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History and Final Disposition

LD 259 / HP0164

An Act Making Unified Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2023, June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2025. Presented by Representative SACHS of Freeport. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation. Public Hearing 03/28/23. Majority (OTP-AM) Report Accepted 06/14/23. Amended by: CA H-505, SA/CA S-332. Final Disposition: Emergency Enacted, Emergency Signed 06/16/23, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 189.

Original Bill

[LD 259 \(131st Legis. 2023\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law

[LD 259 / PL 2023, c. 189](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

- (Master file available on request—please include citation: cf131-LD-0259.pdf)

[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(TRA\) \(03/28/2023\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(TRA\) \(04/11/2023\)](#)

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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(H-505\) \(LD 259 2023\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment CB \(H-506\) \(LD 259 2023\)](#)

[Amendment SA/CA \(S-332\) \(LD 259 2023\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, January 24, 2023 \(H-60-66\)](#)

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[SENATE, January 24, 2023 \(S-73-83\)](#)

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[HOUSE, June 14, 2023 \(H-820-855\)](#)

p. H-822 (Amendment(s) H-505, H-506)

[SENATE, June 14, 2023 \(S-1154-1212\)](#)

p. S-1196 (Remarks) (Amendment(s) H-505, H-506, S-332)

[HOUSE, June 15, 2023 \(H-856-900\)](#)

p. H-856 (Amendment(s) H-505, S-332)

[HOUSE, June 15, 2023 \(H-856-900\)](#)

p. H-861 (Amendment(s) S-332, H-505)

[SENATE, June 15, 2023 \(S-1213-1246\)](#)

p. S-1227 (Remarks) (Amendment(s) S-332, H-505)

Enacted Law or Resolve

[PL 2023, c. 189](#)

News Articles

State highway funding raises the stakes in budget talks (Johanna S Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 6/7/2023, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD02xx/nc131-LD-0259/PPH 230607B.pdf)

Republicans notch rare win for now on highway budget (Johanna S. Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 6/9/2023, p. B1, B6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD02xx/nc131-LD-0259/PPH 230609F.pdf)

Potholes appear in road to budget approval (Jill Goldthwait) (Ellsworth American, 6/16/2023, p. B6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD02xx/nc131-LD-0259/Ellsworth American 230615A.pdf)

Mills signs compromise transportation budget (Michael Shepherd) (Bangor Daily News, 6/20/2023, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD02xx/nc131-LD-0259/BDN 230617B.pdf)

Republicans take charge of tax policy as Dems go AWOL (Douglas Rooks) (Kennebec Journal, 6/22/2023, p. A3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD02xx/nc131-LD-0259/KJ 230622B.pdf)

Bipartisan Highway Fund compromise helps ensure safe roads and bridges (Glenn Curry) (Republican Journal, 7/7/2023, p. B4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD02xx/nc131-LD-0259/Republican Journal 230629A.pdf)

I am incredibly proud to announce that my colleagues in the Maine House Republican Caucus (Kathy Javner) (Lincoln News/Katahdin Region News, 7/12/2023, p. 14) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD02xx/nc131-LD-0259/Clip23261.pdf)

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