions of section 6252 are met or the taxpayer withdraws from the deferral of future property taxes under this chapter by notifying the bureau as provided in section 6258.~~

3. Guardian, conservator and agent compliance. ~~If a guardian or, conservator or agent under a power of attorney or pursuant to a protective arrangement or any other lawful order has been appointed for an individual a taxpayer otherwise qualified to obtain deferral of taxes under this chapter, the guardian or, conservator or agent may act for that individual taxpayer in complying with this chapter.~~

4. Trustee compliance. ~~If a A trustee of an a revocable inter vivos trust which, if that trust was created by and is revocable by an individual, a taxpayer who is both the trustor and a beneficiary of the trust and who is otherwise qualified to obtain a deferral of taxes under this chapter, owns the fee simple estate under a recorded instrument of sale, the trustee may act for the individual taxpayer in complying with this chapter.~~

5. Spouse not required to claim. ~~Nothing in this section may be construed to require a spouse of an individual to file a claim jointly with the individual even though the spouse may be eligible to claim the deferral jointly with the individual.~~

6. Appeal. ~~Any person~~ A taxpayer aggrieved by the denial of a claim for deferral of homestead property taxes or disqualification from deferral of homestead property taxes may file an appeal of the State Tax Assessor's determination, within 30 days of notification of denial or disqualification by the State Tax Assessor, with the State Board of Property Tax Review as provided in chapter 101, subchapter ~~H-A~~ 2-A. When the State Tax Assessor disagrees with the municipal valuation of a property subject to deferral, the abatement and appeals process under chapter 105, subchapter 8 applies.

Sec. AA-7. 36 MRSA §6252, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 534, Pt. C, §1, is amended to read:

2. Fee simple estate. ~~The person~~ individual claiming ~~the a~~ deferral must, solely or together with the ~~person's~~ individual's spouse, own the fee simple estate or be purchasing the fee simple estate under a recorded instrument of sale, or 2 or more ~~persons~~ individuals must together own or be purchasing the fee simple estate with rights of survivorship under a recorded instrument of sale if all owners live in the homestead ~~and if all owners apply for the deferral jointly.~~

Sec. AA-8. 36 MRSA §6252, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

4. No duplicate deferral. The property is not receiving a deferral of taxes under chapter 908-A.

Sec. AA-9. 36 MRSA §6252, sub-§5 is enacted to read:

5. No municipal lien. The property does not have an existing municipal lien against it.

Sec. AA-10. 36 MRSA §6253, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 534, Pt. C, §1, is amended to read:

§6253. Claim forms; contents

1. Administration. A taxpayer's claim for deferral under this chapter ~~shall~~ must be in writing on a form supplied by the bureau and ~~shall~~ must:

A. Describe the homestead;

B. ~~Recite facts~~ Provide information establishing the eligibility for the deferral under the provisions of this chapter, including ~~facts~~ information that ~~establish~~ establishes that the ~~household liquid assets and the income,~~ household liquid assets and the income, as defined in section ~~6204-5219-KK,~~ 6204-5219-KK, subsection ~~7 1,~~ 1, paragraph ~~D,~~ D, of the individual, or, in the case of 2 or more individuals claiming the deferral jointly, ~~was~~ are less than ~~\$32,000~~ \$32,000 the limits set by section 6251, subsection 1 for the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year in which the claim is filed; and

C. ~~Have attached~~ Contain any ~~documentary proof information~~ documentary proof information required by the bureau to show that the requirements of section 6252 have been met.

2. Statement verification. ~~There shall be annexed to the~~ The claim must contain a statement verified by a written declaration of the ~~applicant~~ taxpayer making the claim ~~to the effect~~ that the statements contained in the claim are true.

Sec. AA-11. 36 MRSA §6254, sub-§1, as amended by PL 2007, c. 695, Pt. A, §45, is further amended to read:

1. Lien. The lien provided in section 552 must continue for purposes of protecting the State's deferred tax interest in tax deferred property. When it is determined that one of the events set out in section 6259 has occurred and that a property is no longer eligible for property tax deferral under this chapter, the State Tax Assessor shall send notice by certified mail to the ~~owner~~ taxpayer, or the ~~owner's~~ taxpayer's heirs or devisees, listing the total amount of deferred property taxes, including accrued interest and costs of all the years and demanding payment on or before April 30th of the year following the tax year in which the circumstances causing withdrawal from the provisions of this chapter occur.

When the circumstances listed in section 6259, subsection 4 occur, the amount of deferred taxes is due and payable 5 days before the date of removal of the property from the State.

If the deferred tax liability of a property has not been satisfied by the April 30th demand date, the State Tax Assessor shall, within 30 days, record in the registry of deeds in the county where the real estate is located a tax lien certificate signed by the State Tax Assessor or bearing the assessor's facsimile signature, setting forth the total amount of deferred tax liability, a description of the real estate on which the tax was deferred and an allegation that a tax lien is claimed on the real estate to secure payment of the tax, that a demand for payment of the tax has been made in accordance with this section and that the tax remains unpaid.

At the time of the recording of the tax lien certificate in the registry of deeds, the State Tax Assessor shall send by certified mail, return receipt requested, to each record holder of a mortgage on the real estate, to the holder's last known address, a true copy of the tax lien certificate. The cost to be paid by the ~~property owner~~ taxpayer, or the ~~owner's~~ taxpayer's heirs or devisees, is the sum of the fees for recording and discharging of the lien as established by Title 33, section 751, plus \$13. Upon redemption, the State Tax Assessor shall prepare and record a discharge of the tax lien mortgage. The lien described in section 552 is the basis of this tax lien mortgage procedure.

The filing of the tax lien certificate, provided for in this section, in the registry of deeds creates a mortgage on the real estate to the State and has priority over all other mortgages, liens, attachments and encumbrances of any nature and gives to the State all rights usually instant to

a mortgage, except that the mortgagee does not have any right of possession of the real estate until the right of redemption expires.

Payments accepted during the redemption period may not interrupt or extend the redemption period or in any way affect the foreclosure procedures.

Sec. AA-12. 36 MRSA §6254, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

4. Dangerous buildings. The State Tax Assessor may request that the municipal officers, in the case of a municipality, or the county commissioners, in the case of the unorganized territory in their county, investigate any homestead subject to deferral and make determinations whether the homestead is a dangerous building pursuant to Title 17, chapter 91, subchapter 4. If eligible expenses pursuant to Title 17, section 2853 are incurred by a municipality or the county in the case of the unorganized territory, the State Tax Assessor shall reimburse those eligible expenses from funds in the Senior Property Tax Deferral Revolving Account under section 6266.

