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**APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
128TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 682, L.D. 1815, Bill, “An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Improve Multimodal Facilities, Highways and Bridges”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Improve Multimodal Facilities, Highways and Bridges and Municipal Culverts'**

Amend the bill in section 1 in the 3rd line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$100,000,000" and inserting the following: '\$106,000,000'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 5 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 5. Disbursement of bond proceeds from General Fund bond issue.**  
The proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized under this Act must be expended as designated in the following schedule under the direction and supervision of the agencies and entities set forth in this section.

**TRANSPORTATION, DEPARTMENT  
OF**

Provides funds to construct or reconstruct Priority 1, Priority 2 and Priority 3 corridors under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 73, subsection 7 and associated improvements, for the department's municipal partnership initiative and to replace and rehabilitate bridges.

Total \$80,000,000

Provides funds for facilities and equipment related to ports, harbors, marine transportation, aviation, freight and passenger railroads, transit and bicycle and pedestrian trails that preserve public safety or otherwise have demonstrated high economic value, including property acquisition.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

1 Total \$20,000,000

2 **MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY**

3 Provides funds for improvements to, and remediation of, the Maine Maritime  
4 Academy's waterfront pier in Castine.

5 Total \$1,000,000

6 **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,**  
7 **DEPARTMENT OF**

8 Provides funds for a competitive grant program that matches local funding for the  
9 upgrade of municipal culverts at stream crossings in order to improve fish and  
10 wildlife habitats and increase community safety. Eligible project sponsors include  
11 local governments, municipal conservation commissions, soil and water conservation  
12 districts and private nonprofit organizations. A proposal for funding from an eligible  
13 project sponsor must include a map and summary of the proposed project, describing  
14 how it meets the following criteria:

15 1. Contribution to competitive grant program goals. The extent to which the  
16 proposed project allows communities to more effectively prepare for storm and flood  
17 events and advances the goals of restoring habitat for fish, including sea-run fish and  
18 native brook trout, and wildlife, including:

19 A. The priority status of the culvert to be upgraded or replaced for native brook trout  
20 and sea-run fish restoration, based on available stream survey data, statewide  
21 prioritization for aquatic connectivity and presence in priority watersheds of salmon,  
22 alewives and other diadromous fishes;

23 B. Confirmation that the culvert proposed for upgrade or replacement is on a  
24 municipal road, not a state road or private road;

25 C. The extent to which the proposed project meets the Department of Environmental  
26 Protection's design standard of at least 1.2 times the stream's bankfull width, with a  
27 natural stream bottom or embedded structure, and meets or exceeds the Department  
28 of Transportation's 100-year flood standard;

29 D. The degree of urgency of the proposed project, including whether a culvert is at  
30 high risk of failure due to age, location within a watershed or reach with high flood  
31 risk or severe flood history; and

32 E. The expected contribution to reducing the frequency or severity of flooding to  
33 upstream and downstream communities and improving storm water management  
34 within the proposed project area; and

