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

**'An Act To Provide Funds to the University of Maine System to
Continue the Statewide Online Advanced Placement Course Program'**

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

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 current contract for the statewide online advanced placement course program expires on June 30, 2019; 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. 20-A MRSA §10910 is enacted to read:

§ 10910. Report on a statewide online advanced placement course program

By February 15, 2020, and annually thereafter, the university shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters on the status of a statewide online advanced placement course program. The report must include, but is not limited to, whether the program is meeting its goals, measures of student success, the number of students accessing support through the university, if any, and the number of students participating in the program and their levels of success and how those levels of success compare to national standards.

Sec. 2. Contract. No later than July 1, 2019, the University of Maine System shall contract with the national governing body of the advanced placement course program, the College Board, to continue the statewide online advanced placement course program for the 2019-2020 school year.

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

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

Educational and General Activities - UMS 0031

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to continue the statewide online advanced placement course program.

GENERAL FUND

2019-20

2020-21

All Other	\$150,000	\$150,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<hr/> \$150,000	<hr/> \$150,000

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

SUMMARY

This amendment transfers the administration of the statewide online advanced placement course program from the Department of Education in partnership with the University of Maine at Fort Kent to solely the University of Maine System. Accordingly, the amendment provides ongoing funds to continue the statewide online advanced placement program to the University of Maine System, instead of the Department of Education, and directs the University of Maine System to contract with the national governing body of the advanced placement course program, the College Board, to continue the program for the 2019-2020 school year. The amendment also requires the University of Maine System to submit annual reports to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters on the status of the statewide online advanced placement course program.

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause and adds an appropriations and allocations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)