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STATE OF MAINE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

To: Richard W. Rosen, Senate Chair
Patrick S. Flood, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

From: Roger L. Sherman, Senate Chair
Peter E. Edgecomb, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Re: L.D. 100 An Act To Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2011

Date: February 3, 2011

The Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has reviewed all items pertaining to the Department of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Resources and the Department of Conservation in the supplemental budget. All members present at the January 27, 2011 committee work session voted to approve all items within our jurisdiction. Attached are the work sheets with the recorded votes.

There are, however, 2 additional items that we would like to bring to your attention.

1. Dairy Stabilization Program: On January 25th, the day after our joint public hearing on LD 100, the ACF committee was made aware that the cap on payments under the dairy stabilization payment will be met when payments on January milk are distributed. Those of you who were on AFA in the 124th Legislature are likely to remember that the biennial budget passed in 2009 placed a cap on payments from the program. (PL 2009, c. 213, Part TTT) This action was taken as a budget balancing measure and with knowledge that unless milk prices were higher than projected, Maine dairy farmers would not receive the short-run break-even cost of production for their product. The statutory provisions assuring this safety net were "notwithstanding" in the budget bill and dairy farmers took a hit.

During the second session of the 124th, two pieces of legislation pertaining to the dairy stabilization program passed. (P.L. 2009, c. 467 & PL 2009, c.594) Each had the intent of helping Maine's dairy farmers remain in business during a period of record low prices. The first measure increased the cap, in part justified by increased revenue projections. Both measures directed the administrator to

adjust payments downward if projections indicated the cap would be reached. The purpose of the adjustments was to extend the number of months that payments would be received while providing payments that would be significant enough to help farm businesses stay afloat.

The 2010 measures have worked as intended. Some Maine dairy farms have exited the industry in the last 7 month, most have persisted. Many believe that real reform in the federal milk pricing system is on the horizon. Yesterday, **February 1st, a majority of this committee voted to request that an additional \$1.2 million be appropriated in the emergency supplemental budget and paid out as needed these last 4 months of the fiscal year. Sen. Thibodeau is recommending that \$800,000 be appropriated in the emergency supplemental budget. This lesser amount may, in fact, be enough to fund the program for the remaining 4 months.**

We understand that this is a last hour request. We can practically hear the groan as your members read the above sentence in bold. As the committee of jurisdiction for agricultural matters, as legislators who know that the dairy industry is vital to maintaining agricultural infrastructure, and citizens who firmly believe that agriculture's role in Maine's economy is waxing not waning, we ask you to include an additional \$1.2 million in the AFA committee amendment to LD 100.

In considering the attached draft amendment to implement this request, please know that your decision need not be complicated by questions of which size farm will benefit from the additional funding or how the payments will be divided. The payments will be going to the farms that have not exceeded the Tier 1 production threshold of 16,790 hundredweight of milk prior to March 1st.

Over the coming weeks, ACF will be receiving reports on the implementation of an improved cost of production study and recommendation for revising the tiers of production and target prices. Our ability to advise you on appropriate funding levels for the dairy stabilization program in the upcoming biennium will be enhanced by this information as well as the anticipated confirmation of a new Commissioner of Agriculture.

At this time we can only reiterate our support and the public's will to maintain our dairy industry. The dairy stabilization program is the mechanism in place to accomplish this. We respectfully ask you to consider the requested \$1.2 million along with the "spending initiatives" proposed in the Governor's supplemental budget.

ACF members recommending an additional \$1.2 million for payments under the Maine Dairy Stabilization Program: Sen Sherman, Sen. Schneider, Rep. McCabe, Rep. Foster, Rep. Edgecomb, Rep. Timberlake, Rep. Black, Rep. Dill, Rep. Kent, Rep. O'Brien

ACF member recommending an additional \$800,000 for payments under the Maine Dairy Stabilization Program: Sen. Thibodeau

ACF members opposed to requesting additional funding for payments under the Maine Dairy Stabilization Program: Rep. Gifford, Rep. Cray

2. PL 2009, c. 571, Part AA and Part BBBB. It has just today come to our attention that although the Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee accepted the ACF committee's proposal to increase the amount of revenue collected under the Commercial Forestry Excise Tax in fiscal year 2010-2011 (Part BBBB), the language authorizing sale of the Jet Ranger helicopter (Sec. AA-2) was not removed from LD 1671 and remains in the enacted law. Attached is a copy of ACF's memo to AFA dated February 12, 2010 that articulates ACF's recommendation. A separate piece of legislation was reported out of ACF and enacted to allow sharing of information between Maine Revenue Services and the Bureau of Forestry to facilitate identification and collection of the CFET from all land to which the tax legally applies. (PL 2011, c. 568)

In brief the increased revenue coming into the General Fund from the CFET was meant to replace the \$400,000 transfer to the General Fund from the sale of the helicopter. This was clearly the intent of the 124th ACF committee. Those of us who were members last session believe that AFA accepted the recommendation with that same intent.

