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House of Representatives, March 29, 2011

### **An Act To Fund Commuter and Passenger Rail Transportation in Maine**

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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST  
Clerk

Presented by Representative CHIPMAN of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Senator PATRICK of Oxford and  
Representatives: CROCKETT of Bethel, SHAW of Standish.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 8 MRSA §1036, sub-§2-A**, as enacted by IB 2009, c. 2, §45, is amended  
3 to read:

4 **2-A. Distribution from casino of slot machine income.** A casino operator shall  
5 collect and distribute 46% of the net slot machine income from slot machines operated by  
6 the casino operator to the board for distribution by the board as follows:

7 A. Twenty-five percent of the net slot machine income must be forwarded directly  
8 by the board to the Treasurer of State, who shall credit the money to the Department  
9 of Education, to be used to supplement and not to supplant funding for essential  
10 programs and services for kindergarten to grade 12 under Title 20-A, chapter 606-B;

11 B. Four percent of the net slot machine income must be forwarded by the board to  
12 the University of Maine System Scholarship Fund created in Title 20-A, section  
13 10909;

14 C. Three percent of the net slot machine income must be forwarded by the board to  
15 the Board of Trustees of the Maine Community College System to be applied by the  
16 board of trustees to fund its scholarships program under Title 20-A, section 12716,  
17 subsection 1;

18 D. Four percent of the net slot machine income must be forwarded by the board to  
19 the Treasurer of State, who shall distribute the funds to the tribal governments of the  
20 Penobscot Nation and the Passamaquoddy Tribe;

21 E. Three percent of the net slot machine income must be deposited to the General  
22 Fund for administrative expenses of the board, including gambling addiction  
23 counseling services, in accordance with rules adopted by the board;

24 F. Two percent of the net slot machine income must be forwarded directly to the  
25 municipality in which the casino is located;

26 G. One percent of the net slot machine income must be forwarded by the board to the  
27 Treasurer of State, who shall credit the money to the Agricultural Fair Support Fund  
28 established in Title 7, section 91;

29 ~~H. One percent of the net slot machine income must be forwarded by the board to the~~  
30 ~~Treasurer of State, who shall credit the money to the fund established in section 298~~  
31 ~~to supplement harness racing purses;~~

32 ~~I. One percent of the net slot machine income must be credited by the board to the~~  
33 ~~Sire Stakes Fund created in section 281;~~

34 J. One percent of the net slot machine income must be forwarded directly to the  
35 county in which the casino is located to pay for mitigation of costs resulting from  
36 gaming operations; ~~and~~

37 K. One percent of the net slot machine income must be forwarded by the board to the  
38 Treasurer of State, who shall credit the money to the Department of Agriculture,  
39 Food and Rural Resources to fund dairy farm stabilization pursuant to Title 7, section  
40 3153-B; and

