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## An Act To Combat Childhood Obesity through the Creation of Recreational and Athletic Fields

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

- **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §6203, sub-§3, ¶B,** as amended by PL 1999, c. 769, §1, is further amended to read:
  - B. Fund minor capital improvements on lands acquired by proceeds from the Land for Maine's Future Fund to improve accessibility, as long as these improvements do not exceed 5% of the appraised value of the acquired property; and
  - **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §6203, sub-§3, ¶C,** as enacted by PL 1999, c. 769, §2, is amended to read:
  - C. When interest in farmland is acquired, fund the development of a business plan and capital improvements to provide for the land's continuing use as a working farm, as long as these improvements do not exceed 5% of the appraised value of the acquired property: and
  - **Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §6203, sub-§3, ¶D** is enacted to read:
  - D. Fund improvements to land for recreational purposes, including, but not limited to, recreational and athletic fields, upon application of a municipality.
  - **Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §6207, sub-§4,** ¶**A,** as enacted by PL 1987, c. 506, §§1 and 4, is repealed.
- **Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §6207, sub-§4, ¶B,** as amended by PL 1993, c. 728, §10, is further amended to read:
  - B. Except as provided in section 6203, subsection 3, paragraphparagraphs B and D and section 6203-A, subsection 3, paragraph B, capital improvements on any publicly owned facilities; and

## **SUMMARY**

This bill allows money in the Land for Maine's Future Fund to be used to fund improvements to land for recreational purposes, including, but not limited to, recreational and athletic fields, upon application of a municipality.