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COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

MEMORANDUM

To: Sen. Richard W. Rosen, Senate Chair
Rep. Patrick S. A. Flood, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

From: Sen. Earle L. McCormick, Senate Chair *EM*
Rep. Meredith N. Strang Burgess, House Chair *ME/SB*
Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services

Date: March 29, 2012

Re: Recommendations on LD 1903, An Act To Make Additional Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2013

The Health and Human Services Committee is pleased to provide their report on LD 1903, the second supplemental budget for FY12 and FY13. We are pleased to provide the HHS Committee Program spreadsheet, which is attached as Appendix A, and a summary of General Assistance initiatives, which is attached as Appendix B. In addition, we note that the HHS Committee voted in favor of a separate list of LD 1903 DHHS management initiatives and MaineCare tax items.

The HHS Committee voted to amend a number of lines on the HHS Committee Program spreadsheet as follows:

Majority support – vote 8-4

1. Item 126 and 127 authorizing the State Controller to transfer unexpended funds from the Fund for a Healthy Maine to the General Fund are amended to reflect a transfer in FY12 of \$1,858,368 and the deappropriation and allocation amounts are amended accordingly.
2. Item 159 is amended to provide funding for the General Assistance shortfall for FY12 and to reject the 90 day GA housing limit and ineligibility because of TANF benefits and revision to the GA reimbursement formula for municipalities.

3. Item 166 (Sec. R-2) is amended to read that persons receiving TANF benefits and certain persons whose TANF benefits were terminated are eligible for General Assistance for housing expenses only.
4. Item 168 (Sec. R-4 to R-6) is amended in R-4 to remove reference to section 4308, subsection 2, paragraph C.
5. Item 169 (Sec. R-8) is amended to enact Title 22, section 4311, subsection 4 to require that reimbursement under Title 22, section 4311, subsection 1 for the State share of GA costs in excess of .0003 of state valuation must be paid by the Maine State Housing Authority (not by DHHS).
6. The bill is amended to add a new unallocated section to require the Department of Health and Human Services, working in conjunction with representatives of the municipalities and interested stakeholders, to form a working group to review General Assistance and make recommendations in a report that includes suggested legislation to the AFA and HHS Committees by December 1, 2012. The review and report must include the following issues:
 - A. An initiative to establish consistency of General Assistance eligibility and benefits statewide;
 - B. Review of the roll of General Assistance in funding homeless shelter services;
 - C. The possibility of adding 2 employees in DHHS to achieve uniformity in General Assistance statewide;
 - D. A streamlining initiative to add employees in DHHS to assist persons applying for General Assistance with applications for SSI and veterans benefits; and
 - E. The potential for the Maine State Housing Authority to assume responsibility for a portion of General Assistance housing costs in excess of the responsibility imposed under the amendment to section R-8.

Minority support – vote 8-4

1. Items 159 and 161 voted not to support the initiatives as proposed on these lines. On item 159 voted to support funding the General Assistance shortfall for FY12 and FY13.
2. Voted to support establishing a task force consisting of representatives of DHHS, the municipalities and interested parties and advocates to review and make recommendations on revisions to the General Assistance program, with a report including recommendations and legislation by December 1, 2012.
3. Voted to support establishing a pilot project to add employees in DHHS to assist persons applying for General Assistance with applications for SSI and veterans benefits.

Committee members are prepared to discuss this report with you. Thank you for your consideration.

cc: Members, Health and Human Services Committee
Mary Mayhew, Commissioner
Katrin Teel, Office of the Governor
Maureen Dawson, OFPR
Christopher Nolan, OFPR
Jane Orbeton, OPLA

