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In Senate, March 26, 2013

An Act To Maintain the Integrity of the Fund for a Healthy Maine

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative GRAHAM of North Yarmouth and
Senators: GRATWICK of Penobscot, JOHNSON of Lincoln, LACHOWICZ of Kennebec,
Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, FARNSWORTH of Portland, GATTINE of
Westbrook, STUCKEY of Portland.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2 3	Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1511, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 401, Pt. V, §1, is amended to read:
4 5 6 7	5. General Fund limitation. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this section, any program, expansion of a program, expenditure or transfer authorized by the Legislature using the Fund for a Healthy Maine may not be transferred to the General Fund without specific legislative approval.
8	SUMMARY
9 10 11 12	Under current law, the Fund for a Healthy Maine is funded by ongoing funds from the so-called tobacco settlement. These funds may not be transferred to the General Fund to be used for any purpose other than specified prevention and health promotion purposes except when specifically approved by the Legislature.
13 14	This bill removes the provision of current law that allows the Legislature to approve transfers of funds from the Fund for a Healthy Maine to the General Fund.