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: March 25, 2009 (Updated 3-26-09)

SUBJ: Committee report LD 353 – the Biennial Budget for 2009-10 and 2010-11

The Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife voted 10-2 to support those provisions of the Governor’s biennial budget (LD 353) within the jurisdiction of the committee provided the budget is amended as proposed in this memorandum. Our committee has worked extremely hard to reach the level of agreement we have on these recommendations. We have balanced the department’s biennial budget while providing a number of new opportunities for sportsman. Some of those opportunities include giving youth hunters complementary big game hunting permits to encourage youth participation in hunting and to allowing hunters to take an additional turkey during the spring wild turkey hunt. Additionally, we provide critical oxygen supplies to our fish hatcheries and maintain a number of positions within the department that we feel are vital if the department is going to maintain its current level of service to the public.

We strongly recommend that LD 353 be amended as follows:

1. Page IFW-27, Ref.# 2795 – Retain the 3-day nonresident snowmobile option and direct the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to create one registration that can be used for both the 3-day and seasonal nonresident snowmobile registration (see attached A Part OO);

2. IFW 38, Ref. # 2817 – Transfers the General Fund portion of one Biologist I position to the Other Special Revenues Fund (see Attachment B);

3. Page IFW 41, Ref# 2831 – Restore the 2 Office I positions through an increase in big game tags (see Attached A);
4. IFW 41, Ref.# 2780 – Reduces funding by transferring Office of Information Technology costs from the General Fund to Other Special Revenues Funds (see Attachment C);

5. IFW 42, Ref.# 2819 – Restore the 2 biologist I positions by the transfer of Federal Funds into that account (see Attachments B,C and D);

6. IFW 42, Ref.# 2820 – Reallocation of 33 positions to 30% General Fund and 70% Federal Expenditure Fund within the same program (see Attachment D);

7. IFW 52, All of Part I – Remove the repeal of the Fiscal Stability Programs 18% requirement but suspend its application for the 2012-2013 biennial budget (see Attachment I);

8. IFW 53, Part OO. Strike all of Part OO and replace it with the committee’s amendment that contains a number of initiatives to make up revenues that were proposed in Part OO by the Governor (see Attachment A);

9. Add a new initiative to establish 2 full time Biologist Specialist positions in the Endangered Nongame Operations program to be funded 50% federal money and 50% General Fund (see attachment E);

10. Add a new initiative that establishes 1 limited–period Biology Specialist position in the Resource Management – Wildlife program to be funded 75% Federal Expenditure fund and 25% Other Special Revenue Fund. The position would end June 11, 2011 (see Attachment F);

11. Hold open 3 vacancies within the Warden Service for two years (see Attachment G);

12. Provide an attrition factor of 5% for the department ending on June 30, 2010 with 1.6% going the General Fund and 3.4% going to the department. Also provide a 5% attrition factor for fiscal year ending on June 30, 2011 with all of that money going to the department (see Attachment J).

13. Strike and replace Part CCC with the attached committee amendment (see Attachment H).

While we worked to obtain a unanimous report on this budget there were two members at our last budget work session that could not support our recommendations. However, one of those committee members, Rep. McLeod, supported all of our recommendations except the language that would raise certain resident license fees. To make up revenues lost by not raising fees on residents, Rep. McLeod proposes to raise the hunt/combo/archery/fish licenses for nonresidents by $16 and all other nonresident licenses and permits by $10. This would raise an amount equivalent to the amount raised by the license and permit fee increases contained in our recommendations.

Thank you for your consideration of our recommendations.

cc: Patrick Norton, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis
ATTACHMENT A

Amend the bill by striking Part OO and replacing it with the following:

PART OO

Sec. OO-1. 12 MRSA §10262, is enacted to read:

§10262. Energy Fund

1. Fund established. The Energy Fund, referred to in this section as the "fund," is established in the department's Bureau of Administrative Services. All funds appropriated to the department for energy related costs must be deposited in this fund. The commissioner may accept funds from any source that must be used for the purposes of this fund. The fund may be used only for energy related expenses and maintenance of department owned or leased facilities. Money in the fund at the end of a fiscal year does not lapse and must be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

Sec. OO-2. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2007, c. 168, §§2 and 3 and affected by §8 and amended by c. 203, §§7 to 9, is further amended to read:

