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STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine
2022

GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$49,219
MARITIME ACADEMY, MAINE		
DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$49,219
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$49,219
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE		
Educational and General Activities - UMS 0031		
Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to contract for a confidential resource advisor at each of the 7 campuses within the University of Maine System as well as for the University of Maine School of Law.		
GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$393,750
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$393,750
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE		
DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$393,750
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$393,750
SECTION TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$863,500
FEDERAL	\$0	\$500
EXPENDITURES FUND		
OTHER SPECIAL	\$0	\$500
REVENUE FUNDS		
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$864,500

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 734
H.P. 666 - L.D. 910**

**An Act To Amend the General
Assistance Laws Governing
Reimbursement**

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

**Sec. 1. Transfer from Liquor Operation
Revenue Fund.** Notwithstanding the Maine Revised
Statutes, Title 30-A, section 6054, subsection 4, or any
other provision of law to the contrary, and in addition

to any amount authorized to be transferred in fiscal
years 2021-22 or 2022-23, the Maine Municipal Bond
Bank shall transfer \$30,000,000 during fiscal year
2021-22 and \$56,000,000 during fiscal year 2022-23
from the Liquor Operation Revenue Fund, established
in Title 30-A, section 6054, subsection 1, to the unap-
propriated surplus of the General Fund.

**Sec. 2. Transfer from General Fund unap-
propriated surplus to Department of Health
and Human Services, General Assistance.** Not-
withstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or
before June 30, 2022, the State Controller shall transfer
\$10,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the
General Fund to the Department of Health and Human
Services, General Assistance, Other Special Revenue
Funds account for the purpose of a one-time, supple-
mental payment for the unanticipated fiscal and opera-
tional costs to the general assistance program during the
COVID-19 pandemic. The department shall distribute
funds under this section proportionally to each municip-
ality and federally recognized Indian nation, tribe or
band in the State based on the general assistance costs
incurred by that municipality or federally recognized
Indian nation, tribe or band in the State during fiscal
year 2020-21. A municipality or federally recognized
Indian nation, tribe or band in the State may use funds
received under this section to offset potential reductions
in federal funding in fiscal year 2022-23, potential re-
ductions in funding related to the end of the public
health emergency and other unanticipated costs in-
curred by the municipality or federally recognized In-
dian nation, tribe or band in the State during the
COVID-19 pandemic. The department shall distribute
funds under this section as a lump-sum distribution to
each municipality and federally recognized Indian nation,
tribe or band in the State.

**Sec. 3. Review of general assistance pro-
gram.** The Department of Health and Human Services
shall review long-term improvements to the general as-
sistance program.

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

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

**General Assistance - Reimbursement to Cities and
Towns 0130**

Initiative: Provides one-time allocation for supple-
mental payments to municipalities for the unanticipated
fiscal and operational costs of the general assistance
program related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$10,000,000

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	\$0	\$10,000,000
FUNDS TOTAL		

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 735

H.P. 1434 - L.D. 1927

An Act To Authorize Certain Off-premises Sales of Adult Use Marijuana Products

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

Sec. 1. 28-B MRSA §504-A is enacted to read:

§504-A. Off-premises sales

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the department may issue a permit to a marijuana store to sell adult use marijuana products at a specified event located outside the licensed premises in accordance with the requirements of this section. Transportation of adult use marijuana products between the licensed premises and the specified event is subject to the requirements of section 505. A marijuana store authorized to sell adult use marijuana products under this section is subject to the provisions of section 504.

1. Permit application. At least 30 days prior to a specified event, a marijuana store seeking to sell adult use marijuana products at the specified event shall submit a permit application to the department. The application must include:

- A. Proof of approval from the municipality in which the specified event is located as described in subsection 2 to sell adult use marijuana products at the specified event;
- B. A description of the specified event and the name and description of the organization sponsoring the event; and
- C. If the specified event is being held on private property, the written permission of the property owner for the marijuana store licensee to sell adult use marijuana products on the property.

2. Municipal approval. Proof of municipal approval required under subsection 1, paragraph A must be in a form approved by the legislative body of the municipality in which the specified event is located. A marijuana store applying for municipal approval to sell adult use marijuana products at a specified event must submit a request to the legislative body of the municipality and include in the request the following information:

- A. The location of the specified event;

B. The name of the organization sponsoring the specified event;

C. A description of the adult use marijuana products the marijuana store intends to sell at the specified event; and

D. The dates during which the specified event will take place and the dates during the specified event that the marijuana store intends to sell adult use marijuana products at the specified event.

3. Limitations on off-premises sales. A marijuana store issued a permit under this section may sell adult use marijuana products at a specified event only as authorized under the permit. A permit issued by the department under this section for a specified event may not authorize:

- A. Sales at the specified event for a period greater than the duration of the event;
- B. Sales anywhere other than the specified event;
- C. The consumption of adult use marijuana products at the location of sale at the specified event; or
- D. Sales of adult use marijuana products that are consumed by smoking. For the purposes of this paragraph, "smoking" has the same meaning as in Title 22, section 1541, subsection 6.

4. Conditions. Sales of adult use marijuana products under a permit issued under this section are subject to the following conditions.

- A. A marijuana store authorized to sell adult use marijuana products at a specified event held outdoors shall transact all sales in a tent or similar structure with a single point of entry that requires entry into the tent or structure in order to view or purchase adult use marijuana products.
- B. A marijuana store may not allow a person under 21 years of age to enter a tent or structure in which sales are conducted and shall verify that a person entering the tent or structure is at least 21 years of age in the same manner as required under section 504, subsection 4.
- C. A marijuana store shall provide signs notifying customers that adult use marijuana products may not be consumed at the location of sale at the specified event.
- D. A marijuana store shall ensure that all adult use marijuana products are secured when not under the direct control and supervision of the licensee or an employee of the licensee.
- E. A marijuana store shall record all sales conducted at the specified event using a video recording device in a manner that captures, to the extent practicable, only the individual making the pur-