

Sec. A-3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE

Administration - Attorney General 0310

Initiative: Continues and makes permanent one Assistant Attorney General position dedicated to the litigation division and provides funding for related All Other costs. This position was continued by Financial Order 001649 F2.

Ref. #: 211 Committee Vote: _____ AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	0.000	1.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$116,224
All Other	\$0	\$0	\$6,363
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$122,587

Justification:

This initiative continues and makes permanent one Assistant Attorney General position dedicated to the Litigation Division that was continued by Financial Order 001649 F2. This position will be assigned to the Litigation Division. Funding for this position is from the Department of Corrections. This position will provide legal services including litigation, settlement review and negotiation, rulemaking assistance and review, and other consultation as needed.

Administration - Attorney General 0310

Initiative: Continues and makes permanent one Assistant Attorney General position dedicated to the natural resources division and provides funding for related All Other costs. This position established by Financial Order 001836 F2.

Ref. #: 213 Committee Vote: _____ AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	0.000	1.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$128,405
All Other	\$0	\$0	\$6,003
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$134,408

Justification:

This initiative continues and makes permanent one Assistant Attorney General position dedicated to the Natural Resources Division established by Financial Order 001836 F2. Funding for this position is split between the Department of Marine Resources, Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and Department of Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry. This position will provide legal services to natural resources agencies including litigation, settlement review and negotiation, rulemaking assistance and review, and other consultation as needed.

Administration - Attorney General 0310

Initiative: Provides funding for the approved reorganization of one Secretary Associate position to a Secretary Associate Legal position dedicated to the investigations division.

Ref. #: 218 Committee Vote: _____ AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$0	\$1,570	\$6,406
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	\$1,570	\$6,406

Justification:

This initiative provides funding for the approved reorganization of one Secretary Legal position to a Secretary Associate Legal position dedicated to the Child Protection division and all related all other costs.

ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$8,227	\$11,447
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$13,414	\$550,350
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$21,641	\$561,797

Sec. A-19. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, MAINE

Human Rights Commission - Regulation 0150

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the retroactive payments related to the range change of 6 Maine Human Rights Investigator positions approved in Public Law 2021, chapter 398.

Ref. #: 468 One Time Committee Vote: _____ AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$0	\$21,458	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$21,458	\$0

Justification:

The range change from range 24 to range 26 for 6 Maine Human Rights Investigator positions was as a result of an employee-initiated range change of a seventh Maine Human Rights Investigator position dating back to August 2018. The policy held by the Bureau of Human Resources (BHR) within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services is that when BHR approves a range change for any position, that range change is then applied to all positions within that job classification. In this instance, because the request for the range change was employee-initiated, the effective date of the range change for all of the positions within the Maine Human Rights Investigator job classification is the date the employee requesting the change signed the request, or August 2018. This policy was not communicated to the Maine Human Rights Commission (MHRC). MHRC thought that the effective date of the range change for these 6 Maine Human Rights Investigator positions would be when the funding became available, or July 1, 2021, and therefore the funding for the retroactive payments for the range change of these 6 positions was removed from the initiative that was passed in Public Law 2021, chapter 398.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, MAINE

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$21,458	\$0
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$21,458	\$0

Sec. A-22. Appropriations and allocations.

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Continues and makes permanent 2 Assistant Clerk positions previously established by Financial Order JJ2200 F2 to support the additional work created with the implementation of new processes and technologies introduced during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ref. #: 849

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	0.000	2.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$157,426
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$157,426

Justification:

This request continues 2 Assistant Clerk positions previously established by a Financial Order JJ2200 F2 and makes these positions permanent. Additional work was introduced during the pandemic for remote hearings in certain cases that involve all or some of the participants appearing remotely and will continue into the future. These positions work closely with judges/justices, attorneys, members of the public and state, local, county, and federal agencies concerning matters before the court. All Other costs associated with these positions would be absorbed in the existing All Other budget.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Continues and makes permanent 2 Law Clerk positions previously established by Financial Order JJ2200 F2 to support the in-depth review of debt-buyer actions as required in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, section 11019 and to support the backlog of cases resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ref. #: 850

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	0.000	2.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$198,738
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$198,738

Justification:

This request continues 2 Law Clerk positions previously established by a Financial Order JJ2200 F2 and makes these positions permanent. The enactment of 32 M.R.S. § 11019 requires a jurist or law clerk to review debt-buyer actions for legal sufficiency. Even pre-pandemic the volume of debt-buyer collection actions was significant enough to draw resources away from other case types to an unsustainable level. The pandemic has further highlighted that additional resources are needed to provide the statutorily required reviews. All Other costs associated with these positions would be absorbed in the existing All Other budget.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Establishes 5 Assistant Clerk positions to docket, process, file and manage matters before the court in support of the Maine courts throughout the State.