Sec. AA-13. 36 MRSA §6255, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 534, Pt. C, §1, is amended to read:

3. Interest. Interest ~~shall accrue~~ accrues on the actual amount of taxes payments advanced to the municipality for the tax-deferred property at the rate of 6% per annum pursuant to section 186 reduced by one percentage point.

Sec. AA-14. 36 MRSA §6257, as amended by PL 1991, c. 528, Pt. DD, §1 and affected by Pt. RRR and amended by c. 591, Pt. DD, §1 and c. 622, Pt. CC, §1, is further amended to read:

§6257. ~~Municipal tax collector to receive~~ Payment of amount equivalent to deferred taxes from by the State

1. Payment of deferred taxes. Within 30 days of the receipt of information from a municipal tax collector concerning the amount of deferred property taxes in the respective municipality, the State Tax Assessor shall certify that amount to the Treasurer of ~~the~~ State who shall make payment to the municipality on or before the 15th day of the following month. Payments made for deferred property taxes in the unorganized territory must be made to the Unorganized Territory Education and Services Fund established in section 1605.

~~1-A. Prorated payment of deferred taxes.~~ ~~The State Tax Assessor is authorized to prorate payments to municipalities for claims filed pursuant to this chapter if the amount available in the Senior Property Tax Deferral Revolving Account established in section 6266 in any fiscal year is insufficient to make full payments to all municipalities. If the applicant for deferred taxes can not pay the difference due to the municipality, the municipality that does not receive the full amount of deferred property taxes may cause a tax lien certificate~~

~~to be filed in the county registry of deeds for the amount not received.~~

~~1-B. Reimbursement to taxpayers.~~ ~~The State Tax Assessor is authorized to reimburse taxpayers who qualified under this chapter and who have paid property taxes that would have otherwise been deferred but for the prorating of benefits as allowed in subsection 1-A.~~

2. Accounts maintained. The bureau shall maintain accounts for each deferred property ~~and shall accrue interest only on the actual amount of taxes advanced to the municipality.~~

Sec. AA-15. 36 MRSA §6258, sub-§1, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 534, Pt. C, §1, is amended to read:

D. Contain any other information that the bureau considers necessary to facilitate administration of the homestead deferral program including, but not limited to, the right of the taxpayer to submit any amount of money to reduce the total amount of the deferred taxes and interest and the right of the taxpayer to withdraw from the deferral of future property taxes under this chapter by notifying the bureau by any method that the bureau may prescribe.

Sec. AA-16. 36 MRSA §6261, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 534, Pt. C, §1, is amended to read:

2. Continuation of deferral by spouse. A spouse who does not meet the age requirements of subsection 1, paragraph A or the disability requirement of section 6251, subsection 1, paragraph A, but is otherwise qualified to continue the property in its tax-deferred status under subsection 1 may continue the deferral of property taxes deferred for previous years by filing a claim within the time and in the manner provided under section 6251. If a spouse eligible for and continuing the deferral of taxes previously deferred under this subsection becomes 65 years of age or meets the disability requirement of section 6251, subsection 1, paragraph A prior to April 1st of any year, the spouse may elect to continue the deferral of previous years' taxes deferred under this subsection and may elect to defer the current assessment year's taxes on the homestead by filing a claim within the time and in the manner provided under section 6251. Thereafter, payment of the taxes levied on the homestead and deferred under this subsection and payment of taxes levied on the homestead in the current assessment year and in future years may be deferred in the manner provided in and subject to this chapter.

Sec. AA-17. 36 MRSA §6262, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 534, Pt. C, §1, is amended to read:

2. Taxes and interest. Subject to subsection 3, all or part of the deferred taxes and accrued interest may at any time be paid to the bureau by:

A. The taxpayer or the spouse of the taxpayer; or

B. The next of kin of the taxpayer, heir at law of the taxpayer, child of the taxpayer or any person having or claiming a legal or equitable interest in the property; or

C. Any other person or organization making a payment as a gift to the taxpayer.

Sec. AA-18. 36 MRSA §6262, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 534, Pt. C, §1, is amended to read:

3. Notice of payment. A person listed in subsection 2, paragraph B; or C may make the payments only if no objection is made by the taxpayer within 30 days after the bureau deposits in the mail notice to the taxpayer of the fact that the payment has been tendered.

Sec. AA-19. 36 MRSA §6266, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 534, Pt. C, §1, is amended to read:

§6266. Senior Property Tax Deferral Revolving Account; sources; uses

1. Revolving account. This section establishes in the State Treasury the Senior Property Tax Deferral Revolving Account, referred to in this section as "the revolving account," to be used by the bureau for the purpose of making the payments to municipal tax collectors and to the Unorganized Territory Education and Services Fund, established in section 1605, of property taxes deferred for tax years beginning on or after April 1, ~~1990~~ 2022, as required by section 6257, reimbursements, as required under section 6254, subsection 4, and repayment of transfers pursuant to subsection 5.

2. Advancement of funds. The funds necessary to make payments under subsection 1 ~~shall~~ must be advanced to the bureau from time to time as necessary by the Treasurer of State as ~~an appropriation from the General Fund~~ a transfer under subsection 4.

3. Payments credited. All sums of money received by the bureau under this chapter as repayments of deferred property taxes including the interest accrued under section 6255, subsection 3, ~~shall~~, upon receipt, must be credited to the revolving account and ~~shall~~ must be available for the purposes of subsection 1 and subsection 5.

4. Appropriation Transfer request. If there is not sufficient money in the revolving account to make the payments required by subsection 1, the State Tax Assessor shall ~~request an appropriation from the General Fund which together with the money in the revolving account will provide an amount sufficient to make the required payments~~ notify the Treasurer of State of the amount necessary to make the required payments and the Treasurer of State shall transfer that amount from the Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund, established in Title 30-A, section 4853, to the revolving account.

5. ~~General Fund reimbursement~~ Reimbursement of funds. When the bureau determines that funds

in sufficient amounts are available in the revolving account, the bureau shall repay to the ~~General Fund~~ Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund, established in Title 30-A, section 4853, the amounts advanced as ~~appropriations under subsection 2, plus accrued interest transfers under subsection 4.~~

Sec. AA-20. 36 MRSA §6267, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 707, Pt. G, §10, is repealed.

Sec. AA-21. Application. This Act applies to property taxes based on the status of property on or after April 1, 2022.

