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House of Representatives, January 27, 2021

**An Act To Support Emergency Shelter Access for Persons
Experiencing Homelessness**

Received by the Clerk of the House on January 25, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Labor and Housing pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston.
Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland and
Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CRAVEN of Lewiston, LOOKNER of Portland,
MORALES of South Portland, SUPICA of Bangor, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senators:
CLAXTON of Androscoggin, DAUGHTRY of Cumberland.

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

2 **Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
3 allocations are made.

4 **HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE**

5 **Shelter Operating Subsidy 0661**

6 Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to support operations and capacity at low-barrier
7 emergency homeless shelters across the State. This funding is supplemental to the Maine
8 State Housing Authority's emergency shelter and housing assistance program and is to be
9 delivered outside of the funding formula set forth in the Maine State Housing Authority's
10 rule under 99-346 C.M.R. Chapter 19, Homeless Solutions Rule.

11 GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
12 All Other	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
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14 GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$3,000,000</u>	<u>\$3,000,000</u>

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$3,000,000 per year to the
17 Shelter Operating Subsidy program within the Maine State Housing Authority to support
18 operations and capacity at low-barrier emergency homeless shelters across the State. This
19 bill specifies that the funding is supplemental to the Maine State Housing Authority's
20 emergency shelter and housing assistance program and is to be delivered outside of the
21 funding formula set forth in the Maine State Housing Authority's rule under 99-346 C.M.R.
22 Chapter 19, Homeless Solutions Rule.