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STATE OF MAINE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

March 11, 2008

TO: Honorable Margaret Rotundo, Senate Chair  
Honorable Jeremy Fischer, House Chair  
Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

FROM: Dennis S. Damon, Senate Chair  
Boyd P. Marley, House Chair  
Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

RE: LD 2173 -- Governor's Change package

The Joint Standing Committee on Transportation met today to discuss the two initiatives in the Governor's Change Package related to the Department of Public Safety, State Police. The majority report of the Committee (7 of the members present) voted to accept the following initiatives as presented in the change package:

- Initiative 1: Provides funding for the maintenance and replacement of software and hardware associated with the criminal history record information system through an increase in the fee for public, non-criminal background checks from \$25 to \$31. This initiative will result in an increase in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$533,174 in fiscal year 2008-09.
- Initiative 2: Part PPP authorizes an increase in the fee for background checks that will result in additional undedicated revenue to the General Fund of approximately \$533,174 in fiscal year 2008-09. It also dedicates \$1 of the fee to be credited to the Bureau of State Police, Other Special Revenue Fund account in the Department of Public Safety to offset the cost of maintenance and or replacement of both hardware and software associated with the criminal history record check system.

The minority report of the Committee (2 of the members present) voted to accept Initiative 1 above, and to accept Initiative 2 amended as follows: 60% of the \$533,174 in additional revenue is to be deposited into the Highway Fund. Depositing 60% of the revenue into the Highway Fund would follow the current State Police funding split of 60% Highway Fund and 40% General Fund.

Additionally, the Committee reviewed the list of possible position eliminations put forward by Senator Nutting. There is one position, Policy Development Specialist within the Department of Transportation, which is within this Committee's jurisdiction. After much discussion, the Committee decided that the position is a valuable position, and voted unanimously to retain it.

Please let us know if we can provide further clarification.

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Waste Motor Oil Disposal Site Remediation Program Z060

Policy Committee: UNK      Vote:      AFA Committee: UNK      Vote:

Initiative: Provides funding to allocate revenues collected from the premium on motor vehicle oil changes enacted in Public Law 2007, chapter 464 to make interest and principal payments for bonds issued by the Finance Authority of Maine to fund the cleanup of waste motor oil disposal sites across Maine.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$2,193,750	\$2,925,000
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,193,750</b>	<b>\$2,925,000</b>

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Environmental Protection 0251

Policy Committee:      Vote:      AFA Committee:      Vote:

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Air Quality 0250

Policy Committee:      Vote:      AFA Committee:      Vote:

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Air Quality 0250

Policy Committee:      Vote:      AFA Committee:      Vote:

Waste Motor Oil Disposal Site Remediation Program Z060

Policy Committee: IN      Vote:      AFA Committee: IN      Vote:

Initiative: Provides funding to allocate revenues collected from the premium on motor vehicle oil changes enacted in Public Law 2007, chapter 464 to make interest and principal payments for bonds issued by the Finance Authority of Maine to fund the cleanup of waste motor oil disposal sites across Maine.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$2,193,750	\$2,925,000
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,193,750</b>	<b>\$2,925,000</b>

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Environmental Protection 0251

Policy Committee: **IN**      Vote: **11-0**      AFA Committee: UNK      Vote:

Initiative: Reduces funding for out-of-state travel to maintain costs within available resources.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	(\$10,000)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$10,000)</b>

Air Quality 0250

Policy Committee: **IN**      Vote: **11-0**      AFA Committee: UNK      Vote:

Initiative: Reduces funding for out-of-state travel to maintain costs within available resources.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	(\$5,000)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$5,000)</b>

Air Quality 0250

Policy Committee: **Out**      Vote: **11-0**      AFA Committee: UNK      Vote:

Initiative: Transfers 2 Environmental Specialist III positions from the Air Quality program, General Fund to the Maine Environmental Protection Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds to maintain costs within available resources.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0	0.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Land and Water Quality 0248