Part BBBB requires the State Tax Assessor to report to the AFA, ACF and TAX committees no later than February 15, 2011 on "on the amount of additional acreage added to the tax base for the 2011 tax year and additional collections from enforcement activities and their effect on offsetting the \$400,000 increase and on reducing the per acre tax rate in 2011 and thereafter for landowners that made commercial forestry excise tax payments in the 2010 tax year." We understand that the amount will be in excess of the amount to be realized from the sale of the Jet Ranger.

Our concern is with Part AA-3. It does the following:

1. Authorizes the Department of Conservation to sell the helicopter;
2. Requires the State Controller to transfer \$400,000 from the anticipated sale of the helicopter to the General Fund at the close of fiscal year 210-11; and
3. Authorizes the State Controller to transfer any unexpended funds from the Division of Forest Protection, Other Special Revenue Funds to the General Fund if proceeds from sale of the helicopter is less than \$400,000.

Without repealing or amending Sec. AA-3 prior to June 30, 2011, the State Controller will be compelled to transfer \$400,000 from the Division of Forest Protection, Other Special Revenue Funds to the General Fund. We are offering an amendment to LD 100 to repeal Sec. AA-3.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft amendments to implement the recommendations of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry regarding LD 100
2. Text of PL2009, c. 571, Sec. BBBB-1.
3. Excerpt of memo from Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to the Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee on February 12, 2010 pertaining to LD 1671
4. Worksheets for LD 100 items pertaining to the Department of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Resources and the Department of Conservation

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**Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry
Proposed Amendment to**

L.D. 100 An Act To Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2011

February 3, 2011

Dairy Stabilization: Majority Recommendation

Sec. X. . PL 2009, c. 213, Pt. TTT, §2 as amended by PL 2009, c. 467, Sec. 8 is further amended to read:

Sec. TTT-2. Cap on transfers for the dairy stabilization program in fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 3153-D, in fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11, the administrator of the Maine Milk Pool may not certify any amount to be transferred from the General Fund for distributions under Title 7, section 3153-B that would bring the total amount transferred in fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11 above ~~\$17,361,291~~ \$18,561,291.

Notwithstanding Title 7, section 3153-B, in fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11, the administrator of the Maine Milk Pool may not distribute payments for dairy stabilization support that in the aggregate exceed ~~\$17,361,291~~ \$18,561,291.

Sec. Y. Payments under the dairy stabilization program in March through June of 2011. Beginning March 1 2011 and continuing through June 30, 2011, the administrator of the Maine Milk Pool shall calculate and make monthly payments to producers for milk produced in the previous month in accordance with Title 7, section 3153-B and PL 2009, c. 467, Sec. 9 unless and until the cap of \$18,561,291 established in Sec. X of this Act is reached.

SUMMARY

This amendment authorizes the administrator of the Maine Milk Pool to distribute \$1.2 million under the dairy stabilization program beginning in March and ending June 30, 2011. The administrator is directed to make payments as provided in statute until the end of the 2011 fiscal year or until the \$1.2 million cap is reached.

Minority Report: Sen. Thibodeau

Identical to the above except for the amount. Sen. Thibodeau recommends increasing the cap by \$800,000 from \$17,361,291 to \$18,161,291.

Sec. Z. P.L. 571, Sec. AA-3 is repealed.

Text to be repealed

Sec. AA-3. Transfer; proceeds from sale of Jet Ranger helicopter; Division of Forest Protection account. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 8003, subsection 3, paragraph M-1 or any other provision of law, the Department of Conservation is authorized to sell a Jet Ranger helicopter between April 1, 2011 and June 30, 2011. The State Controller shall transfer \$400,000 from the anticipated proceeds of the sale of the Jet Ranger helicopter from the Division of Forest Protection, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Conservation to the General Fund unappropriated surplus at the close of fiscal year 2010-11. The State Controller may transfer unexpended funds from the Division of Forest Protection, Other Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Conservation to the General Fund unappropriated surplus if the proceeds from the sale of the helicopter by state surplus is less than \$400,000.