3. Hunting licenses; combination licenses; fees. Hunting licenses, combination licenses and fees are as follows.
   A. A resident junior hunting license, for a person 10 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is $7. Notwithstanding the permit fees established in subchapter 3, a junior hunting license includes all permits, stamps and other permissions needed to hunt at no additional cost.
   B. A resident hunting license, for a person 16 years of age or older, is $23 24.
   C. A resident small game hunting license, for a person 16 years of age or older, which permits hunting for all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat, is $14.
   D. A resident combination hunting and fishing license is $40 38.
   E. A resident combination archery hunting and fishing license is $40 38.
   F. A resident apprenticeship hunter license, which includes a bear hunting permit and a wild turkey hunting permit under sections 11151 and 11155 respectively, is $21.
   G. A nonresident junior hunting license, for a person 10 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is $29 27.
   H. A nonresident small game hunting license, which permits hunting of all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat for the 72-hour period specified on the license, is $44 42.
I. A nonresident big game hunting license, which permits hunting of all legal species subject to the permit requirements in chapter 915, subchapter 3, is $108 +02.

J. A nonresident combination hunting and fishing license is $143 +37.

K. An alien small game hunting license, which permits hunting of all species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat, is $74 +72.

L. An alien big game hunting license, which permits hunting of all legal species subject to the permit requirements in chapter 915, subchapter 3, is $133 +27.

M. An alien combination hunting and fishing license is $184 +78.

N. A license to use leashed dogs to track wounded animals, which permits a person to use one or more leashed dogs to track a lawfully wounded deer, moose or bear, is $27.

O. A nonresident small game apprenticeship hunter license, which permits the hunting of all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat, is $69 +67.

P. A nonresident big game apprenticeship hunter license, which permits the hunting of all legal species and includes a bear hunting permit and a wild turkey hunting permit under sections 11151 and 11155 respectively, is $104 +02.

Sec. OO-3. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2005, c. 397, Pt. E, §7, is further amended to read:

5. Muzzle-loading permits and fees. Muzzle-loading hunting permits and fees are as follows:

A. A resident muzzle-loading hunting permit is $13;
B. A nonresident muzzle-loading hunting permit is $64 +62; and
C. An alien muzzle-loading hunting permit is $74 +72.

Sec. OO-4. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§7, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §5, is further amended to read:

7. Archery hunting licenses; combination licenses; fees. Archery hunting licenses, combination licenses and fees are as follows:

A. A resident archery license is $23 +24;
B. A resident combination archery hunting and fishing license is $40 +38;
C. A nonresident archery license is $68 +62; and
D. An alien archery license is $78 +72.

Sec. OO-5. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§9, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 419, §5 and affected by §12, is amended to read:

9. Crossbow licenses and fees. Crossbow hunting licenses and fees are as follows:

A. A resident crossbow hunting license is $25;
B. A nonresident crossbow hunting license is $50 +48; and
C. An alien crossbow hunting license is $74 +72.

Sec. OO-6. 12 MRSA §11151, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §7, is further amended to read:
3. **Issuance; permit fee.** The commissioner, through the commissioner's authorized agent, shall issue a bear hunting permit to an eligible person. The annual fee for each permit issued is $27 for residents and $69 for nonresidents.

**Sec. OO-7. 12 MRSA §11154, sub-§3,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §9, is further amended to read:

3. **Moose hunting permit fee.** The fee for a moose hunting permit is $52 for a resident and $479 for a nonresident or alien.

**Sec. OO-8. 12 MRSA §11155, sub-§1-B,** as enacted by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §11, is amended to read:

1-B. **Issuance; permit fee.** The commissioner, through the commissioner's authorized agent, shall issue a wild turkey hunting permit to an eligible person. The annual fee for a wild turkey hunting permit is $20 for residents and $49 for nonresidents and aliens. The fee for a spring hunt wild turkey permit that allows the take of 2 male wild turkeys is $40 for residents and $98 for nonresidents.

