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**An Act To Reserve for County Government One Percent of the
Excise Tax Revenue from the Sale of Retail Marijuana**

Reference to the Joint Select Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation suggested and ordered printed.

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

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §1817, sub-§7**, as enacted by IB 2015, c. 5, §3, is amended to
3 read:

4 **7. Application of tax revenues.** All sales tax revenue collected pursuant to this
5 section must be deposited in the General Fund, except that 1% of the revenue must be
6 provided to the counties to offset the costs of planning, policy development, monitoring
7 and enforcement with respect to the Marijuana Legalization Act. Sales tax revenue
8 derived from the sale of retail marijuana and retail marijuana products may not be used to
9 directly fund any new state programs except that this revenue may be appropriated to the
10 Maine Criminal Justice Academy for the purpose of training law enforcement personnel
11 on retail marijuana and retail marijuana products laws and rules. Funds appropriated to
12 the Maine Criminal Justice Academy pursuant to this subsection may be used only for the
13 actual costs incurred to provide the necessary education and training of law enforcement
14 personnel.

15 **Sec. 2. Effective date.** This Act takes effect February 1, 2018.

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This bill requires that 1% of the revenue from sales tax imposed on the sale of retail
18 marijuana and retail marijuana products be provided to the counties to offset the costs of
19 planning, policy development, monitoring and enforcement with respect to the Marijuana
20 Legalization Act.