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Amend the amendment in Part D in section 1 in the 3rd line (page 8, line 26 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$55,000,000" and inserting the following: '\$65,000,000'

Amend the amendment in Part D in section 6 in the 8th line (page 9, line 18 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$50,000,000" and inserting the following: '\$60,000,000'

Amend the amendment in Part D in section 10 by striking out all of the question (page 10, lines 23 to 28 in amendment) and inserting the following:

"Do you favor a bond issue to stimulate economic development and job creation that would provide \$5,000,000 in loans and grant funds and would provide \$60,000,000 in research, development and commercialization funds for targeted technology sectors, awarded after a competitive process administered by the Maine Technology Institute, and will leverage at least \$60,000,000 in other funds?"

Amend the amendment in Part G in section 1 in the 3rd line (page 17, line 9 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$29,725,000" and inserting the following '\$19,725,000'

Amend the amendment in Part G by striking out all of section 6 and inserting the following:

Sec. G-6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized under this Part must be expended as designated in the following schedule.

**DEPARTMENT OF INLAND
FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

Dam repair

\$300,000

Provides funds for major rehabilitation of dams.

Hatchery rehabilitation

\$2,000,000

Provides funds for upgrades to fish hatcheries to meet water quality requirements.

**DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

Small community grants

\$1,000,000

Provides funds to fund the small community grant program, which provides grants to rural communities to address specific water pollution problems.

Uncontrolled hazardous waste

\$2,000,000

Provides funds to investigate and clean up uncontrolled hazardous substance contamination at sites posing unacceptable threats to public health and water quality.

Municipal landfills

\$800,000

Provides funds to identify and address pollution problems at closed landfills under a statutory mandate to monitor and inspect closed municipal facilities. Bonds will repay municipalities that conducted remedial actions such as waterline extensions or landfill gas collection to protect nearby residential property.

Industrial landfills

\$300,000

Provides funds to address public health and environmental threats by preventing pollution from abandoned landfills left behind by corporations that went bankrupt.

Air quality monitoring

\$300,000

Provides funds to replace aging or obsolete equipment used to monitor air quality for public health concerns. The State can no longer rely on federal funding to support this effort.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Ferry and Port Improvements \$500,000

Airports \$200,000

Transit and Bus Improvements \$1,000,000

Pedestrian and Bicycle Trails \$500,000

\$9,675,000

Passenger and Freight Rail Improvements

\$700,000

Provides funds for reconstruction of a bulkhead and wharf at the former United States Coast Guard facility in Portland.

Amend the amendment in Part G in section 10 by striking out all of the question (page 20, lines 11 to 13 in amendment) and inserting the following:

"Do you favor a \$19,725,000 bond issue for natural resource, agricultural and transportation infrastructure that will leverage \$11,680,000 in other funds?"

SUMMARY

This amendment adds \$10,000,000 to the research and development bond issue on the November 2007 ballot and removes \$10,000,000 for highway and bridge improvements from the June 2008 bond issue.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)