**Sec. OO-9. 12 MRSA §11701,** is amended to read:

§11701. Authority of commissioner; wild turkey hunting

Except as provided in this section, the commissioner may establish open seasons for hunting wild turkeys, designate areas that are open to the taking of wild turkeys in any part of the State, prescribe the form and regulate the number of permits to be issued, determine the number and sex of the birds to be harvested, establish bag limits except that during a spring wild turkey hunt the bag limit is two male wild turkeys, establish permit eligibility requirements, establish legal hunting times, specify the types of weapons to be used during any open wild turkey hunting season and make any other rules that the commissioner considers necessary for the protection of the wild turkey resource.

A person who violates this section commits a Class E crime for which the court shall impose a fine of not less than $500, none of which may be suspended. The court also shall impose a fine of $500 for each turkey unlawfully possessed, none of which may be suspended.

**Sec. OO-10. 12 MRSA §12201, sub-§6,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §23, is further amended to read:

6. **Trapping fees.** The fees for trapping licenses are as follows:
   A. A resident junior trapping license, for a person 10 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is $9;
   B. A resident trapping license, for a person 16 years of age or older, is $35; and
   C. A nonresident trapping license is $312.
Sec. OO-11. 12 MRSA §12301, sub-§3, is amended to read:

3. Agent duties. Registration agents shall:
   A. Register every bear, deer, moose or wild turkey legally presented for registration;
   B. Attach a seal to each bear, deer, moose or wild turkey in the manner directed and
      with the materials furnished by the commissioner; and
   C. Collect $5 and retain $1 for each seal from the person registering a bear, deer,
      moose or wild turkey. The remaining $4 must be returned to the department by the agent
      pursuant to section 10801, subsection 3.

Sec. OO-12. 12 MRSA §12501, sub-§6, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt.
III, §24, is further amended to read:

6. Schedule of fees. The fees for fishing licenses are as follows.
   A. A resident fishing license is $23.
   B. A resident combination hunting and fishing license is $40.
   C. A resident combination archery hunting and fishing license is $40.
   D. A nonresident junior fishing license, for persons 12 years of age or older and
      under 16 years of age, is $11.
   E. A 3-day fishing license for a resident or nonresident, valid for the 72-hour period
      specified on the license, is $23 for a resident and $25 for a nonresident.
   F. A nonresident 7-day fishing license, valid for 7 days from date indicated on
      license, is $38.
   G. A nonresident 15-day fishing license, valid for 15 days from date indicated on
      license, is $42.
   H. A nonresident season fishing license for persons 16 years of age or older is $58.
   I. An alien season fishing license for persons 16 years of age or older is $78.
   J. A one-day fishing license for a resident or nonresident, valid for the 24-hour
      period indicated on license, for a resident is $11 and for a nonresident is $13.

Sec. OO-13. 12 MRSA §12912, sub-§1, is amended to read:

1. User fee. This subsection applies to the payment of user fees by outfitters
   carrying passengers on rapidly flowing rivers.
   A. Each outfitter shall:
      (1) Pay a user fee of $2 per passenger, excluding guides, carried by the outfitter on
      any whitewater trip; and
      (2) Pay this fee by the 30th day of the month following the month in which the
      passengers were carried.
   B. The following penalties apply to violations of paragraph A.
      (1) A person who violates paragraph A commits a civil violation for which a fine of
          not less than $100 nor more than $500 may be adjudged.
      (2) A person who violates paragraph A after having been adjudicated as having
          committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period
          commits a Class E crime.
Sec. OO-14. 12 MRSA §13056, sub-§1-A, paragraph B, is amended to read:

B. The following penalties apply to violations of this subsection.
   (1) A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than $200 nor more than $500 may be adjudged.
   (2) A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime.

Sec. OO-15. 12 MRSA §13058, sub-§ 1, is amended to read:

§13058. Lake and river protection sticker required

1. Prohibition. A person exempt from the certificate of number requirement pursuant to section 13056, subsection 2, paragraph B may not place or operate a motorboat, or personal watercraft or sea plane on the inland waters of the State unless a valid lake and river protection sticker issued annually under subsection 3 is permanently affixed to:
   A. Each side of the bow of a motorboat or personal watercraft above the water line and approximately 3 inches behind the validation sticker required under section 13056.
   B. Each outside edge of a sea plane’s pontoons so that the entire sticker is visible above the water line when the sea plane is resting on the water.

This sticker is nontransferable.

