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TO: Members-Elect of the 133rd Maine Legislature

FROM: Speaker Ryan D. Fecteau, Chair of the 132nd Legislative Council RF
President Matthea E. L. Daughtry, Vice-chair of the 132nd Legislative Council

DATE: November 5, 2026

SUBJECT: **Legislative Orientation Schedule: 133rd Maine Legislature**

Congratulations on your election to the Maine Legislature! As a newly elected or returning Legislator, you will have a challenging but rewarding opportunity to serve your constituents and the people of Maine. To assist you in acclimating to your role as Legislator, the Legislative Council has developed various legislator orientation programs for members of the 133rd Legislature that will be held over the next several months.

The legislator orientation programs, sponsored by the Legislative Council, are designed to provide incoming legislators with important information regarding their responsibilities, key issues, legislative procedures and services. Some of the programs are designed for those of you who have been elected to the Legislature for the first time, and others are intended for all members of the legislature regardless of length of prior legislative service. Enclosed with this memo is a calendar that shows the orientation dates.

1. **NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION**

For all newly elected members and returning members who did not serve in the 132nd Legislature:

Tuesday, November 17, 2026 — Virtual Presentations via Zoom

Wednesday, November 18, 2026 – State House, Augusta
Group A Only (see attached list)

Thursday, November 19, 2026 – State House, Augusta
Group B Only (see attached list)

This orientation program covers general information regarding your duties as a legislator, legislative procedures and staff services. It is also an opportunity for you to meet other newly elected members and to begin to develop working relationships that are the foundation of an effective legislative process. All of these topics are relevant to your effectiveness as a legislator, and **it is *essential* that newly-elected members attend this orientation**. A preliminary copy of the New Member Orientation agenda is enclosed for your review. Please contact the Office of the Executive Director at 287-1615 if you are not able to attend.

2. STATE HOUSE PARKING

Parking on the State House campus for New Member Orientation is limited, but parking lots A, B and part of C have been reserved exclusively for Legislators. Signs indicate designated legislator parking areas (see the campus map). Please use the designated legislative parking areas, and display on your dashboard the temporary Parking Permit included in this packet. You will receive special legislative plates for your vehicle during the week of November 30th.

3. MEMBERS' PAYROLL INFORMATION & OTHER FORMS

NEWLY- ELECTED Legislators: Payroll and benefit forms must be completed in our online system **by Monday, November 16** to ensure that you receive your legislative salary and reimbursement of authorized expenses. An automated email with a link to the legislative onboarding system and log-in instructions was sent to your personal email address this week.

Additionally, every new legislator may choose to exercise any of the following options by filling out and submitting the appropriate optional form, all of which are included in this packet:

- **Early payment of the Constituent Services Allowance.** If you wish to receive your Constituent Services Allowance in December rather than January 2027, please fill out the Constituent Services Allowance Request form to exercise this option.
- **Stretch payment of compensation.** If you wish to stretch your 2027 annual legislator salary for the First Regular Session throughout the year across 26 payrolls rather than receiving it in the first half of the year over 12 biweekly payrolls, please fill out the Legislator Salary Payment Option form to exercise this option.
- **Social Security equalization.** If you are a retired legislator receiving a Social Security retirement benefit and you wish to request equalization of your salary between the 2 years of the legislative biennium, please fill out the Retired Legislators Receiving Social Security Request to Equalize Pay form to exercise this option.

Forms to elect any of these options must be received by the Office of the Executive Director, State House Room 103, **no later than Tuesday, December 1, 2026.** Signed forms may also be emailed by that date to Eliza Taplin Jones (eliza.taplinjones@legislature.maine.gov) and Dawna Lopatosky (dawna.lopatosky@legislature.maine.gov).

