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Amend the bill by striking out all of Part A and Part B and inserting the following:

PART A

Sec. A-1. Report. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall appear periodically before the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters to report on the implementation of this Part.

Sec. A-2. Funds may not be transferred. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1585 or any other provision of law, funding provided in this Part and any unencumbered funds transferred pursuant to financial order 03451F16 may not be transferred to any other appropriation or subdivision of an appropriation made by the Legislature.

Sec. A-3. Funds may not lapse. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1589 or any other provision of law, any unencumbered balance of appropriations contained in this Part and any unencumbered funds transferred pursuant to financial order 03451F16 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2015-16 may not lapse but must be carried forward to be used for the same purposes.

Sec. A-4. Transfer; Gambling Control Board; General Fund. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Controller shall transfer \$1,230,000 in unexpended funds from the Gambling Control Board administrative expenses, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Public Safety to the General Fund unappropriated surplus on or before the close of fiscal year 2016-17.

Sec. A-5. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

Drug Enforcement Agency 0388

Initiative: Provides ongoing funding for 10 investigative agents.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$0	\$1,230,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$1,230,000

PART B

Sec. B-1. Law enforcement and county jail initiatives regarding treatment, recovery and support services. The Commissioner of Public Safety, after receiving advice from the Maine Sheriffs' Association and the Maine Chiefs of Police Association, shall administer grants to local law enforcement agencies and county jails located in geographically diverse communities throughout the State to fund projects designed solely to facilitate pathways to community-based treatment, recovery and support services. Grant applications must include statements of purpose and measurable goals for the projects and use for the funds. Grant recipients shall report to the Commissioner of Public Safety annually on the anniversary date of the grant award regarding the status of the projects, a description of how the funds were spent, the results of the projects and use of the funds and any recommendations for modification of the projects, including any available information concerning their effectiveness in reducing drug use and recidivism. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall provide a report summarizing the results of the grant program and providing recommendations as to its continuation or modification and any need for additional funding by January 15, 2017 and January 15, 2018 to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice and public safety matters and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over judiciary matters.

Sec. B-2. Funds may not be transferred. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1585 or any other provision of law, funding provided in this Part may not be transferred to any other appropriation or subdivision of an appropriation made by the Legislature.

Sec. B-3. Funds may not lapse. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1589 or any other provision of law, any unencumbered balance of appropriations contained in this Part remaining at the end of fiscal year 2015-16 may not lapse but must be carried forward to be used for the same purposes.

Sec. B-4. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Public Safety 0088

Initiative: Provides funds for grants to local law enforcement entities and county jails for the establishment of projects designed to facilitate pathways to treatment, recovery and support services through law enforcement initiatives.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$50,000	\$50,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<hr/>	<hr/>
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Amend the bill in Part C by striking out all of sections 1 and 2 and inserting the following:

‘Sec. C-1. Detoxification center. The Department of Health and Human Services shall provide funding to a substance abuse treatment entity to develop and operate a detoxification center with at least 10 beds that provides a social detoxification program in an organized residential nonmedical setting delivered by appropriately trained staff that provide safe 24-hour monitoring, observation and support in a supervised environment for a client to achieve initial recovery from the effects of alcohol or another drug.

1. The substance abuse treatment entity must:

A. Be located in a northern or eastern area of the State with high rates of opioid use and accessible to related services and supports;

B. Specialize in treating substance abuse and mental health disorders; and

C. Have an established history of providing substance abuse treatment and running residential programs in the region.

2. At least 40% of the occupancy in the detoxification center established under this section must be made available to individuals who do not have MaineCare coverage or health insurance coverage for detoxification treatment.

3. No later than June 30, 2016 the department shall begin distributing the funds appropriated in section 5.

Sec. C-2. Report. The Commissioner of Health and Human Services shall appear periodically before the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters to report on the implementation of this Part.’

Amend the bill in Part C by striking out all of sections 4 and 5 and inserting the following:

‘Sec. C-4. Funds may not lapse. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1589 or any other provision of law, any unencumbered balance of appropriations contained in this Part remaining at the end of fiscal year 2015-16 may not lapse but must be carried forward to be used for the same purposes.

Sec. C-5. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY BDS)

Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services 0679

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the development of a detoxification center in a northern or eastern area of the State in accordance with this Part.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$200,000	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$200,000	\$0

Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services 0679

Initiative: Provides ongoing funding for the operation of a detoxification center in a northern or eastern area of the State in accordance with this Part.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$0	\$700,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$700,000

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY BDS)		
DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2015-16	2016-17
GENERAL FUND	\$200,000	\$700,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$200,000	\$700,000

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

‘Sec. D-1. Peer support recovery centers; education and coordination of services.

The Department of Health and Human Services shall provide funds in an expedited manner, beginning within 60 days after the effective date of this Part, in the amount of \$700,000 to an organization with expertise and experience in substance abuse prevention, treatment and peer recovery services to, on a statewide basis:

1. Establish in underserved areas of the State and expand peer support recovery centers designed to assist individuals with substance abuse issues to avoid relapse;
2. Coordinate the efforts of law enforcement, treatment and recovery programs and link individuals in recovery to career resources;
3. Facilitate the delivery of effective prevention and education programming in schools and communities; and
4. Maintain a directory of substance abuse providers and prevention and recovery services that is publicly available.

Sec. D-2. Report. The Commissioner of Health and Human Services shall appear periodically before the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters to report on the implementation of this Part.’

