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House of Representatives, February 7, 2023

An Act to Support Lead Abatement in Older Residential Properties

(EMERGENCY)

Reference to the Joint Select Committee on Housing suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston.
Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and
Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, DHALAC of South Portland, FAY of Raymond,
LaROCHELLE of Augusta, LEE of Auburn, Senators: DUSON of Cumberland, ROTUNDO
of Androscoggin.

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

3 **Whereas**, this legislation provides for the timely funding of the Maine State Housing
4 Authority's lead abatement program in order to provide for the ongoing abatement of lead
5 paint hazards; and

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

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

11 **Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
12 allocations are made.

13 **HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE**

14 **Lead Abatement Fund Z267**

15 Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for the abatement of lead paint hazards in residential
16 housing and for the cost of administering the lead abatement program.

17 GENERAL FUND	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
18 All Other	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
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20 GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

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

23 **SUMMARY**

24 This bill provides for an ongoing General Fund appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the
25 Maine State Housing Authority's lead abatement program.