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**Chapter 644**  
**H.P. 1310 - L.D. 1824**

**An Act To Decriminalize Violations of Rules or Permit Conditions of the Baxter State Park Authority**

**Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** changes in the rules of the Baxter State Park Authority are needed before the summer season; and

**Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §903, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. F, §2 and affected by Pt. X, §2, is amended to read:

**2. Violation of rules and permits.** A person who violates any of the rules of the Baxter State Park Authority or a condition of a permit issued under those rules commits a ~~Class E crime. Except as otherwise specifically provided, these crimes are strict liability crimes as defined in Title 17-A, section 34, subsection 4-A~~ civil violation for which a fine of not more than \$1,000 may be adjudged.

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

**CORRECTIONS, STATE BOARD OF**

**State Board of Corrections Investment Fund Z087**

Initiative: Deappropriates funds based on an anticipated reduction in sentences for Class E crimes.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
All Other	\$0	(\$19,266)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$19,266)</b>

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective April 12, 2010.