APPENDIX A

LD 1903 - 2012-2013 Second Supplemental Budget - HHS Committee Items Summary

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	Code	Program		Change Package	InitiativeText	Sec. Class	Fund	Unit	HHS Vote	Pers. Serv. FY12	Pers. Serv. FY13	All Other FY12	All Other FY13	Unallocated FY13	Leg. Count FY12	Leg. Count FY13	FY 2012	FY 2013
1	733	Disproportionate Share - Riverview Psychiatric	A	F-A-1361	Transfers positions and adjusts funding based on the correct allocation of positions.	Adult MH	General Fund	10	IN 11-0	\$0	(\$35,406)	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$35,406)
2	105	Riverview Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-1361	Transfers positions and adjusts funding based on the correct allocation of positions.	Adult MH	General Fund	50	IN 11-0	\$0	\$102,468	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$102,468
3	105	Riverview Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-1361	Transfers positions and adjusts funding based on the correct allocation of positions.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	20	IN 11-0	\$0	(\$67,062)	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$67,062)
4	734	Disproportionate Share - Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-1390	Eliminates 91 positions effective May 1, 2012, eliminates outpatient medication management services, transfers funding for contracted dental services to the Developmental Services - Community program, reduces capacity, restructures Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center expenses to achieve \$2,500,000 in General Fund savings identified in Public Law 2011, chapter 380, Part A and offsets the deappropriation included in that law. Position detail is on file in the Bureau of the Budget.	Adult MH	General Fund	15	IN 7-4	(\$332,335)	(\$2,017,523)	\$0	\$0	\$2,500,000	0.000	0.000	(\$332,335)	\$482,477
5	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-1390	Eliminates 91 positions effective May 1, 2012, eliminates outpatient medication management services, transfers funding for contracted dental services to the Developmental Services - Community program, reduces capacity, restructures Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center expenses to achieve \$2,500,000 in General Fund savings identified in Public Law 2011, chapter 380, Part A and offsets the deappropriation included in that law. Position detail is on file in the Bureau of the Budget.	Adult MH	General Fund	55	IN 7-4	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	(\$694,811)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$150,000	(\$694,811)
6	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-1390	Eliminates 91 positions effective May 1, 2012, eliminates outpatient medication management services, transfers funding for contracted dental services to the Developmental Services - Community program, reduces capacity, restructures Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center expenses to achieve \$2,500,000 in General Fund savings identified in Public Law 2011, chapter 380, Part A and offsets the deappropriation included in that law. Position detail is on file in the Bureau of the Budget.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	25	IN 7-4	(\$312,947)	(\$3,475,927)	(\$2,600)	(\$497,150)	\$0	(88.500)	(88.500)	(\$315,547)	(\$3,973,077)
7	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-1390	Eliminates 91 positions effective May 1, 2012, eliminates outpatient medication management services, transfers funding for contracted dental services to the Developmental Services - Community program, reduces capacity, restructures Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center expenses to achieve \$2,500,000 in General Fund savings identified in Public Law 2011, chapter 380, Part A and offsets the deappropriation included in that law. Position detail is on file in the Bureau of the Budget.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	26	IN 7-4	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$448,132)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$448,132)
8	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-5502	Adjusts funding to reflect correct reimbursements to Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center from Medicare and other 3rd-party payers and to ensure that sufficient resources are available to provide the appropriate level of General Fund match.	Adult MH	General Fund	55	IN 11-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$900,000	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$900,000
9	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-5502	Adjusts funding to reflect correct reimbursements to Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center from Medicare and other 3rd-party payers and to ensure that sufficient resources are available to provide the appropriate level of General Fund match.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	26	IN 11-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$900,000)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$900,000)