Sec. AA-22. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Elderly Tax Deferral Program 0650

Initiative: Provides funding to reimburse municipalities for deferred property taxes.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$844,370	\$2,390,889

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$844,370	\$2,390,889
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Revenue Services, Bureau of 0002

Initiative: Provides funding for one limited-period Property Appraiser position, computer programming costs and other related costs to review, approve and audit applications. This position will end on or before June 30, 2023.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
Personal Services	\$42,538	\$86,099
All Other	\$113,092	\$23,012

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$155,630	\$109,111
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,000,000	\$2,500,000
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$1,000,000	\$2,500,000
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PART BB

Sec. BB-1. 22 MRSA §2602-A, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1991, c. 499, §3 and affected by §26, is further amended to read:

2. Fees. ~~The~~ Except as provided in subsection 3, the department shall charge the average cost of the analysis for an examination, testing or analysis of private residential water supplies requested under this chapter. These fees must be recalculated and deposited according to section 565, subsection 3 and section 568, ~~provided~~ except that the fee charged for testing a private residential water supply may not exceed \$150 when:

A. In the opinion of the department, initial testing or screening performed at the expense of the owner indicates the need for additional testing at a cost in excess of \$150 to determine whether that water supply contains contaminants potentially hazardous to human health and that additional testing is essential to the maintenance of public health; or

B. In the opinion of the department, there is reason to suspect that a private residential water supply may be affected by contamination potentially hazardous to human health and that additional testing is essential to the maintenance of public health. In making such a determination, the department shall consider the following:

- (1) The proximity of the private residential water supply to a known or suspected source of contamination;
- (2) The proximity of the private residential water supply to another private well or water supply known to be contaminated;
- (3) Information provided in writing to the department by a physician who has seen or treated a person and who has identified contaminated drinking water as a possible cause of the person's condition or symptoms; or
- (4) Information provided by the owner or a user of the private residential water supply voluntarily or in response to questions asked by personnel of the department.

The department ~~may~~ shall waive all fees incurred in connection with the testing of a private residential water supply upon a showing of indigency.

Sec. BB-2. 22 MRSA §2602-A, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

3. Well water testing for low-income residents. The department shall establish and maintain a program through the Health and Environmental Testing Laboratory established in section 565 to provide free testing for arsenic of the private residential water supplies of low-income residents of the State. The department may not charge any fee or recover any cost as otherwise permitted by this chapter for a test of a private residential water supply performed for a low-income resident of

the State under the program established pursuant to this subsection. As used in this subsection, "low-income resident" means a person who receives assistance under the MaineCare program or the food supplement program under section 3104.

Sec. BB-3. 22 MRSA §2660-U, as amended by PL 2017, c. 475, Pt. C, §7, is further amended to read:

§2660-U. Fees

~~The~~ Except as provided in section 2602-A, subsection 3, the Health and Environmental Testing Laboratory established in section 565 shall collect a fee not to exceed \$10 from a person or entity ordering a water test for a water sample from a residential private drinking water well. The fees collected must be credited to the Private Well Safe Drinking Water Fund established in section 2660-W and used for the purpose of increasing testing of residential private drinking water wells. If more than one test of a water sample from the same residential private drinking water well is conducted, the department may waive payment of a fee established under this section for a one-year period. A fee collected under this section is in addition to any fee charged by the department pursuant to section 2602-A, subsection 2.

Sec. BB-4. 22 MRSA §2660-W, sub-§3, ¶B, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 230, §3, is amended to read:

B. For educational outreach programs consistent with section 2660-V; ~~and~~

Sec. BB-5. 22 MRSA §2660-W, sub-§3, ¶C, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 230, §3, is amended to read:

C. To defray the department's costs in administering this subchapter and in waiving fees under section 2602-A, ~~subsection~~ subsections 2- and 3; and

Sec. BB-6. 22 MRSA §2660-W, sub-§3, ¶D is enacted to read:

D. To implement the program established pursuant to section 2602-A, subsection 3 to provide free testing for arsenic of private residential water supplies to low-income residents of the State.

Sec. BB-7. 22 MRSA §2660-Y is enacted to read:

§2660-Y. Landlord arsenic testing

Beginning January 1, 2022 and every 5 years thereafter, a landlord of a residential building shall test for arsenic each private drinking water well used to provide water to a tenant of the landlord. The landlord shall conduct testing under this section through a laboratory certified or accredited pursuant to section 567 and shall, within 10 days of notification of the results, provide to each of the landlord's tenants the results of any test conducted under this section of the private drinking water well used to provide water to the tenant. The landlord shall, within 10 days of notification of the results, notify

any new tenant of the most recent results of a test conducted under this section on a private drinking water well that will be used to provide water to the tenant.

Sec. BB-8. Department of Health and Human Services to amend rules. The Department of Health and Human Services shall review recent research regarding arsenic toxicity and levels suitable for consumption and shall amend 10-144 C.M.R. Chapter 231, Rules Relating to Drinking Water, to revise the maximum contaminant level for arsenic.

Sec. BB-9. Report on arsenic rulemaking. The Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Public Drinking Water Commission shall include in its annual report required pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 2660-C, subsection 4, paragraph H information about the status of adopting rules in accordance with section 8 until the rules have been finally adopted.

Sec. BB-10. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

**Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention
0143**

Initiative: Provides funding to the department to establish and maintain a program through the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention's Health and Environmental Testing Laboratory offering free well water testing for low-income residents of the State.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$51,484	\$51,484
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$51,484	\$51,484
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

PART CC

Sec. CC-1. Definitions. As used in this Part, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

1. "Department" means the Department of Health and Human Services.
2. "Eligible family caregivers" means:
 - A. Adult family members or other informal caregivers 18 years of age or older providing care to individuals 60 years of age or older;
 - B. Adult family members or other informal caregivers 18 years of age or older providing care to individuals of any age with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders;

C. Relatives, not including parents, 55 years of age or older providing care to children under 18 years of age; and

D. Relatives, including parents, 55 years of age or older providing care to adults 18 to 59 years of age with disabilities.

3. "Pilot program" means the Family Caregiver Grant Pilot Program established pursuant to section 2.

4. "Respite Care Fund" means the Respite Care Fund under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 7308.

Sec. CC-2. Department of Health and Human Services to establish Family Caregiver Grant Pilot Program. The department, in cooperation with area agencies on aging, shall establish the Family Caregiver Grant Pilot Program to increase the number of families served by the Respite Care Fund, alleviate costs associated with providing in-home care of an adult, provide a family caregiver grant to increase economic security for family caregivers and examine the needs and preferences of the families served by the Respite Care Fund and the pilot program.

Sec. CC-3. Grant amounts. Under the pilot program, an eligible family caregiver who is not otherwise receiving payment for caring for the person in the caregiver's care may receive up to \$2,000 a year. Eligible family caregivers may choose annually to receive either the services specified in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 7308 or services under the pilot program.