RETURNING Legislators: Every returning legislator may choose to exercise any of the following options by filling out and submitting the appropriate optional form, all of which are included in this packet:

- **Early payment of the Constituent Services Allowance.** If you wish to receive your Constituent Services Allowance in December rather than January 2027, please fill out the Constituent Services Allowance Request form to exercise this option.
- **Stretch payment of compensation.** If you wish to stretch your 2027 annual legislator salary for the First Regular Session throughout the year across 26 payrolls rather than receiving it in the first half of the year over 12 biweekly payrolls, please fill out the Legislator Salary Payment Option form to exercise this option.
- **Social Security equalization.** If you are a retired legislator receiving a Social Security retirement benefit and you wish to request equalization of your salary between the 2 years

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As a returning member, you are not required to re-enroll in health, dental and vision benefits, or the MaineSaves 457b and Roth voluntary retirement savings program at this time, but you may enroll or make changes as long as the entries are completed **within the next 30 days**.

Returning members who wish to enroll or make a change to their flexible spending account (FSA) must complete those changes within the open enrollment timeframe, which normally occurs for two weeks each November. Please check for the separate open enrollment email sent to your legislative email for additional details.

For any primary residence or name changes, or to make changes to direct deposit or payroll tax withholding, please contact Eliza Taplin Jones in the Executive Director's Office at 287-1615.

4. SECURITY BADGES/PHOTOS

All newly-elected legislators and returning members who did not serve in the 132nd Legislature will have their photos taken for their security ID badges on their assigned day for New Member Orientation.

5. PRE-LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE & SWEARING-IN OF MEMBERS-ELECT

Date: Monday-Thursday, November 30 – December 3, 2026
State House, Augusta

This second orientation program is a program designed for both newly elected and returning Legislators. Please reserve these days on your schedule so you may attend this important conference. Several of the sessions are statutorily required training for all legislators.

Please note that the first day of the Pre-Legislative Conference, Monday, November 30th, is intended primarily for members who have been elected to the Legislature for the first time. The seminars presented on Tuesday, December 1st, are intended for all members, and will include the statutorily required trainings. On Tuesday evening, December 1st, all newly elected and re-elected members and their guests are invited to a reception to be held from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM in the Hall of Flags located in the Maine State House. Members-elect will be sworn into office on the third day of this pre-legislative conference, Wednesday, December 2nd.

6. TRAVEL/LODGING

For November's **New Member Orientation**: you will be reimbursed for one round trip mileage between your home and the State House in Augusta at the rate of $0.55/mile. The maximum lodging reimbursement allowed is $70. Receipts are required, so **please keep your lodging receipts** for New Member Orientation, as you must attach them to the travel and expense voucher form that you will complete and submit for your attendance at the orientation session.

For December's **Pre-Legislative Conference**: you will be reimbursed for round trip mileage between your home and the State House, at the rate of $0.55/mile. The maximum lodging reimbursement allowed is $70 and receipts are not required.

For those of you who reside a great distance from the State House and need to stay overnight in Augusta while attending these events, we have provided a list of several area hotels. **Please make your own reservations as soon as possible to assure a room. When reserving a room, you will need to request the special rate listed on the hotel page enclosed in this packet to receive the hotel's discounted rate.**

Once you have been sworn into office on Wednesday, December 2, 2026, you may request payment to reimburse you for your travel and lodging expenses to attend the New Member Orientation and the Pre-Legislative Conference. Please remember that to receive reimbursement for lodging incurred attending New Member Orientation, you must attach your lodging receipts to the travel and expense voucher form that you will complete and submit for your attendance at the November New Member Orientation session. The appropriate reimbursement form(s) will be provided to you at the orientation session and at the conference.

7. PRE-LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE RECEPTION

We welcome you to invite your spouse, partner or other guest(s) to attend the educational components of the Pre-Legislative Conference with you. On Tuesday, December 1st, there will be a reception in the Hall of Flags from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM.

8. LEGISLATIVE POLICY FORUMS

A third component of the orientation program sponsored by the Legislative Council is a regional economic development bus tour that will occur in January and several legislative policy forums on select important policy issues facing the next Legislature. The policy forums will be held in Augusta beginning on Thursday, December 3rd, and a bus tour is scheduled to take place in January. During the bus tour, Legislators will have the opportunity to tour various areas of the State to become acquainted with key issues, industries and matters of community interest. Registration for these programs is not yet required.

9. CIVILITY & LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

Thom Little, who serves as a director at the National Institute of Civil Discourse and as a director at the State Legislative Leaders Foundation, will lead a session focused on the skill sets necessary to be an effective lawmaker. Dr. Little's presentation, entitled "What Got You Here Won't Get You There," will take place on January 6, 2027, in the Chamber of the House of Representatives at the State House.

