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MAJORITY

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
121ST LEGISLATURE
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1420, L.D. 1919, Bill, "An Act To Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2004 and June 30, 2005"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of state departments and institutions will become due and payable immediately; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

PART A

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

2 Supplement to Federal Supplemental Security Income General Fund
account in the Department of Human Services lapses to the General
Fund in fiscal year 2003-04.

6 **PART EE**

8 **Sec. EE-1. 21-A MRSA §1124, sub-§2, ¶B**, as amended by PL 2001,
c. 714, Pt. RR, §1, is further amended to read:

10 B. Two million dollars of the revenues from the taxes
12 imposed under Title 36, Parts 3 and 8 and credited to the
General Fund, transferred to the fund by the State
14 Controller on or before January 1st of each year, beginning
January 1, 1999. These revenues must be offset in an
16 equitable manner by an equivalent reduction within the
administrative divisions of the legislative branch and
18 executive branch agencies. This section may not affect the
funds distributed to the Local Government Fund under Title
20 30-A, section 5681.

22 If the commission determines that the fund will not have
sufficient revenues to cover the likely demand for funds
24 from the Maine Clean Election Fund in an upcoming calendar
year ~~2006~~, by January ~~1, 2006~~, 1st the commission shall
26 provide a report of its projections of the balances in the
Maine Clean Election Fund to the Legislature and the
28 Governor and may request that the State Controller make the
following transfers to the Maine Clean Election Fund from
30 the General Fund:

32 (1) Up to \$2,000,000 no later than February 28, 2006,
reflecting an advance of the transfer of the amounts
34 that would be received on or before January 1, 2007
pursuant to this paragraph; and

36 (2) Up to \$2,000,000 no later than July 31, 2006,
reflecting an advance of the transfer of the amounts
38 that would be received on or before January 1, 2008
pursuant to this paragraph; and

42 (3) Up to \$1,500,000 no later than September 1, 2004,
reflecting a partial advance of the transfer of the
44 amounts that would be received on or before January 1,
2005 pursuant to this paragraph;

46 **PART FF**

48 **Sec. FF-1. Behavioral health working group.** The Commissioner of
50 Administrative and Financial Services or the

