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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

MEMORANDUM

To: Sen. Margaret Rotundo, Senate Chair
Rep. Melanie Sachs, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

From: Sen. Pinny Beebe-Center, Senate Chair *PBC*
Rep. Suzanne Salisbury, House Chair *SS*
Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Date: March 6, 2024

Re: **Criminal Justice and Public Safety committee report back with recommendations to Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee on LD 2214, An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2025**

On behalf of the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety (“CJPS”), we write to convey to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs (“AFA”) the initial recommendations of CJPS on items within its jurisdiction in the Governor’s proposed supplemental budget for fiscal years 2024 and 2025, LD 2214 (the “Supplemental Budget”). Please find attached: (1) the report forms applicable to CJPS, pages 1 – 13, which contain the votes of CJPS on all relevant initiatives in the Budget; and (2) the votes for language on Parts O, P, Q, EEE, and FFF

Voting Process

CJPS held two work sessions on the Supplemental Budget to vote on recommendations to AFA on Tuesday March 5 and Wednesday March 6. At its first work session, the committee received additional information from the Maine Emergency Management Agency regarding Initiative 0214, which CJPS then voted. CJPS then voted on several other individual initiatives proposed by the Department of Public Safety and Department of Corrections. For the several initiatives that were not voted on at the first meeting, CJPS followed up with the departments for additional information. This additional information was received and presented by the departments at the

second work session. CJPS then voted the remainder of the initiatives individually. CJPS also voted for proposed language in one ballot.

Department of Corrections Initiatives Z177, Z366, and Part P

CJPS raised only one concern for the report back memo. According to testimony from the Department of Corrections, a major initiative in the Supplemental Budget is funding for the implementation of its Offender Management System. The department proposed \$4,800,000 beginning in FY 2024-25 to implement this system. To cover additional costs for required subscriptions related to the system, the department also proposed Initiatives Z177 and Z366, and Part P, which together removes \$900,000 from the Corrections Food and Corrections Fuel program and transfers this funding for these subscription costs.

The committee raised the issue that the language in Part P is unclear. Specifically, while Part P authorizes the department to “carry forward up to \$900,000 appropriated for the subscription costs,” it does not clearly articulate: (1) that the funding already exists in the department’s budget and is merely being re-appropriated within the department for another purpose; and (2) the existing programs from where the money is being transferred.

Thus, CJPS recommends Part P is amended to more clearly reflect and articulate the re-appropriation scheme used to fund subscription costs for the Offender Management System.

State Police Funding

In addition to initiatives and language under the jurisdiction of CJPS, CJPS also reviewed and voted on recommendations on initiatives presented by the Bureau of State Police. While policy considerations concerning State Police are typically handled by CJPS, budget matters are under the policy committee jurisdiction of the Transportation Committee. Thus, while not directly responsible for submitting recommendations to AFA regarding State Police funding, CJPS felt it appropriate to vote on State Police initiatives.

Status of Public Law 2021, chapter 732

At the public hearing on LD 2214, Senator Bennett requested an update on the implementation of Public Law 2021, chapter 732, “An Act to Stabilize State Funding For County Corrections” and information concerning how the proposals in this law related to the \$4,000,000 requested in medication assisted treatment (“MAT”) funding for county jails in the Supplemental Budget.

P.L. 2021, ch. 732 established the County Jail Operations Fund, which provided State funding for county and regional jails and established a scheme to distribute this funding. Specifically, the law requires the State to fund \$20,342,104, plus any additional amount the Legislature may appropriate. The Department of Corrections has implemented a formula for distribution of these funds to each county. *See* 03-201 C.M.R. Ch. 3.

This law also requires the department to establish detention and correctional standards for counties and municipalities. *See* 34-A M.R.S.A. 1208. These standards, adopted by the department through the rulemaking process, require county jails to provide for “the clinical management of chemically dependent inmates,” which includes access to substance use disorder screening, assessment, medication, and treatment for the duration of the person’s incarceration at

a county jail. This standard is manifested by each county jail through an individualized treatment plan for each eligible incarcerated person, which plan includes MAT.