10. INTERACTIVE BILL TRAINING

"Follow That Bill!" is a two-part series that will guide legislators through the bill process from concept to the Appropriations Table. Sessions will be held immediately following session on January 11, 2027, and January 19, 2027. Additional details to follow.

Please call the Office of the Executive Director at 287-1615 if you have any questions about arrangements for the orientation programs, the forms and other materials enclosed or if you would like additional information. Once again, we congratulate you on your election to the Maine Legislature.

133rd Maine Legislature
Orientation for Newly Elected Members

Group A
Wednesday, November 18, 2026
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Maureen Aucoin, Representative-elect
Timothy Becker, Representative-elect
Elizabeth Bosworth, Senator-elect
Joseph Campbell, Representative-elect
Clinton Collamore, Representative-elect
Madison Cook, Representative-elect
Katrina Couch Ray-Saulis, Representative-elect
Shanna Cox, Senator-elect
Christopher Easton, Representative-elect
April Fournier, Representative-elect
Abigail Geer, Representative-elect
Joshua Gerritsen, Representative-elect
Riannon Hampson, Representative-elect
Pamela Hart, Representative-elect
Amanda Heath, Senator-elect
Victoria Kornfield, Representative-elect
Scott H. Landry, Representative-elect
Christopher Lewey, Representative-elect
Shean M. Mahoney, Representative-elect
Kiernan Majerus-Collins, Representative-elect
Jennifer Mayher, Representative-elect
Patric Moore, Senator-elect
Charlotte Nutt, Representative-elect
Karin Orenstein, Representative-elect
Maura Pillsbury, Representative-elect
Shawn Saindon, Representative-elect
Michael Scott, Senator-elect
Seven Siegel, Representative-elect
Dana Staples, Representative-elect
Trent Vellella, Representative-elect
Bradley Youngs, Representative-elect
Andrew Zarro, Representative-elect

Group B
Wednesday, November 19, 2026
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Marc Boisse, Representative-Elect
Douglas Carlisle, Representative-Elect
Kerryl Clement, Representative-Elect
Mallory Cook, Representative-Elect
Dale Crafts, Representative-Elect
Jantzen Craine, Representative-Elect
Kristin Davis, Representative-Elect
Shawn Dixon, Representative-Elect
Michael Dixon, Representative-Elect
Ernest Fitts, Representative-Elect
Karen Gerrish, Representative-Elect
David Giles, Representative-Elect
Ayn Hanselmann, Representative-Elect
Thomas Hart, Representative-Elect
John Henkelman, Representative-Elect
Robert Kelly, Representative-Elect
Jonathan Kinney, Representative-Elect
Shawn Lancaster, Representative-Elect
Eric Nathanson, Representative-Elect
Jamie Newton, Representative-Elect
Alexandros Orestis, Representative-Elect
Adrienne Paul, Representative-Elect
Michael Perkins, Representative-Elect
Lucy Perkins, Representative-Elect
Lisa Pratt, Representative-Elect
Jason Shedlock, Representative-Elect
Joel Stetkis, Senator-elect
Marissa Tasker, Representative-Elect
Austin Theriault, Representative-Elect
Douglas Thomas, Representative-Elect
Charles Tilburg, Representative-Elect
Andrew Torbett, Representative-Elect
R. Melissa Winslow, Representative-Elect

133rd Maine Legislature
Orientation for Newly Elected Members



Agenda & Schedule

DAY 1:
Tuesday, November 17, 2026
9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

NOTE: The Entire Day 1 Agenda Will Be Presented Virtually via ZOOM

Introduction to Nonpartisan Staff

- Overview — 9:00 AM – 9:15 AM
  Suzanne Gresser, Office of the Executive Director

- Where do I go to file a bill? — 9:15 AM – 9:30 AM
  Edward Charbonneau, Office of the Revisor of Statutes

- A preview of what to expect once you've been appointed to a Legislative Committee — 9:30 AM – 9:45 AM
  Danielle Fox, Office of Policy & Legal Analysis (OPLA)
  Luke Lazure, Office of Fiscal & Program Review (OFPR)
  Peter Schleck, Office of Program Evaluation & Government Accountability (OPEGA)