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10	734	Disproportionate Share - Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7125	Adjusts funding to reflect correct reimbursements to Riverview Psychiatric Center and Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center from MaineCare and to ensure that sufficient resources are available to provide the appropriate level of General Fund match.	Adult MH	General Fund	15	IN 11-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$156,701	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$156,701
11	733	Disproportionate Share - Riverview Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7125	Adjusts funding to reflect correct reimbursements to Riverview Psychiatric Center and Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center from MaineCare and to ensure that sufficient resources are available to provide the appropriate level of General Fund match.	Adult MH	General Fund	10	IN 11-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$325,844	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$325,844
12	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7125	Adjusts funding to reflect correct reimbursements to Riverview Psychiatric Center and Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center from MaineCare and to ensure that sufficient resources are available to provide the appropriate level of General Fund match.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	26	IN 11-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$156,701)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$156,701)
13	105	Riverview Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7125	Adjusts funding to reflect correct reimbursements to Riverview Psychiatric Center and Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center from MaineCare and to ensure that sufficient resources are available to provide the appropriate level of General Fund match.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	22	IN 11-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$325,844)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$325,844)
14	733	Disproportionate Share - Riverview Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7240	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Riverview Psychiatric Center. This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$9,175,775.	Adult MH	General Fund	10	IN 7-4	\$0	(\$7,463,333)	\$0	(\$3,195,156)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$10,658,489)
15	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7240	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Riverview Psychiatric Center. This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$9,175,775.	Adult MH	General Fund	55	IN 7-4	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$281,657	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$281,657
16	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7240	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Riverview Psychiatric Center. This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$9,175,775.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	26	IN 7-4	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$281,657)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$281,657)
17	142	Office of Management and Budget	A	F-A-7240	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Riverview Psychiatric Center.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	1	IN 7-4	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$329,236)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$329,236)
18	105	Riverview Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7240	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Riverview Psychiatric Center. This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$9,175,775.	Adult MH	General Fund	50	IN 7-4	\$0	\$20,893,901	\$0	\$9,477,471	\$0	0.000	318.500	\$0	\$30,371,372

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19	105	Riverview Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7240	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Riverview Psychiatric Center. This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$9,175,775.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	20	IN 7-4	\$0	(\$13,470,800)	\$0	(\$5,179,313)	\$0	0.000	(318.500)	\$0	(\$18,650,113)
20	105	Riverview Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7240	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Riverview Psychiatric Center. This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$9,175,775.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	22	IN 7-4	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$1,414,631)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$1,414,631)
21	105	Riverview Psychiatric Center	AAA	F-A-7240	This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$9,175,775 from restructuring the financing of the Riverview Psychiatric Center.	Adult MH	General Fund	50	IN 7-4	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$9,175,775)
22	734	Disproportionate Share - Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7241	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center. This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$11,577,783.	Adult MH	General Fund	15	IN 11-1	\$0	(\$5,066,513)	\$0	(\$565,100)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$5,631,613)
23	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7241	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center. This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$11,577,783.	Adult MH	General Fund	55	IN 11-1	\$0	\$14,050,841	\$0	\$2,876,807	\$0	0.000	192.500	\$0	\$16,927,648
24	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7241	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center. This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$11,577,783.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	25	IN 11-1	\$0	(\$8,984,328)	\$0	(\$741,965)	\$0	0.000	(192.500)	\$0	(\$9,726,293)
25	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	A	F-A-7241	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center. This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$11,577,783.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	26	IN 11-1	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$1,668,493)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$1,668,493)
26	120	Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	AAA	F-A-7241	This initiative will result in General Fund undedicated revenue of \$11,577,783 as part of the restructuring of the financing of the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center.	Adult MH	General Fund	55	IN 11-1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$11,577,783)