Ref. #: 851

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	0.000	5.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$393,565
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$393,565

Justification:

This request establishes 5 Assistant Clerk positions. All Other costs associated with these positions would be absorbed in the existing All Other budget. The role of the assistant clerk is to docket, process and file matters before the court. They schedule pre-trial activities, trials, motions, and other proceedings. They manage trailing dockets and trial lists. The assistant clerk also processes fines, fees, and other funds coming to the courts, maintaining accounts as necessary. They work closely with judges/justices, attorneys, members of the public and state, local, county, and federal agencies concerning matters before the court. Staff are now tasked with an increasing number of duties both regulatory and technological in nature, such as the introduction of remote hearings. The strain on existing staff could impact employee burnout and turnover rates which would expound the existing strain and backlog issues.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Provides funding for an increase in temporary staffing contracts for marshal services.

Ref. #: 852

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$0	\$50,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$50,000

Justification:

This request increases funding for temporary staffing contracts to allow the rate paid to contracted Deputy Marshal positions to be increased. This increase in rate will help to attract applicants and better keep pace with bargained increases for the Deputy Marshal positions within the state.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Provides funding for an increase in lease costs at multiple court locations across the State.

Ref. #: 853

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$325,000	\$325,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$325,000	\$325,000

Justification:

This request provides funding for increased lease costs at multiple locations across the state. The negotiations for leased space in Portland have resulted in a significant increase, largely due to the negotiated lease of parking space with the county. Parking in Portland is limited, and the loss of parking spaces would have a detrimental impact on operations at the Portland location. The Judicial Department was able to negotiate at below market rate in the new lease term. The lease in Bridgton is anticipated to increase at the culmination of the current lease negotiations. The increase is in alignment with anticipated facility improvements being considered in the current negotiation. Facility improvements include but are not limited to increased security measures and repairs. Additionally, the courtroom would be expanded to allow for a greater capacity. General renewal negotiations are slated in fiscal year 2021-22 for locations in Rumford, Calais and Ellsworth.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Transfers 3 Assistant Clerk positions from Other Special Revenue Funds to the General Fund within the same program.

Ref. #: 854	Committee Vote: _____	AFA Vote: _____		
GENERAL FUND		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT		0.000	0.000	3.000
Personal Services		\$0	\$0	\$236,139
GENERAL FUND TOTAL		\$0	\$0	\$236,139

Ref. #: 855	Committee Vote: _____	AFA Vote: _____		
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT		0.000	0.000	(3.000)
Personal Services		\$0	\$0	(\$236,139)
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL		\$0	\$0	(\$236,139)

Justification:

This request transfers 3 Assistant Clerk positions from the Other Special Revenue Funds to the General Fund within the same program. While these positions remain vacant due to the lack of funding, they are needed to support current workloads and additional tasks created during the pandemic that will continue into the future, such as use of remote hearings for certain cases. They work closely with judges/justices, attorneys, members of the public and state, local, county, and federal agencies concerning matters before the court.

The revenue in the Foreclosure Mediation program has been on the decline for a number of years and is not currently sufficient to fund these positions. The tasks of the clerks will be reassigned to address the overall need for support.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Establishes one Human Resources Generalist position.

Ref. #: 856	Committee Vote: _____	AFA Vote: _____		
GENERAL FUND		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT		0.000	0.000	1.000

Ref. #: 859

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

All Other

2020-21 **2021-22** **2022-23**

\$0 \$0 \$80,000

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

\$0 \$0 \$80,000

Justification:

This request provides funding All Other funding for Statewide Cost Allocation Plan (STA-CAP) costs. These costs are charged for central services as outlined in 5 M.R.S. § 1877-A.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Reallocates one Manager of Court Alternative Dispute Resolution position from 100% Other Special Revenue Funds to 65% Other Special Revenue Funds and 35% General Fund within the same program; one Civil Process and Foreclosure Diversion Program Manager position from 100% Other Special Revenue Funds to 65% Other Special Revenue Funds and 35% General Fund within the same program; and one Administrative/Data Assistant position from 100% Other Special Revenue Funds to 55% Other Special Revenue Funds and 45% General Fund within the same program; and transfers All Other to Personal Services to fund the reallocations.