Introduction to Caucus Staff — 9:45 AM – 10:30 AM

Staff representing the Caucus Offices will discuss the roles of the Caucus Offices and describe some of the services that they provide to Legislators

Legislative Information Technology, Email & Cybersecurity — 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Nik Rende, Office of Legislative Information Technology (LIT)
Nicholas Tassinari, Office of Legislative Information Technology (LIT)

State House Security & Parking — 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM
Chief Ryan Frost, Capitol Police

Questions and Answers?

DAY 2:
Group A: Wednesday, November 18, 2026, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Group B: Thursday, November 19, 2026, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

NOTE: The Entire Day 2 Agenda Will Be Presented Onsite at the State House Complex

9:00 AM – 9:15 AM	**Registration**	**3rd Floor Rotunda**
9:15 AM – 9:30 AM Presenters:	Welcome & Opening Remarks Members of the 132nd Legislative Council	House Chamber
9:30 AM – 10:15 AM Presenters:	Introduction to Chamber Offices and Services Hon. Darek Grant, Secretary of the Senate Hon. Robert Hunt, Clerk of the House	House Chamber
10:15 AM – 11:15 AM Presenters:	Basics on Bills: Filing Legislation & Deadlines Edward Charbonneau, Revisor of Statutes Suzanne Gresser, Executive Director	House Chamber
11:15 PM – 12 noon Presenters:	What Happens After a Bill is Printed? Danielle Fox, Director, OPLA Luke Lazure, Director, OFPR Casey Milligan, Manager, LIO	House Chamber
12 noon – 12:45 PM	Tours of the State House Complex *(attendees will be escorted from the House Chamber by staff guides)*	
12:45 PM –1:45 PM	***Boxed Lunches, Staff Tables, Bill Filing Assistance***	3rd Flr Rotunda
1:45 PM – 2:30 PM Presenter:	Compensation & Benefits Dawna Lopatosky, Office of the Executive Director Eliza Taplin, Office of the Executive Director	House Chamber

The New Member Orientation is sponsored by the Legislative Council of the 132nd Legislature