Sec. OO-16. 12 MRSA §13104, sub-§1, paragraph F, is amended to read:

F. The following penalties apply to violations of this subsection.
   (1) A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than $200 nor more than $500 may be adjudged.
   (2) A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime.

Sec. OO-17. 12 MRSA §13104, sub-§3 and 4, are amended to read:

3. Form of registration. The snowmobile registration must be in such form as the commissioner may determine except the commissioner shall develop a single form of registration that can be used for either the 3-day or seasonal nonresident registrations.

4. Fee. Except as provided in subsection 5, the annual snowmobile registration fee is as follows:
   A. For residents, $35. The registration for a snowmobile owned by a resident is valid for one year, commencing on July 1st of each year.
   B. For nonresidents:
(1) Forty-three dollars for a 3-consecutive-day registration. A person may purchase more than one 3-day registration in any season;
(2) Fifty-eight dollars for a 10-consecutive-day registration. A person may purchase more than one 10-day registration in any season; and
(3) Eighty-eight dollars for a seasonal registration.

The registration for a snowmobile owned by a nonresident must specify the dates for which the registration is valid.

Five dollars from each registration fee collected pursuant to this subsection must be transferred to a special fund administered by the Off-Road Vehicle Division of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation. The funds must be used to assist any entity that has a snowmobile trail-grooming contract with the bureau in the purchase of trail-grooming equipment.

Two dollars from each resident snowmobile registration fee must be transferred to the Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands.

Sec. OO-18. 12 MRSA §13155, sub-§1-A, paragraph B, is amended to read:

B. The following penalties apply to violations of this subsection.
(1) A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than $200 or more than $500 may be adjudged.
(2) A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime.

SUMMARY

This amendment strikes and replaces Part OO with the following:

1. Establishes and Energy Fund within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;
2. Increases certain nonresident and alien hunting license fees by $6 and all other nonresident and alien licenses and permits fees by $2;
3. Increases the resident hunting license, combination hunting and fishing license, combination archery and fishing license, archery license and fishing license fees by $2;
4. Provides that a junior hunting license includes all permits, stamps and other permissions needed to hunt at no additional cost;
5. Creates a spring turkey hunt permit to allow the holder to take two male wild turkeys during the spring hunt;
6. Increase the fee for deer, bear, moose and wild turkey registration tags from $1 to $5;
7. Increases the user fee for whitewater rafting from $1 to $2;
8. Requires sea planes that are operated on inland waters to have a milfoil sticker;
9. Increases the minimum penalty for operating an unregistered recreational vehicle from $100 to $200; and
10. It eliminates the nonresident 10-day snowmobile registration and directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to develop a single form of registration that can be used for either a 3-day or a seasonal nonresident snowmobile registration.
ATTACHMENT B

Dept of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

On IFW-38

Replace initiative 2817 with the following:

Provides for the transfer of one Biologist I position (018651085) from Resource Management – Wildlife 30% General Fund and 70% Federal Funds to Resource Management – Wildlife 30% Other Special Revenue Funds and 70% Federal Funds. This position works with the management of black bears.

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Transfers one Biologist I, position number 01651085
ATTACHMENT C

Dept of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

On IFW-4

Replace initiative 2780 with the following:

Reduces funding by transferring Office of Information Technology costs from the General Fund to Other Special Revenue Funds.

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ATTACHMENT D

Dept of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

On IFW-42

Replace initiative 2820 with the following:

Reallocates 33 positions to 30% General Fund and 70% Federal Expenditure Fund within the same program.

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Adds back the Beginning with Habitat Biologist, position number 018650741 and the Waterfowl Biologist, position number 018650191
ATTACHMENT E

Dept of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

NEW initiative with the following:

Establishes 2 full-time Biology Specialist positions in the Endangered Nongame Operations program to be funded 50% Federal Expenditure fund and 50% General Fund.

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Justification: These are 2 Biology Specialist positions in the Fisheries Division that work statewide in the field and in the Bangor office of the Department. Their work is to assist the 2 Fisheries Biologist II positions in the coordination of statewide fisheries habitat assessment for all lakes, ponds, and streams. They assist in the compilation of aquatic habitat and fisheries surveys that help guide the conservation of fisheries habitat statewide. They are funded by 50% federal funds dedicated to Nongame and habitat work and 50% general fund.
ATTACHMENT F

Dept of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

NEW initiative with the following:

Establishes 1 limited-period Biology Specialist position in the Resource Management – Wildlife program to be funded 75% Federal Expenditure fund and 25% Other Special Revenue Fund. The position would end June 18, 2011.