Ref. #: 860

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND

Personal Services

All Other

2020-21 **2021-22** **2022-23**

\$0 \$0 \$145,209

\$0 \$0 (\$145,209)

GENERAL FUND TOTAL

\$0 \$0 \$0

Ref. #: 861

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Personal Services

2020-21 **2021-22** **2022-23**

\$0 \$0 (\$145,209)

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL

\$0 \$0 (\$145,209)

Justification:

This request reallocates 3 positions from 100% Other Special Revenue Funds to the following: one Manager of Court Alternative Dispute Resolution position to 65% Special Revenue Funds and 35% General Fund, one Civil Process and Foreclosure Diversion Program Manager position to 65% Other Special Revenue Funds and 35% General Fund and one Administrative/Data Assistant to 55% Other Special Revenue Funds and 45% General fund all within the same program. This initiative also transfers All Other to Personal Services to fund these reallocations. The reallocation of these positions is necessary to ensure the continued ability to fund these critical roles, and to ensure that the funding source is consistent with the responsibilities of the position. Revenues in the Foreclosure Mediation program have been on the decline for several years, which has been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and foreclosure moratoria. In addition, the program manager's responsibilities are diversifying to incorporate all civil process. The services provided by the CADRES program have increased, but fees have not increased and are sometimes waived when parties are not able to afford the cost. Decreases in programmatic revenue mean that the accounts will not be able to sustain the continued

cost of these positions. Existing staff do not have the ability to absorb the workload.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Adjusts funding for the approved reorganization of one Real Time Court Reporter position to a Courtroom Technology Assistant position and transfers Personal Services to All Other to fund contracted temporary staffing services.

Ref. #: 863

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	(\$50,519)
All Other	\$0	\$0	\$50,519
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0

Justification:

This request reorganizes one Real Time Court Reporter position to a Courtroom Technology Assistant position and transfers the Personal Services savings to All Other to fund contracted temporary staffing services. As technology advances and changes so too does the landscape of the courtroom. The immediate courtroom needs require a flexible position that can address ever changing technological needs with an array of equipment and varying needs of internal and external stakeholders. The Courtroom Technology Assistant sets up recording devices, handles necessary equipment and troubleshoots technical issues in real time. This position will in most cases meet the needs of the court, however the savings from this reorganization are transferred from Personal Services to All Other to allow for the contracting of court reporting services when a trial does require that specific skill.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Continues 10 intermittent project Referee positions, effective April 1, 2022 through June 17, 2023, previously established by Financial Order JJ2201 F2 to address the backlog caused by the COVID-19 pandemic of nonjury, family and civil cases by providing a decision on referred cases and provides funding for related All Other costs.

Ref. #: 864

One Time

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$0	\$168,470	\$679,180
All Other	\$0	\$338,200	\$565,200
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$506,670	\$1,244,380

Justification:

This request continues 10 intermittent project Referee positions, through June 17, 2023, to address the backlog of non-jury, family and civil cases, caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, by providing determinations on referred cases. Non-jury cases can be referred by agreement or on the court's own initiative. All Other costs related to these positions include transcription services, minor equipment, and technology costs related to licenses and hosting services. Contracted hosting services mitigate the larger expense associated with supplying an onsite space and associated costs for staffing and equipping that space. Costs associated with minor technology setup and training services and additional docketing hours will be absorbed in the existing budget.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Establishes 10 Court Attendant positions to work as jury officers and control room technical assistants in a nonsworn capacity supporting the office of judicial marshals.

Ref. #: 868

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	0.000	10.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$752,590
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$752,590

Justification:

This request establishes 10 Court Attendant positions to work as non-sworn support for the Office of Judicial Marshals and fully staffs court security. The positions will allow full time control rooms in major courthouses to be staffed with non-sworn positions that would dispatch sworn marshals, as needed. This gives the office flexibility in staffing that they may not otherwise have and allows the office to more readily direct marshal resources where they are needed. These positions could also function as jury officers, escorting and attending to jury members in the event of a jury trial.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Provides funding for an increase in technology costs related to new operational requirements in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ref. #: 869

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$153,000	\$145,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$153,000	\$145,000

Justification:

This request provides funding for increased technology costs related to COVID19 response measures. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic the Maine Courts have had to purchase equipment and software to support remote operations. These include audio visual equipment, Adobe licenses, remote mediation hosting, TeamViewer software to allow for remote computer access and additional equipment purchases for monitors, printers, computers and polycom zoom connectors. The demand for technology solutions implemented during the pandemic will be on-going.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Establishes one IT Field Technician position and 4 Courtroom Technician positions to provide technical support in courtrooms and assist in updating courtroom technology throughout the State.

Ref. #: 870

Committee Vote: _____

AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	0.000	5.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$495,606
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$495,606

Justification:

This request establishes one IT Field Technician position and 4 Courtroom Technician positions in fiscal year 2022-23. These positions will provide critical technical support to in the courtrooms and are pivotal to upgrading and maintaining technology in courtroom throughout the state. A significant increase in remote court proceedings has exposed a critical need for technicians in the courtroom to manage and update courtroom technology.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for an increase in psychological and interpreter court services.

