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**STATE OF MAINE
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

**BILL SUMMARIES
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

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MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

From: J. Timothy Leet, Senior Analyst

Date: August 8, 2001

Re: Bill Summaries, 120th Legislature, 1st Regular Session

Enclosed please find a summary of all bills, resolves and Constitutional resolutions that were considered by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs during the 1st Regular Session of the 120th Legislature. The summary describes each bill and relevant amendments as well as the final action. Also included is a statistical summary of bill activity by the committee. Please note the effective date for all non-emergency legislation enacted in the 1st Regular Session (unless a later date is specified in a particular law) is September 21, 2001. Joint orders are effective when passed.

The document is organized for convenient reference to information on bills handled by the committee this session. It is organized by bill (LD) number and two indices are located at the back of the document that group bills by subject and by LD number. Final action on each bill is noted to the right of the bill title. The abbreviations used for various categories of final action are as follows:

CARRIED OVER..... *Bill carried over to the Second Regular Session*
CON RES XXX..... *Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses*
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE..... *Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died*
DIED BETWEEN BODIES..... *House & Senate disagree; bill died*
DIED IN CONCURRENCE..... *One body accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill*
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT..... *Action incomplete when session ended; bill died*
EMERGENCY..... *Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days*
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE..... *Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote*
FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE..... *Bill failed to get majority vote*
FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT..... *Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote*
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY..... *Ruled out of order by the presiding officers; bill died*
INDEF PP..... *Bill Indefinitely Postponed*
ONTP..... *Ought Not To Pass report accepted*
OTP ND..... *Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft*
OTP ND/NT..... *Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft/New Title*
P&S XXX..... *Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law*
PUBLIC XXX..... *Chapter # of enacted Public Law*
RESOLVE XXX..... *Chapter # of finally passed Resolve*
UNSIGNED..... *Bill held by Governor*
VETO SUSTAINED..... *Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto*

A complete summary of bills for all committees will be available in the very near future. Copies will be on file in the Law and Legislative Reference Library and Senate and House offices.

I hope you find this information useful. If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Best wishes for an enjoyable interim.

LD 262

An Act to Make Additional Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and Change Certain Provisions of State Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2001

**PUBLIC 1
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BERRY R GOLDTHWAIT	OTP-AM	H-7

PART A proposed:

1. Supplemental appropriations from the General Fund.
2. Supplemental allocations from the Federal Expenditures Fund.
3. Supplemental allocations from Other Special Revenue funds.

PART B proposed:

1. Appropriations from the General Fund for approved reclassifications and range changes.
2. Allocations from the Highway Fund for approved reclassifications and range changes.
3. Allocations from the Federal Expenditures Fund for approved reclassifications and range changes.
4. Allocations from Other Special Revenue funds for approved reclassifications and range changes.
5. Allocations from the Federal Block Grant Fund for approved reclassifications and range changes.

PART C proposed to:

1. Amend the law to authorize transfers from the Maine Rainy Day Fund.
2. Authorize the transfer of funds from General Fund unappropriated surplus to the General Fund "Capital Construction/Repairs/Improvements - Administration" account in the Department of Administrative and Financial Services.
3. Authorize the transfer of funds from the Salary Plan program in the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to the Department of Corrections.
4. Authorize the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Revenue Services to implement tax revenue maximization initiatives.
5. Authorize the transfer of funds from the Fund for a Healthy Maine.

PART D proposed to authorize the Department of Corrections to transfer funds by financial order to pay authorized labor market adjustments for teachers at the Northern Maine Juvenile Detention Facility.

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PART E proposed to amend Public Law 1999, chapter 401, Part DDD, section 1, as it pertains to the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management.

PART F proposed to authorize the transfer of funds from the Bureau of Medical Services, Federal Expenditures Fund account in the Department of Human Services.

PART G proposed to authorize the transfer of funds from the General Fund unappropriated surplus to the Carrying Balances - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife program in the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

PART H proposed to repeal the law as it pertains to the sawmill biomass tax credit.

PART I proposed to

1. Authorize the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to seek reimbursement of expenditures under Medicaid Title XIX for targeted case management.
2. Authorize the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to transfer funds by financial order for the payment of overtime expenses.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-7)

This amendment proposed to do the following:

PART A proposed to:

1. Make supplemental appropriations from the General Fund.
2. Make supplemental allocations from the Federal Expenditures Fund.
3. Make supplemental allocations from Other Special Revenue funds.
4. Make supplemental allocations from the Federal Block Grant Fund.