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**Justification:** This position coordinates the lynx research project in the field and in the Bangor office of the Department. The lynx research project has provided the information on lynx biology and forestry needs in a long-term project coordinated with the University of Maine, the Maine Forest Products Council, and the US Fish & Wildlife Service. The funds from this position are 75% Federal Wildlife funds and 25% funds provided by the forest industry through the University of Maine.
ATTACHMENT G

Amend the bill by adding the following to Part A:

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

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF

Enforcement Operations – Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0537

Initiative: Recognizes one-time savings from holding vacant one Game Warden position, one Game Warden Specialist position and one Game Warden Investigator position until July 1, 2011.

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**SUMMARY**

This section recognizes savings of $253,640 in fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11 in Enforcement Operations – Inland Fisheries and Wildlife within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by holding vacant one Game Warden position, one Game Warden Specialist position and one Game Warden Investigator position.
ATTACHMENT H

Amend PART CCC by striking all of Part CCC and replacing it with the following:

PART CCC

Sec. CCC-1. Transfer; Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Carrying Balances –Fisheries and Hatchery Division.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on or before September 1, 2009, the State Controller shall transfer $76,000 from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Carrying Balances account, to the Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations program to fund the General Fund portion of 2 Fisheries Biology Specialists positions and to partially fund fish hatchery operational costs for fiscal year 2009-10.

Sec. CCC-2. Transfer; Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Carrying Balances –Fisheries and Hatchery Division.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on or before September 1, 2010, the State Controller shall transfer $255,000 from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Carrying Balances account, to the Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations program to fund the General Fund portion of 2 Fisheries Biology Specialists positions and to partially fund fish hatchery operational costs for fiscal year 2010-11.

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces Part CCC with language to transfer funds from the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Carrying Balances account, to the Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations program to fund 2 Fisheries Biology Specialists positions and to partially fund fish hatchery operational costs for fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11.
ATTACHMENT I

Amend PART I by striking everything and replacing it with the following:

PART I

Sec. I-1. 12 MRSA § 10202, sub-§ 9, is amended to read:

9. Fiscal Stability Program. The Fiscal Stability Program is established to ensure that the general public and hunters and anglers share the cost of the fish and wildlife conservation programs of the department. To achieve this goal, beginning with the 2012-2013 2010-2011 biennial budget and for each biennial budget thereafter, the biennial budget submitted by the executive branch must include an additional General Fund appropriation of 18% in excess of the department's requested biennial budget.

SUMMARY

This amendment strikes and replaces PART I of the budget with language that suspends the application of the Fiscal Stability Program to 2012-13 biennial budget.
ATTACHMENT J

PART AA

Sec. AA-1. Calculation and transfer; attrition savings. The attrition rate for the 2010-2011 biennium is increased from 1.6% to 5.0%. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Budget Officer shall calculate the amount of savings identified in the Statewide Attrition account within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services in Part A that applies against each General Fund account for all departments and agencies statewide and shall transfer the amounts by financial order upon the approval of the Governor. These transfers are considered adjustments to appropriations in fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11.

Sec. AA-2. Calculation and transfer; Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife attrition savings. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the attrition factor for the Department on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife will not exceed 1.6% for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010. This portion of attrition factor shall be calculated and transferred to the General Fund. The state budget officer shall calculate and transfer an additional 3.4% attrition factor which shall stay within the general fund of Department on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

Sec. AA-3. Calculation and transfer; Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife attrition savings. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the attrition factor for the Department on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife will be 5% for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011. The state budget officer shall calculate and transfer the 5% attrition factor which shall stay within the general fund of the Department on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

SUMMARY

This amendment provides that the attrition factor for the Department on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife will not exceed 1.6% for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 and that this portion of attrition factor must transferred to the General Fund. Additionally a 3.4% attrition factor must be calculated and will stay within the general fund of Department on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for the same fiscal year. It also provides that the attrition factor for the Department on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife will be 5% for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011 and that amount must stay within the general fund of the Department on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.
GENERAL FUND
All Other
GENERAL FUND TOTAL

Justification:
This provides sufficient resources to fund increases in insurance costs from the Division of Risk Management.