Initiative Z227 provides \$4,000,000 in funding to the department as a pass through to county jails to fund these MAT programs.

CJPS thanks AFA for its time and consideration of these notes and recommendations, and of all materials concerning the Supplemental Budget within the jurisdiction of CJPS.

cc: Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs
Members, Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety
Maureen Dawson – Principal Analyst, OFPR
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Suzanne Voynik – Analyst, OFPR
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Kirsten Figueroa – Commissioner, Department of Administrative and Financial Services
Randall Liberty – Commissioner, Department of Corrections
Michael Sauschuck – Commissioner, Department of Public Safety
Peter J. Rogers – Director, Maine Emergency Management Agency

Sec. A-7. Appropriations and allocations.

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Corrections 0141

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the implementation costs for the Offender Management System.

Ref. #: 174 One Time Committee Vote: 6-3 AFA Vote: _____

| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|--|------------|------------|--------------------|
| All Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$4,800,000 |
| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$4,800,000 |

Notes:

See Part O

Justification:

Funding in this initiative is necessary to ensure the Offender Management System is in line with modern technology and technology security practices.

Administration - Corrections 0141

Initiative: Reduces one-time funding in the Corrections Food program and the Corrections Fuel program by recognizing one-time savings due to food costs and fuel rates being lower than anticipated. This initiative also provides one-time funding in the Administration-Corrections program for the subscription costs for the Offender Management System.

Ref. #: 175 One Time Committee Vote: 7-0 AFA Vote: _____

| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| All Other | \$0 | \$900,000 | \$0 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$900,000 | \$0 |

Justification:

This initiative recognizes one-time savings related to food costs and fuel rates being lower than anticipated in fiscal year 2023-24. This initiative also provides one-time funding to ensure that the Offender Management System is in line with modern technology and technology security practices.

Corrections Food Z177

Initiative: Reduces one-time funding in the Corrections Food program and the Corrections Fuel program by recognizing one-time savings due to food costs and fuel rates being lower than anticipated. This initiative also provides one-time funding in the Administration-Corrections program for the subscription costs for the Offender Management System.

Ref. #: 177 One Time Committee Vote: 7-0 AFA Vote: _____

| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|--------------|---------|---------|---------|
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|---------------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|
| All Other | \$0 | (\$400,000) | \$0 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | (\$400,000) | \$0 |

Justification:

This initiative recognizes one-time savings related to food costs and fuel rates being lower than anticipated in fiscal year 2023-24. This initiative also provides one-time funding to ensure that the Offender Management System is in line with modern technology and technology security practices.

Corrections Fuel Z366

Initiative: Reduces one-time funding in the Corrections Food program and the Corrections Fuel program by recognizing one-time savings due to food costs and fuel rates being lower than anticipated. This initiative also provides one-time funding in the Administration-Corrections program for the subscription costs for the Offender Management System.

Ref. #: 181 One Time Committee Vote: 7-0 AFA Vote: _____

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|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|
| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
| All Other | \$0 | (\$500,000) | \$0 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | (\$500,000) | \$0 |

Justification:

This initiative recognizes one-time savings related to food costs and fuel rates being lower than anticipated in fiscal year 2023-24. This initiative also provides one-time funding to ensure that the Offender Management System is in line with modern technology and technology security practices.

County Jails Operation Fund Z227

Initiative: Provides funding to county jails for medication assisted treatment and medical care which was recently mandated in Public Law 2021, chapter 732, Part C.

Ref. #: 179 Committee Vote: 9-0 AFA Vote: _____

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|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$4,000,000 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$4,000,000 |

Justification:

Public Law 2021, chapter 732, Part C mandates each county jail to provide access to substance use disorder screening, assessment, medication, treatment, recovery and reentry services including a minimum of seven services. There was no funding attached to the original piece of Legislation. This initiative would provide the funding necessary for county jails to provide the services outlined in Public Law 2021, chapter 732, Part C.

CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF

| | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| DEPARTMENT TOTALS | | | |
| GENERAL FUND | \$0 | \$0 | \$4,000,000 |
| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS | \$0 | \$0 | \$4,800,000 |
| DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$8,800,000</u> |

Sec. A-8. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

DEFENSE, VETERANS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Maine Emergency Management Agency 0214

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the Disaster Recovery Fund to meet state funding requirements for emergency declarations.

Ref. #: 194 One Time Committee Vote: 7-0 AFA Vote: _____

| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|--|----------------|----------------|---------------------|
| All Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$15,000,000 |
| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$15,000,000 |

Notes:

See Part Q

Justification:

This initiative provides one-time funding the Disaster Recovery Fund to meet state funding requirements for emergency declarations. As of October 11, 2023, the existing \$3.3 million balance has been committed to existing state cost share obligations (15% of disaster costs). It should be noted that, per Maine Revised Statutes, Title 37-B, chapter 13, sub-chapter 2, section 745, the Disaster Recovery Fund must be the first resource used when an Emergency Proclamation or a Presidential Major Disaster is declared. Based on the increased frequency and intensity of disasters over the last several years, MEMA anticipates that Maine will experience additional major disasters before the end of fiscal year 2024-25, each of which requiring a state cost share. The December 2023 storm resulted in a disaster declaration; we are still waiting for determination of the two January 2024 storms. In order to meet the State's cost share obligations and avoid delays in reimbursements to Maine's municipalities and other eligible applicants, the Disaster Recovery Fund requires sufficient funding.

DEFENSE, VETERANS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

| DEPARTMENT TOTALS | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------|
| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS | \$0 | \$0 | \$15,000,000 |
| DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | \$0 | \$0 | \$15,000,000 |

Sec. A-28. Appropriations and allocations.

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

Capitol Police - Bureau of 0101

Initiative: Establishes 2 Capitol Police Security Agent positions effective December 8, 2024 and provides funding for related All Other costs.

Ref. #: 747

Committee Vote:

7-0

AFA Vote:

| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|-----------|
| POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT | 0.000 | 0.000 | 2.000 |
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$87,040 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$72,272 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$159,312 |

Justification:

Upon the completion of the renovation of the Cultural Building at the Capitol Complex, the occupying agencies (Archives, Library & Museum) have requested additional in-house security services from the Capitol Police. To accomplish this mission the Bureau will require the addition of 3 Security Agents and one Capitol Police Officer. The requesting facility is due to re-open to the public in June of 2025. In order to be prepared to go live with the program on that date, the bureau will need to recruit, train and equip the new employees six months prior to the reopening.

Capitol Police - Bureau of 0101

Initiative: Establishes 3 Capitol Police Security Agent positions, one Lead Security Agent position, one Capitol Police Officer position and one Capitol Police Sergeant position, effective March 2, 2025, and provides funding for related All Other costs.

Ref. #: 748

Committee Vote:

7-0

AFA Vote:

| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|-----------|
| POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT | 0.000 | 0.000 | 6.000 |
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$175,193 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$129,304 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$304,497 |

Justification:

In the 131st Maine Legislature, First Special Session, LD 1100 carried as final passed in the latest House action and carried on appropriation table in the latest Senate action as a Resolve to direct the commissioner to commence screening all visitors to the Cross Office Building in the same manner as the State House. Department of Administrative and Financial Services secured a bond program for construction of a Cross Building Security center for this purpose. To operate this center, the Bureau will require four new Security Agent positions, one Lead Security Agent position, two Police Officer positions and one Police Sergeant position. These positions have a start date of March 2025 to be prepared for a fall 2025 opening as the Bureau will need time to recruit, equip and train this new staff.

Capitol Police - Bureau of 0101

Initiative: Establishes one intermittent Capitol Police Officer positions and one intermittent Capitol Police Security Agent positions and provides funding for related All Other costs.

Ref. #: 749

Committee Vote: 7-0

AFA Vote: _____

| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------------|
| POSITIONS - FTE COUNT | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 |
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$84,529 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$58,672 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$143,201 |

Justification:

The Capitol Police has experienced a substantial increase in legislative requests for additional security on the chamber floor when in session and at committee hearings. The need for additional security decreases when the legislature is not in session. The department plans to meet this growing security challenge in a cost effective manner with the creation of these intermittent positions.

