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COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

TO:

Senator, Richard Rosen, Senate Chair

Representative, Patrick Flood, House Chair

Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

FROM:

Senator Thomas Martin, Senate Chair

Representative Paul Davis, House Chair

Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

DATE:

January 26, 2011

SUBJ:

Committee report on LD 100- Supplemental Budget for the FY ending June 30,

2011

The Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife voted 11-0 to oppose that part of Governor LePage's supplemental budget that falls within the policy jurisdiction of our committee (See attached voting sheet). As you know, the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is unique among state agencies in that the Constitution of Maine provides that "the amount of funds appropriated in any fiscal year to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife ... may not be less than the total revenue collected [by the department]." Based on current projections, the amount of General Fund money appropriated for Fiscal Year 2010-11 to the department may be less than what is required by the Constitution of Maine. Therefore, we cannot support any further reduction in the department's budget.

Thank you for your consideration of our recommendation.

cc: Patrick Norton, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis

Sec. A-33. Appropriations and allocations.

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF

Office of the Commissioner - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0529

Initiative: Reduces funding for out-of-state travel.

Ref. #: 371

Committee Vote:

AFA Vote:

 GENERAL FUND
 2010-11
 2011-12
 2012-13

 All Other
 (\$2,689)
 \$0
 \$0

 GENERAL FUND TOTAL
 (\$2,689)
 \$0
 \$0

Justification:

The department will reduce or find alternative funding for attending regional and national fish and wildlife conferences held by the National Association of Fish and Wildlife agencies and meetings of the Atlantic Flyway Council. Approximately six of these events are scheduled annually at various locations throughout the country.

Search and Rescue 0538					
Initiative: Reduces funding for training.					
Ref. #: 373	Committee Vote:	11-0	AFA Vote:		
GENERAL FUND			2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
All Other		ı	(\$1,014)	\$0	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL			(\$1,014)	\$0	\$0

Justification:

Members of the incident management team will reduce their participation in training exercises that occur annually with non-state partners. Additionally, the incident commander will not attend training that occurs annually with the National Association of Search and Rescue.

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF

 DEPARTMENT TOTALS
 2010-11
 2011-12
 2012-13

 GENERAL FUND
 (\$3,703)
 \$0
 \$0

 DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS
 (\$3,703)
 \$0
 \$0

Committee Recommendations for Changes to Governor's Budget Proposal (Majority) Name of Committee: <u>IFW</u> LD: <u>/00</u> Date of Report: <u>1-26-201/</u> Change in Headcount GF Cost (Savings) (All Funds) FY11 FY11 Vote Governor's GF Budget Initiatives Net Cost (Savings) (\$3,703) Initiatives Rejected by Committee & Effect on Net GF Cost or Savings Reference Page Part Summary of Initiative IFW-1 371 Reduces funding for out-of-state travel \$2,689 11-0 out IFW-1 373 Reduces funding for training \$1,014 11-0 out Total Cost (Savings) From Rejected Initiatives \$0 \$3,703 0.0 0.0 Initiatives Amended by Committee & Effect on Net GF Cost or Savings Part Description of Amendment (Attach Revised Initiative Description or Language) Total Cost (Savings) From Amended Initiatives \$0 \$0 0.00.0Initiatives Added by Committee & Effect on Net GF Cost or Savings Total Cost (Savings) From Additional Initiatives \$0 \$0 0.0 0.0

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Total Additions to or Subtraction from Governor's Net Total

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