Proposed Amendment to

LD 1141, "An Act to Improve Access and System Preservation by Providing Shoulders and Bicycle Lanes on State Roadways Leading to State Parks and Other Significant Destinations"

3.30.23

Summary of Proposed Amendment

LD 1141 is amended so as to:

- Delete all references to transfers from the "Tourism Marketing Promotion Fund Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Economic and Community Development" or the "Parks - General Operations program, General Fund account within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry."
- Direct the MaineDOT to fund and undertake the analysis and prioritization work as part of its implementation of the State Active Transportation Plan

Possible Amendment Text (overstrike = delete; underline = add)

LD 1141

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §710 is enacted to read:

§710. Shoulders and bicycle lanes

- 1. Program established. The Department of Transportation shall develop a program to: A. Cooperate with the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Bureau of Parks and Lands to identify the state parks with the highest number of visitors;
- B. Construct shoulders of not less than 5 feet in width on state and state aid highways that serve the state parks identified under paragraph A or other destinations of statewide or regional significance; and
- C. Identify state and state aid highways serving high-use state parks near population centers and prioritize the construction of separated bicycle lanes on those state and state aid highways. The program must construct the shoulders and bicycle lanes described by this subsection on state and state aid highways beginning with the

highways already scheduled for improvement and include a plan for completing the construction required by this subsection before January 1, 2044.

- D. The MaineDOT shall include and fund this program in the process of identifying High-Priority AT (HPAT) road corridors as part of its implementation of goals outlined in the Statewide Active Transportation Plan.
- 2. Fund established. The Shoulder and Bicycle Lane Program Fund is established as a dedicated account within the Department of Transportation. The fund must be used for the administration of the program established pursuant to subsection 1. The department shall administer the fund.
- Sec. 2. Transfer from Tourism Marketing Promotion Fund. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or before October 15, 2023, the State Controller shall transfer \$1,000,000 from the Tourism Marketing Promotion Fund Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Economic and Community Development to the Shoulder and Bicycle Lane Program Fund Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Transportation.
- Sec. 3. Transfer from Parks General Operations. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or before October 15, 2023, the State Controller shall transfer \$1,000,000 from the Parks General Operations program, General Fund account within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to the Shoulder and Bieyele Lane Program Fund Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Transportation.