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Amend the amendment by striking out all of sections 1 to 3 and inserting in their place the following:

- 'Sec. 1. Partnerships. The Department of Economic and Community Development shall facilitate the formation of partnerships with interested parties to strengthen and secure the future of the Marine Technology Center at Eastport. Parties that should be approached include, but are not limited to, the Washington County Community College, the City of Eastport, the University of Maine System, Maine Maritime Academy, Husson College, Friends of the Boat School or its successor organization and the Maine Marine Trades Association or its successor organization.
- **Sec. 2. Report.** The Department of Economic and Community Development, with input and assistance from the Washington County Community College and the City of Eastport, shall report the results of its efforts and its recommendations to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters by February 1, 2007.
- **Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF

Administration - Economic and Community Development 0069

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to facilitate the formation of partnerships to strengthen and secure the future of the Marine Technology Center.

GENERAL FUND All Other	2005-06 \$0	2006-07 \$25,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$25,000

SUMMARY

This amendment specifies that the Department of Economic and Community Development shall facilitate the formation of partnerships and, with input and assistance from the Washington County Community College and the City of Eastport, report on the results of those efforts. This amendment also clarifies that the funding is administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)