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**Memorandum**

**To:** The Honorable Helio Melo  
Chairman, House Finance Committee

The Honorable Daniel DaPonte  
Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

**From:** Thomas A. Mullaney *Thomas A. Mullaney*  
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**Date:** May 18, 2012

**Subject:** Amendments to Article 33 of the FY 2013 Appropriations  
Act (12-H-7323)

The Governor requests that Article 33 – Relating to Holidays be removed from the FY 2013 Appropriations Act. This will require the restoration of general revenue appropriations in the amount of \$589,780. The original savings estimates did not take into consideration the additional costs that some 24/7 operations would incur as a result of staff receiving an additional personal day in accordance with union contracts. As such, the true savings from the elimination of Election Day as a holiday are not significant and thus, the Governor requests that this article be withdrawn.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me at 222-6300.

TAM:12-45

cc: Sharon Reynolds Ferland, House Fiscal Advisor  
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