

**§6492. Use of fund****(CONTAINS TEXT WITH VARYING EFFECTIVE DATES)****(WHOLE SECTION TEXT EFFECTIVE UNTIL 10/01/24)****(WHOLE SECTION TEXT REPEALED 10/01/24 by T. 12, §6494)**

Until June 30, 2024, the fund must be distributed on an annual basis as follows: [PL 2021, c. 755, §2 (NEW).]

**1. Department.** To the department, an amount sufficient to reimburse the department for costs incurred in administering the fund during the preceding 12-month period; [PL 2021, c. 755, §2 (NEW).]

**2. Association.** To a designated statewide association representing individuals engaged in commercial lobster fishing, up to 1/2 of the balance remaining after allocation to the department under subsection 1 to reimburse the association for legal costs incurred in legal proceedings involving the regulations of the United States Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration implementing the Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Plan for which the association submits invoices to the department detailing legal costs incurred and paid; and [PL 2021, c. 755, §2 (NEW).]

**3. Labor union.** To a labor union representing individuals engaged in commercial lobster fishing in the State, up to 1/2 of the balance remaining after allocation to the department under subsection 1 to reimburse the union for legal costs incurred in legal proceedings involving the regulations as set out in subsection 2 for which the union submits invoices to the department detailing legal costs incurred and paid. [PL 2021, c. 755, §2 (NEW).]

The department shall distribute money from the fund according to this section. The department may adopt policies governing the distribution of money from the fund. [PL 2021, c. 755, §2 (NEW).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 2021, c. 755, §2 (NEW).

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