Amend the bill in Part D by striking out all of sections 4 and 5 and inserting the following:

Sec. D-4. Funds may not lapse. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1589 or any other provision of law, any unencumbered balance of appropriations contained in this Part remaining at the end of fiscal year 2015-16 may not lapse but must be carried forward to be used for the same purposes.

Sec. D-5. Request for proposals. Except as provided in section 1, the Department of Health and Human Services shall provide grant funds using the competitive request for proposal bidding process set forth in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 155. The department shall issue a request for proposals no later than January 1, 2017 to award annual grant funds beginning no later than July 1, 2017.

Sec. D-6. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY BDS)

Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services 0679

Initiative: Provides expedited funding for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 fiscal years and then annual ongoing funding for fiscal years beginning 2017-18 through a competitive request for proposal process to an organization with expertise and experience in substance abuse prevention, treatment and peer recovery services to provide services on a statewide basis that include the establishment and expansion of peer support recovery centers, the coordination and provision of substance abuse treatment and recovery programs, prevention and education in schools and communities and the maintenance of a publicly available directory of resources.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$200,000	\$500,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$200,000	\$500,000

Amend the bill in Part E by striking out all of sections 2 and 3 and inserting the following:

Sec. E-2. Funds may not lapse. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1589 or any other provision of law, any unencumbered balance of appropriations contained in this Part remaining at the end of fiscal year 2015-16 may not lapse but must be carried forward to be used for the same purposes.

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

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY BDS)

Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services 0679

Initiative: Provides funding to increase substance abuse residential treatment for the uninsured.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$200,000	\$400,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$200,000	\$400,000

Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services 0679

Initiative: Provides funding to increase substance abuse outpatient services for the uninsured, including individual, group and intensive outpatient treatment.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$75,000	\$125,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$75,000	\$125,000

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY BDS)		
DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2015-16	2016-17
GENERAL FUND	\$275,000	\$525,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$275,000	\$525,000

Amend the bill in Part F by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

Sec. F-1. Transfer of funds. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Controller shall transfer to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund \$725,000 no later than June 30, 2016 and \$1,775,000 no later than June 30, 2017 from the Fund for a Healthy Maine.'

Amend the bill by adding after Part F the following:

PART G

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

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Transfers funds from Personal Services to All Other to provide funding to support increased criminal dockets, including an increase in criminal jury trials.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
Personal Services	(\$240,000)	\$0
All Other	\$240,000	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, makes the following changes to the bill.

1. In Part A, it:

A. Adds the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety to the entities to which periodic reports must be made by the Commissioner of Public Safety;

B. Adds funding provided by financial order 03451F16 to the unencumbered balances that may not be transferred;

C. Adds funding provided by financial order 03451F16 to the unencumbered balances that may not lapse and restricts the nonlapsing year to fiscal year 2015-16 only;

D. Eliminates the appropriation for 10 investigative agents in fiscal year 2015-16 and reduces the appropriation in fiscal year 2016-17 from \$1,600,000 to \$1,230,000; and

E. Adds a section to transfer \$1,230,000 from the Gambling Control Board administrative expenses, Other Special Revenue Funds account to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund on or before the close of fiscal year 2016-17.

2. In Part B, it:

A. Requires the Department of Public Safety, rather than the Attorney General, to administer the grants to local law enforcement agencies;

B. Requires consultation with the Maine Sheriffs' Association and the Maine Chiefs of Police Association and requires enhanced reporting; and

C. Limits to fiscal year 2015-16 the period for which funds provided by this Part may not lapse.

3. In Part C, it:

A. Changes the requirement for a new 10-bed detoxification center to a requirement for a new detoxification center with at least 10 beds;

B. Limits to fiscal year 2015-16 the period for which funds provided by this Part may not lapse; and

C. Changes the requirement that the center be in Bangor to a requirement that the center be in a northern or eastern area of the State with high rates of opioid use and accessible to related services and supports.

4. In Part C and Part D, it changes the reporting requirements so that the Commissioner of Health and Human Services reports periodically to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services rather than the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

5. In Part D, it:

A. Limits to fiscal year 2015-16 the period for which funds provided by this Part may not lapse;

B. Removes the reference to the Maine Association of Substance Abuse Programs and directs the Department of Health and Human Services to provide funding within 60 days after the effective date of the Part to an organization with expertise and experience in substance abuse prevention, treatment and peer recovery services to provide substance abuse services statewide;

C. Adds to the services to be provided a requirement that coordination services include links to career services and a requirement that the organization develop and maintain a directory of providers and resources that is publicly available; and

D. Requires that although funding may be sole-sourced for fiscal years 2015-16 and 2016-17, future awards must be awarded on a competitive basis. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to issue a request for proposals by January 1, 2017 that is competitively bid through the regular process pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 155 for ongoing funding awards beginning no later than July 1, 2017.

6. In Part E, it:

A. Limits to fiscal year 2015-16 the period for which funds provided by this Part may not lapse; and

B. Adds individual, group and intensive outpatient treatment to the substance abuse outpatient services for the uninsured for which a funding increase is provided.

7. In Part F, it changes the source of the transfer to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund from the funds received pursuant to the court order in State of Maine v. McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. and Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC to the Fund for a Healthy Maine.

8. It adds Part G, which transfers funds from Personal Services to All Other in the Judicial Department, Courts - Supreme, Superior and District program, General Fund account in fiscal year 2015-16 to provide funding to support increased criminal dockets, including an increase in criminal jury trials.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)