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PUBLIC LAW 2009, CHAPTER 571

PART BBBB

Sec. BBBB-1. Commercial forestry excise tax special assessment; report on enforcement activities. In addition to the amount calculated for the commercial forestry excise tax under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, section 2723-A, subsection 5-A for taxes due on May 1, 2011, the State Tax Assessor shall increase the amount to be collected from owners of commercial forest land in accordance with Title 36, section 2723-A, subsection 5-A on a one-time basis by \$400,000. The special assessment imposed pursuant to this section may not be considered revenue for the purposes of Title 36, section 2723-A. The State Tax Assessor shall report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over agriculture, conservation and forestry matters and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over taxation matters no later than February 15, 2011 on the amount of additional acreage added to the tax base for the 2011 tax year and additional collections from enforcement activities and their effect on offsetting the \$400,000 increase and on reducing the per acre tax rate in 2011 and thereafter for landowners that made commercial forestry excise tax payments in the 2010 tax year.

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COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

TO: Senator Bill Diamond, Senate Chair
Representative Emily Cain, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

FROM: Senator John M. Nutting, Senate Chair
Representative Wendy Pieh, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

DATE: February 12, 2010



NOTE

RE: Recommendations on Part AA and I of L.D. 1671 – the Supplemental Budget Bill

Thank you for allowing us more time to discuss Part AA and Part DDD and offer additional thoughts.

Part AA: In our memo dated January 26th, we communicated our grave reservations regarding the sections of Part AA that significantly diminish resources available to the Division of Forest Protection within the Maine Forest Service. Further discussions amplified these concerns and led us to the recommendation outlined below. This is the unanimous recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Recommendation : Remove Sec. AA-1 and Sec. AA-3 from LD 1671 and deposit revenue of an equal or greater amount to the General Fund by collecting unpaid taxes due under the Commercial Forestry Excise Tax. Representatives from both Maine Revenue Services and the Maine Forest Services attending budget work sessions at the committee's request acknowledged that many landowners subject to the CFET are not paying the tax. Some landowners may truly be unaware of the tax on commercial forestland. Others may be aware of the tax but have not identified themselves to MRS as owners of forestland.

Maine Revenue Services has not shared tax return information with MFS under the advice that such sharing is not clearly exempted from the confidentiality provision in Title 36, section 191. By sharing information, MFS can assist MRS in identifying landowners who are engaged in commercial forestry but do not appear on the rolls of those paying the CFET.

Standard practice when those subject to a tax are identified is to collect back taxes of 2-3 years in addition to the current year. Capturing 550,000 acres on which the tax has not been paid will yield \$203,500 for each of the past 2 years and another \$203,500 for the current year for a total of \$610,500. The actual number of captured acres is likely to exceed 550,000.

Please note that the identification of additional acreage subject to the tax will not increase revenue in the future unless the 40/60 ratio of funding between the CFET and the General Fund is changed. However, collections for the current year and past 2 years will be deposited in the General Fund according to standard practice and will aptly cover the \$600,000 which Sec. AA-1 and Sec. AA-3 proposed to fill.

A subcommittee of ACF developed 6 options for the entire committee to consider. On February 10th, the committee quickly and unanimously endorsed the proposal outlined above. The other 5 were not discussed at length but are briefly described in **Attachment A**. Some warrant further examination as continuing means of equitably and adequately funding fire protection in the unorganized territories. With limited time to examine each, we are recommending option one as a fair approach to realizing \$600,000 in the current biennium and a more responsible action than selling equipment and diminishing resources for fire protection.

Table 1 presents the fiscal impact for Sec. AA-1 and Sec. AA-3. Although we are confident that \$600,000 of additional revenue can be generated in the current biennium, how quickly that revenue comes in depends on the sharing of information between two state agencies.

Transfers to General Fund Proposed in Part AA – page ACF-23

	FY 2009-10	FY2010-11
Proposed in Sec. AA-1 (lines 3-10)	\$50,000	\$150,000
Proposed in Sec. AA-3 (lines 16-25)	\$400,000	
	\$450,000	\$150,000

In concluding our recommendation regarding the integrity of funding for the Division of Forest Protection, we again call your attention to the need to exempt the division from the lapsing of personal services appropriations required under 5 MRSA §1582, sub-§4 as recently amended by PL 2009, c. 462, Part G. Amending language for that section is provided in **Attachment 2**.

Recommended language to authorize the sharing of information between Maine Revenue Services and the Maine Forest Service is provided in **Attachment 3**.

Part DDD: While the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry rejected Part DDD of the proposed budget, we were pleased by AFA's interest in the recommendations that came out of the Natural Resource Agencies Task Force and would like to elaborate a bit on the comments at the January 26th work session.

