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ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

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

FROM: Senator Bruce S. Bryant, Senate Chair  
Representative Herbert E. Clark, House Chair  
Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

DATE: January 16, 2009

SUBJ: LD 45 - Supplemental Budget for 2009

The Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife voted (9-0) to approve those parts of LD 45 - 2009 Supplemental Budget, that fall within the jurisdiction of our committee except for the initiative (ref. # 571, page 111) that eliminates \$51,545 in funding for the printing of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12 and the printing and distribution of boating and ATV law books.

The committee strongly opposes this initiative as law books are a vital component to the management of Maine's fish and wildlife resources. Therefore, we recommend a one-time transfer of \$51,545 from the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Carrying Balances to restore funding for the printing of Title 12 and certain law books. In order to resolve this issue on an ongoing basis, the committee will provide statutory language to you next week that will authorize the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to charge for law books or abstracts to cover the cost of producing and distributing those items.

The committee has also voted (9-0) to amend LD 45 to authorize the creation of a sportsman motorcycle and trailer specialty plate (draft language attached). Revenues generated from the sale of these specialty plates will be deposited into a fund for the purpose of acquiring property to ensure access for recreational opportunities that are licensed by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Thank you for your consideration of our recommendations.

cc: Members, Joint Standing Committee on Marine  
Patrick Norton, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis

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

**INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Administrative Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0530**

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in heating fuel costs.

Ref. #: 536 - P103

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$6,702	\$0	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$6,702</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**Justification:**

Adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services.

**Administrative Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0530**

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in utility costs.

Ref. #: 537 - P103

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$7,786	\$0	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$7,786</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**Justification:**

Adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services.

**Administrative Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0530**

Initiative: Provides funding to fully restore the department's cost for support services from the Natural Resources Service Center for fiscal year 2008-09.

Ref. #: 538 - P103

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$25,671	\$0	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$25,671</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**Justification:**

Adjusts funding to provide sufficient resources to fully fund the Department's cost for support services from the Natural Resources Service Center for fiscal year 2008-09.

**Administrative Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0530**

Initiative: Reduces funding for a variety of operations-related activities. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 539 - P104

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	(\$145,042)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$145,042)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Snow plowing at Enfield will be accomplished without contracting for the service; vehicle rents will be reduced and the purchase of clothing will be deferred until the next fiscal year. Additionally, Other Special Revenue funds will be used where appropriate to fund certain OIT costs.

**ATV Safety and Educational Program 0559**

Initiative: Reduces funding for out-of-state travel and clothing expenditures. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 540 - P104

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	(\$400)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$400)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Reduces funds available for out-of-state travel and for the purchase of clothing.

**Endangered Nongame Operations 0536**

Initiative: Reallocates one Biologist I position and one Programmer Analyst position from 100% Endangered Nongame Operations program, Other Special Revenue Funds to 30% Endangered Nongame Operations program, Other Special Revenue Funds and 70% Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Federal Expenditures Fund.

Ref. #: 541 - P104

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$105,177)	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$105,177)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

These transfers will properly align position function with funding.

**Endangered Nongame Operations 0536**

Initiative: Reallocates one Biologist III position from 99% Other Special Revenue Funds and 1% Federal Expenditures Fund in the Endangered Nongame Operations program to 30% Other Special Revenue Funds in the Endangered Nongame Operations program and 70% Federal Expenditures Fund in the Resources Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife program.

Ref. #: 542 - P104

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND**

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$983)	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$983)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Ref. #: 543 - P105

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$67,915)	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$67,915)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

These transfers will properly align position function with funding.

**Endangered Nongame Operations 0536**

Initiative: Reallocates 4 Biologist I positions from 100% Other Special Revenue Funds to 50% Other Special Revenue Funds and 50% Federal Expenditures Fund within the same program.

Ref. #: 544 - P105

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND**

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	\$145,401	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$145,401</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Ref. #: 545 - P105

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$145,401)	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$145,401)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

These transfers will properly align position function with funding.

**Endangered Nongame Operations 0536**

Initiative: Reallocates one Biologist II position and one Biologist III position from 49% Endangered Nongame Operations program, Other Special Revenue Funds and 51% Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife program, Federal Expenditures Fund to 30% Endangered Nongame Operations program, Other Special Revenue Funds and 70% Resource Management Services program, Federal Expenditures Fund.

