

PLEASE NOTE: Legislative Information **cannot** perform research, provide legal advice, or interpret Maine law. For legal assistance, please contact a qualified attorney.

**An Act Making Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations
from the Highway Fund for the Expenditures of State
Government To Address Revenue Shortfalls Projected for
the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2013**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of state departments and institutions will become due and payable immediately; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

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

TRANSPORTATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration 0339

Initiative: Reduces funding by managing vacancies to maintain budgets within available resources as a result of the April 2012 downward projection of Highway Fund revenues by the Revenue Forecasting Committee.

HIGHWAY FUND	2011-12	2012-13
Personal Services	(\$150,000)	(\$100,000)
HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	(\$150,000)	(\$100,000)

Bond Interest - Highway 0358

Initiative: Reduces funding for debt service to recognize the federal reimbursement of a portion of the debt service of previously issued Build America Bonds.

HIGHWAY FUND	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	(\$291,735)	(\$291,735)

HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	(\$291,735)	(\$291,735)
--------------------	-------------	-------------

Highway and Bridge Capital 0406

Initiative: Reduces funding for capital projects to maintain budgets within available resources as a result of the April 2012 downward projection of Highway Fund revenues by the Revenue Forecasting Committee.

HIGHWAY FUND	2011-12	2012-13
Capital Expenditures	(\$1,807,370)	(\$1,807,370)
HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	(\$1,807,370)	(\$1,807,370)

Maintenance and Operations 0330

Initiative: Reduces funding by managing vacancies to maintain budgets within available resources as a result of the April 2012 downward projection of Highway Fund revenues by the Revenue Forecasting Committee.

HIGHWAY FUND	2011-12	2012-13
Personal Services	(\$250,000)	(\$800,000)
HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	(\$250,000)	(\$800,000)

Multimodal - Freight 0350

Initiative: Adjusts funding to correct allocations for passenger rail that were made to the Multimodal - Freight program in error in Public Law 2011, chapter 649.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	\$0	(\$1,812,000)
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	(\$1,812,000)

Multimodal - Passenger Rail Z139

Initiative: Adjusts funding to correct allocations for passenger rail that were made to the Multimodal - Freight program in error in Public Law 2011, chapter 649.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	\$0	\$1,812,000

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	\$1,812,000
-----------------------------------	-----	-------------

Urban-Rural Initiative Program 0337

Initiative: Reduces funding based on the statutory percentage to maintain budgets within available resources as a result of the April 2012 downward projection of Highway Fund revenues by the Revenue Forecasting Committee.

HIGHWAY FUND	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	(\$266,355)	(\$319,645)
HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	(\$266,355)	(\$319,645)

TRANSPORTATION, DEPARTMENT OF		
DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2011-12	2012-13
HIGHWAY FUND	(\$2,765,460)	(\$3,318,750)
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$0
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	(\$2,765,460)	(\$3,318,750)

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

SUMMARY

This bill addresses Highway Fund revenue shortfalls projected for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2013 by the Revenue Forecasting Committee on April 30, 2012.