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27	142	Office of Management and Budget	F-A-7241	Transfers positions and adjusts funding to restructure the financing of the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center.	Adult MH	Other Special Revenue Funds	1	IN 11-1	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$309,066)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$309,066)
28	734	Disproportionate Share - Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center		Lapses \$228,852 of FY 11 unencumbered balance in the Personal Services line category to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund no later than June 30, 2012.	Adult MH	General Fund	15	OUT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	(\$228,852)	\$0
29	733	Disproportionate Share - Riverview Psychiatric Center		Lapses \$80,904 of FY 11 unencumbered balance in the Personal Services line category to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund no later than June 30, 2012.	Adult MH	General Fund	10	OUT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	(\$80,904)	\$0
30	139	State-funded Foster Care/Adoption Assistance	F-A-1351	Provides funding for a new grant award for preventive intervention, foster care placement, reunification and adoption assistance. The initiative also reduces funding in the Personal Services line category to bring the allocation to zero.	Children's Services	Federal Expenditures Fund	1	IN 12-0	(\$220)	(\$231)	\$495,620	\$1,176,147	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$495,400	\$1,175,916
31	122	Developmental Services - Community	F-A-7242	Provides funding for contracted dental services through a transfer of resources from the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center program.	Developmental Services	General Fund	60	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$500,000
97	Z036	Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services	F-A-5539	Provides funding for travel and general operations.	DHHS Mgt. *	General Fund	1	IN	\$0	\$0	\$382,710	\$765,420	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$382,710	\$765,420
120	Z036	Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services	F-A-4462	Provides funding for a new grant award for the statewide program for national and state background checks for direct patient access employees of long-term care facilities and providers.	Elder Services	Federal Expenditures Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$625,000	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$625,000
121	420	Long Term Care - Human Services	F-A-5541	Transfers funding from the Medical Care - Payment to Providers program to the Long Term Care - Human Services program based on the unbundling of rates as required by the Maine Integrated Health Management Solution system.	Elder Services	General Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$15,517	\$15,517	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$15,517	\$15,517
122	147	Medical Care - Payments to Providers	F-A-5541	Transfers funding from the Medical Care - Payment to Providers program to the Long Term Care - Human Services program based on the unbundling of rates as required by the Maine Integrated Health Management Solution system.	Elder Services	General Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	(\$15,517)	(\$15,517)	\$0	0.000	0.000	(\$15,517)	(\$15,517)

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123	953 FHM - Bureau of Health	A F-A-7304	Reduces funding through salary and benefit savings.	FHM	Fund for a Healthy Maine	2	IN 12-0	(\$39,000)	(\$31,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	(\$39,000)	(\$31,000)
124	953 FHM - Bureau of Health	A F-A-7304	Reduces funding through salary and benefit savings.	FHM	Fund for a Healthy Maine	7	IN 12-0	(\$35,000)	(\$12,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	(\$35,000)	(\$12,000)
125	953 FHM - Bureau of Health	A F-A-7304	Reduces funding through salary and benefit savings.	FHM	Fund for a Healthy Maine	8	IN 12-0	(\$80,000)	(\$5,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	(\$80,000)	(\$5,000)
126	921 Fund for a Healthy Maine	VV	Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Controller shall transfer \$3,858,368 no later than June 30, 2012 and \$358,409 no later than June 30, 2013 from the Fund for a Healthy Maine to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund.	FHM	General Fund	1	AMD 8-4	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	(\$3,858,368)	(\$358,409)
127	921 Fund for a Healthy Maine	VV	Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Controller shall transfer \$3,858,368 no later than June 30, 2012 and \$358,409 no later than June 30, 2013 from the Fund for a Healthy Maine to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund.	FHM	Fund for a Healthy Maine	1	AMD 8-4	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$3,858,368	\$358,409
128	129 Bureau of Medical Services	A F-A-1362	Transfers funding for consulting services from the Bureau of Medical Services program to the Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services program.	MaineCare Admin	General Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$114,312)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$114,312)
129	Z036 Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services	A F-A-1362	Transfers funding for consulting services from the Bureau of Medical Services program to the Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services program.	MaineCare Admin	General Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$114,312	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$114,312
130	129 Bureau of Medical Services	A F-A-1379	Provides funding to allow staff time spent on the State Children's Health Insurance Program to be charged to the appropriate funding source.	MaineCare Admin	Federal Block Grant Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$200,000
131	129 Bureau of Medical Services	A F-A-1380	Transfers funding for translation and interpretation services from the Medical Care - Payment to Providers program to the Bureau of Medical Services program.	MaineCare Admin	General Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$213,000	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$213,000
132	129 Bureau of Medical Services	A F-A-1380	Transfers funding for translation and interpretation services from the Medical Care - Payment to Providers program to the Bureau of Medical Services program.	MaineCare Admin	Federal Expenditures Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$639,000	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$639,000
133	147 Medical Care - Payments to Providers	A F-A-1380	Transfers funding for translation and interpretation services from the Medical Care - Payment to Providers program to the Bureau of Medical Services program.	MaineCare Admin	General Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$213,000)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$213,000)
134	147 Medical Care - Payments to Providers	A F-A-1380	Transfers funding for translation and interpretation services from the Medical Care - Payment to Providers program to the Bureau of Medical Services program.	MaineCare Admin	Federal Expenditures Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$639,000)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$639,000)

