

STATE OF MAINE

—
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE

—
S.P. 107 - L.D. 246

Resolve, To Direct Funds to the Tourism Marketing Promotion Fund

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the COVID-19 pandemic has severely impacted Maine's tourism economy; and

Whereas, Maine's tourism industry brought in significantly less revenue in the past year as compared to prior years; and

Whereas, the Department of Economic and Community Development, Office of Tourism has available unspent unobligated funds that are needed for the Tourism Marketing Promotion Fund in the upcoming fiscal year; and

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

Sec. 1. Transfer. Resolved: That, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, at the end of fiscal year 2020-21, the State Controller shall transfer, after the deduction of all allocations, financial commitments and other designated funds and any other transfer authorized by statute, any remaining balance in the Department of Economic and Community Development, Office of Tourism account, Other Special Revenue Funds, to the Tourism Marketing Promotion Fund.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.