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HOUSE AMENDMENT "L" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 655, L.D. 855, 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, 2002 and June 30, 2003"

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Amend the amendment by striking out the substitute title and replacing it with the following:

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'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 Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2002 and June 30, 2003'

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Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the emergency preamble.

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Further amend the amendment in Part T in section 9 in the 2nd line (page 132, line 6 in amendment) by striking out the following: "July" and inserting in its place the following: 'October'

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Further amend the amendment by striking out all of Part AA.

Further amend the amendment in Part HH in section 4 in the last line (page 162, line 39 in amendment) by striking out the following: "September" and inserting in its place the following: 'November'

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Further amend the amendment in Part UUUU by striking out all

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2 provisions of this bill may have program impacts and fiscal impacts that can not be determined at this time.

4 The estimated balance in the Fund for a Healthy Maine is sufficient to fund the additional allocations and the transfer in this amendment.

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SUMMARY

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12 This amendment removes the emergency preamble and emergency clause from the bill as amended. The amendment adjusts dates in the cigarette tax and the meal tax provisions to reflect the nonemergency status. It authorizes the State Controller to keep open the official system of general accounts of State Government for fiscal year 2000-01 to make post-closing entries and adjustments to carry out the provisions of this Act. The amendment also increases transfers from the Maine Rainy Day Fund to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund.

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22 This amendment also changes the date of transfer of funds to the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf Student Trust Fund from July 1, 2001 to October 1, 2001. The amendment also strikes the language authorizing a tax anticipation note to cover the debt service costs associated with that note. The amendment also changes the reporting date on which the Maine State Housing Authority must report on the energy issues from September 1, 2001 to November 1, 2001. The amendment also strikes the language that authorizes the expenditure of funding among pharmaceutical benefits programs administered by the Department of Human Services.

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34 The amendment provides a General Fund appropriation to the Department of Labor for the continuation of the Maine Airs program through the Iris Network, formerly known as the Maine Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

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40 The amendment directs the State Fire Marshal to negotiate a bulk purchase price for thermal imaging cameras to be purchased by local fire-fighting units and law enforcement agencies. This amendment also establishes a fund by which loans can be made for the purchase of thermal imaging cameras and provides an appropriation and an allocation for these purposes.

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46 The amendment authorizes payments from the Maine Rainy Day Fund for death benefits for law enforcement officers,

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2 firefighters and emergency medical services personnel who die in
the line of duty.

4 The amendment provides additional funds from the Fund for a
Healthy Maine for loans to Maine residents enrolled in a school
6 of dental education or to repay loan agreements for practicing
doctors of dental medicine who practice in underserved population
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HOUSE AMENDMENT