Sec. CC-4. Stakeholder group. No later than November 1, 2021, the department shall convene a stakeholder group to meet periodically to assist in designing the pilot program, including eligibility and payment methods; implementing the pilot program; and developing outreach strategies to eligible family caregivers, application assistance and evaluation planning. The stakeholder group must include representatives of the department, area agencies on aging, family caregivers, home and community-based support services providers, nursing facilities, residential care services providers and advocacy organizations for aging adults.

Sec. CC-5. Pilot program period; expenditures capped. The pilot program shall provide services or grants to eligible family caregivers from October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2024. The expenditures for the pilot program over the period of the pilot program are capped at \$5,100,000.

Sec. CC-6. Guidelines; rulemaking. The department and the stakeholder group convened pursuant to section 4 shall determine guidelines for how eligible family caregivers are identified to receive assistance and the amount of grants distributed pursuant to section 3. The department may adopt rules to implement this Part. Rules adopted pursuant to this section

are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. CC-7. Evaluation; report. The department shall contract with a 3rd-party organization with expertise in evaluating public policy programs for ongoing evaluation of the success of the pilot program and the services provided under the Respite Care Fund. The department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters no later than January 15, 2025. The report must include the following:

1. An unduplicated count of individuals receiving respite care, assistive technology, home modification and family caregiver grants under section 3;
2. The amount of funds that were expended for respite care, assistive technology, home modification and family caregiver grants;
3. The demographics of eligible family caregivers receiving services under the pilot program, including, but not limited to, age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, income and county of residence;
4. The number of eligible family caregivers on waiting lists for services under the pilot program and the demographics of those family caregivers, including, but not limited to, age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, income and county of residence;
5. The time between application and eligibility determination by the department or its contracted designee;
6. The time between application for and receipt of services provided under the pilot program;
7. An assessment of the extent to which services provided under the pilot program kept individuals cared for by eligible family caregivers out of institutional care or delayed transfer to an institutional level of care; and
8. Any recommendations for changes related to the adequacy of the Respite Care Fund and the scope of services provided and recommendations for continuing the pilot program.

The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters is authorized to report out legislation related to the report to the First Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature.

Sec. CC-8. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

**Office of Aging and Disability Services Central
Office 0140**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to the Respite Care Fund within the department to provide family caregiver grants for the pilot program.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$4,500,000	\$0
	\$4,500,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES		
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

**Office of Aging and Disability Services Central
Office 0140**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to the Respite Care Fund within the department to cover administrative costs of the pilot program.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$450,000	\$0
	\$450,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES		
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

**Office of Aging and Disability Services Central
Office 0140**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to the Respite Care Fund within the department to contract with a 3rd party for an evaluation of the pilot program.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$150,000	\$0
	\$150,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES		
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$5,100,000	\$0
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$5,100,000	\$0

PART DD

Sec. DD-1. Department of Health and Human Services to establish pilot program for in-home personal care services to minors. The Department of Health and Human Services shall establish a pilot program to allow the parent of a child who is eligible for in-home personal care services under the MaineCare program to register as a personal care agency and receive reimbursement for providing those services to the child. To qualify for reimbursement

under this section, the parent must have made reasonable efforts to obtain regular in-home personal care services and have satisfied the requirements of the applicable background check required of providers of in-home personal care services. For the purposes of this section, "personal care agency" has the same meaning as in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 1717, subsection 1, paragraph C.

Sec. DD-2. Personal care agency requirements. In order for a parent to be registered as a personal care agency under section 1, another individual who is not a parent of the child must be designated the employer. The person designated as the employer must be approved by both the Department of Health and Human Services and the parent to act in the child's interest.

Sec. DD-3. Pilot program period; expenditures capped. Reimbursement provided under the pilot program established in section 1 is available through fiscal years 2021-22 and 2022-23. The expenditures for the pilot program are capped at \$465,000 over the entire period of the pilot program.

Sec. DD-4. Guidelines; rulemaking. The Department of Health and Human Services shall determine guidelines for implementing the pilot program established in section 1. The department may adopt any rules necessary to implement the pilot program as long as the rules are adopted no later than January 1, 2022. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. DD-5. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for a pilot program for the reimbursement of a parent providing in-home personal care services to the parent's child by allowing the parent to register as a personal care agency.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$155,000	\$310,000
	\$155,000	\$310,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES		
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

PART EE

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

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Administration - Economic and Community
Development 0069**

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to complete the renovation of a wharf and bulkhead at the Gulf of Maine Research Institute in Portland to bring the wharf back into operation for a fishing vessel berthing resource to support marine research at sea and for continued long-term marine job development.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$2,000,000	\$0
	\$2,000,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES		
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$2,000,000	\$0
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$2,000,000	\$0

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Child Care Services 0563

Initiative: Provides allocations for grants for the establishment and administration of the Help Maine Grow System and the First 4 ME Early Care and Education Program. Funds from this allocation may be allotted only if child care development block grant funds are not available as provided in Public Law 2021, chapter 457.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$1,114,916	\$4,121,559
	\$1,114,916	\$4,121,559
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES		
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

**Department of Health and Human Services Central
Operations 0142**

Initiative: Establishes 3 limited-period Social Services Program Specialist II positions through June 17, 2023 and provides funding for related All Other costs.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
Personal Services	\$280,095	\$293,268
All Other	\$19,062	\$19,062

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$299,157	\$312,330
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the department to provide equal monthly supplemental payments from January 2022 through December 2022 to all providers of services under the department's rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 2, Section 17, Section 26, Section 28 and Section 65 in equal proportion to the services provided by providers in the previous 12-month period. Funds from this allocation may be allotted only if Federal Medical Assistance Percentage matching funds are not available as provided in Public Law 2021, chapter 398, Part AAAAA.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$3,544,552	\$2,413,462

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,544,552	\$2,413,462
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$4,958,625	\$6,847,351
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$4,958,625	\$6,847,351
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HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE

Shelter Operating Subsidy 0661

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for grants to existing emergency homeless shelters, including those that assist homeless youth, to be used for operations, maintenance or capital improvements.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$10,000,000	\$0

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$10,000,000	\$0
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$10,000,000	\$0
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$10,000,000	\$0
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INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES, MAINE COMMISSION ON

Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services Z112

Initiative: Allocates additional funds for counsel fees due to a backlog of cases caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$4,000,000	\$0

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$4,000,000	\$0
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES, MAINE COMMISSION ON DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$4,000,000	\$0
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$4,000,000	\$0
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LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF

Employment Services Activity 0852

Initiative: Establishes 16 limited-period CareerCenter Consultant positions through June 10, 2023.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
Personal Services	\$1,240,592	\$1,293,376
All Other	\$9,189	\$9,189

