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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
131ST LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 466, L.D. 1139, “An Act to Improve Ferry Service Reliability by Providing Scholarships at the Maine Maritime Academy”

Amend the bill in section 1 in the last 2 lines (page 1, lines 5 and 6 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "the Maine State Ferry Service" and inserting the following: 'a state, municipal, private or quasi-public ferry service operator located in and serving residents of the State'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting the following:

**Sec. 2. Operator consultation.** The Maine Maritime Academy shall consult with the Maine State Ferry Service or a state, municipal, private or quasi-public ferry service operator located in and serving residents of the State in the development and implementation of the Workforce Development Scholarship Program under section 1 for the purposes of aligning operator needs with applicant training. The Maine Maritime Academy and one or more ferry service operators shall jointly develop a method for processing applications that allows flexibility for operator administrative capacities.

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

**MARITIME ACADEMY, MAINE**

**Maritime Academy - Operations 0035**

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for the Workforce Development Scholarship Program that provides scholarships to students earning the initial credits necessary to work for a state, municipal, private or quasi-public ferry service operator located in and serving residents of the State.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>
All Other	\$143,750	\$143,750
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$143,750</u>	<u>\$143,750</u>

**Maritime Academy - Operations 0035**

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

1 Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to support the costs of marketing the Workforce  
 2 Development Scholarship Program that provides scholarships to students earning the initial  
 3 credits necessary to work for a state, municipal, private or quasi-public ferry service  
 4 operator located in and serving residents of the State.

5	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>
6	All Other	\$35,000	\$35,000
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8	<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$35,000</u>	<u>\$35,000</u>

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10	<b>MARITIME ACADEMY, MAINE</b>		
11	<b>DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>
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13	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$178,750</b>	<b>\$178,750</b>
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15	<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<u><b>\$178,750</b></u>	<u><b>\$178,750</b></u>

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 17       Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section  
 18 number to read consecutively.

19 **SUMMARY**

20       This amendment provides that the Workforce Development Scholarship Program at the  
 21 Maine Maritime Academy assists students in earning the initial credits necessary to work  
 22 at a state, municipal, private or quasi-public ferry service operator located in and serving  
 23 residents of the State. The amendment also requires the Maine Maritime Academy to  
 24 consult with a state, municipal, private or quasi-public ferry service operator in the  
 25 development and implementation of the Workforce Development Scholarship Program and  
 26 jointly develop a method for processing applications.

27 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

28 **(See attached)**