Ref. #: 546 - P105

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$34,887)	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$34,887)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

These transfers will properly align position function with funding.

**Endangered Nongame Operations 0536**

Initiative: Reallocates one Cartographer position and 2 Biologist II positions from 25% Other Special Revenue Funds and 75% Federal Expenditures Fund to 50% Other Special Revenue Funds and 50% Federal Expenditures Fund within the same program.

Ref. #: 547 - P106

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$56,111)	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$56,111)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Ref. #: 548 - P106

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	\$56,111	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$56,111</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

These transfers will properly align position function with funding.

**Endangered Nongame Operations 0536**

Initiative: Reallocates one Biologist III position from 30% General Fund and 70% Federal Expenditures Fund in the Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife program to 30% General Fund and 45% Federal Expenditures Fund in the Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife program and 13% Federal Expenditures Fund and 12% Other Special Revenue Funds in the Endangered Nongame Operations program.

Ref. #: 549 - P106

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND</b>	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
Personal Services	\$12,100	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,100</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Ref. #: 550 - P106

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
Personal Services	\$11,167	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,167</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This transfer will properly align position function with funding.

**Endangered Nongame Operations 0536**

Initiative: Provides funding to adjust for the increased cost of gasoline to operate department-owned hatchery trucks, boats, snowmobiles and ATVs based on the rate projected by Central Fleet Management.

Ref. #: 551 - P107

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND</b>	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
All Other	\$1,458	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,458</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This request is for the increased cost of gas to operate department owned hatchery trucks, boats, snowmobiles and ATVs.

**Endangered Nongame Operations 0536**

Initiative: Provides funding as a result of increased Central Fleet Management rates and gasoline prices based on estimates from Central Fleet Management.

Ref. #: 552 - P107

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND**

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$95	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$95</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Ref. #: 553 - P107

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$355	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$355</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This request is for the increased cost of maintenance for leased vehicles based on Central Fleet Management's projected rates.

**Enforcement Operations - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0537**

Initiative: Reorganizes one Secretary position to one Secretary Associate position and transfers All Other to Personal Services to fund the reorganization.

Ref. #: 554 - P107

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL FUND**

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	\$960	\$0	\$0
All Other	(\$960)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

The reorganization of this position to Secretary Associate brings the position in line organizationally with similar administrative support positions at the bureau level of administration.

**Enforcement Operations - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0537**

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in heating fuel costs.

Ref. #: 555 - P108

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL FUND**

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$3,610	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,610</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services.

**Enforcement Operations - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0537**

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in utility costs.

Ref. #: 556 - P108

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$979	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$979</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services.

**Enforcement Operations - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0537**

Initiative: Provides funding to adjust for the increased cost of gasoline to operate department-owned hatchery trucks, boats, snowmobiles and ATVs based on the rate projected by Central Fleet Management.

Ref. #: 557 - P108

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$2,507	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,507</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This request is for the increased cost of gas to operate department owned hatchery trucks, boats, snowmobiles and ATVs.

**Enforcement Operations - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0537**

Initiative: Reduces funding by managing vacant positions in fiscal year 2008-09. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 558 - P108

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$230,750)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$230,750)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>



**Justification:**

Not filling vacancies will result in the reduction of calls for service, a reduction in total hours of wildlife, fisheries, boat, snowmobile, ATV enforcement and accident investigations, reduce hours for search and rescue, a reduction of enforcement actions relating to hunting, fishing, trapping and recreational vehicle enforcement, a reduction of resource related compliance inspections of licensed users and a reduction of recreational vehicle compliance inspections.

**Enforcement Operations - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0537**

Initiative: Eliminates funding for out-of-state travel. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 559 - P109

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	(\$4,000)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$4,000)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This will eliminate the Bureau's ability to conduct out-of-state criminal and background investigations.

**Enforcement Operations - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0537**

Initiative: Reduces funding for the purchase of clothing. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 560 - P109

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	(\$25,000)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$25,000)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This will reduce funding for uniforms, footwear and industry-standard safety and law enforcement equipment purchase and replacement for 125 sworn law enforcement officers.

**Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535**

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in heating fuel costs.

Ref. #: 561 - P109

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$13,749	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,749</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services.

**Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535**

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in utility costs.

Ref. #: 562 - P109

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$8,892	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,892</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Ref. #: 563 - P109

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$1,901	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,901</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services.

**Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535**

Initiative: Provides funding to adjust for the increased cost of gasoline to operate department-owned hatchery trucks, boats, snowmobiles and ATVs based on the rate projected by Central Fleet Management.

Ref. #: 564 - P110

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$1,402	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,402</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This request is for the increased cost of gas to operate department owned hatchery trucks, boats, snowmobiles and ATVs.

**Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535**

Initiative: Provides funding as a result of increased Central Fleet Management rates and gasoline prices based on estimates from Central Fleet Management.

Ref. #: 565 - P110

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$181	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$181</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This request is for the increased cost of maintenance for leased vehicles based on Central Fleet Management's projected rates.

**Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535**

Initiative: Reduces funding by managing vacant positions in fiscal year 2008-09. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 566 - P110

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$6,500)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$6,500)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

The imposition of stricter constraints on hiring will result in one-time personal services savings in the current fiscal year.

**Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535**

Initiative: Reduces funding by charging the Federal Expenditures Fund for a portion of Personal Services associated with one Director Veterinarian Service position and one Microbiologist II position. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 567 - P110

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$66,661)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$66,661)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Federal funds will cover 75% of the costs of two positions in this program.

**Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535**

Initiative: Reduces funding for a variety of operations-related activities. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 568 - P111

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	(\$132,839)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$132,839)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Eliminates funding for out-of-state travel and restricts mileage allowance by 50%; eliminates 12 off-cycle Central Fleet vehicles, which will impact ability to do field work. Eliminates purchase of all clothing; eliminates the purchase of bulk oxygen, which will impact fish growth. Reduces General Fund resources for utilities and repairs; federal funds will be used as appropriate to assist in on-going fisheries management.

**Licensing Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0531**

Initiative: Reduces funding for out-of-state travel. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 569 - P111

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	(\$500)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$500)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Eliminates out-of-state travel.

**Office of the Commissioner - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0529**

Initiative: Reduces funding to maintain costs within available resources. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 570 - P111

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	(\$2,500)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$2,500)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Staff in the commissioner's office will not travel out of state and there will be no purchase of department logo clothing items by staff or for Advisory Council members.

**Office of the Commissioner - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0529**

Initiative: Eliminates funding for the printing of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, Part 13 and the printing and distribution of boating and ATV law books. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 571 - P111

Committee Vote: 9-0 OUT AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
All Other	<i>Please refer to the cover letter for an explanation and alternative funding source.</i>	(\$51,545)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>		<hr/> (\$51,545)	<hr/> \$0	<hr/> \$0

**Justification:**

Current law states that, "as soon as practicable after the adjournment of the Legislature, the Revisor of Statutes, with assistance of the commissioner, shall issue a revision of all the public laws relating to inland fisheries and wildlife. The laws are now available on-line so we propose to discontinue printing this publication. Boating and ATV law/rule summaries are available on-line eliminating the need for printing and distribution.

**Public Information and Education, Division of 0729**

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in heating fuel costs.

Ref. #: 572 - P112

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
All Other		\$309	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>		<hr/> \$309	<hr/> \$0	<hr/> \$0

Ref. #: 573 - P112

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>		<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
All Other		\$1,929	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>		<hr/> \$1,929	<hr/> \$0	<hr/> \$0

**Justification:**

Adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services.

**Public Information and Education, Division of 0729**

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in utility costs.

Ref. #: 574 - P112

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
All Other		\$690	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>		<hr/> \$690	<hr/> \$0	<hr/> \$0

Ref. #: 575 - P112

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$2,852	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,852</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services.

**Public Information and Education, Division of 0729**

Initiative: Provides funding as a result of increased Central Fleet Management rates and gasoline prices based on estimates from Central Fleet Management.

Ref. #: 576 - P112

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$159	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$159</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This request is for the increased cost of maintenance for leased vehicles based on Central Fleet Management's projected rates.

**Public Information and Education, Division of 0729**

Initiative: Reduces funding by managing vacant positions in fiscal year 2008-09. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 577 - P113

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$48,750)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$48,750)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

The imposition of stricter constraints on hiring will result in one-time personal services savings in the current fiscal year.