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,249,781	\$1,302,565
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,249,781	\$1,302,565
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$1,249,781	\$1,302,565
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MARITIME ACADEMY, MAINE

Maritime Academy - Operations 0035

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for the renovation and restoration of state-owned waterfront and shoreside infrastructure in Castine.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$2,000,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$2,000,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

MARITIME ACADEMY, MAINE DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$2,000,000	\$0
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$2,000,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**PUBLIC BROADCASTING CORPORATION,
MAINE**

Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation 0033

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to replace transmitter and studio components of existing infrastructure systems that carry the emergency alert system that have reached the end of their useful lifespans.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$5,000,000</u>	<u>\$5,000,000</u>

PUBLIC BROADCASTING CORPORATION, MAINE DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$5,000,000</u>	<u>\$5,000,000</u>

**STATUS OF RACIAL, INDIGENOUS AND
TRIBAL POPULATIONS, PERMANENT
COMMISSION ON THE**

Racial, Indigenous and Tribal Populations N329

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to support development of a strategy and one-time investments in public health infrastructure to reduce disparities in outcomes for residents of the State in minority groups.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500,000	\$500,000

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>
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**STATUS OF RACIAL,
INDIGENOUS AND TRIBAL
POPULATIONS, PERMANENT
COMMISSION ON THE
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
	\$500,000	\$500,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>

SECTION TOTALS

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
	\$29,708,406	\$13,649,916
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$29,708,406</u>	<u>\$13,649,916</u>

PART FF

Sec. FF-1. 10 MRSA §1019, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 417, §1, is amended to read:

2. Criteria. For an applicant to participate in the nursing education loan repayment program established under subsection 1, the applicant must:

- A. Be a nurse;
- B. ~~Complete~~ Be currently enrolled in a master's or doctoral degree program in nursing or have completed a master's or doctoral degree in nursing;
- C. Possess an outstanding education loan relating to the master's or doctoral nursing degree; and
- D. Sign a statement of intent in a form acceptable to the authority to work as full-time nursing faculty in a nursing education program in the State for a minimum of ~~3~~ 5 years after acceptance into the nursing education loan repayment program.

Sec. FF-2. 10 MRSA §1019, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 417, §1, is amended to read:

4. Administration. The nursing education loan repayment program and the nursing education loan repayment fund are administered by the authority. The authority shall repay the loan of an applicant who meets the criteria in subsection 2 in the amount of up to ~~\$4,500~~ \$20,000 for a master's degree and up to ~~\$6,000~~ \$40,000 for a doctoral degree. The authority may adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this subchapter. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are major substantive rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. FF-3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MAINE

Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program N362

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to the nursing education loan repayment program to enable it to begin making loan repayments and to accommodate the increased loan repayment amounts.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,000,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,000,000	\$0

PART GG

Sec. GG-1. Extend funding for specified civil legal aid projects. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the funds allocated in this Part must be deposited in the Maine Civil Legal Services Fund established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 18-A, referred to in this section as "the fund," and distributed as follows. The administrator of the fund shall disburse for use in calendar year 2022 and again for use in calendar year 2023, to each legal services provider that received an award from the Maine Justice Foundation under its Bank of America grant program for calendar year 2021, the same amount as the award made under the Bank of America grant program for 2021. These distributions must be separate from the competitive selection process undertaken by the Civil Legal Services Fund Commission appointed pursuant to Title 4, section 18-A, subsection 6. The amounts allocated to the fund and distributed in accordance with this Part may not be considered by the commission in determining its distribution of funds under its periodic competitive grant selection process, but the recipients of these amounts shall include in their regular reports to the commission covering calendar years 2022 and 2023 a statement of the manner in which these disbursements have been used to address the effects of the pandemic related to coronavirus disease 2019, or COVID-19, on persons with low incomes requiring legal assistance.

Sec. GG-2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Provides funding for civil legal services for persons unable to afford a lawyer to assist in recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic by providing additional funds to continue foreclosure assistance and community

redevelopment legal assistance projects previously funded by grants from Bank of America settlement funds administered by the Maine Justice Foundation. These funds will be distributed by the administrator of the Maine Civil Legal Services Fund to the same providers in the same amounts as those expiring grants, notwithstanding and in addition to the amounts otherwise distributed pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 18-A.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$295,504	\$295,504
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$295,504	\$295,504

PART HH

Sec. HH-1. Housing Navigation Pilot Program. The Housing Navigation Pilot Program is established as a 2-year pilot program within the Maine State Housing Authority. The authority shall hire individuals referred to as "housing navigators" affiliated with local housing authorities, general assistance programs or nonprofit organizations to assist tenants with locating housing and the rental application process and to provide supportive services to promote successful landlord-tenant relationships.

Sec. HH-2. Report. The Maine State Housing Authority shall submit a report no later than March 31, 2023 to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over housing matters detailing by county the number of households that received assistance from housing navigators pursuant to section 1.

Sec. HH-3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE

Housing Authority - State 0442

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to hire individuals to act as "housing navigators" to work with local housing authorities, general assistance programs or nonprofit organizations to assist tenants with locating housing and completing the rental process and to provide mentoring services to promote successful landlord-tenant relationships.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,500,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$1,500,000	\$0

PART II

Sec. II-1. Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to establish pilot project to conduct outreach and to provide support services for active duty military members who are transitioning to civilian life in the State.

The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Director of the Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services within the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, shall establish a pilot project, commencing November 1, 2021, to conduct outreach to encourage active duty military members who are transitioning to civilian life to relocate to the State and to provide personalized and proactive support for those military members and their families, including assistance with securing employment and navigating transition services and with community reintegration. The pilot project must be administered by one or more nonprofit or for-profit entities selected through a competitive bidding process.

Sec. II-2. Report. By December 1, 2023, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Director of the Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services within the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, shall submit a written report of the results of the pilot project under section 1 and make recommendations to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over veterans affairs. The report must include, at a minimum, information on the outreach conducted, the services provided, the number of military members and families served, the number of military members and families who successfully relocated to the State and the employment status of those individuals. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over veterans affairs may report out legislation based on the report to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

Sec. II-3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Economic and Community Development 0069

Initiative: Provides one-time funds in fiscal year 2021-22 for the first year of a pilot project for outreach and support services for active duty military members who are transitioning to civilian life in the State and their families.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY		
All Other	\$200,000	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	200,000	0
FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

PART JJ

Sec. JJ-1. Public service campaign promoting direct care worker jobs. The Department of Labor, in coordination with the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Department of Health and Human Services, shall develop and implement a multimedia public service campaign that promotes direct care worker jobs as a career choice. In developing the campaign materials, the Department of Labor shall ensure that new residents in the State, racial and ethnic minorities, men, younger persons including high school students, older persons and persons with disabilities are represented. The Department of Labor shall also seek grants and other funds from public and private sources in developing the campaign.

