



**The Government Oversight Committee
&
The Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability**

2025: Taking Stock

2026: Moving Ahead



Renewed: Best Practices in Government Oversight



Answered: Staff Safety at the State's Psychiatric Hospitals



Assessed: Aspects of Financial Stewardship at Maine Veterans' Homes



**MAINE
VETERANS'
HOMES**
caring for those who served



**Evaluated: The Management of Conflicts of Interest in Contracting
in the
Office of Cannabis Policy**

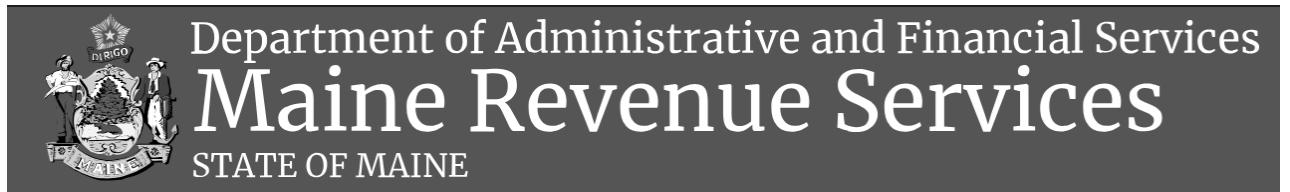


Department of Administrative and Financial Services
Maine Revenue Services
STATE OF MAINE

**Gathered: Select Information on the Student Loan Repayment Tax Credit
&
The Former Educational Opportunity Tax Credit**



Reviewed: The Credit for Major Business Headquarters Expansions



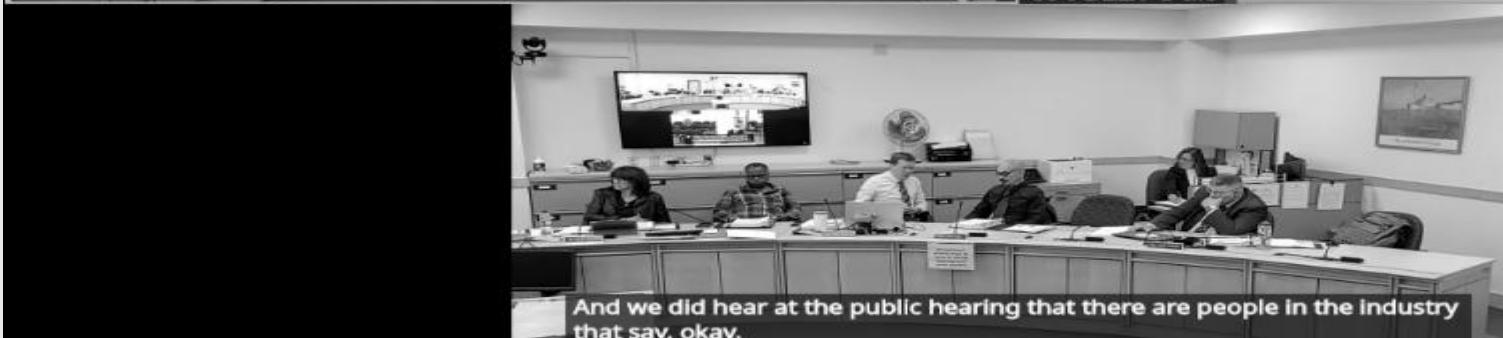
Additional GOC Focus and Consideration in 2025:

Home Energy Assistance

Election Integrity

Freedom of Access

Driver's Licensing Controls





GOC Voted: A Range of Other OPEGA Reviews

Pending: The Timeliness of DHHS Payments for Foster Children in Childcare





DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES
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MAINE DEPARTMENT OF
Environmental Protection

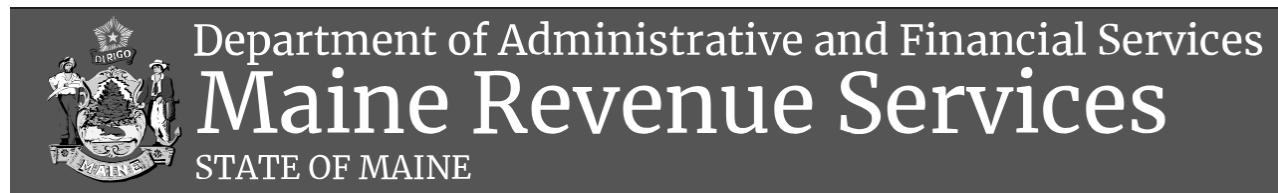
Pending: The State's Oversight of the Contractor-Operated Juniper Ridge Landfill

Pending: DHHS OCFS Handling of a Kinship Placement in Chelsea





Pending: Further Tax Expenditure Reviews





MAINE DEPARTMENT OF
Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry

Pending: The Maine Seed Potato Certification Program

“From all of us in OPEGA, we thank the Government Oversight Committee and the Maine Legislature for the opportunity to be of assistance in 2025 and look forward to being of further service in 2026.”

Peter Schlerck