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135	129	Bureau of Medical Services	A F-A-1381	Transfers funding for the patient-centered medical home incentive payment program from the Medical Care - Payment to Providers program to the Bureau of Medical Services program.	MaineCare Admin	General Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$611,797	\$646,920	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$611,797	\$646,920
136	129	Bureau of Medical Services	A F-A-1381	Transfers funding for the patient-centered medical home incentive payment program from the Medical Care - Payment to Providers program to the Bureau of Medical Services program.	MaineCare Admin	Federal Expenditures Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$1,059,780	\$1,114,365	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$1,059,780	\$1,114,365
137	147	Medical Care - Payments to Providers	A F-A-1381	Transfers funding for the patient-centered medical home incentive payment program from the Medical Care - Payment to Providers program to the Bureau of Medical Services program.	MaineCare Admin	General Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	(\$611,797)	(\$646,920)	\$0	0.000	0.000	(\$611,797)	(\$646,920)
138	147	Medical Care - Payments to Providers	A F-A-1381	Transfers funding for the patient-centered medical home incentive payment program from the Medical Care - Payment to Providers program to the Bureau of Medical Services program.	MaineCare Admin	Federal Expenditures Fund	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	(\$1,059,780)	(\$1,114,365)	\$0	0.000	0.000	(\$1,059,780)	(\$1,114,365)
159	130	General Assistance - Reimbursement to Cities and Towns	A F-A-1386	Provides funding for general assistance benefits. <i>(Appropriations of \$3,991,196 in FY 12 and \$8,363,570 in FY 13 offset by deappropriations of -\$5,694,872 in FY 13 - see detail below)</i>	Public Assistance	General Fund	1	IN 8-4	\$0	\$0	\$3,991,196	\$2,668,697	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$3,991,196	\$2,668,697
160	Z020	Office for Family Independence	A F-A-1388	Provides funding for food supplement bonus money.	Public Assistance	Other Special Revenue Funds	2	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$900,000	\$900,000	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$900,000	\$900,000
161	130	General Assistance - Reimbursement to Cities and Towns	A F-A-5540	Provides funding in the General Assistance - Reimbursement to Cities and Towns program to bring allocations into line with anticipated resources.	Public Assistance	Other Special Revenue Funds	1	IN 8-4	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$449,846	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$449,846
162	191	Maternal and Child Health	A F-A-1340	Provides funding for new federal grant awards.	Public Health	Federal Expenditures Fund	1	IN 11-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,373,261	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$6,373,261
163	Z128	Wild Mushroom Harvesting Fund	A F-A-5538	Provides funding for program operations.	Public Health	Other Special Revenue Funds	1	IN 11-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,780	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	\$5,780
164	205	Plumbing Control Over	A F-A-7236	Reduces funding for training and certification of local plumbing inspectors.	Public Health	Other Special Revenue Funds	1	IN 12-0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$30,829)	\$0	0.000	0.000	\$0	(\$30,829)