PART KK

Sec. KK-1. 5 MRSA §12004-J, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

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<u>Agriculture</u>	<u>Maine Agriculture, Food Expenses Only System and Forest Products Infrastructure Investment Advisory Board</u>	<u>7 MRSA §320-C</u>
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Sec. KK-2. 7 MRSA c. 10-C is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 10-C

AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND FOREST PRODUCTS

§320-A. Agriculture, food system and forest products infrastructure investment

1. Definitions. As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

A. "Food system" means all processes, infrastructure and persons involved in feeding a population, including growing, harvesting, collecting, processing, manufacturing, packaging, transporting, marketing, selling, consuming and disposing of food and food-related items in the State.

B. "Infrastructure" means property, equipment, networks and supporting services associated with the production, harvesting, processing, manufacturing, storage, packaging, transporting, marketing, sales and disposal of food.

C. "Producer" means a person in the State that grows, manufactures, harvests or otherwise creates agricultural, food or forest products and value-added products, including a person engaged in farming, harvesting or other agricultural and forestry manufacturing activities.

D. "Supply chain" means the chain of distribution by which agricultural, food and forest products are

moved from the producer to the consumer and may include intermediate entities, including aggregators of various products, manufacturers, value-added producers, processors, packagers, warehouse operators and other storage entities, distributors, wholesalers and retailers.

E. "Value-added" means changing the physical state or form of a product through processing or manufacturing to enhance or increase the product's value, including making the product suitable to generate renewable energy.

2. Goals; investment; inclusiveness. The commissioner, in coordination with the Department of Economic and Community Development, industry stakeholders, representatives of Indian tribes, communities of color and other underserved communities and populations and other relevant agencies, shall:

A. Strengthen the State's agricultural, food and forest products economy with a priority of making resulting efforts more inclusive of and increasing investments in historically marginalized, underrepresented and underserved communities, including communities of color, low-income communities and rural communities that typically lack access to capital to start, sustain, scale and innovate businesses;

B. Expand infrastructure investments in the agricultural, food and forest products economy to increase access to new markets and opportunities for producers, processors, small businesses and consumers in the State in the producing, processing, manufacturing, packaging, distribution, marketing, sale and consumption of products; and

C. Collaborate with other state agencies, economic development organizations and other key institutional partners to establish technical assistance programs to support the objectives of this chapter.

3. Powers. In carrying out the purposes of this chapter, the commissioner may:

A. Hire or assign staff or contractors, including community development financial institutions, economic development organizations, quasi-governmental entities or other capital or technical assistance providers;

B. Seek and accept funds from public and private sources; and

C. Administer funds, grants and programs.

§320-B. Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund

1. Fund established. The Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund, referred to in this chapter as "the fund," is established and administered by the department to support public-private partnerships to carry out the purposes of this chapter. The

fund consists of money appropriated to the fund or received from any other private or public source. Interest in investment of money of the fund is credited to the fund. Unexpended balances at the end of the fiscal year do not lapse but carry over into the next fiscal year. The Maine Agriculture, Food System and Forest Products Infrastructure Investment Advisory Board established in section 320-C shall oversee and determine expenditures from the fund.

§320-C. Maine Agriculture, Food System and Forest Products Infrastructure Investment Advisory Board

1. The Maine Agriculture, Food System and Forest Products Infrastructure Investment Advisory Board. The Maine Agriculture, Food System and Forest Products Infrastructure Investment Advisory Board established in Title 5, section 12004-J, subsection 1-A, referred to in this section as "the board," is created to oversee and determine expenditures from the Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund in section 320-B.

2. Membership. The board consists of the commissioner or the commissioner's designee, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development or the commissioner's designee and 15 members appointed jointly by the commissioner and the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development as follows:

A. One member of a statewide industry group representing conventional nondairy farming;

B. One member of a statewide industry group representing organic nondairy farming;

C. One member of a statewide industry group representing dairy producers;

D. One member of a statewide industry group representing the forest products industry;

E. Two members from relevant financial institutions with experience in the agricultural and forest products industries;

F. One manufacturer of forest products;

G. One manufacturer of value-added agricultural products or representative of the value-added agricultural products industry;

H. Two members representing the supply chain in processing, manufacturing or distribution;

I. One member actively engaged in providing marketing assistance, market development or business and financial planning;

J. One member from a statewide group representing the logging and trucking industry;

K. One member who is a member of a federally recognized Indian nation, tribe or band in this State; and

L. Two members who represent historically under-served racial populations in nondairy farming.

Board membership must reflect a diversity of skills and experience relevant to investment in agricultural, food and forest products processing and manufacturing industries and represent the racial diversity of the food system in the State with specific representation by Indian tribes, communities of color and other under-served communities and populations.

3. Terms; officers; committees; rules. Board members serve for 3-year terms and may serve no more than 2 consecutive terms. The members shall elect a chair and may elect officers, establish one or more committees or subcommittees and adopt such procedural rules as the members determine necessary and appropriate to perform the board's work.

4. Quorum; meeting; voting. A majority of the sitting members constitute a quorum, and action taken by the board may be authorized by a majority of the members present and voting at any regular or special meeting at which a quorum is present. The board may permit any or all members to participate in a regular or special meeting by or conduct the meeting through the use of any means of communication, including electronic telecommunications or a telephone conference call, by which all members participating may communicate with each other during the meeting. A member participating in a meeting by means approved by the board under this subsection is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.

5. Reimbursement. A member of the board is entitled to reimbursement of mileage and other incidental expenses, if funds are available for such purposes, pursuant to Title 5, chapter 379.

6. Powers and duties of board. The board, in determining disbursements of the Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund, shall:

A. Facilitate strategic investments in the State's agricultural, food and forest products processing and manufacturing industries, including value-added products;

B. Foster an environment that encourages innovation, sustainable growth, equity and inclusion;

C. Implement and maintain business technical assistance programs in support of the fund and other funds as needed;

D. Determine and devise a process for requests for proposals to perform 3rd-party services in support of and for the management and administration of the fund and other potential natural resource-related funds as needed and for technical assistance programs that ensure that economic development organizations, capital providers and community development financial institutions in any region of

the State are able to fairly compete for disbursements from the fund to meet identified infrastructure investment needs and fulfill the objectives of the funding and technical assistance programs;

E. Enter into performance contracts with one or more persons in order to provide investment and services to agricultural, food and forest products industries, including:

(1) Technical assistance and product research services;

(2) Marketing assistance, market development and business and financial planning;

(3) Organizational, regulatory and development assistance, including feasibility studies of facilities or capital investments to optimize construction and other cost efficiencies; and

(4) Identification of workforce needs and programs in order to develop training and incentive opportunities for the agricultural, food and forest products industries after consulting with the Department of Labor; and

F. Oversee, analyze and evaluate programs, contractors and other recipients of funds disbursed by the board annually, including:

(1) Analyzing fund and technical assistance program use;

(2) Recommending program changes and improvements; and

(3) Preparing a comprehensive report, in collaboration with the Department of Economic and Community Development and other appropriate agencies and organizational partners, on the performance, use and sustainability of funds and supporting programs of the Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund to submit to the commissioner.

