

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX

H.P. 1439 - L.D. 2124

**An Act to Support Emergency Shelter Funding Using Revenue from the Real Estate Transfer Tax**

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

**Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §4641-B, sub-§4-B, ¶E-4** is enacted to read:

E-4. Notwithstanding paragraphs E-1 and E-2, the State Controller shall first credit \$1,012,617 in fiscal year 2026-27 of the revenues available to the Maine State Housing Authority under paragraph E-2, subparagraph (2), division (c) for the Housing Production Fund established in Title 30-A, section 4773 to the Maine State Housing Authority, which shall deposit the funds in the authority's shelter operating subsidy program to support emergency homeless shelters in the State.

**Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE**

**Housing Production Fund N557**

Initiative: Reduces allocations to reflect a one-time decrease in revenue from shifting 2% of real estate transfer tax revenue from the Housing Production Fund program to the Maine State Housing Authority to be used for the shelter operating subsidy program.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>
All Other	\$0	(\$1,012,617)
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$1,012,617)</b>

**Shelter Operating Subsidy 0661**

Initiative: Provides a one-time allocation to support emergency homeless shelters in the State through the authority's shelter operating subsidy program.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>
All Other	\$0	\$1,012,617
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,012,617</b>

<b>HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Sec. 3. Effective date.** This Act takes effect September 1, 2026.