Capitol Police - Bureau of 0101

Initiative: Provides funding for the approved reclassification of one Public Service Manager II position from range 32 to range 33 retroactive to May 22, 2023.

Ref. #: 750

Committee Vote: 7-0

AFA Vote: _____

| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|---------------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$6,891 | \$5,789 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$6,891 | \$5,789 |

Justification:

The Bureau of Human Resources has approved this employee-initiated reclassification retroactive to May 22, 2023. The retroactive pay is included in this initiative.

Capitol Police - Bureau of 0101

Initiative: Provides funding for the approved range change of one Capitol Police Lieutenant position from range 22 to range 24, one Capitol Police Sergeant position from range 19 to range 22, 10 Capitol Police Officer positions from range 17 to range 19, 2 Watchperson positions from range 8 to range 11 also changes the title to Security Guard, and 4 Capitol Police Screener positions from range 14 to range 15 and changes the title to Capitol Police Security Agent positions.

Ref. #: 751

Committee Vote: 7-0

AFA Vote: _____

| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$92,858 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$92,858 |

Ref. #: 752

Committee Vote: 6-2

AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

| | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|--|------------|------------|-----------------|
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$68,849 |
| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$68,849 |

Justification:

The Bureau of Human Resources has approved these reorganizations for the Capitol Police.

Computer Crimes 0048

Initiative: Provides funding for the approved reorganization of one Office Specialist I position to a Supervisor Computer Forensic Laboratory position.

Ref. #: 745

Committee Vote: 7-0

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND

| | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$37,219 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$37,219 |

Justification:

The Bureau of Human Resources has approved this reorganization.

Emergency Medical Services 0485

Initiative: Continues and makes permanent one Emergency Medical Education Training Coordinator position previously continued with Financial Order 002869 F4 and provides funding for All Other related costs.

Ref. #: 762

Committee Vote: 5-3

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND

| | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------|
| POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 |
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$106,760 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$3,365 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$110,125 |

Justification:

Maine Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is currently collaborating with the Maine Departments of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and Department of Labor to create learning opportunities for young persons (16-24) throughout the State of Maine to learn about and get involved with emergency medical services. Through this collaborative, DHHS was able to locate limited funding to support the creation of a position within Maine EMS to support these efforts.

Unfortunately, the sustainability of that funding source is likely not viable; however, the need for this staff person will continue to persist. Creating the infrastructure and support mechanisms for Explorer Programs throughout the state will require ongoing support, refinement, education, training, and outreach. A dedicated staff person will be essential to maintaining this opportunity for young persons throughout Maine.

Emergency Medical Services 0485

Initiative: Establishes 4 Public Service Manager I positions and provides funding for related All Other costs.

Ref. #: 763

Committee Vote:

9-0

AFA Vote:

GENERAL FUND

| | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------|
| POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT | 0.000 | 0.000 | 4.000 |
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$494,256 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$17,460 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$511,716 |

Justification:

Since the creation of the Maine Emergency Medical Service (EMS) system in 1986, it was built on a regionalized structure intended to facilitate communications, programming, and collaboration between the state-level and local services. Maine EMS has paid contractors to help provide this critical conduit within the EMS regions; however, funding for these contractors has dwindled over the past 30 years. The original funding amounts have vastly declined to approximately \$50K per year for each region. The current labor market does not account for a single contracted staff person dedicated to these efforts. Putting a regional administrator position in four regions will drastically increase the local collaboration with EMS entities across the State of Maine. It will also increase the state's bandwidth to facilitate quality improvement efforts, coordinate greater cooperation with other healthcare partners, and deliver resources locally for the EMS system.

Emergency Medical Services 0485

Initiative: Continues one limited-period Public Service Manager II position, previously continued by Financial Order 002886 F4 through June 8, 2025.

