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AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1068, L.D. 1670, “An Act to Strengthen Maine’s Agriculture, Food and Forest Economy by Funding the Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund and Amending Related Provisions of Law”

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

‘Sec. 5. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF
DACF Administration 0401**

Initiative: Provides funding for technology costs associated with positions.

GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
All Other	\$6,584	\$6,584
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$6,584</u>	<u>\$6,584</u>

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2023-24	2024-25
All Other	\$1,170	\$1,170
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$1,170</u>	<u>\$1,170</u>

Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund N383

Initiative: Provides ongoing funding to support public-private partnerships to facilitate strategic investments in the State’s agricultural, food and forest products processing and manufacturing industries.

GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
All Other	\$19,784,727	\$19,717,830
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$19,784,727</u>	<u>\$19,717,830</u>

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1 **Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund N383**

2 Initiative: Provides funding for contracted services.

3 GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
4 All Other	\$37,000	\$37,000
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6 GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$37,000</u>	<u>\$37,000</u>

7 **Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund N383**

8 Initiative: Provides funding for one Public Service Manager II position and one Senior
9 Planner position and associated All Other costs.

10 GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
11 POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	2,000	2,000
12 Personal Services	\$164,689	\$231,586
13 All Other	\$7,000	\$7,000
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15 GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$171,689</u>	<u>\$238,586</u>

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17 **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND**
18 **FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF**
19 **DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2023-24	2024-25
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21 GENERAL FUND	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000
22 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$1,170	\$1,170
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24 DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$20,001,170</u>	<u>\$20,001,170</u>

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

28 **SUMMARY**

29 This amendment provides ongoing funding of \$20,000,000 each fiscal year, rather than
30 for the biennium only, to the Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment
31 Fund.

32 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

33 **(See attached)**