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Amend the amendment in Part MM by striking out all of sections 1 and 2 and inserting the following:

Sec. MM-1. Transfer from unappropriated surplus at close of fiscal year 2007-08 to the Department of Health and Human Services, Medical Care - Payment to Providers account. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, at the close of fiscal year 2007-08 the State Controller shall transfer up to \$18,259,331 to the Fund for a Healthy Maine and then after the deduction of the transfer to the Fund for a Healthy Maine up to \$107,500,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Medical Care - Payment to Providers account in the General Fund after all required deductions of appropriations, budgeted financial commitments and adjustments considered necessary by the State Controller have been made and as the first priority after the transfers required pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, sections 1507 and 1511 and before the transfer required pursuant to Title 5, section 1536.

Sec. MM-2. Priority of transfers. Transfers made to the Department of Health and Human Services in accordance with section 1 of this Part must be expended for the purposes listed in this section in the following amounts.

As the first priority, the Medical Care - Payments to Providers General Fund account must receive up to \$82,000,000 less the transfer amount received from unappropriated surplus at the close of fiscal year 2006-07 for use in fiscal year 2007-08. These transfers made must be expended for prospective interim payments to hospitals.

As the second priority, the Medical Care - Payments to Providers General Fund account must receive \$25,500,000 as the first of equal payments to be made until the sum of \$102,000,000 is reached. Transfers made to the Medical Care - Payments to Providers program must be expended for hospital settlements.'

Amend the amendment by striking out all of Part XXXX and inserting the following:

PART XXXX

Sec. XXXX-1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

General Purpose Aid for Local Schools 0308

Initiative: Restores funds deappropriated from General Purpose Aid for Local Schools in Part A, section 22 to reflect the savings to school administrative units as a result of reorganization into regional school units.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$0	\$36,518,661
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GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$36,518,661

Amend the amendment by inserting after Part XXXX the following:

PART YYYY

Sec. YYYY-1. Calculation and transfer; Fund for a Healthy Maine reductions to allocations. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Budget Officer shall calculate the amount of the reductions to allocations provided in section 3 to each program funded by the Fund for a Healthy Maine on a proportional basis based on the ratio of the amounts allocated to each program compared to total allocations from the Fund for a Healthy Maine and shall reduce allocations to each program in fiscal year 2008-09 by financial order upon the approval of the Governor. The State Budget Officer may offset the reductions to allocations by any amounts transferred to the Fund for a Healthy Maine at the close of fiscal year 2006-07 and at the close of fiscal year 2007-08 pursuant to this Part.

Sec. YYYY-2. Transfer to General Fund. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Controller shall transfer \$18,259,330 no later than June 30, 2008 and \$18,259,331 no later than June 30, 2009 from the Fund for a Healthy Maine to the General Fund unappropriated surplus.

Sec. YYYY-3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Fund for a Healthy Maine 0921

Initiative: Deallocates funds to be distributed to all programs receiving Fund for a Healthy Maine allocations.

FUND FOR A HEALTHY MAINE	2007-08	2008-09
Unallocated	(\$18,259,330)	(\$18,259,331)
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FUND FOR A HEALTHY MAINE TOTAL	(\$18,259,330)	(\$18,259,331)

PART ZZZZ

Sec. ZZZZ-1. PL 2007, c. 1, Pt. L, §1 is amended to read:

Sec. L-1. Transfer from unappropriated surplus at close of fiscal year 2006-07.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, at the close of fiscal year 2006-07 the State Controller shall transfer up to \$18,259,330 to the Fund for a Healthy Maine and then after the deduction of the transfer to the Fund for a Healthy Maine an amount up to \$82,000,000 reduced by amounts certified pursuant to section 2 of this Part from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Medical Care - Payments to Providers account in the General Fund after all required deductions of appropriations, budgeted financial commitments and adjustments considered necessary by the State Controller have been made and as the first priority after the transfers required pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, sections 1507 and 1511 and before the transfers required pursuant to Title 5, section 1536.'

Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment removes Part XXXX, which provides a framework for the reorganization of school administrative units into regional school units, from the committee amendment. It restores funds deappropriated from General Purpose Aid for Local Schools to reflect the savings to school administrative units as a result of reorganization into regional school units and deallocates funds to be distributed to all programs receiving Fund for a Healthy Maine allocations. It establishes a mechanism that may allow reimbursement to the Fund for a Healthy Maine depending on the amount of unappropriated surplus available at the close of fiscal year 2006-07 and fiscal year 2007-08.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)