ACF Vote

Sec. A-2. Appropriations and allocations.

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

Jan. 27, 2011

AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

Absent: Sen. Thibodeau
Rep. Kent

Division of Market and Production Development 0833

Initiative: Transfers one Planning and Research Associate II position from the Division of Market and Production Development program to the Office of the Commissioner program and reorganizes it to a Public Service Coordinator I position. Eliminates one Planning and Research Associate I position in the Maine Milk Commission.

Rep. Gray
Rep. O'Brien

Ref. #: 31

Committee Vote:

9-0

AFA Vote:

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT

Personal Services

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
	(1,000)	0.000	0.000
	(\$17,251)	\$0	\$0
	(\$17,251)	\$0	\$0

Justification:

The Public Service Coordinator I will provide assistance in developing and implementing policy, internal controls and implement control procedures for the Department. Headcount and funding is offset by the transfer and reorganization of one limited-period Planning & Research Associate II to Public Service Coordinator I and the elimination of one Planning & Research Associate I position. Current transfers into the indirect cost account are sufficient to fund this position.

Milk Commission 0188

Initiative: Transfers one Planning and Research Associate II position from the Division of Market and Production Development program to the Office of the Commissioner program and reorganizes it to a Public Service Coordinator I position. Eliminates one Planning and Research Associate I position in the Maine Milk Commission.

Ref. #: 19

Committee Vote:

9-0

AFA Vote:

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT

Personal Services

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
	(1,000)	0.000	0.000
	(\$18,340)	\$0	\$0
	(\$18,340)	\$0	\$0

Justification:

The Public Service Coordinator I will provide assistance in developing and implementing policy, internal controls and implement control procedures for the Department. Headcount and funding is offset by the transfer and reorganization of one limited-period Planning & Research Associate II to Public Service Coordinator I and the elimination of one Planning & Research Associate I position. Current transfers into the indirect cost account are sufficient to fund this position.

Office of the Commissioner 0401

Initiative: Transfers one Planning and Research Associate II position from the Division of Market and Production Development program to the Office of the Commissioner program and reorganizes it to a Public Service Coordinator I position. Eliminates one Planning and Research Associate I position in the Maine Milk Commission.

Ref. #: 25

Committee Vote:

9-0

AFA Vote:

Personal Services	(\$446,653)	\$0	\$0
All Other	(\$227,330)	\$0	\$0
SEED POTATO BOARD FUND TOTAL	(\$673,983)	\$0	\$0

Justification:

Program operations moved to the Maine Potato Board pursuant to Public Law 2009, chapter 379.

AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
GENERAL FUND	(\$57,344)	\$0	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$56,571	\$0	\$0
SEED POTATO BOARD FUND	(\$673,983)	\$0	\$0
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	(\$674,756)	\$0	\$0

Sec. A-8. Appropriations and allocations.

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

CONSERVATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Forest Health and Monitoring 0233

Initiative: Reduces funding by recognizing one-time savings achieved by using the Federal Expenditures Fund for a portion of Central Fleet Management expenditures. This initiative relates to curtailment of allotments ordered by the Governor pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1668.

Ref. #: 108

Committee Vote: 9-0 AFA Vote: _____

in

GENERAL FUND		2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
All Other		(\$10,000)	\$0	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL		(\$10,000)	\$0	\$0

Ref. #: 109

Committee Vote: 9-0 AFA Vote: _____

in

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND		2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
All Other		\$10,000	\$0	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL		\$10,000	\$0	\$0

Justification:

Transfers a portion of Central Fleet Management vehicle rental costs to federal funds for fiscal year 2010-11 only.

Forest Policy and Management - Division of 0240

Initiative: Reduces funding by recognizing one-time savings achieved by using the Federal Expenditures Fund for a portion of Central Fleet Management expenditures. This initiative relates to curtailment of allotments ordered by the Governor pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1668.

Ref. #: 112

Committee Vote: 9-0 AFA Vote: _____

in

GENERAL FUND		2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
All Other		(\$20,000)	\$0	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL		(\$20,000)	\$0	\$0

Ref. #: 113

Committee Vote: 9-0 AFA Vote: _____

in

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND		2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
All Other		\$20,000	\$0	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL		\$20,000	\$0	\$0

Justification:

Transfers a portion of Central Fleet Management vehicle rental costs to federal funds for fiscal year 2010-11 only.

Office of the Commissioner 0222

Initiative: Reduces funding by recognizing one-time savings achieved by reducing operating expenditures. This initiative relates to curtailment of allotments ordered by the Governor pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1668.

