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COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

TO: Senator Margaret R. Rotundo, Senate Chair
Representative Melanie F. Sachs, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

FROM: Benjamin M. Chipman, Senate Chair
Lydia V. Crafts, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

DATE: March 8, 2024

RE: LD 2214, General Fund 2024-2025 Supplemental Budget

On March 5, 2024 the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation held a work session on the portions of LD 2214 under its jurisdiction. As part of that work session, the Committee had a discussion with Commissioner Sauschuck and Colonel Ross from the Department of Public Safety regarding the initiatives within the Department. As a result of those discussions, the Committee voted unanimously, of those members present, to approve the 5 initiatives under its jurisdiction. We have attached the individual vote sheets for your reference.

If you have any questions, or need further clarification, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Ben Chipman /gwr
Benjamin M. Chipman
Senate Chair

Lydia Crafts /gwr
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House Chair

cc: Elena Roig, OPLA
Suzanne Voynik, OFPR

Sec. A-28. Appropriations and allocations.

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

State Police 0291

Initiative: Establishes 16 State Police Trooper positions, 4 State Police Corporal positions, 3 State Police Detective positions, 8 State Police Sergeant-E positions and one State Police Major position and provides funding for related All Other costs.

Ref. #: 754

Committee Vote: in 3.5 AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	0.000	32.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$3,151,366
All Other	\$0	\$0	\$419,330
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$3,570,696

Justification:

These positions allow Maine State Police to maintain Resource Coordination Agreements with counties and municipalities and continue with rural policing throughout the state. These positions provide for 24/7 operations. The initiative provides a State Police Major position to help with current span of control issues, provides three additional State Police Detective positions for the Major Crimes Unit, and a State Police Sergeant position for the Unsolved Homicide Unit.

State Police 0291

Initiative: Provides funding for the approved reclassification of one Public Service Manager II position from range 32 to range 33 retroactive to May 16, 2023 and provides funding for related All Other costs.

Ref. #: 755

Committee Vote: in 3.5 AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Personal Services	\$0	\$4,398	\$3,680
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$4,398	\$3,680

Justification:

The Bureau of Human Resources has approved this employee-initiated reclassification retroactive to May 16, 2023. The retroactive pay is included in this initiative.

State Police 0291

Initiative: Provides funding to align allocations with available revenue.

Ref. #: 756

Committee Vote: in 3.5 AFA Vote: _____

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
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All Other	\$0	\$225,000	\$225,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$225,000	\$225,000

Ref. #: 757

Committee Vote: in 3.5

AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
All Other	\$0	\$700,000	\$700,000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	\$700,000	\$700,000

Justification:

The department has available grant revenue that exceeds existing allocations.

State Police 0291

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the retroactive payment of an approved reclassification and for related All Other costs.

Ref. #: 758

One Time

Committee Vote: in 3.5

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Personal Services	\$0	\$7,914	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$7,914	\$0

Justification:

This initiative provides funding for a retroactive payment for an approved employee-initiated reclassification. The retroactive payment amount is based on when the reclassification became effective on November 2, 2020 through when the employee vacated the position on July 30, 2022. The position has since been reorganized to another reclassification.

Traffic Safety - Commercial Vehicle Enforcement 0715

Initiative: Provides funding to align allocations with available revenue.

Ref. #: 768

Committee Vote: in 3.5

AFA Vote: _____

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
All Other	\$0	\$325,000	\$325,000
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$325,000	\$325,000

Justification:

The department has available grant revenue that exceeds existing allocations.

PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$12,312	\$3,574,376
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$0	\$550,000	\$550,000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$700,000	\$700,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$1,262,312	\$4,824,376

