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In Senate, December 23, 2013

An Act To Fund Merit and Longevity Pay for Executive, Judicial and Legislative Branch Employees Pursuant to a Collective Bargaining Agreement

(EMERGENCY)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 23, 2013. Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin. Cosponsored by Representative WILSON of Augusta and Senators: CAIN of Penobscot, JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: GRANT of Gardiner, MARKS of Pittston.

- 1 **Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not 2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
- 3 **Whereas,** legislation enacted in the First Regular Session of the 126th Legislature 4 again restricted the eligibility of employees in the executive, judicial and legislative 5 branches of government to receive merit pay increases and longevity pay; and
- 6 **Whereas,** this legislation needs to take effect before the end of the 2013-14 fiscal 7 year in order to provide eligible employees with earned benefits; and

8 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within 9 the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as 10 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, 11 therefore,

- 12 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
- 13 Sec. 1. PL 2013, c. 354, Pt. E, §§1 and 2 are repealed.

14 Sec. 2. PL 2013, c. 368, Pt. E, §1, as amended by PL 2013, c. 425, §1, is 15 repealed.

16 Sec. 3. PL 2013, c. 368, Pt. E, §2 is repealed.

Sec. 4. Calculation and transfer; Highway Fund. Notwithstanding any other
 provision of law, the State Budget Officer, upon approval of the Governor, shall reverse
 the financial order authorized by Public Law 2013, chapter 354, Part E, section 3. These
 transfers are considered adjustments to allocations in fiscal year 2013-14 and fiscal year
 2014-15.

- Sec. 5. Calculation and transfer; General Fund. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Budget Officer, upon approval of the Governor, shall reverse the financial order authorized by Public Law 2013, chapter 368, Part E, section 3. These transfers are considered adjustments to appropriations in fiscal year 2013-14 and fiscal year 2014-15.
- Sec. 6. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.
- 29 ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
- 30 Executive Branch Departments and Independent Agencies Statewide 0017
- Initiative: Provides funding to offset savings from eliminating merit increases for fiscal
 year 2014-15.
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1 2	GENERAL FUND Personal Services	2013-14 \$0	2014-15 \$3,829,314		
3 4	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$3,829,314		
5	Executive Branch Departments and Independent Agencies - Statewide 0017				
6 7	Initiative: Provides funding to offset savings from eliminating certain longevity payments.				
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9	GENERAL FUND	2013-14	2014-15		
10 11	Personal Services	\$294,060	\$444,824		
11	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$294,060	\$444,824		
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14	ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL				
15	SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF				
16	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2013-14	2014-15		
17	GENERAL FUND	\$204.000	¢1 071 100		
18 19	GENERAL FUND	\$294,060	\$4,274,138		
20	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$294,060	\$4,274,138		
21	JUDICIAL, DEPARTMENT OF				
22	Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063				
23 24	Initiative: Provides funding to offset savings from payments.	n eliminating certa	ain longevity		
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26	GENERAL FUND	2013-14	2014-15		
27	Personal Services	\$201,087	\$226,770		
28 29	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$201,087	\$226,770		
30	JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT				
31	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2013-14	2014-15		
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33 34	GENERAL FUND	\$201,087	\$226,770		
35	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$201,087	\$226,770		
36	LEGISLATURE				
37	Legislature 0081				

1 2	Initiative: Provides funding to offset savings from el payments.	liminating certa	ain longevity
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4	GENERAL FUND	2013-14	2014-15
5	Personal Services	\$2,771	\$7,816
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7	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$2,771	\$7,816
8	LEGISLATURE		
9	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2013-14	2014-15
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11	GENERAL FUND	\$2,771	\$7,816
12 13	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$2,771	\$7,816
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14 15	PROGRAM EVALUATION AND GOVERNMEN OFFICE OF	NI ACCOUR	NTABILITY,
16	Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accounta	ability 0976	
17	Initiative: Provides funding to offset savings from el	liminating certa	ain longevity
18	payments.	e	8
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		2012 14	2014 15
20 21	GENERAL FUND Personal Services	2013-14	2014-15
21	Personal Services	\$0	\$283
22	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$283
24	PROGRAM EVALUATION AND		
24 25	GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY, OFFICE		
26	OF		
27	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2013-14	2014-15
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29	GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$283
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31	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$283
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33	SECTION TOTALS	2013-14	2014-15
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35	GENERAL FUND	\$497,918	\$4,509,007
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37	SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$497,918	\$4,509,007
38	Sec. 7. Appropriations and allocations. The f	following appro	priations and
20	allocations are made		1

39 allocations are made.

1	ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF				
2	Executive Branch Departments and Independent Agencies - Statewide 0017				
3 4	Initiative: Provides funding to offset savings from eliminating merit increases for fiscal year 2014-15.				
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6	HIGHWAY FUND	2013-14	2014-15		
7	Personal Services	\$0	\$698,601		
8 9	HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$698,601		
10	Executive Branch Departments and Independent Agencies - Statewide 0017				
11 12	Initiative: Provides funding to offset savings from payments.	n eliminating certa	in longevity		
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14	HIGHWAY FUND	2013-14	2014-15		
15	Personal Services	\$70,600	\$107,949		
16 17	HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	\$70,600	\$107,949		
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19	ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL				
20	SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF				
21	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2013-14	2014-15		
22 23	HIGHWAY FUND	\$70,600	\$806,550		
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25	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$70,600	\$806,550		
26 27	Emergency clause. In view of the emergen legislation takes effect when approved.	cy cited in the pr	eamble, this		
28	SUMMARY				
29 30 31 32 33 34	This bill repeals the sections of Public Law 2013, chapters 354 and 368 that prohibited merit increases for employees in the executive, legislative and judicial branches of government in fiscal year 2014-15 and longevity payments to individuals not eligible on June 30, 2013. It includes General Fund appropriations and Highway Fund allocations to offset reductions made in the biennial budgets for 2014-2015 to restore funding for merit increases and longevity payments.				

34 funding for merit increases and longevity payments.