**Public Information and Education, Division of 0729**

Initiative: Reduces funding for a variety of operational activities. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 578 - P113

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	(\$91,781)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	(\$91,781)	\$0	\$0

**Justification:**

The greater proportion of the cost of a range of public information activities will be allocated to the Other Special Revenue Funds in Inland Fisheries and Wildlife's promotional account within the Office of the Commissioner. This will impact the use of Other Special Revenue Funds resources for other purposes.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Reallocates one Biologist I position and one Programmer Analyst position from 100% Endangered Nongame Operations program, Other Special Revenue Funds to 30% Endangered Nongame Operations program, Other Special Revenue Funds and 70% Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Federal Expenditures Fund.

Ref. #: 579 - P113

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	\$105,177	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	\$105,177	\$0	\$0

**Justification:**

These transfers will properly align position function with funding.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Reallocates one Biologist III position from 99% Other Special Revenue Funds and 1% Federal Expenditures Fund in the Endangered Nongame Operations program to 30% Other Special Revenue Funds in the Endangered Nongame Operations program and 70% Federal Expenditures Fund in the Resources Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife program.

Ref. #: 580 - P113

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	\$68,898	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	\$68,898	\$0	\$0

**Justification:**

These transfers will properly align position function with funding.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Reallocates one Biologist II position and one Biologist III position from 49% Endangered Nongame Operations program, Other Special Revenue Funds and 51% Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife program, Federal Expenditures Fund to 30% Endangered Nongame Operations program, Other Special Revenue Funds and 70% Resource Management Services program, Federal Expenditures Fund.

Ref. #: 581 - P114

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	\$34,887	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$34,887</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

These transfers will properly align position function with funding.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Reallocates one Biologist III position from 30% General Fund and 70% Federal Expenditures Fund in the Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife program to 30% General Fund and 45% Federal Expenditures Fund in the Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife program and 13% Federal Expenditures Fund and 12% Other Special Revenue Funds in the Endangered Nongame Operations program.

Ref. #: 582 - P114

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$23,267)	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$23,267)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This transfer will properly align position function with funding.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in heating fuel costs.

Ref. #: 583 - P114

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$79	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$79</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>



**Justification:**

Adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in utility costs.

Ref. #: 584 - P115

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$235	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$235</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Provides funding to adjust for the increased cost of gasoline to operate department-owned hatchery trucks, boats, snowmobiles and ATVs based on the rate projected by Central Fleet Management.

Ref. #: 585 - P115

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$1,029	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,029</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This request is for the increased cost of gas to operate department owned hatchery trucks, boats, snowmobiles and ATVs.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Provides funding as a result of increased Central Fleet Management rates and gasoline prices based on estimates from Central Fleet Management.

Ref. #: 586 - P115

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$406	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$406</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

This request is for the increased cost of maintenance for leased vehicles based on Central Fleet Management's projected rates.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Reduces funding for a variety of positions. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 587 - P115

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$192,197)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$192,197)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Federal funds will cover a larger percentage of the personal services costs of several positions.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Reduces funding by managing vacant positions in fiscal year 2008-09. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 588 - P116

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	(\$39,000)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$39,000)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

The imposition of stricter constraints on hiring will result in one-time personal services savings in the current fiscal year. This action will reduce field operations in Moosehead Lake region by 50%.

**Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534**

Initiative: Reduces funding for a variety of operations-related activities. This initiative relates to the curtailments ordered in Financial Order 004576 F9.

Ref. #: 589 - P116

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	(\$18,043)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$18,043)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Justification:**

Eliminates out-of-state travel, number of miles driven, purchase of clothing, office and other supplies and other various general operating expenditures.

**INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF  
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
GENERAL FUND	(\$986,806)	\$0	\$0
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$294,675	\$0	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	(\$280,401)	\$0	\$0
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>(\$972,532)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Sec. B-1. Appropriations and allocations.**

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Administrative Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0530**

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

Ref. #: 733

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	\$4,870	\$0	\$0
All Other	(\$4,870)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535**

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

Ref. #: 734

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	\$1,746	\$0	\$0
All Other	(\$1,746)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Licensing Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0531**

Initiative: RECLASSIFICATIONS

Ref. #: 735

Committee Vote: 9-0 in AFA Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL FUND	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	\$19,182	\$0	\$0
All Other	(\$19,182)	\$0	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF  
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

# Proposed Amendment to LD 45 Supplemental Budget for 2009

## Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

(Voted in 9-0)

### PART ?

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA § 10262, is created to read:

#### §10262. Outdoor Recreational Access Protection Fund

1. Fund established. The Outdoor Recreational Access Protection Fund, referred to in this section as the "fund," is established as a nonlapsing fund administered by the commissioner for the purposes of acquiring real property or an interest in real property necessary to ensure access for recreational opportunities that are licensed under this Part.