Administrative Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0530
Initiative: Provides funding to cover administrative costs of the department.

Ref. #: 2774

Committee Vote: \( \text{in} \ 10.2 \)

AFA Vote:

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
All Other
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

Justification:
Funds will be used for increased administrative costs. Anticipated dedicated revenue from the Department's cost allocation plan will be used for cover additional expenses.

Administrative Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0530
Initiative: Provides funding for the department's cost for support services from the Natural Resources Service Center.

Ref. #: 2775

Committee Vote: \( \text{in} \ 10.2 \)

AFA Vote:

GENERAL FUND
All Other
GENERAL FUND TOTAL

Justification:
These funds are required to provide the same level of support services from the Natural Resources Service Center for fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11.

Administrative Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0530
Initiative: Provides funding for increased costs of 25% associated with the lease agreement for the department's office in Augusta.

Ref. #: 2776

Committee Vote: \( \text{in} \ 10.2 \)

AFA Vote:

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IFW - 2
Administrative Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0530

Initiative: Reduces funding for computers, e-mail and phones associated with positions being eliminated.

Ref. #: 2779

Committee Vote:

GENERAL FUND
All Other

2009-10 2010-11
($27,888) ($27,888)

($27,888) ($27,888)

Justification:
This will reduce funding for technology expenditures no longer required related to the elimination of seven positions within the Department.

Administrative Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0530

Initiative: Reduces funding by transferring Office of Information Technology costs from the General Fund to Other Special Revenue Funds.

Ref. #: 2780

Committee Vote: AS AMENDED 10.2

GENERAL FUND
All Other
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2009-10 2010-11
($42,456) ($61,049)

($61,049)

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
All Other

Committee Vote: AS AMENDED 10.2

2009-10 2010-11
$42,456 $61,049

$61,049

Justification:
A portion of technology expenditures will be supported by revenues generated by the Department's indirect cost allocation plan.
Initiative: Reduces funding for clothing and office and other supplies to maintain costs within available resources.

Ref #: 2883
Committee Vote: in 10-2
AFA Vote: 

GENERAL FUND
All Other

GENERAL FUND TOTAL

Justification:
This will reduce funding available to purchase clothing for field staff and operating supplies for this program.

ENDANGERED NONGAME OPERATIONS 0536
PROGRAM SUMMARY

GENERAL FUND

POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT
Personal Services
All Other

GENERAL FUND TOTAL

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND

POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT
Personal Services
All Other

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT
Personal Services
All Other

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

Establishes two full-time biology specialist positions funded 50% General Fund and 50% Federal Expenditures Funds.
Justification:
These funds will be used to adjust for the increased cost of gasoline to operate Department-owned vehicles. This continues an initiative in LD45.

Enforcement Operations - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0537

Initiative: Provides funding for one large watercraft for the Moosehead Lake region.

Ref. #: 2905

Justification:
The Department plans to replace an existing vessel, which is a 20 foot Wellcraft with a 200 horsepower Merc-cruiser in-board motor purchased in 1987. The watercraft is no longer serviceable and has experienced serious mechanical issues, including electrical system failures, motor problems and hull leakage. This watercraft is no longer adequate for its intended purpose and must be replaced. The new watercraft will be funded by federal grant funds provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Coast Guard.

New Initiative:
Recognizes one-time savings from holding vacant one Game Warden, one Game Warden Specialist, and one Game Warden Investigator until July 1, 2011.

General Fund
Personal Svc.

($253,640) ($253,640)

Committee Vote: in 10-2
AFA Vote:

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IFW - 21
Justification:
These funds will be used to adjust for the increased cost of gasoline to operate Department-owned vehicles. This continues an initiative in LD45.

Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535

Initiative: Adjusts funding for anticipated changes in utility costs.

Ref. #: 2850
Committee Vote: 10.2
AFA Vote: 

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND
All Other
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL

2009-10 2010-11
$1,909 $1,909

Justification:
This adjusts funding due to a change in utility rates received from the Bureau of General Services. This continues an initiative in LD45.