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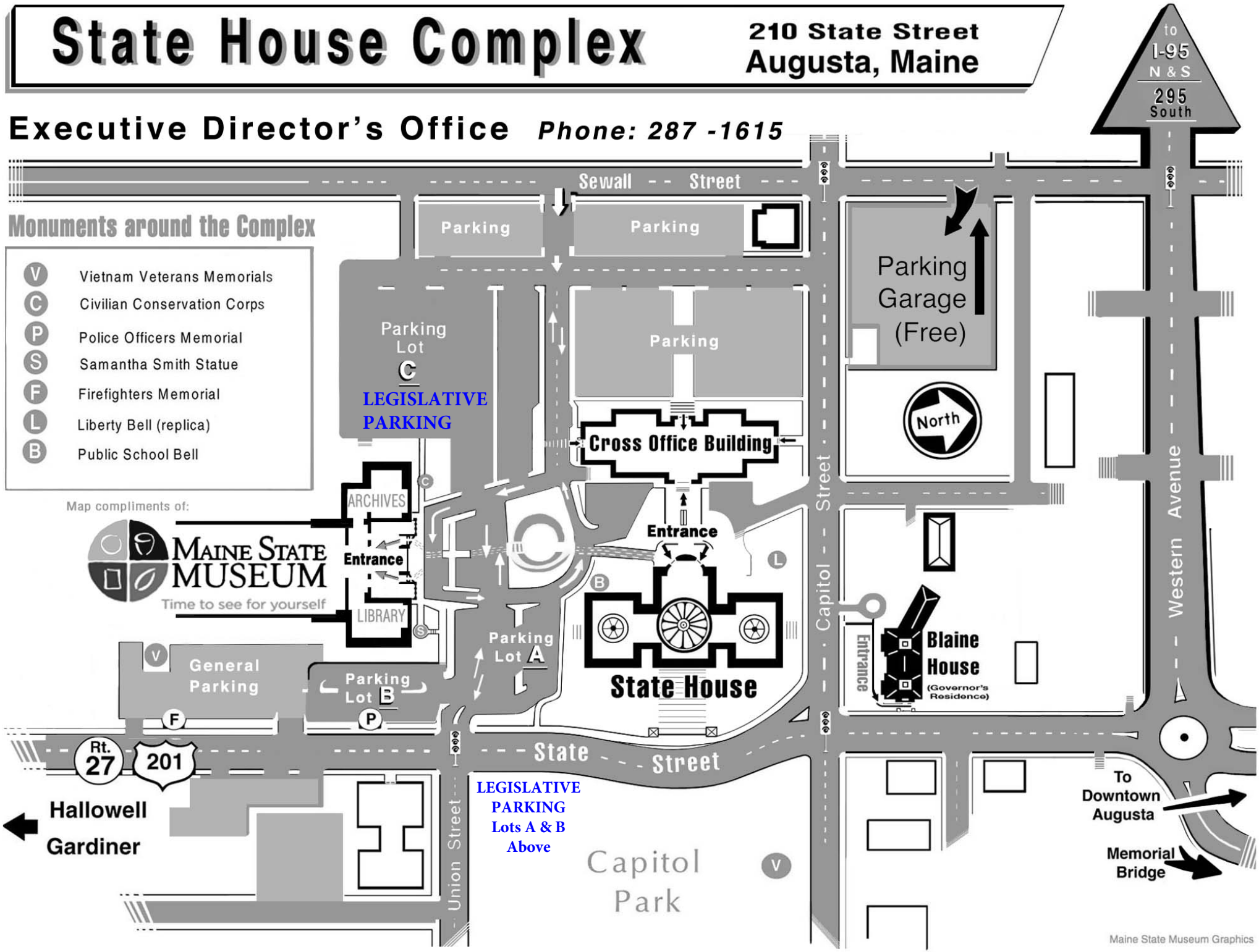
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Senator Trey Stewart
Senator Matthew Harrington

Speaker Ryan D. Fecteau, Council Chair
Representative Matthew Moonen
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State House Complex

210 State Street
Augusta, Maine

Executive Director's Office *Phone: 287 -1615*



CONSTITUENT SERVICES ALLOWANCE
REQUEST FOR PAYMENT
133rd Maine State Legislature

Each member of the Senate receives an annual allowance for constituent services in the amount of $2,000, $1,300 in January and $700 in the month following adjournment of the regular session. Each member of the House of Representatives also receives an annual allowance for constituent services in the amount of $1,500, $1,005 in January and $495 in the month following adjournment of the regular session.

Pursuant to law, Legislators may request that the first Constituent Services Allowance for the First Regular Session of the 133rd Legislature be paid in December rather than in January, the regularly scheduled date for payment. The allowance is taxable income and is subject to income tax in the year in which it is paid.

I am a: ☐ State Senator ☐ State Representative

I would like to receive my first Constituent Service Allowance in: ☐ December, 2026

☐ January, 2027

I understand there may be income tax consequences as a result of this early payment.

Requested by: _____

Signature

_____

Print Name Clearly

Date: _____

Requests for early payment must be received in the Office of the Executive Director no later than **Tuesday, December 1, 2026.** Requests for early payment made after this date cannot be honored.

Signed forms may also be scanned and submitted by email to Eliza Tapin Jones and Dawna Lopatosky: eliza.taplinjones@legislature.maine.gov; dawna.lopatosky@legislature.maine.gov

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For internal use only:

Date received: _____

SUZANNE M. GRESSER

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TO: Members of the 133rd Legislature

FROM: Suzanne M. Gresser, Executive Director

DATE: November 5, 2026

SUBJECT: Legislator Salary Payment Options - First Regular Session

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Pursuant to 2023 Public Law Chapter 446, each legislator is entitled to receive a salary of $25,000 in the first year, and $20,000 in the second year, of each biennium. Thereafter, legislators' salaries are adjusted annually on December 1 to reflect the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recently concluded fiscal year, except the percentage change may not exceed 3% in any year.