Ref. #: 871 One Time Committee Vote: _____ AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$445,000	\$445,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$445,000	\$445,000

Justification:

This request provides one-time funding for an increase in interpreter and psychological examination services. There is an increased demand for court services and as the Judicial Branch works to alleviate the backlog of cases it is anticipated that there will be a correlating increase in service costs.

Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063

Initiative: Provides one-time additional funding for civil legal services for persons unable to afford a lawyer by providing additional funds available for distribution by the Civil Legal Services Fund Commission pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 18-A, subsection 1.

Ref. #: 872 One Time Committee Vote: _____ AFA Vote: _____

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$0	\$1,300,000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$1,300,000

Justification:

This initiative provides additional funding available for distribution by the Civil Legal Services Fund Commission for civil legal services for persons unable to afford a lawyer. The one-time funding is from a transfer of General Fund unappropriated surplus.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$1,479,670	\$4,689,384
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$0	\$0	\$27,865
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$1,007,409
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$1,479,670	\$5,724,658

Sec. A-30. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

PINE TREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Legal Assistance 0553

Initiative: Provides funding for stabilizing and expanding free legal aid services to veterans at the Togus VA Medical Center and other VA health centers by specially trained staff attorneys at Pine Tree Legal Assistance.

Ref. #: 943

Committee Vote: _____ AFA Vote: _____

GENERAL FUND	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$0	\$150,000	\$150,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$150,000	\$150,000

Justification:

Because the legal system is complicated, the average American often doesn't know about important legal rights and protections. Sometimes, this lack of knowledge is deliberately used by others for unfair advantage. Because veterans traditionally work with the non-lawyer staff at veterans service organizations (VSOs), many of their legal needs are unmet. The annual VA CHALENG survey has also documented that legal issues are a consistent unmet need for low-income veterans. Pine Tree Legal Assistance provides free legal assistance to low-income Maine residents around the State, but must turn away 75%+ of requests because of limited program funds. This initiative would provide ongoing funds to continue a successful medical/legal collaboration between Pine Tree Legal Assistance and staff at Togus Veterans Administration Medical Center (VAMC) to help veterans with their legal needs. It was started as a pilot project in 2016 using private foundation funds and space donated by Togus for the clinic. It has been very successful as a way to connect veterans with free legal assistance, both onsite at Togus and via tele-health to Veteran Affairs (VA) outpatient clinics around the State (except during the recent pandemic, when restrictions have limited onsite support.) VA Maine healthcare clinical staff, including staff at Togus VAMC where our project is co-located, screen and refer veterans to Pine Tree. Veterans with health-harming legal problems (such as homelessness, unsafe housing conditions, the need for reasonable accommodations or unstable income due to unlawful debt) are prioritized by VAMC staff. Their cases are handled by PTLA attorneys with special expertise in the legal needs of veterans. The project has been strongly supported by Togus VAMC leadership and staff, but only limited funding has been secured to sustain the project on a part-time basis since 2018. The requested funds would allow the project to continue at an expanded level of service for the next two years.

PINE TREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$150,000	\$150,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$150,000	\$150,000

PART R

Sec. R-1. Transfer from General Fund unappropriated surplus; Victim's Compensation Fund. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or before June 30, 2022, the State Controller shall transfer \$750,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Office of the Attorney General, Victim's Compensation Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account to support financial reimbursement for losses suffered by victims of violent crime and their families and reimburses hospitals for sexual assault examinations.

PART R SUMMARY

This Part requires the transfer of \$750,000 on or before June 30, 2022 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Office of the Attorney General, Victim's Compensation Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account to support the operations of the program. Revenues for the program declined during the pandemic. This funding will support financial reimbursement for losses suffered by victims of violent crime and their families and reimburses hospitals for sexual

PART JJ

Sec. JJ-1. Transfer from General Fund unappropriated surplus; Maine Civil Legal Services. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or before June 30, 2022, the State Controller shall transfer \$1,300,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to Maine Civil Legal Services, Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Judicial Branch to support the increased costs for civil legal services for persons unable to afford a lawyer by providing additional funds available for distribution by the Civil Legal Service Fund pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 18-A, subsection 1.

PART JJ SUMMARY

This Part requires the transfer of \$1,300,000 in fiscal year 2021-22 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to Maine Civil Legal Services, Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Judicial Branch to support the increased costs for civil legal services for persons unable to afford a lawyer by providing additional funds available for distribution by the Civil Legal Service Fund. This is a one-time transfer to support increased costs resulting from the pandemic.