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Code	Program	Change Package	InitiativeText	Sec. Class	Fund	Unit	HHS Vote	Pers. Serv. FY12	Pers. Serv. FY13	All Other FY12	All Other FY13	Unallocated FY13	Leg. Count FY12	Leg. Count FY13	FY 2012	FY 2013
LANGUAGE															HHS Vote	
165	R	1	Changes the definition of basic necessity to exclude housing assistance for longer than 90 days per calendar year												OUT	
166	R	2	Specifies that persons receiving TANF benefits or who have been terminated from the TANF program under certain conditions are not eligible for General Assistance												AMD 8-4	
167	R	3,7	Restricts housing assistance in the General Assistance Program to 90 days per calendar year.												OUT	
168	R	4-6	Specifies the conditions under which the eligibility for GA of members of a household of a person who loses GA because of failure to comply with certain rules may also be deemed ineligible												AMD 8-4	
169	R	8	Reduces General Assistance reimbursement rate for allowable expenditures to 50% for all municipalities with the exception of Indian Tribes (and related provisions).												AMD 8-4	
170	R	9	Repeals a provision regarding reimbursement for GA administrative expenses												OUT	
171	R	10	Modifies GA reporting requirements												OUT	
172	S	1	Eliminates the requirement that DHHS provide limited transitional food benefits to ASPIRE-TANF program recipients who lose TANF eligibility due to employment earnings.												IN	
173	S	2	Authorizes DHHS to provide limited transitional benefits to working families who are food supplement recipients.												IN	
174	T	1	Repeals the law requiring nursing facilities to submit payment to the department equal to 50% of any Medicaid savings due the State pursuant to the principles of reimbursement and reported in an unaudited cost reports.												IN	
175	U	1	Allows remaining balances of funds appropriated for state supplemental income benefits to be carried forward from year to year												IN	
176	V	1	Lapses \$80,904 in unencumbered balances in the Riverview Disproportionate Share General Fund accounts to the General Fund in FY12												OUT	
177	V	2	Lapses \$228,852 in unencumbered balances in the Dorothea Dix Disproportionate Share General Fund accounts to the General Fund in FY12												OUT	
178	VV	1	Transfers \$3,858,368 in FY12 and \$358,409 in FY13 from the Fund for a Healthy Maine to the General Fund												AMD 8-4	
179	AAA	1	Revises the authority to carry unexpended Personal Services balances to include the Dorothea Dix and Riverview accounts in which such balances would accrue.												IN	
180	AAA	2	Requires that revenue for Medicaid, Medicare or other insurances for services at Riverview or Dorothea Dix be credited to the General Fund												IN	
181	AAA	3-5	Repeals provisions related to special revenue accounts at Riverview and Dorothea Dix												IN	
182	AAA	6	Authorizes the DHHS Commissioner to transfer positions and available balances between Dorothea Dix and Riverview through financial order.												IN	

APPENDIX B

Summary of LD 1903, Supplemental Budget #2, General Assistance Votes

Health and Human Services Committee, March 29, 2012

Majority vote – 8 to 4

- Voted to fund the GA shortfall for FY12.
- Voted to reject GA initiatives on time-limited housing benefits and prohibiting benefits for persons receiving TANF benefits and persons under sanction in the TANF program.
- Voted to limit GA assistance to persons receiving TANF benefits and persons under sanction in the TANF program to assistance with the cost of housing only.
- Voted to retain the current GA reimbursement formula for municipalities and to require funding for the State share of costs above .0003 of state valuation to be provided by the Maine State Housing Authority instead of DHHS.
- Voted to require DHHS to convene a GA work group on initiatives to establish consistency of eligibility and benefits, review of roll of GA in funding homeless shelters, an initiative to assist with SSI and VA benefit applications and potential increased funding of GA by the Maine State Housing Authority, with a report including recommendations and legislation by December 1, 2012.

Minority vote – 8-4

- Voted to fund GA shortfall for FY12 and FY13.
- Voted to reject GA initiatives on time-limited housing benefits and prohibiting benefits for persons receiving TANF benefits and persons under sanction in the TANF program.
- Voted to retain the current GA reimbursement formula for municipalities.
- Voted to support establishing a GA task force to review and make recommendations on revisions to the General Assistance program, with a report including recommendations and legislation by December 1, 2012.
- Voted to support establishing a pilot project to add employees in DHHS to assist persons applying for General Assistance with applications for SSI and veterans benefits.