Sec. KK-3. State agriculture, food and forest products infrastructure funding assessment.

The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall undertake, either directly or with suitable 3rd parties, an assessment to identify specific opportunities for investment in agricultural, food and forest products industries to inform development and structuring of disbursements from the Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 320-B and other potential natural resource industry-related funds.

1. Assessment. The assessment must be designed and conducted in collaboration with the Department of Economic and Community Development and other relevant state agencies, community and economic development organizations, industry stakeholder groups, financial institutions and experts in related subjects.

The assessment must be in alignment with a state 10-year economic development strategy produced by the Department of Economic and Community Development. The assessment must:

- A. Identify the highest priority areas for policy interventions, including legislation, capital investments, technical assistance and value chain coordination in agricultural, food and forest products industries;
- B. Recommend how State Government may collaborate with other entities to minimize duplication in efforts and programs and bridge gaps in technical assistance, services, education, research and development;
- C. Recommend initiatives that improve regulation, marketing, transportation or distribution systems that enhance market opportunities for state agricultural, food and forest products industries;
- D. Balance the State's desire for near-term returns on investment with the State's commitments to redress racial and other inequities;
- E. Gather new information and leverage existing research, data and understanding related to current state grant and loan programs, gaps or market failures surrounding existing processing infrastructure, stakeholder perspectives and any other relevant informational resources;
- F. Determine key criteria relative to a state food system investment or fund, including eligibility, size, scale, type and other parameters as appropriate;
- G. Determine key criteria relative to a business technical assistance program to support a state food system investment fund, including eligibility, size, scale, type and other parameters as appropriate; and
- H. Determine how to best support additional investments in the agricultural, food and forest products industries, including recommendations for multiple funds and a variety of investment tools and mechanisms.

2. Report. No later than December 1, 2021, the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall submit a report relating to the assessment in subsection 1 with findings and recommendations, including suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. The committee may submit legislation based upon the report to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

Sec. KK-4. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of Agriculture 0393

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for reimbursement of board expenses of the Maine Agriculture, Food System and Forest Products Infrastructure Investment Advisory Board.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$4,800	\$4,800
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$4,800	\$4,800

Bureau of Agriculture 0393

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for contracted facilitation services.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$72,400	\$0
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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL	\$72,400	\$0

**AGRICULTURE,
CONSERVATION AND
FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$77,200	\$4,800
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$77,200	\$4,800

PART LL

Sec. LL-1. Career advancement and navigation pilot program. The Commissioner of Education shall establish a 2-year pilot program, referred to in this Part as "the pilot program," to provide educational and career guidance, support and services to help underemployed and unemployed individuals acquire education, skills, licensure or other preparation needed to participate to their fullest potential in the workforce.

Sec. LL-2. Administration. The office within the Department of Education that coordinates adult education programs and services shall administer and fund the pilot program through career advancement and navigation specialists, who are persons employed by school administrative units to help participants in the pilot program access education and training and obtain employment. The office shall designate one school administrative unit in each service area designated in section 4 to employ a career advancement and navigation specialist for a group of local education providers located within a geographic area specified by the Commissioner of Education. The office shall collect and

analyze aggregate data about pilot program participants, including, but not limited to, participant demographics, engagement in classes, training and other services accessed directly or by referral under the pilot program and employment outcomes following participation.

Sec. LL-3. Career advancement and navigation specialist duties. Career advancement and navigation specialists shall collaborate and partner with public and private sector entities to develop and implement the pilot program and shall deliver and coordinate services for pilot program participants in accordance with this section. Duties of career advancement and navigation specialists include, but are not limited to:

1. Collaborating with the Department of Education, the office described in section 2 and other state agencies, including, but not limited to, the Department of Labor, the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Department of Health and Human Services, to develop a program or set of programs to serve the needs of pilot program participants and carry out the purposes of this Part;

2. Creating partnerships with private employers and industry-specific trade associations in the State, including, but not limited to, employers and associations in industries identified by the Department of Labor as paying high wages or having high workforce demand, and collaborating with these private sector partners to:

A. Identify the employer and industry-specific workforce needs and corresponding skills, including job skills, academic skills and English language proficiency, required by employers in the State; and

B. Design appropriate training classes to address identified needs, which may include, but are not limited to, training in workplace culture, on-site training or other vocational training elements and contextualized skills or industry-specific English language acquisition instruction;

3. Creating partnerships with state and local government agencies or other organizations that provide employment and workforce services and support to address pilot program participants' needs related to occupational licensure and credentialing;

4. Providing direct services and assistance to pilot program participants, including, but not limited to:

A. Guidance and assistance accessing appropriate education and training to prepare for entry into gainful employment within 12 to 24 months of the beginning of the education or training. Such training may include intensive workforce preparation classes that cover habits of work, workplace culture and basic skills necessary to obtain, maintain and advance in employment;

B. Assessment, career planning and case management services, including services to assess pilot program participants' education and training levels, qualifications, skill sets, credentials, work experience, work-readiness and English language proficiency; and

C. Assistance for pilot program participants who have limited English language proficiency or who are foreign-educated, foreign-trained or foreign-experienced workers to facilitate:

(1) Enrollment in English language acquisition instruction, including industry-specific English language and vocabulary classes to meet the needs both of pilot program participants and of employers; and

(2) Obtaining English translations and equivalency evaluations of educational credentials, references and other evidence of skills, training and experience acquired abroad; and

5. Referring pilot program participants to legal aid services to address any legal issues that pose barriers to workforce participation and employment, when appropriate.

Sec. LL-4. Service areas. During the pilot program a career advancement and navigation specialist shall serve participants and adult education programs within the following geographic areas:

1. Kennebec County;

2. Androscoggin County and Oxford County;

3. Lincoln County, Knox County, Sagadahoc County and Waldo County; and

4. York County.

Sec. LL-5. Report. The Commissioner of Education shall prepare and submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs no later than November 4, 2022 regarding the pilot program. The report must include, but is not limited to, information regarding the services, training and referrals provided by career advancement and navigation specialists employed by school administrative units; aggregate data regarding pilot program participants, participating employers, employment opportunities and employment placements of pilot program participants; and an evaluation of programs and services most effective in carrying out the purposes of the pilot program. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs may report out a bill to the First Regular Session of the 131st Legislature to expand or amend the pilot program based upon the report.