Policy Committee: Vote: AFA Committee: Vote:

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Land and Water Quality 0248

Policy Committee: Vote: AFA Committee: Vote:

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421

Policy Committee: Vote: AFA Committee: Vote:

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0	0.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Remediation and Waste Management 0247

Policy Committee: Vote: AFA Committee: Vote:

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	(2,000)
Personal Services	\$0	(\$150,726)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$150,726)</b>

Land and Water Quality 0248

Policy Committee: **IN** Vote: **11-0** AFA Committee: UNK Vote:

Initiative: Reduces funding for out-of-state travel to maintain costs within available resources.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	(\$10,000)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$10,000)</b>

Land and Water Quality 0248

Policy Committee: **IN** Vote: **11-0** AFA Committee: UNK Vote:

Initiative: Reduces funding for general operating expenditures to maintain costs within available resources.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	(\$20,000)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$20,000)</b>

Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421

Policy Committee: **Out** Vote: **11-0** AFA Committee: UNK Vote:

Initiative: Transfers 2 Environmental Specialist III positions from the Air Quality program, General Fund to the Maine Environmental Protection Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds to maintain costs within available resources.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	2,000
Personal Services	\$0	\$150,726
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$150,726</b>

Remediation and Waste Management 0247

Policy Committee: **IN** Vote: **11-0** AFA Committee: UNK Vote:

Initiative: Transfers 4% of one Oil and Hazardous Material Specialist II position from the General Fund to Other Special Revenue Funds within the same program to maintain costs within available resources.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
Personal Services	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
Personal Services	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2007-08	2008-09
General Fund Cost (Savings)	\$0	\$0
Federal Expenditures Fund Cost (Savings)	\$0	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds Cost (Savings)	\$0	\$0
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**SACO RIVER CORRIDOR COMMISSION**

Saco River Corridor Commission 0322

Policy Committee:                      Vote:                      AFA Committee:                      Vote:

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**ST. CROIX INTERNATIONAL WATERWAY COMMISSION**

St. Croix International Waterway Commission 0576

Policy Committee:                      Vote:                      AFA Committee:                      Vote:

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
Personal Services	(\$2,672)	(\$2,832)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$2,672)</b>	<b>(\$2,832)</b>

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
Personal Services	\$2,672	\$2,832
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,672</b>	<b>\$2,832</b>

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2007-08	2008-09
General Fund Cost (Savings)	(\$21,923)	(\$230,299)
Federal Expenditures Fund Cost (Savings)	(\$169,294)	(\$175,640)
Other Special Revenue Funds Cost (Savings)	\$713,156	\$888,777
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$521,939</b>	<b>\$482,838</b>

**SACO RIVER CORRIDOR COMMISSION**

Saco River Corridor Commission 0322

Policy Committee: In                      Vote: 11-0                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: Reduces funding for grants to maintain costs within available resources.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	(\$1,978)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$1,978)</b>

**ST. CROIX INTERNATIONAL WATERWAY COMMISSION**

St. Croix International Waterway Commission 0576

Policy Committee: In                      Vote: 11-0                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: Reduce funding for grants to maintain costs within available resources.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	(\$920)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$920)</b>

NEW ENGLAND INTERSTATE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL COMMISSION

Maine Joint Environmental Training Coordinating Committee 0980

Policy Committee:                      Vote:                      AFA Committee:                      Vote:

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
All Other	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Environmental Protection 0251

Policy Committee: UNK                      Vote:                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
Personal Services	\$6,025	\$5,740
All Other	\$125	\$120
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,150</b>	<b>\$5,860</b>

Air Quality 0250

Policy Committee: UNK                      Vote:                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
Personal Services	\$13,233	\$7,303
All Other	(\$13,233)	(\$7,303)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Land and Water Quality 0248

Policy Committee: UNK                      Vote:                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