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. #: 2851
Committee Vote: 10.2
AFA Vote: 

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND
All Other
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL

2009-10 2010-11
$246 $313

Justification:
These increases are based on Central Fleet Management's projected rates for fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11 for estimated gasoline costs. This continues an initiative in LD45.

Fisheries and Hatcheries Operations 0535

Initiative: Reduces funding for rental of equipment and space, repairs and clothing.

Ref. #: 2852
Committee Vote: 10.2
AFA Vote: 

GENERAL FUND
All Other
GENERAL FUND TOTAL

2009-10 2010-11
($109,517) ($109,517)

($109,517) ($109,517)

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IFW - 24
Justification:
This will result in the department's loss of an excavator and other equipment rented by the department. The excavator and other equipment are used for construction, maintenance, and repairs to the department owned dams, hatcheries, facilities (headquarters and other), boat access sites, wildlife management areas, the Maine Wildlife Park, and other infrastructure. The equipment is used for dredging of settlement ponds at hatcheries as required by our DEP license as well as maintenance and repairs of piping at the hatcheries, repairs to dams, e.g. rip rap and gate replacement; road repair and culvert replacement to Wildlife Management Areas; water line and piping repairs at the Maine Wildlife Park; and to boat access sites. Renting the equipment allows the department to control the scheduling of projects and respond to any emergencies. The rental of equipment is less expensive then hiring contractors to perform the work done with rented equipment.

FISHERMEN AND HATCHERIES OPERATIONS 0535
PROGRAM SUMMARY

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Nov. Initiative:
Provides funds for dietary fish and oxygen in as amended 10-2

General Fund
All Other

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IFW - 25
Initiative: Adjusts funding for the same level of information technology agency program and application support services at the fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11 Office of Information Technology rates for direct-billed resources (staffing) based on collective bargaining agreements.

Ref. #: 2793

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Justification:
This will provide sufficient resources to fully fund the Department's costs related to direct billed services provided by the DAFS Office of Information Technology.

Licensing Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0531

Initiative: Eliminates one Office Assistant II position and reduces funding for associated All Other costs by requiring all licensing and registration agents who sell more than 300 licenses or registrations per year to become MOSES agents and by the elimination of the 10-day snowmobile option for nonresidents and creation of a single sticker for annual and 3-day registrations.

Ref. #: 2795

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Justification:
This eliminates one Office Assistant II in the Licensing Division that results from the decreased work load anticipated with the requirement that agents that sell more than 300 licenses become MOSES agents and from the elimination of the 3-day and 10-day registration options for non-residents. The same registration stickers will be used for both resident and non-resident snowmobile registrations, resulting in savings in printing costs to the Department. The actual registration would indicate residence and the appropriate fee. This would make snowmobile registrations the same as for all terrain vehicles (currently using the same registration stickers). This may result in a drop in the number of agents due to a lack of access to the internet.
Justification:
These funds are required for STA-CAP associated with Personal Services expenses and minor, miscellaneous supplies.

Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534

Initiative: Provides funding for studies related to the management of black bears.

Ref. #: 2817  Committee Vote: 0 0 1 0 2  AFA Vote: 

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Justification:
Funding is needed to establish allotment to fund work and studies related to management of black bears as set up in Maine Revised Statutes Title 12, section 10260.

Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534

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

Ref. #: 2818  Committee Vote: 1 0 2  AFA Vote: 

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Justification:
This transfer will properly align position function with funding. This continues an initiative in LD45.

Resource Management Services - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0534

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

Ref. #: 2828  Committee Vote: 1 0 2  AFA Vote: 

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IFW - 38
**Justification:**
These funds will be used to adjust for the increased cost of gasoline to operate Department-owned vehicles. This continues an initiative in LD45.

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**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.

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**Justification:**
These increases are based on Central Fleet Management's projected rates for fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11 for estimated gasoline costs. This continues an initiative in LD45.

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

Initiative: Eliminates 2 Office Associate I positions.

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**Justification:**
The current tagging standards of big game registration stations handling all tagging would have to be replaced with a telephone/internet system. The costs saved by elimination of tags and stations is balanced by the costs of the telephone system, so the savings come from data entry of the big game registration data. There will be some opposition from the elimination of tagging stations in general stores, since this is an economic draw during hunting seasons.
Initiative: Eliminates 2 Biologist I positions and reallocates 33 positions to 30% General Fund and 70% Federal Expenditures Fund within the same program. Position detail is on file in the Bureau of the Budget.