PART B proposed to:

1. Make appropriations from the General Fund for approved reclassifications and range changes.
2. Make allocations from the Highway Fund for approved reclassifications and range changes.
3. Make allocations from the Federal Expenditures Fund for approved reclassifications and range changes.
4. Make allocations from Other Special Revenue funds for approved reclassifications and range changes.
5. Make allocations from the Federal Block Grant Fund for approved reclassifications and range changes.

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PART C proposed to:

1. Authorize the transfer of funds from the Salary Plan program in the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to the Department of Corrections.
2. Authorize the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Revenue Services to implement tax revenue maximization initiatives.
3. Authorize the transfer of funds from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the unallocated surplus of the Highway Fund.
4. Authorize limited-period positions within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to continue work on the statewide E-9-1-1 project.

PART D proposed to authorize the Department of Corrections to transfer funds by financial order to pay authorized labor market adjustments for teachers at the Northern Maine Juvenile Detention Facility.

PART E proposed to amend Public Law 1999, chapter 731, Part DDD, section 1, and Public Law 1999, chapter 401, Part II, section 2 regarding a working capital advance and an appropriation to the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management.

PART F proposed to:

1. Transfer funds from the Bureau of Medical Services, Federal Expenditures Fund account in the Department of Human Services to the General Fund.
2. Transfer earned federal matching funds from Medicaid eligible expenditures in the Department of Human Services to the General Fund.

PART G proposed to authorize the transfer of funds from the General Fund unappropriated surplus to the Carrying Balances - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife program in the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

PART H proposed to:

1. Authorize the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to seek reimbursement of expenditures under Medicaid Title XIX for targeted case management.
2. Authorize the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to transfer funds by financial order for the payment of overtime expenses.
3. Require the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to report back to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters on transfers by financial order for the payment of overtime expenses.

PART I proposed to authorize the Department of Transportation to carry forward funds appropriated for the Administration - Aeronautics program and the Railroad Assistance Program to June 30, 2002.

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PART J proposed to authorize the transfer of unexpended funds in any account administered by the Legislature to be used to support legislative activities.

Enacted Law Summary:

Public Law 2001, chapter 1 is the "Emergency Budget Bill" for fiscal year 2000-01. It contains the following provisions.

Part	Section	Issue
A	A-1	Supplemental General Fund Appropriations
	A-2	Supplemental Federal Expenditures Fund Allocations
	A-3	Supplemental Other Special Revenue funds Allocations
	A-4	Supplemental Federal Block Grant Fund Allocations
B	B-1	General Fund Appropriations for Reclassifications
	B-2	Highway Fund Allocations for Reclassifications
	B-3	Federal Expenditures Fund Allocations for Reclassifications
	B-4	Other Special Revenue funds Allocations for Reclassifications
	B-5	Federal Block Grant Fund Allocations for Reclassifications
C	C-1	Authorizes a transfer from the Salary Plan to the Dept. of Corrections for approved upgrades of employees in adult corrections
	C-2	Authorizes tax revenue maximization initiatives
	C-3	Requires transfer of an amount not to exceed \$500,000 from the General Fund unappropriated surplus to the Highway Fund by June 30, 2001
	C-4	Authorizes the establishment of 8 limited-period positions to continue work on the statewide E-911 project
D	D-1	Authorizes the Department of Corrections to transfer funds by financial order to pay teachers at Northern Maine Juvenile Facility
E	E-1	Provides an extension for the repayment of a working capital advance by the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management
	E-2	Provides an extension to the transfer of revenue from the Veterans' Services program, Federal Expenditures Fund related to expansion of the Veterans' Memorial Cemetery
F	F-1	Authorizes a transfer of Federal Expenditure Funds from the Bureau of Medical Services to the General Fund
	F-2	Authorizes a transfer from earned federal matching funds from Medicaid eligible expenditures to the General Fund
G	G-1	Authorizes the transfer of funds from the General Fund unappropriated surplus to the Carrying Balances program of the Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

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H	H-1	Authorizes the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to seek reimbursement for Medicaid expenditures
	H-2	Authorizes the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to transfer funds by financial order for overtime expenses.
	H-3	Requires Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse to report on all transfers pursuant to section H-2.
I	I-1	Requires any unencumbered balance in the Administration - Aeronautics program to be carried forward and a Department of Transportation report
	I-2	Requires any unencumbered balance in the Railroad Assistance Program to be carried forward and a Department of Transportation report
J	J-1	Permits the unexpended balance of any appropriation or allocation in any account administered by the Legislature to be transferred to be used to support activities of the Legislature