2. Funding sources. The fund may receive money deposited by the Treasurer of State pursuant to Title 29-A, sections 456-C for the registration of a motorcycle or trailer and any other gift, grant or other source of revenue deposited for that use.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA § 456-C, is amended to read:

#### §456-C. SPORTSMAN REGISTRATION PLATES

1. Sportsman registration plates. The Secretary of State, upon receiving an application and evidence of payment of the registration fee required by section 501, 511 or 515 and the excise tax required by Title 36, section 1482, shall issue a registration certificate and a set of sportsman plates to be used in lieu of regular registration plates. These plates must bear identification numbers and letters. Vanity plates may not duplicate vanity plates issued in another class of plate. ~~The Secretary of State shall begin issuing sportsmen registration plates by April 1, 2008.~~

2. Initial registration fee. Except as provided in subsection 2-A, and in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law, the initial contribution for the sportsman registration plate is \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

- A. Fourteen dollars to the Boat Launch Facilities Fund established in Title 12, section 10261;
- B. Five dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and
- C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.

**2-A. Initial registration fee for a motorcycle or trailer.** In addition to the regular motorcycle or trailer registration fee prescribed by law, the initial contribution for the sportsman registration plate is \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

- A. Fourteen dollars to the Outdoor Recreational Access Protection Fund established in Title 12, section 10262;
- B. Five dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and
- C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.

**3. Renewal fee.** Except as provided in subsection 3-A, and in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law, the annual renewal contribution for sportsman registration plates is \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

- A. Eighteen dollars credited as follows:
  - (1) Fifty percent to the fish hatchery maintenance fund established in Title 12, section 10252;
  - (2) Fifteen percent to the Boat Launch Facilities Fund established in Title 12, section 10261;
  - (3) Ten percent to the Maine Endangered and Nongame Wildlife Fund established in Title 12, section 10253; and
  - (4) Twenty-five percent to the Support Landowners Program in Title 12, section 10108, subsection 4, paragraph A;
- B. One dollar to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and
- C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.

**3-A. Renewal fee for a motorcycle or trailer.** In addition to the regular motorcycle or trailer registration fee prescribed by law, the annual renewal contribution for the sportsman registration plate is \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

- A. Fourteen dollars to the Outdoor Recreational Access Protection Fund established in Title 12, section 10262;
- B. Five dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and
- C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.

**4. Issuance.** The Secretary of State shall issue a sportsman registration plate in a number or letter sequence or a combination of a number and letter sequence.

**5. Design and approval.** Notwithstanding section 468, subsection 5, the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall submit a new proposed design for the sportsman registration plate every 6 years for approval or modification by the Secretary of State.

**6. Transfer of fees.** On a quarterly basis, the Secretary of State shall transfer the revenue from the issuance and renewal of the sportsman registration plates to the Treasurer of State for deposit and crediting pursuant to subsections 2, 2-A, and 3 and 3-A.

**7. Eligibility; Motorcycle and Trailer.** A sportsman registration plate may be issued for a motorcycle registered pursuant to section 515 or a trailer registered pursuant section 511.

**Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §468, sub-§ 10**, is amended to read:

**10. Additional versions or classes of the specialty plate.** Except for sportsman registration plates issued for motorcycle or trailer under section 656-C, sub-section 7 or otherwise provided by law, all requirements set forth in this section must be followed for each additional class or version of a specialty plate.

### SUMMARY

This proposal creates the Outdoor Recreational Access Protection Fund within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for the purpose of acquiring real property to ensure access for recreational opportunities that are licensed by the department. It also extends the sportsman registration plate to include motorcycles and trailers and dedicates a portion of the registration fee to the Outdoor Recreational Access Protection Fund.