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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: March 10, 2009

RE: Recommendations Regarding the Relevant Parts of the Governor's Proposed
Biennial Budget Bill (LD 353)

The Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy has reviewed those portions of the Governor's Proposed Biennial Budget Bill, LD 353, relating to the Energy Conservation Board, the Public Advocate and the Public Utilities Commission. The committee has voted 13-0 to accept the proposals contained in those portions of the budget with one change, which is noted on page UTE-1 of the attached budget worksheet form. As shown on the worksheet, we recommend that the Energy Conservation Board allocation be reduced from \$263,400 to \$213,400 in FY09-10 and FY10-11. This was recommended by the Energy Conservation Board to correct a clerical error that occurred in the submission of the budget.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the biennial 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-23. 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. #: 1345

Committee Vote: Amend 13-0

AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

All Other

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

2009-10	2010-11
\$263,400	\$263,400
\$213,400	\$213,400
\$263,400	\$263,400
\$213,400	\$213,400

Justification:

The establishment of allocation, expenditures, dedicated revenues and transfers is required to carry out the purposes of Public Law 2007, chapter 317, section 14, subsection 10007.

MAINE ENERGY CONSERVATION BOARD Z076

PROGRAM SUMMARY

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

All Other

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

History 2007-08	History 2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
\$0	\$0	\$263,400	\$263,400
\$0	\$0	\$263,400	\$263,400

See above