Ref. #: 764

One Time

Committee Vote:

9-0

AFA Vote:

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND

| | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|--|------------|------------|------------------|
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$145,203 |
| FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$145,203 |

Justification:

The funding for this position is provided by the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse grant awarded by the US Department of Justice. The position provides grant management and supervision for positions funded by this grant. The grant funds the statewide medication-assisted treatment program for opioid use disorder for emergency medical professionals across the state.

Fire Marshal - Office of 0327

Initiative: Provides funding for the approved range change of 3 Fire Investigations Sergeant positions from range 24 to range 26 retroactive to February 13, 2023.

Ref. #: 760

Committee Vote: 9-0 AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

| | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|--|------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$86,841 | \$71,281 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$638 | \$524 |
| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL | \$0 | \$87,479 | \$71,805 |

Justification:

The Bureau of Human Resources has approved this employee-initiated range change retroactive to February 13, 2023. The retroactive pay is included in this initiative.

Licensing and Enforcement - Public Safety 0712

Initiative: Provides funding for the approved reclassification of one Office Associate II position to a Management Analyst I position retroactive to January 9, 2023.

Ref. #: 766

Committee Vote: 7-0 AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND

| | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|---------------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$7,449 | \$6,089 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$7,449 | \$6,089 |

Justification:

The Bureau of Human Resources has approved this employee-initiated reclassification retroactive to January 9, 2023. The retroactive pay is included in this initiative.

Safe Homes Program Fund Z341

Initiative: Provides funding for supporting the safe storage of prescription drugs, firearms and dangerous weapons in homes or public spaces in the Safe Homes Program.

Ref. #: 775

Committee Vote: 7-0 AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

| | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|--|------------|------------|-----------------|
| All Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$25,000 |
| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$25,000 |

Notes:

See Part EEE

Justification:

The Department of Public Safety applied for and was approved for annual funding of \$25,000 under the federal Byrne State Crisis Intervention Plan Grant to support the Safe Home Program. The initiative is intended to match the \$25,000 in federal funds and provide ongoing funding to support education, communication, and public awareness.

PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

| DEPARTMENT TOTALS | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| GENERAL FUND | \$0 | \$14,340 | \$1,370,806 |
| FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND | \$0 | \$0 | \$145,203 |
| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS | \$0 | \$87,479 | \$165,654 |
| DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | \$0 | \$101,819 | \$1,681,663 |

Motion: DA

2nd: PBC

To accept all

9-0

CSPS Vote

AFA Vote

PART O

Sec. O-1. Transfer from General Fund unappropriated surplus; Administration - Corrections. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or before June 30, 2025, the State Controller shall transfer \$4,800,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Corrections, Administration-Corrections, Other Special Revenue Funds account for one-time implementation costs of the Offender Management System.

**PART O
SUMMARY**

This Part requires the transfer of \$4,800,000 in fiscal year 2024-25 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Corrections, Administration-Corrections, Other Special Revenue Funds account for the purpose of supporting the one-time implementation costs of the Offender Management System.

PART P

Sec. P-1. Carrying provision; Department of Corrections, Department of Corrections. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, at the end of fiscal year 2023-24, the State Controller shall carry forward up to \$900,000 appropriated for the subscription costs for the Offender Management System to fiscal year 2024-25 in the Department of Corrections program, General Fund account, All Other line category.

**PART P
SUMMARY**

This part authorizes the Department of Corrections, Department of Corrections program to carry up to \$900,000 for the subscription costs for the Offender Management System.

- Rewrite CS
show in memo

PART Q

Sec. Q-1. 37-B MRSA §745, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2009, c. 252, §4, is further amended to read:

4. Fund balance. The fund's balance may not exceed \$15,000,000 ~~\$3,000,000~~, except by order of the Governor. In the absence of such an order, any amount, including interest, that accrues in excess of \$15,000,000 ~~\$3,000,000~~ must be transferred by the State Controller to the Maine Budget Stabilization Fund, established in Title 5, section 1532. ~~Beginning July 1, 2010, the fund's maximum allowable balance must be adjusted annually on July 1st by any percentage change in the Consumer Price Index from January 1st to December 31st of the previous year, but only to a maximum increase of 2%.~~

Sec. Q-2. Transfer from the General Fund unappropriated surplus; Disaster Recovery Fund. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or before June 30, 2025 the State controller shall transfer \$15,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Disaster Recovery Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management to fund the State's share of estimated disaster recovery costs.