Sec. LL-6. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Adult Education 0364

Initiative: Establishes one limited-period Regional Education Representative position and provides funding for related All Other costs to implement and administer the career advancement and navigation pilot program effective November 1, 2021. The position will end on June 8, 2024.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$67,869	\$107,737
All Other	\$3,880	\$3,880
	\$71,749	\$111,617
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Adult Education 0364

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for local school administrative units to hire 4 limited-period career advancement and navigation specialists to support the career advancement and navigation pilot program effective November 1, 2021.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$253,851	\$338,468
	\$253,851	\$338,468
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

Learning Systems Team Z081

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for technology costs to implement and administer the career advancement and navigation pilot program beginning November 1, 2021.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$2,503	\$2,503
	\$2,503	\$2,503
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY TOTAL		

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DEPARTMENT TOTALS

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND - ARP STATE FISCAL RECOVERY	\$328,103	\$452,588
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$328,103	\$452,588

PART MM

Sec. MM-1. Report. No later than October 31, 2021 and thereafter upon request of the chairs of the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs, the Department of Administrative and Financial Services shall submit to the joint standing committee a report on the progress of initiatives created or funded in this Act. The report must include the identification of any initiatives or funding determined to be an ineligible use of funds from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund established in the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2.

PART NN

Sec. NN-1. 20-A MRSA §13451, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2021, c. 312, §7, is further amended to read:

3. Payment by State. The State shall pay a percentage of the retired teacher members' share of this insurance according to the following schedule:

- A. Thirty percent until July 1, 2002;
- B. Thirty-five percent from July 1, 2002 to July 31, 2003;
- C. Forty percent from August 1, 2003 to December 31, 2005; ~~and~~
- D. Forty-five percent ~~after December 31, 2005, from January 1, 2006 to June 30, 2021; and~~
- E. Fifty-five percent after June 30, 2021.

Except for individuals who are receiving or who have received retirement benefits under Title 5, section 17907 or 17929, for a teacher who retires after July 1, 2012, the State shall begin paying the percentage of the retired teacher member's share pursuant to this subsection when the retiree reaches normal retirement age.

~~For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, June 30, 2014 and June 30, 2015, the State's total cost for retired teachers' health insurance premiums is budgeted at the fiscal year 2010-11 funding level adjusted for projected membership growth. The increase in the State's total cost for retired teachers' health insurance premiums for fiscal years ending after June 30, 2015 is budgeted at no more than any percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index as defined in Title 5, section 17001, subsection 9 plus 3%. A provider of a health insurance benefit plan for retired teachers must make available data related to the provider's premium costs and any related data as requested by the Executive Director of Employee Health and Wellness within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services.~~

PART OO

Sec. OO-1. PL 2021, c. 398, Pt. ZZZ, §7 is amended to read:

Sec. ZZZ-7. Transfers from Highway and Bridge Reserve Other Special Revenue Account. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the State Controller shall transfer up to \$50,000,000 from the Highway and Bridge Reserve Other Special Revenue Account established in section 5 to the Department of Transportation, Highway and Bridge Capital program, Other Special Revenue Funds account to ~~replace allocations to the Department of Transportation, Highway and Bridge Capital program, Federal Expenditures Fund—ARP State Fiscal Recovery fund authorized by the Legislature but not funded by the Federal Government.~~ Funds transferred pursuant to this section may be used only to support the capital highway and bridge program at the department, consisting of projects to construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate and preserve state Priority 1, Priority 2 and Priority 3 highways statewide, to replace and rehabilitate bridges statewide and to fund the municipal partnership initiative and associated activities, including projects for calendar year 2021. Funds transferred from the Highway and Bridge Reserve Other Special Revenue Account to the Department of Transportation, Highway and Bridge Capital program, Other Special Revenue Funds may be allotted by financial order upon recommendation of the State Budget Officer and approval of the Governor.

Sec. OO-2. Transfer within 30 days. The State Controller shall make the transfer from the Highway and Bridge Reserve Other Special Revenue Account to the Department of Transportation, Highway and Bridge Capital program, Other Special Revenue Funds account specified in section 1 of this Part within 30 days of the effective date of this Part.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 484
S.P. 592 - L.D. 1736**

An Act To Clarify Funding for the Office of Affordable Health Care

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

Sec. 1. PL 2021, c. 459, §9 is enacted to read:

Sec. 9. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**OFFICE OF AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE
Office of Affordable Health Care N344**

Initiative: Establishes and appropriates funds for the costs of one Director position, one Public Service Coordinator II position, one Office Specialist II position and related costs for the new Office of Affordable Health Care beginning October 1, 2021.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE	3.000	3.000
COUNT		
Personal Services	\$257,085	\$364,769
All Other	\$34,297	\$39,062
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$291,382	\$403,831

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 485
S.P. 593 - L.D. 1737**

An Act To Clarify the Definition of "Qualified Investment" for Purposes of the Income Tax Credit for Paper Manufacturing Facility Investment

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §5219-YY, sub-§1, ¶I, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 482, §3 and affected by §5, is amended to read:

I. "Qualified investment" means expenditures of at least \$15,000,000 to design, permit, build, rebuild, modify, replace, repair or acquire machinery or equipment, including supporting equipment, to modernize or improve a paper manufacturing facility. The expenditures of a qualified applicant and other entities, whether or not incorporated, that are part of a single business enterprise must be aggregated to determine whether a qualified investment has been made. A qualified investment includes any amount spent, prior to the issuance of a certificate of approval, on machinery, equipment, repair parts, replacement parts or replacement equipment, including additions and accessions to other machinery and equipment, as long as the machinery, equipment, parts, additions or accessions are placed in service after the issuance of a certificate of approval. A qualified investment does not include an investment made prior to January 1, ~~2021~~ ~~2019~~ or after December 31, ~~2025~~ ~~2023~~. "Qualified investment" does not include any amount expended to qualify for Pine Tree Development Zone program benefits under Title 30-A, chapter 206, subchapter 4.

Sec. 2. 36 MRSA §5219-YY, sub-§3, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 482, §3 and affected by §5, is amended to read:

A. Subject to the limitations under paragraph B, beginning with the tax year during which a certificate of completion is issued under subsection 2, paragraph E or the tax year beginning in ~~2023~~