

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from electronic originals  
(may include minor formatting differences from printed original)

**STATE OF MAINE**  
130<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR AND FIRST SPECIAL SESSIONS



Disposition of bills and summaries of all laws enacted or finally passed

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

December 2021

**MEMBERS:**

SEN. CATHERINE E. BREEN, CHAIR  
SEN. DONNA BAILEY  
SEN. PAUL T. DAVIS, SR.

REP. TERESA S. PIERCE, CHAIR  
REP. JOHN L. MARTIN  
REP. PATRICIA HYMANSON  
REP. JESSICA L. FAY  
REP. BARBARA A. CARDONE  
REP. KRISTEN SARA CLOUTIER  
REP. H. SAWIN MILLETT, JR.  
REP. AMY BRADSTREET ARATA  
REP. PATRICK W. COREY  
REP. JACK DUCHARME\*  
REP. JUSTIN FECTEAU\*

**STAFF:**

MAUREEN S. DAWSON, PRINCIPAL LEGISLATIVE ANALYST  
OFFICE OF FISCAL AND PROGRAM REVIEW  
5 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, ME 04333  
(207) 287-1635  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/ofpr/>

\*Committee member for a portion of the session

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

**LD 1507 An Act To Establish a Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program and Allocation**

**ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2021, chapter 45 establishes the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 - Local Fiscal Recovery Funds program within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to receive and distribute to units of local government funds received pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and allows the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to adjust allotments by financial order to comply with federal guidelines. The legislative intent of the act is to allocate the maximum amount of expected funds with the understanding that some of the funds may be distributed directly to two of the categories of local government by the federal government.

Public Law 2021, chapter 45 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 5, 2021.

**LD 1697 An Act To Establish a Homeowner Assistance Fund Program and Provide for the Distribution of Funds**

**ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2021, chapter 77 establishes the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 - Homeowner Assistance Fund program within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation to receive and distribute funds received pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Public Law 2021, chapter 77 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 25, 2021.

**LD 1700 An Act To Provide Allocations for the Administration of State Fiscal Recovery Funds**

**ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2021, chapter 78 does the following:

1. Establishes the American Rescue Plan Audit, Controller and Program Management program within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services and provides for an allocation from the Federal Expenditures Fund - American Rescue Plan State Fiscal Recovery fund. Funds must be used for all aspects of financial management oversight of funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, including state discretionary and direct funds as well as the local passthrough funds; and
2. Establishes the American Rescue Plan Economic, Workforce and Innovation program within the Department of Economic and Community Development to provide one-time allocations from the Federal Expenditures Fund - American Rescue Plan State Fiscal Recovery fund for