PART Q

SUMMARY

This Part amends the maximum amount of funding that may be held in the Disaster Recovery Fund, Other Special Revenue Fund account in the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management to address the existing obligations of the fund and plan for the increasing frequency of disaster declarations. This Part also removes the CPI factor from the statute. This Part also transfers \$15,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Disaster Recovery Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management to fund the State's share of estimated disaster recovery costs.

PART EEE

Sec. EEE-1. Transfer from General Fund unappropriated surplus; Safe Homes Program. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or before June 30, 2025, the State Controller shall transfer \$200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety, Safe Homes Program, Other Special Revenue Funds account to provide one-time funding to support the safe storage of prescription drugs, firearms and dangerous weapons in homes or public spaces.

PART EEE

SUMMARY

This Part requires the transfer of \$200,000 in fiscal year 2024-25 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety, Safe Homes Program, Other Special Revenue Funds account to provide one-time funding to support the safe storage of prescription drugs, firearms, and dangerous weapons in homes or public spaces.

PART FFF

Sec. FFF-1. Promotion adjustments in Department of Public Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshall. A person employed by the office as a Fire Investigator may be promoted to a Senior Fire Investigator if they become certified as a Fire Investigator by the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) or equivalent certification body. The effective date of the promotion would be the date the employee officially became certified.

When a Senior Fire Investigator position is vacated, that position reverts to the Fire Investigator position.

Sec. FFF-2. Costs to General Fund for promotion adjustments. Costs to the General Fund due to section 1 of this Part must be provided from the Salary Plan program, General Fund account in the Department of Administrative and Financial Services in an amount up to \$10,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and in an amount up to \$13,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 to implement the initiative in section 1.

PART FFF SUMMARY

This Part authorizes employees in a Fire Investigator position to immediately progress to a Senior Fire Investigator position upon successful completion of the Fire Investigator certification by the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) or equivalent certification body. The changes will approve the ability of the Office of the State Fire Marshall to attract and retain capable investigators.

Sec. A-28. Appropriations and allocations.

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

State Police 0291

Initiative: Establishes 16 State Police Trooper positions, 4 State Police Corporal positions, 3 State Police Detective positions, 8 State Police Sergeant-E positions and one State Police Major position and provides funding for related All Other costs.

Ref. #: 754

Committee Vote: 6-2

AFA Vote: _____

| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------|
| POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT | 0.000 | 0.000 | 32.000 |
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$3,151,366 |
| All Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$419,330 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$0 | \$3,570,696 |

Justification:

These positions allow Maine State Police to maintain Resource Coordination Agreements with counties and municipalities and continue with rural policing throughout the state. These positions provide for 24/7 operations. The initiative provides a State Police Major position to help with current span of control issues, provides three additional State Police Detective positions for the Major Crimes Unit, and a State Police Sergeant position for the Unsolved Homicide Unit.

State Police 0291

Initiative: Provides funding for the approved reclassification of one Public Service Manager II position from range 32 to range 33 retroactive to May 16, 2023 and provides funding for related All Other costs.

Ref. #: 755

Committee Vote: 9-0

AFA Vote: _____

| GENERAL FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|---------------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|
| Personal Services | \$0 | \$4,398 | \$3,680 |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$0 | \$4,398 | \$3,680 |

Justification:

The Bureau of Human Resources has approved this employee-initiated reclassification retroactive to May 16, 2023. The retroactive pay is included in this initiative.

State Police 0291

Initiative: Provides funding to align allocations with available revenue.

Ref. #: 756

Committee Vote: 9-0

AFA Vote: _____

| FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
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PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

| DEPARTMENT TOTALS | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|------------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| GENERAL FUND | \$0 | \$12,312 | \$3,574,376 |
| FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND | \$0 | \$550,000 | \$550,000 |
| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS | \$0 | \$700,000 | \$700,000 |
| DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | \$0 | \$1,262,312 | \$4,824,376 |

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