Payroll deductions are made for items such as federal and state taxes, retirement contributions, and other authorized deductions. Legislators electing health, dental or vision benefits, or life insurance coverage, will receive direct billings from csONE and MainePERS, respectively.

The base annualized salary for the First Regular Session of the 133rd Legislature is $26,522.52, or $2,210.21 biweekly. The first salary payment will be issued on Wednesday January 13, 2027. The remaining 11 payments will be issued biweekly, with the final payment occurring on Wednesday June 16, 2027.

The estimated base annualized salary for the Second Regular Session of the 133rd Legislature is $21,218.00, or 8 biweekly payments of $2,652.25. The amount is subject to change based on actual CPI for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027.

Legislator Salary Payment Option

Effective January 1, 2026, 2025 Public Law Chapter 482, An Act to Allow a Legislator to Choose to Be Paid on an Annual Basis, allows a legislator to choose to be paid the annual salary to which that legislator is entitled in approximately equal payments over that corresponding year of the biennium.

For the First Regular Session, Legislators who which to elect this option will have their salary divided across twenty-six (26) payrolls, with the last payroll occurring on Wednesday, December 29, 2027. **The biweekly salary amount will be $1,020.10 for those electing to receive approximately equal payments during 2027, or $918.09 for those who are also receiving social security and elected to equalize their pay prior to the start of the First Regular Session.** A legislator who wishes to choose this option must do so prior to the beginning of each regular session by the deadline reflected on the Legislator Payroll Option form.

Return this form **ONLY** if you are choosing to receive your annual salary across the entire year (26 payments), instead of across 12 biweekly payments at the beginning of the year.

LEGISLATOR SALARY PAYMENT OPTION

REQUEST FOR PAYMENT

133rd Maine State Legislature

Pursuant to law, Legislators may choose to be paid the salary to which that legislator is entitled for each year across approximately equal payments over that corresponding year of the biennium. A legislator who wishes to choose this option must do so prior to the beginning of each regular session.

For the First Regular Session, Legislators who which to elect this option will have their salary divided across twenty-six (26) payrolls, with the last payroll occurring on Wednesday, December 29, 2027. **The biweekly salary amount will be $1,020.10, or $918.09 for those receiving social security who elect to equalize their pay prior to the start of the First Regular Session.**

I am a: ☐ State Senator ☐ State Representative

I would like to receive the salary to which I am entitled across ☐ 26 biweekly payrolls in 2027

Requested by: _____
Signature

Print Name Clearly: _____

Date: _____

Requests must be received in the Office of the Executive Director, State House Room 103, no later than Tuesday, December 1, 2026. Requests made after this date cannot be honored.

Signed forms may also be scanned and submitted by email to Eliza Tapin Jones and Dawna Lopatosky: eliza.taplinjones@legislature.maine.gov; dawna.lopatosky@legislature.maine.gov

Return this form **ONLY** if you are eligible and wish to equalize your salary across the 2 years.

RETIRED LEGISLATORS RECEIVING SOCIAL SECURITY

Request to Equalize Pay Across 2 Years

133rd Maine State Legislature

At the start of the First Regular Session, a legislator who is retired and receiving a Social Security retirement benefit may make a request for their legislative salary to be equalized between the 2 years of the legislative biennium. When equalized, the gross salary in each year of the 133rd Legislature will be $23,870.26. The biweekly salary will be 12 payments of $1,989.19 in the First Regular Session, or 26 payments of $918.09 for those who also elect to receive their pay in biweekly amounts across the entire year during 2027.

In the Second Regular Session, the biweekly salary will be 8 payments of approximately $2,983.79, or 23 payments of approximately $1,037.84 for those who also elect to receive their pay across the entire year. (Note: Second Regular Session amounts are subject to change based on CPI. The date of the final payroll during 2028 is 11/15/28.)

I am a: ☐ State Senator ☐ State Representative

I hereby attest I am a recipient of retirement benefits from the Social Security Administration and am, therefore, entitled to have my legislative salary equalized between each year of the biennium, in accordance with the provisions of 3 MRSA §2. I hereby request that I be paid the appropriate legislative salary in each year of the 133rd legislative biennium that reflects the equalized amount. I understand that the amount may be adjusted in the second year once the salary is determined on December 1st.

