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# ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

# **COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES AND ENERGY**

TO:

Honorable Bill Diamond, Senate Chair

Honorable Emily Ann Cain, House Chair

Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

FROM:

Barry J. Hobbins, Senate Chair

Jon Hinck, House Chair

Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy

DATE:

January 15, 2009

RE:

Recommendations Regarding the Relevant Parts of the Governor's Proposed

2008-2009 Supplemental Budget Bill (LD 45)

The Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy has reviewed those portions of the Governor's Proposed 2008-2009 Supplemental Budget Bill, LD 45, relating to the Energy Conservation Board and the Public Utilities Commission and has voted 12-0 to accept the proposals contained in those portions of the budget. As requested, we are including with this report the budget worksheet form with a record of our committee's votes on the abovereferenced portions of the budget.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the supplemental budget. Please let us know if you have any questions.

cc:

Members. Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Members, Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy

Sec. A-1. Appropriations and allocations.

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

#### ENERGY CONSERVATION BOARD, MAINE

#### Maine Energy Conservation Board Z076

Initiative: Provides funding for the Maine Energy Conservation Board.

Ref. #: 337 - P57	Committee Vote: Accept 12-0	AFA Vote:	
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2008	3-09 2009	2010-11
All Other	\$263,4	400	\$0 \$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$263,4	400	\$0 \$0

#### Justification:

The establishment of allocation, dedicated revenues and transfers are required to carry out the purposes of Public Law 2007, chapter 317, section 14, 35-A M.R.S.A., subsection 10007 - An Act to Establish the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Act of 2007

#### ENERGY CONSERVATION BOARD, MAINE DEPARTMENT TOTALS 2008-09 2009-10 2010-11 \$0 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS \$263,400 \$0 \$263,400 \$0 \$0

#### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

**DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS** 

### Conservation Administration Fund 0966

Initiative: Eliminates one Environmental Engineer position in the Conservation Administration Fund program, Federal Expenditures Fund; one part-time Information Associate position, one part-time Laborer I position, one part-time Information System Support Specialist position, one Librarian II position and one Secretary Associate Legal position in the Public Utilities - Administrative Division program, Other Special Revenue Funds; and one Office Associate II position in the Emergency Services Communication Bureau program, Other Special Revenue Funds. Savings will be used to offset collective bargaining costs in fiscal year 2008-09.

Ref. #: 659 - P136	Committee Vote: Accept 1	1 <u>0-0</u> AFA	Vote:	as and a second
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND		2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT		(1.000)	0.000	0.000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL		\$0	\$0	\$0

# Conservation Program Fund 0967

Initiative: Transfers funding to the Maine Energy Conservation Board.

Committee Vote: Accept 12-0 Ref. #: 660 - P137 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS 2008-09 2009-10 2010-11

All Other	(\$140,000)	\$0	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	(\$140,000)	\$0	\$0

#### Justification:

This transfer is required to carry out the purposes of Public Law 2007, chapter 317, section 11, 35-A M.R.S.A., subsection 3211-A, sub-subsection 5-B - An Act to Establish the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Act of 2007.

#### **Emergency Services Communication Bureau 0994**

Initiative: Eliminates one Environmental Engineer position in the Conservation Administration Fund program, Federal Expenditures Fund; one part-time Information Associate position, one part-time Laborer I position, one part-time Information System Support Specialist position, one Librarian II position and one Secretary Associate Legal position in the Public Utilities - Administrative Division program, Other Special Revenue Funds; and one Office Associate II position in the Emergency Services Communication Bureau program, Other Special Revenue Funds. Savings will be used to offset collective bargaining costs in fiscal year 2008-09.

Ref. #: 661 - P137	Committee Vote: Accept	[2-() AFA	Vote:	and the second s
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS		2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT		(1.000)	0.000	0.000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL		\$0	\$0	\$0

#### Public Utilities - Administrative Division 0184

Initiative: Eliminates one Environmental Engineer position in the Conservation Administration Fund program, Federal Expenditures Fund; one part-time Information Associate position, one part-time Laborer I position, one part-time Information System Support Specialist position, one Librarian II position and one Secretary Associate Legal position in the Public Utilities - Administrative Division program, Other Special Revenue Funds; and one Office Associate II position in the Emergency Services Communication Bureau program, Other Special Revenue Funds. Savings will be used to offset collective bargaining costs in fiscal year 2008-09.

Ref. #: 662 - P137	Committee Vote: TYCE PT	IQ-O AFA	Vote:	<del></del>
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS		2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT		(3.500)	0.000	0.000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	-	\$0	\$0	\$0
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION				
DEPARTMENT TOTALS		2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND		\$0	\$0	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS		(\$140,000)	\$0	\$0
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS		(\$140,000)	\$0	\$0

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SECTION TOTALS	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$123,400	\$0	\$0
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$123,400	\$0	\$0