Ref. #: 2819

GENERAL FUND

POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT
Personal Services

GENERAL FUND TOTAL

Ref. #: 2820

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND

POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT
Personal Services
All Other

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL

Justification:
This will eliminate one Biologist I position in the Habitat Group that works on landscape habitat planning and mapping in support of environmental permit reviews and Beginning with Habitat. This also eliminates one Biologist I position that works primarily on management of Maine's waterfowl hunting seasons in conjunction with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other eastern states. Additional savings in the Personal Services line result from shifting the funding ratio of thirty-two Wildlife Division staff from a 60% Federal, 40% General Fund to 70% Federal, 30% General Fund. The shifting of 32 positions continues an initiative in LD45.

New Initiatives: in as amended 10.2
Transfers one Biologist I to 30% Other Special Revenue and 70% Federal from 30% General Fund + 70% Federal

General Fund
Personal Svs

Other Special Revenue
Personal Svs
All Other

Reallocates 33 positions to 30% General Fund and 70% Federal

General Fund
Positions
Pers. Svs.

Federal
Positions
Pers. Svs.
All Other

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IFW - 42
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SERVICES - INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE 0534
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*New Initiative*

Establishes one limited period Biology Specialist

ending June 18, 2011.

Federal
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PART I

Sec. I-1. 12 MRSA §10202, sub-§2, ¶B, as affected by PL. 2003, c. 614, §9 and amended by c. 655, Pt. B, §41 and affected by §422, is repealed.

Sec. I-2. 12 MRSA §10202, sub-§9, as amended by PL 2007, c. 240, Pt. O, §1, is repealed.

SUMMARY

PART I

This Part eliminates the Fiscal Stability Program, which required each biennial budget to include, beginning with the 2010-2011 biennial budget, an additional General Fund appropriation of 18% in excess of the requested biennial budget for the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.
Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

PART OO

Sec. OO-1. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2007, c. 168, §§2 and 3 and affected by §8 and amended by c. 203, §§7 to 9, is further amended to read:

3. Hunting licenses; combination licenses; fees. Hunting licenses, combination licenses and fees are as follows.

A. A resident junior hunting license, for a person 10 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is $7, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $9.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $10.50.

B. A resident hunting license, for a person 16 years of age or older, is $21, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $23.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $24.50.

C. A resident small game hunting license, for a person 16 years of age or older, which permits hunting for all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat, is $14, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $16.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $17.50.

D. A resident combination hunting and fishing license is $38, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $40.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $41.50.

E. A resident combination archery hunting and fishing license is $38, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $40.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $41.50.

E-1. A resident apprenticeship hunter license, which includes a bear hunting permit and a wild turkey hunting permit under sections 11151 and 11155 respectively, is $21, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $23.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $24.50.

F. A nonresident junior hunting license, for a person 10 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is $27, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $29.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $30.50.

G. A nonresident small game hunting license, which permits hunting of all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat, is $67, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $69.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $70.50.

H. A nonresident 3-day small game hunting license, valid for 3 consecutive hunting days, which permits hunting of all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat for the 72-hour period specified on the license, is $42, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $44.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $45.50.
such a license is $25.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $26.50.

F. A nonresident 7-day fishing license, valid for 7 days from date indicated on license, is $36, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $38.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $39.50.

G. A nonresident 15-day fishing license, valid for 15 days from date indicated on license, is $40, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $42.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $43.50.

H. A nonresident season fishing license for persons 16 years of age or older is $52, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $54.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $55.50.

I. An alien season fishing license for persons 16 years of age or older is $72, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $74.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $75.50.

J. A one-day fishing license for a resident or nonresident, valid for the 24-hour period indicated on license, is $11, except that, beginning January 1, 2010, the fee for such a license is $13.50 and beginning January 1, 2011, the fee for such a license is $14.50.

Fiscal Note

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SUMMARY

PART OO

This Part increases the fees for certain hunting, fishing and trapping licenses by $2.50 beginning in calendar year 2010 and by an additional $1 beginning in calendar year 2011. This increase does not affect any lifetime license fees.