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Signature Date

Print Name Clearly: _____

Address: _____

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Social Security Number: _____

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133rd MAINE LEGISLATURE

Pre-Legislative Conference
&
Convening of the Legislature

November 30 – December 3, 2026
Maine State House



Presented by the Legislative Council of the
132nd Maine Legislature



Maine State House
Augusta, Maine

Monday, November 30th

Pre-Legislative Conference for New Members

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM
Registration & Refreshments — *Third Floor Rotunda*

9:00 AM – 9:15 AM
Welcome and Opening Remarks — *House Chamber*
Members of the 132nd Legislative Council

9:15 AM – 10:45 AM
Chamber Orientation for Senators
Hon. Darek Grant, Secretary of the Senate — *Senate Chamber*

Chamber Orientation for Representatives
Hon. Robert Hunt, Clerk of the House — *House Chamber*

10:45 AM – 11:00 AM ***Break***

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM
What to Expect: Overview of a "Typical" Legislative Session — *House Chamber*
Members of staff representing:

- The Office of the Secretary of the Senate;
- The Office of the Clerk of the House;
- Nonpartisan legislative offices; and
- Caucus offices

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM
Constituent & Caucus Services & New Member Mentoring
Working lunch with Leadership offices (box lunch provided)

Democratic members	*Room 228*
Republican members	*Room 334*
Other members	*Room 127*

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM — *Hall of Flags*
Bill Filing Assistance, Staff Tables and Library Tours *(refreshments)*

Tuesday, December 1st

Pre-Legislative Conference for All Members

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM
Registration & Refreshments — *Third Floor Rotunda*

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM
Welcome and Opening Remarks — *House Chamber*
Hon. Matthea E.L. Daughtry, President of the Senate & Vice-chair, Legislative Council
Hon. Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House & Chair, Legislative Council

9:00 AM – 10:15 AM
Seminar on Legislative Ethics: the Law & Legislators' Responsibilities
(Attendance is mandatory per 1 MRSA §1008) — *House Chamber*
Presenters: Brooke Bailey, Esq., Chair, Commission on Governmental Ethics & Election Practices
Aaron Frey, Attorney General of Maine

10:15 AM – 10:30 AM ***Break***

10:30 AM – 11:30 PM
Seminar on Freedom of Access Act: the Public's Right to Know and Legislators' Training Requirements
(Attendance is mandatory) — *House Chamber*
Presenters: Aaron Frey, Attorney General of Maine
Brenda Kielty, Public Access Ombudsman, Attorney General's Office

11:30 AM – 12:15 PM
Harassment Prevention Training — *House Chamber*
(Attendance is mandatory per 3 MRSA §170-B)
Presenter: Peter Lowe, Brann and Isaacson

12:15 PM – 1:15 PM
Luncheon *(box lunch provided)* — *Hall of Flags & Room 228*

1:15 PM – 2:30 PM
Administrative Orientation:
~Members are asked to bring their laptops/tablets.
~Members' photographs may be taken during this time.

House Members — *House Chamber*

Senate Members — *Senate Chamber*

2:30 PM – 4:30 PM
Joint Senate & House Democratic Caucus — *House Chamber*
Joint Senate & House Republican Caucus — *Senate Chamber*

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM
Legislative Reception — *Hall of Flags*
Reception for the incoming Legislature

Evening event is hosted by the Legislative Council of the 132nd Legislature

Wednesday, December 2nd

Convening of the 133rd Maine Legislature

10:00 AM — *Senate Chamber*, *House Chamber*

Swearing-In of Members

By the Honorable Janet T. Mills, Governor

Organization of the House of Representatives and the Senate

- Election of Presiding Officer in each Chamber
- Election of Secretary of the Senate and Assistant Secretary of the Senate
- Election of Clerk of the House of Representatives and Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives

The Legislature Will Proceed With Orders of the Day

2:00 PM

Joint Convention of the 133rd Legislature — *House Chamber*

- Election of Constitutional Officers

4:00 PM

Senate Reconvenes in Session — *Senate Chamber*

House of Representatives Reconvenes in Session — *House Chamber*

(The Pre-Legislative Conference resumes on Thursday, December 3rd at 8:30 AM in Augusta at the Bangor Savings Bank, 5 Senator Way, located directly across from the Senator Inn)

Thursday, December 3rd

Pre-Legislative Conference for All Members

8:30 AM

Registration

Bangor Savings Bank
5 Senator Way
Augusta, Maine
(directly across from the Senator Inn)

9:00 AM

Legislative Policy Forum – for all Legislators

Welcome & Opening Remarks

Yellow Breen, President & CEO, Maine Development Foundation

Presenters & Keynote Speakers:

The program materials and detailed agenda will be distributed separately.

Lunch will be provided to Legislators who attend the legislative policy forum.

Sponsored by the Maine Legislative Council and the Maine Development Foundation

The Pre-Legislative Conference concludes
at approximately 3:00 PM

PRE-LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE FOR THE 133rd MAINE LEGISLATURE

This Pre-Legislative Conference is designed to acquaint newly-elected legislators and reacquaint re-elected legislators who will be serving in the 133rd Maine Legislature with the key aspects of the legislative process, staff services and other resources available to assist legislators in carrying out their Constitutional and statutory responsibilities. It includes seminars on key legal provisions affecting legislators, and provides a forum for beginning a dialogue on several key policy issues facing Maine and the Legislature.

The Pre-Legislative Conference is sponsored by the Legislative Council of the 132nd Legislature and is organized and staffed by legislative agency personnel. The cost of the conference is paid by a legislative appropriation.

Members of the
Legislative Council of the 132nd Legislature

The Honorable Matthea Daughtry, Vice-Chair and President of the Senate
The Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Chair and Speaker of the House

STATE SENATORS

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Hon. Teresa S. Pierce
Hon. Jill Duson
Hon. Harold "Trey" Stewart
Hon. Matthew Harrington

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

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Hon. Matthew Moonen
Hon. Lori Gramlich
Hon. Billy Bob Faulkingham
Hon. Katrina Smith



Maine State House
Augusta, Maine

133rd Legislature

Augusta Area Hotels

Best Western Augusta Civic Center Inn*	Show Legislative ID and mention discounted
110 Community Drive, Augusta	Legislative Rate when booking.
(207) 622-4751	10/21/26 – 7/01/27 - $89.00
	07/01/27 – 10/01/27 - $110.00
Comfort Inn Civic Center*	
281 Civic Center Drive, Augusta	
(207) 480-7110	
Days Inn*	Government Rate
18 Edison Drive, Augusta	15% off Regular Room Rate
(207) 579-1839	
	$169.00 9/4/26 – 10/31/26
	$139.00 11/1/26 – 3/31/27
	$169.00 04/01/27 - 10/31/27
Hampton Inn*	$139.00 11/1/27 – 12/31/27
388 Western Avenue, Augusta	www.augustame.hamptoninn.com
(207) 622-4077	Use Corporate ID# 0002785016 while booking
Homewood Suites*	2026-2027
377 Western Avenue, Augusta	Government Per Diem Rate $110.00
(207) 480-2050	
	Mon-Fri $200 with kitchenette
Lakeside Lodge & Marina	Mon-Fri $220 with full kitchen
Route 202, East Winthrop	Sun-Fri $250 with kitchenette
(207) 395-6741	Sun-Fri $275 with full kitchen
Maine Evergreen Hotel*	11/01/26 – 04/30/27
65 Whitten Road, Augusta	$95.00 plus tax Standard “Timberline Rooms”
(207) 622-3776	$109.00 plus tax Executive “Katahdin Rooms”
Senator Inn & Spa*	$79.00 base rate
284 Western Avenue, Augusta	$94.00 breakfast included
(207) 622-5804	
Super 8 Motel	2026-2027
395 Western Avenue, Augusta	10% off Regular Room Rate
(207) 626-2888	Must show legislative ID to receive rate
Maple Hill Farm B&B Inn*	2026 - 2027
11 Inn Road, Hallowell	$79.00 standard room ($109 for two guests)
(207) 622-2708	$109 deluxe room ($129 for two guests)

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please be prepared to show ID card. Information accurate as of 10/22/26.
Some hotels may have different rates during the Legislative interim.
All rates are subject to change.