NEW ENGLAND INTERSTATE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL COMMISSION

Maine Joint Environmental Training Coordinating Committee 0980

Policy Committee: **ln**                      Vote: **11-0**                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: Reduces funding in the Maine Joint Environmental Training Coordinating Committee to maintain costs within available resources.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
All Other	\$0	(\$335)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$335)</b>

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Environmental Protection 0251

Policy Committee: IN                      Vote:                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
Personal Services	\$6,025	\$5,740
All Other	\$125	\$120
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,150</b>	<b>\$5,860</b>

Air Quality 0250

Policy Committee: IN                      Vote:                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
Personal Services	\$13,233	\$7,303
All Other	(\$13,233)	(\$7,303)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Land and Water Quality 0248

Policy Committee: IN                      Vote:                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
Personal Services	\$181,142	\$123,303
All Other	\$3,798	\$2,584
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$184,940</b>	<b>\$125,887</b>

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2007-08	2008-09
General Fund Cost (Savings)	\$0	\$0
Federal Expenditures Fund Cost (Savings)	\$85,392	\$76,696
Other Special Revenue Funds Cost (Savings)	\$228,698	\$168,563
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$314,090</b>	<b>\$245,259</b>

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Remediation and Waste Management 0247

Policy Committee:                      Vote:                      AFA Committee:                      Vote:

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
Transfer	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TRANSFER</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Environmental Protection 0251

Policy Committee: UNK                      Vote:                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: Transfers 50% of one Public Service Manager II position from the Air Quality program, General Fund to the Maine Environmental Protection Fund program, Other Special Revenue Funds: Transfers 50% of one Public Service Manager II position and 50% of one Environmental Specialist III position from the Land and Water Quality program, General Fund to the Maine Environmental Protection Fund program, Other Special Revenue Funds and transfers technology funds from the Maine Environmental Protection Fund program, Other Special Revenue Funds to the Administration - Environmental Protection program, Other Special Revenue Funds to continue centralizing information technology costs to streamline State Government in accordance with Public Law 2007, chapter 240, Part QQQ.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2007-08	2008-09
Personal Services	\$181,142	\$123,303
All Other	\$3,798	\$2,584
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$184,940</b>	<b>\$125,887</b>

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2007-08	2008-09
General Fund Cost (Savings)	\$0	\$0
Federal Expenditures Fund Cost (Savings)	\$85,392	\$76,696
Other Special Revenue Funds Cost (Savings)	\$228,698	\$168,563
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$314,090</b>	<b>\$245,259</b>

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Remediation and Waste Management 0247

Policy Committee: AMD                      Vote: 11-0                      AFA Committee: UNK                      Vote:

Initiative: Sec. BBB-1. Transfer from the Maine Coastal and Inland Surface Oil Clean Up Fund, unexpended funds. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Controller shall transfer ~~\$22,602~~ from the Maine Coastal and Inland Surface Oil Clean up Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Environmental Protection to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund no later than June 30, 2009.

\$ 184,328

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
Transfer	\$0	<del>\$22,602</del>
<b>GENERAL FUND TRANSFER</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b><del>\$22,602</del></b>

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Environmental Protection 0251

Policy Committee: IN                      Vote:                      AFA Committee: IN                      Vote:

Initiative: Transfers 50% of one Public Service Manager II position from the Air Quality program, General Fund to the Maine Environmental Protection Fund program, Other Special Revenue Funds: Transfers 50% of one Public Service Manager II position and 50% of one Environmental Specialist III position from the Land and Water Quality program, General Fund to the Maine Environmental Protection Fund program, Other Special Revenue Funds and transfers technology funds from the Maine Environmental Protection Fund program, Other Special Revenue Funds to the Administration - Environmental Protection program, Other Special Revenue Funds to continue centralizing information technology costs to streamline State Government in accordance with Public Law 2007, chapter 240, Part QQQ.