Ref. #: 100

Committee Vote: 9-0
in

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	(\$6,604)	\$0	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	(\$6,604)	\$0	\$0

Justification:

Expenditures for general operations and office & other supplies will be reduced to achieve one-time savings.

Off-road Recreational Vehicles Program 0224

Initiative: Adjusts funding to bring allocations into line with projected available resources based on the reprojection of revenue by the Revenue Forecasting Committee in December 2010.

Ref. #: 102

Committee Vote: 9-0
in

AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	(\$55,287)	\$0	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	(\$55,287)	\$0	\$0

Justification:

This initiative will reduce the spending level to more accurately reflect actual spending patterns and projections.

Parks - General Operations 0221

Initiative: Reduces funding by recognizing one-time savings in Personal Services from the management of vacant positions in fiscal year 2010-11. This initiative relates to curtailment of allotments ordered by the Governor pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1668.

Ref. #: 97

Committee Vote: 9-0
in

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
Personal Services	(\$89,717)	\$0	\$0

GENERAL FUND TOTAL	(\$89,717)	\$0	\$0
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Justification:

Savings will be achieved by leaving positions vacant. 6 positions have been identified by the department to achieve these savings.

Parks - General Operations 0221

Initiative: Reduces funding by recognizing one-time savings for equipment repairs by delaying some expenditures until fiscal year 2011-12.

Ref. #: 98

Committee Vote: 9-0 AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND			
All Other	(\$17,400)	\$0	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	(\$17,400)	\$0	\$0

Justification:

Parks General Operations will delay repairing equipment as much as possible in the current fiscal year.

CONSERVATION, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS			
GENERAL FUND	(\$143,721)	\$0	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$30,000	\$0	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	(\$55,287)	\$0	\$0
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	(\$169,008)	\$0	\$0

Sec. B-1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

Pesticides Control - Board of 0287

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

Ref. #: 21

Committee Vote:

9-0

AFA Vote:

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Personal Services

All Other

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
\$9,927	\$0	\$0
(\$9,927)	\$0	\$0
\$0	\$0	\$0

AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS

2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
\$0	\$0	\$0
\$0	\$0	\$0

CONSERVATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Mining Operations 0230

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

Ref. #: 106

Committee Vote:

9-0

AFA Vote:

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Personal Services

All Other

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
\$6,261	\$0	\$0
(\$6,261)	\$0	\$0
\$0	\$0	\$0

CONSERVATION, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS

2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
\$0	\$0	\$0
\$0	\$0	\$0

9-0
in

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

2 **PART H**

3 **Sec. H-1. Transfer; unexpended funds; Division of Forest Protection**
4 **account.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Controller shall transfer
5 \$80,000 by the close of fiscal year 2010-11 from the Division of Forest Protection, Other
6 Special Revenue Funds account in the Department of Conservation to the unappropriated
7 surplus of the General Fund.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 **PART H**

10 This Part transfers \$80,000 in unexpended funds from the Division of Forest
11 Protection, Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Conservation
12 to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund by the close of fiscal year 2010-11.

Fiscal Note - Part H

	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	Projections FY 2013-14	Projections FY 2014-15
Transfers					
General Fund					
PART H, Section 1	\$80,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds					
PART H, Section 1	(\$80,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Committee Recommendations for Changes to Governor's Budget Proposal (Majority)

Name of Committee: ACF

LD: 100 Date of Report: 2-3-11

GF Cost (Savings)		Change in Headcount (All Funds)		Vote
	FY11		FY11	

Governor's GF Budget Initiatives Net Cost (Savings)		(\$281,065)		
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Initiatives Rejected by Committee & Effect on Net GF Cost or Savings				
Total Cost (Savings) From Rejected Initiatives		\$0	\$0	0.0 0.0

Initiatives Amended by Committee & Effect on Net GF Cost or Savings				
Page	Reference/ Part	Description of Amendment (Attach Revised Initiative Description or Language)		
Total Cost (Savings) From Amended Initiatives			\$0	\$0 0.0 0.0

Initiatives Added by Committee & Effect on Net GF Cost or Savings				
		Appropriates an additional funding for payments to farmers under the dairy stabilization program	\$1,200,000	10-3
Total Cost (Savings) From Additional Initiatives			\$0	\$1,200,000 0.0 0.0

Total Additions to or Subtraction from Governor's Net Total		\$0	\$1,200,000	0.0 0.0
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POLICY COMMITTEE'S GF Budget Initiatives Net Cost (Savings)		\$0	\$918,935	0.0 0.0
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