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November 20, 2025

Senator Joseph Baldacci, Senate Chair
Representative Suzanne Salisbury, House Chair
Committee on State and Local Government, Maine State Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04330

Dear Senator Baldacci and Representative Salisbury,

At today's work session on the attached report by the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability (OPEGA), the committee voted to endorse the report and to also refer this matter to your committee. The purpose of the referral is to invite you to consider whether any changes are warranted to the "appearance" of conflict-of-interest provision of 5 M.R.S. § 18, in light of the matters set forth in the OPEGA report.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter and for any other action you may deem appropriate.

Very truly yours,

Handwritten signature of Craig V. Hickman.

Craig V. Hickman
Senate Chair

Handwritten signature of Anne-Marie Mastraccio.

Anne-Marie Mastraccio
House Chair

Attachment

cc: Government Oversight Committee Members
Peter Schleck, Director, Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability