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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
MEETING SUMMARY
October 23, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

President Jackson called the October 23, 2019 meeting of the 129th Legislative Council to order at 10:58 a.m. in the Legislative Council Chamber.

ROLL CALL

Senators: President Jackson, Senator Libby, Senator Vitelli, Senator Dow and Senator Timberlake

Representatives: Speaker Gideon, Representative Moonen, Representative Fecteau, Representative Dillingham and Representative Stewart

Legislative Officers: Darek Grant, Secretary of the Senate
Robert Hunt, Clerk of the House
Suzanne Gresser, Revisor of Statutes
Dawna Lopatosky, Legislative Finance Director
Chris Nolan, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review
Marion Hylan Barr, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis

President Jackson convened the meeting at 10:58 a.m. with a quorum of members present.

SUMMARY OF JUNE 17, 2019 MEETING OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

The summary for this meeting was approved by Legislative Council ballot on July 10, 2019.

Legislative Council Chair Jackson asked if there was any objection to taking items out of order. There was no objection. The Chair then moved to New Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Request to Hold the State Debate Team Finals in the State House

Ms. Gresser reviewed the request from the Maine National Speech and Debate Association to hold the 2020 District Congressional Debate Maine Qualifiers in the State House on Saturday, January 18, 2020. Representative Moriarty then gave a more detailed description of the event.

Motion: That the Legislative Council authorizes the Maine National Speech and Debate Association to hold the 2020 District Congressional Debate Maine Qualifiers at the State House on Saturday, January 18, 2020. Motion by Speaker Gideon. Second by Representative Dillingham. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0-0).**

Item #9: Procedures for Deciding Legislative Bill Requests and Consideration of Bill Requests for the Second Regular Session.

Ms. Gresser reviewed the procedures for the review of Legislative Bill Requests and the proposed protocol for deciding those requests.

Motion: That the Legislative Council approves the proposed protocol for deciding Legislative Bill Requests. Motion by Senator Libby. Second by Senator Timberlake. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0-0).**

The Legislative Council proceeded to consider and vote on three hundred ninety-seven (397) bill requests in accordance with the adopted protocol, and using an electronic voting system. The Legislative Council authorized one hundred thirty-four (134) bills for introduction in the Second Regular Session, tabled twenty-nine (29) bill requests and declined to authorize two hundred thirty-two (232) bill requests. Two (2) bill requests were withdrawn by the sponsor prior to the Legislative Council's vote. The Legislative Council's action on the bill requests is attached.

The Legislative Council then returned to the other items on the agenda.

REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND COUNCIL OFFICES

Executive Director's Report

Grant Pennoyer, Executive Director, submitted the following written report.

1. Bill Production System Project Update

The new Bill Production System to replace the MELD bill production system has fallen a few weeks behind schedule due to the complexity of the remaining components of the project and some complications with the migration of the statutes from MELD to the new system. With the migration of the statutes now completed, the Revisor's Office is focusing on entering all of last session's enacted laws affecting the statutes so that they can do their annual statute update and the new system will be fully updated. We are still hopeful to have the new Bill Production System fully functioning for the 2nd Regular Session. Some helpful, ease-of-use components, which are technically complex for the contractor, may not be available during the early stages of the drafting season.

2. NCSL Legislative Research Librarians Portland Conference

In September Maine hosted a professional development seminar of NCSL's Legislative Research Librarians group in Portland. The seminar includes a visit to Augusta and the State House on Tuesday, September 24th. Staff of the Law and Legislative Research Library helped NCSL organize the conference which went very well.

3. State House Café Reopening

The Business Enterprise Program within the Division of the Blind and Visually Impaired has found a new operator to take over the State House Café. Betty Baker, the mother of Lisa Baker (Assistant Sergeant of Arms in the House), is the operator. She opened for business on Monday, October 21st and will be operating as the Merrymeeting Café.

Fiscal Report

Chris Nolan, Director of the Office of Fiscal and Program Review, submitted the following written report.

1. General Fund Revenue Update (see attached)

Total General Fund Revenue - FY 2020 (\$'s in Millions)						
	Budget	Actual	Var.	% Var.	Prior Year	% Growth
September	\$403.8	\$424.0	\$20.2	5.0%	\$402.1	5.5%
FYTD	\$1,023.5	\$1,055.0	\$31.5	3.1%	\$1,004.0	5.1%

General Fund revenue was over budget by \$20.2 million (5.0%) for the month of September and by \$31.5 million (3.1%) for the fiscal year to date.

Individual income tax revenue was over budget by \$10.0 million for the month and by \$16.4 million for the fiscal year to date. Estimated individual income tax payments were over budget for the month by \$4.1 million while individual income tax withholdings were over budget by \$5.4 million. Corporate income tax revenue was over budget by \$9.0 million for the month but by only \$2.0 million for the fiscal year to date, with the September positive variance driven by estimated payments which were over budget by \$7.5 million for the month. The first quarterly estimated payments to be paid in FY 2020 were due in September. Sales and use tax revenue (August sales) was over budget for the month by \$2.6 million and by \$10.0 million for the fiscal year to date.

2. Highway Fund Revenue Update (see attached)

Total Highway Fund Revenue - FY 2020 (\$'s in Millions)						
	Budget	Actual	Var.	% Var.	Prior Year	% Growth
September	\$27.3	\$31.2	\$3.8	14.1%	\$27.0	15.3%
FYTD	\$90.1	\$95.8	\$5.7	6.3%	\$90.5	5.9%

Highway Fund revenue was over budget by \$3.8 million (14.1%) for the month of September and by \$5.7 million (6.3%) for the fiscal year to date.

Fuel taxes were over budget by \$3.3 million for the month and by \$3.5 million for the fiscal year to date. Motor vehicle registrations and fees were over budget for the month by \$0.4 million and over budget for the fiscal year to date by \$2.1 million.

3. Cash Balances Update

The average balance in the cash pool for September was \$1,629.3 million, an increase from August's average of \$1,626.2 million and above both last September's average balance and the ten-year average for the month. The average Highway Fund balance of \$16.1 million in September was down from August's average of \$41.3 million as a result of strong construction season spending.

4. Revenue Forecasting - Next Steps

The Consensus Economic Forecasting Commission is scheduled to meet on October 25, 2019 to review and update its economic forecast for its required November 1, 2019 report, while the Revenue Forecasting Committee has scheduled November 25, 2019 for its meeting to review and update its revenue forecast to comply with its December 1, 2019 statutory reporting deadline.

Studies Report

Marion Hylan Barr, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis, submitted the written studies report found in the agenda packet.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Personnel Committee

The Personnel Committee submitted the following written report. The committee met on Tuesday, July 16th and Wednesday, September 11th to consider the following matters:

1. Onsite Childcare

Ms. Little provided an update to the committee and continues to work with the Governor's office to move this project forward. This matter will continue to be discussed at future meetings.

2. Workday Update

Ms. Little provided the committee with highlights of a few changes that will be made to legislative operations due to the Workday implementation. Ms. Little will continue to provide the committee with updates as the project moves forward.

3. Political Activity of Committee Clerks

The committee reviewed a draft revision provided by Mr. Pennoyer of the *Personnel Policies and Guidelines* regarding political activity of committee clerks. These changes were approved by ballot as part of collective bargaining and will be incorporated in the personnel policy updates.

4. Committee Clerk Evaluation Process and Hiring Process

Ms. Little presented a brief overview of the current evaluation process and hiring process for committee clerks. The committee offered guidance for a future change of the evaluation process in the *Personnel Policies and Guidelines for Legislative Committee Clerks*.

5. Harassment Prevention

Ms. Little provided a brief update about distribution and implementation of the new harassment policy as well as upcoming annual training.

6. Collective Bargaining

The committee first provided guidance to Mr. Pennoyer and Ms. Little related to collective bargaining. At its second meeting, the committee approved the cost items related to this item. This matter has been approved by Legislative Council ballot.

7. Requests for Temporary Disability Partisan Staff

The committee considered two requests by legislative employees for temporary disability income benefits. The requests were consistent with the provisions for temporary disability income benefits under the Legislative Council's personnel policies and guidelines. Upon the recommendation of the Executive Director, the committee voted unanimously to approve the requests. No Legislative Council action is required.

8. Consideration of Position Reclassification

The committee deliberated a request to reclassify one position in the Law and Legislative Reference Library. The committee approved the plan as proposed. This matter has been approved by Legislative Council ballot.

9. Performance Evaluation and Step Increase – Danielle Fox

The committee reviewed the performance of Danielle Fox, Director of OPEGA and voted unanimously to approve a step increase for her.

10. Performance Evaluation and Step Increase – Grant Pennoyer

This item was tabled for a future meeting.

State House Facilities Committee

Senator Libby presented the following report. The State House Facilities Committee met on Tuesday, September 17th to consider the following items.

1. Food Service at the State House Café

Mr. Pennoyer reported that the Business Enterprise Program of the Division of the Blind and Visually Impaired had been able to find another operator to offer food service at the State House Café for this coming session.

2. Disposition of Old Flag Poles

Mr. Pennoyer provided an update on the lack of progress on finding a nonprofit to find a home for the old flag poles from the low domes of the State House given the expense of relocating the poles. He noted that some contractors had expressed an interest in taking possession of and moving the poles from Lot O.

Motion: That upon the recommendation of the State House Facilities Committee, the Legislative Council authorizes the Executive Director to donate the old flag poles to contractors who will remove them from their current resting space beside Parking Lot O. Motion by Senator Libby. Second by Senator Dow. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0).**

3. State House Items in Storage

Mr. Pennoyer updated the committee on the disposing of State House items from storage. After some discussion and suggestions, including possibly donating some items to the Legislative Memorial Scholarship Auction, the committee recommended that the Executive Director work expeditiously with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House to significantly reduce the items in storage.

Motion: That upon the recommendation of the State House Facilities Committee, the Legislative Council authorizes the Executive Director to contact architectural salvage companies to reduce the State House items in storage, and further authorizes the Executive Director to donate some of the items to the Legislative Memorial Scholarship Auction. Motion by Senator Libby. Second by Senator Timberlake. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0-0).**

4. Update to State House Security Screening Policy for Reorganization of Governor's Office

The committee discussed a suggested amendment to address a reorganization of the Governor's Office. That suggested amendment will be presented later under new business.

5. Repurposing of Room 213 in the Cross Office Building

The committee discussed repurposing Room 213 of the Cross Office Building, one of the two seldom used Legislative Retiring Rooms in that building, as a large flexible room for conference space, overflow hearings and for meetings that include serving food.

Motion: That upon the recommendation of the State House Facilities Committee, the Legislative Council directs the Executive Director to repurpose Room 213 in the Cross Office Building as a large, flexible room for conference space, overflow hearings and for meetings that include serving food. Motion by Senator Libby. Second by Senator Vitelli. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0-0).**

6. Introduction to the Maine State House Mobile Tour Experience

The committee received a briefing from staff of the Maine State Museum about a new project to develop an on-line mobile tour experience for visitors to the State House funded by a grant from the Maine Bicentennial Commission.

7. World War II 75th Anniversary – Display of WWII Veterans' Portraits in 2020

The committee reviewed a proposal by an artist to display portraits of WWII veterans' in the Hall of Flags. The committee is not forwarding this request on to the Council based on concerns over the proposed length of the exhibit conflicting with other uses in the Maine Bicentennial and the cost of the transporting and setup of the portrait display.

8. Update of Maintenance and Improvement Projects

Mr. Pennoyer provided an update on some of the major maintenance and improvement projects currently in process at the State House. Later, under new business, we will be reviewing a change to original plans and cost estimates for the Parking Lot O project.

OLD BUSINESS

Item #1: Council Actions Taken by Ballot

Legislative Council Decisions:

Motion: That the Meeting Summary for June 17, 2019 be accepted and placed on file.

Motion by: President Jackson Second by: Speaker Gideon
 Date: July 10, 2019
 Vote: 10-0-0-0 Passed

Motion: That the Legislative Council approves the Executive Director's proposed reclassification of one position in the Law and Legislative Reference Library.

Motion by: President Jackson Second by: Speaker Gideon
 Date: August 14, 2019
 Vote: 10-0-0-0 Passed

Motion: That pursuant to its authority under 26 MRSA, §979-A, sub-§5, the Legislative Council of the 129th Legislature ratify the collective bargaining agreements for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2021 that were negotiated and tentatively agreed to by the authorized representatives of the Legislative Council and the Maine State Employees Association-SEIU Local 1989 on behalf of the Administrative Unit of Legislative Employees on September 12, 2019 and by the authorized representatives of the Legislative Council and the Independent Association of Nonpartisan Legislative Professionals (IANLP) on September 25, 2019. Further, that the Legislative Council authorize the Executive Director to take all necessary steps to carry out the terms of these two Agreements; Further, that upon recommendation of the Personnel Committee, the Legislative Council exercise its right to adopt the revisions to its personnel policies, pending agreement from the respective authorities; to apply personnel policies and benefit provisions that are comparable to those contained in the ratified collective bargaining agreements; and direct its Executive Director to incorporate as appropriate and administer those provisions; and Further that compensation provisions in the form of general salary increases, longevity payment changes and vacation accruals changes comparable to that provided in the aforementioned ratified collective bargaining agreements be provided to legislative employees who are not represented by a collective bargaining agent, the effective dates of such compensation provisions to coincide with those contained in the aforementioned collective bargaining agreement ratified.

Motion by: President Jackson Second by: Speaker Gideon
 Date: October 4, 2019
 Vote: 10-0-0-0 Passed

NEW BUSINESS

Item #2: Amendment to the *Legislative Council Policy on Security Screening Protocols for the Maine State House*

Ms. Gresser reviewed the proposed amendment to the policy, which includes a change for the Governor's Office staff access.

Motion: That upon the recommendation of the State House Facilities Committee, the Legislative Council approves the revision to the *Legislative Council Policy on Security Screening Protocols for the Maine State House* effective immediately. Motion by Senator Libby. Second by Representative Dillingham. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0-0).**

Item #3: Proposed Document Service Fee Schedule for the 129th Legislature Second Regular Session

Ms. Gresser presented the proposed Document Service fee schedule for the Second Regular Session. The fees remain the same as the First Regular Session.

Motion: That the Legislative Council approves proposed Document Service Fee Schedule for the 129th Legislature Second Regular Session. Motion by Representative Dillingham. Second by Senator Libby. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0-0).**

Item #4: Various Requests from the Task Force on Changes to the Maine Indian Claims Settlement Implementing Act

Ms. Gresser reviewed the requests from the Task Force, which include: 1) holding up to four additional meetings, one of which would be held at the Wabanaki Center at the University of Maine; 2) enlisting the aid of the Indigenous Peoples Clinic at the Suffolk University School of law for research regarding the impact of proposal being considered by the Task Force; and 3) approving an extension of the reporting deadline to December 15th.

Motion: That the Legislative Council authorizes the Task Force on Changes to the Maine Indian Claims Settlement Implementing Act to meet for up to four additional meetings, to hold one of those additional meetings at the Wabanaki Center at the University of Maine, to enlist the assistance of the Indigenous Peoples Clinic at Suffolk University School of Law to conduct research regarding the impact of proposals being considered by the Task Force, and to extend the reporting deadline to December 15, 2019. Motion by Representative Moonen. Second by Representative Dillingham. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0-0).**

The Legislative Council then had a discussion regarding another request from the Task Force for an honorarium of \$1500 for travel costs for the professor and students from the Indigenous Peoples Clinic. The Legislative Council did not move forward with this request.

Item #5: Requests from the Commission to Study Long-term Care Workforce Issues

Ms. Gresser reviewed the requests from the Commission which include holding an additional meeting and an extension of the reporting deadline to December 15th.

Motion: That the Legislative Council authorizes the Commission to Study Long-term Care Workforce Issues to extend the reporting deadline to December 15, 2019 and to

hold one additional meeting in order to complete their work. Motion by Representative Moonen. Second by Senator Timberlake. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0).**

Item #6: Approval of Outside Funding for the Committee to Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security and other requests

Ms. Gresser reviewed the requests from the Committee which include approval of the outside funding raised, to raise additional funds to cover the travel of outside experts, and authorization for the Committee to meet and begin its work with a majority of appointments having been made. Discussion was held regarding the request to raise additional funds.

Motion: That the Legislative Council authorizes the Committee To Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security to accept the outside funds raised. Motion by Representative Moonen. Second by Senator Libby. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0).**

Motion: That the Legislative Council authorizes the Committee To Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security to raise additional funds for the purpose of covering any travel costs requested by outside experts asked to present to the study committee and further authorizes the expenditure of these additional funds if approved by the Legislative Council. If sufficient funds are not received for this purpose, no expenses of any kind may be incurred or reimbursed to outside experts. Motion by Representative Moonen. Second by Senator Vitelli. **Motion passed (9-1-0-0, with Senator Timberlake opposed).**

Motion: That the Legislative Council authorizes the Committee To Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security to meet and conduct its business recognizing a majority of appointments have been made. Motion by Representative Moonen. Second by Senator Libby. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0-0).**

Item #7: Parking Lot O - Revised Project Plan

Ms. Gresser gave an overview of the Parking Lot O Project Plan. The latest estimate is approximately \$200,000 more than the estimate when the plan was developed. The State House Facilities Committee discussed various suggestions which include other less expensive options. The Legislative Council asked that the Executive Director bring the final plan before them prior to signing any contract.

Motion: That the Legislative Council approves the revised cost estimate for the project and authorizes the Executive Director to proceed with the reconstruction and repaving of Parking Lot O, using the most cost-effective method of implementation while meeting minimum standards for durability. Motion by Senator Libby. Second by Senator Timberlake. **Motion passed unanimously (10-0-0-0).**

Item #8: Report from the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

The Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public safety submitted a report to the Legislative Council regarding their review of the Department of Corrections Rule 2.12(F) on prisoner savings accounts in accordance with the provisions of Title 5, section 11113 through 11115. The committee voted to direct the Office Policy and Legal Analysis to draft legislation concerning this matter after the Second Regular Session begins in January 2020.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

President Jackson asked the Legislative Council if the next meeting could be held on Friday, December 6th. The Legislative Council would consider appeals of bill request decisions at this meeting. The members seemed agreeable to this request however some indicated that they would have to check their schedules.

With no other business to consider or further announcements, the Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

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		Action
AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY		
LR 2627	Representative Kinney of Knox An Act To Allow Physically Disabled Maine Residents Access to State Parks	FAILED
LR 2637	Representative Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach An Act To Prohibit the Sale and Distribution of Certain Herbicides	FAILED
LR 2691	Senator Gratwick of Penobscot An Act To Restrict the Use of Chlorpyrifos in Farming	TABLED
LR 2693	Representative Stewart of Presque Isle An Act Relating to the Northeastern Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact	FAILED
LR 2707	Representative Moriarty of Cumberland An Act To Fund the Land for Maine's Future Program	FAILED
LR 2730	Senator Black of Franklin An Act To Define the Terms "Local Milk" and "Local Cider"	FAILED
LR 2733	Representative Campbell of Orrington An Act To Provide Resources To Allow Access by Water to Fort Knox State Historic Site in Prospect	FAILED
LR 2736	Representative Zeigler of Montville An Act To Minimize the Damage to Honeybee Populations from Neonicotinoid Pesticides	WITHDRAWN
LR 2806	Representative DeVeau of Caribou An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Hemp To Specifically Authorize the Interstate and International Sale and Transfer of Hemp	FAILED
LR 2815	Representative Cuddy of Winterport An Act To Protect the Property of Maine Farmers	PASSED
LR 2871	Representative Roberts of South Berwick An Act To Study Strategies for Increasing Uniformity of Hemp Testing	FAILED
LR 2897	Representative O'Neil of Saco An Act Prohibiting Certain Confinement of Egg-laying Hens and the Sale of Their Eggs	FAILED

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AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY		
LR 2898	Representative Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach An Act To Protect Children from Toxic Chemicals	PASSED
LR 2903	Senator Black of Franklin An Act To Require a Lease of Public Lands To Be Based on Reasonable Market Value	PASSED
LR 2907	Representative Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach An Act To Protect Maine's Waters and Wetlands by Banning the Use of Certain Aquatic Herbicides	FAILED
LR 2962	Senator Carpenter of Aroostook An Act To Ban Commercial Horse Pulling	FAILED
LR 3081	Representative Stetkis of Canaan An Act To Require Payments in Lieu of Taxes to Certain Municipalities from the Land for Maine's Future Fund and Change the Threshold for Requiring Municipal Approval for Land Acquisition by the Land for Maine's Future Program	FAILED
LR 3083	Representative Grohoski of Ellsworth An Act To Improve Agricultural Productivity through the Protection of Native Pollinator Species	FAILED
LR 3085	Representative Hickman of Winthrop An Act To Update the Maine Food Sovereignty Act	FAILED
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS		
LR 2656	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Provide New Facilities at the Maine School of Science and Mathematics	PASSED
LR 2800	Representative Dunphy of Old Town An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Repair Maine Forest Service Aircraft	PASSED
LR 2876	Representative Corey of Windham An Act To Authorize Increased Borrowing by the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority To Support the Completion of the Maine Correctional Center in South Windham	FAILED
LR 2921	Senator Carson of Cumberland	FAILED

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APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS		
	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Restore and Update State Park Infrastructure	
LR 2959	Representative Fecteau of Biddeford	PASSED
	An Act To Fund Capital Improvements to Career and Technical Education Centers	
CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY		
LR 2601	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland	FAILED
	An Act To Reduce the Number of Signatures Required for an Incarcerated Person To Petition for the Adoption or Modification of Rules	
LR 2605	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland	PASSED
	An Act To Protect the Confidentiality of Juvenile History Record Information	
LR 2607	Representative Dillingham of Oxford	FAILED
	Resolve, To Establish the Working Group To Review Emergency Medical Services in the State	
LR 2609	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland	FAILED
	An Act To Create Community-based Sentencing Alternatives for Nonviolent Primary Caretakers of Dependent Children	
LR 2629	Representative Caiazzo of Scarborough	PASSED
	An Act To Enhance the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code	
LR 2645	Representative Cooper of Yarmouth	FAILED
	An Act To Require a Person Who Owns a Firearm To Purchase Liability Insurance	
LR 2660	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland	FAILED
	An Act To Establish a Statewide Electronic Victim Notification System	
LR 2677	Representative Keschl of Belgrade	FAILED
	An Act To Prohibit the Use of Fireworks over Lakes and Ponds Greater than 10 Acres in Size	
LR 2692	Senator Gratwick of Penobscot	TABLED
	An Act To Safeguard Children by Aligning the Laws Concerning the Possession of Firearms on Nursery School and Child Care Facility Properties with the Laws Governing the Possession of Firearms on School Property	

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY		
LR 2719	Representative Stewart of Presque Isle An Act To Make Comprehensive Changes to Maine's Criminal Justice System To Reduce Recidivism and Improve Mental Health across the State	FAILED
LR 2721	Representative Ackley of Monmouth An Act To Support Rural Volunteer First Responders	FAILED
LR 2722	Representative Ackley of Monmouth An Act To Provide a Death Benefit for Volunteer and Part-time Firefighters	FAILED
LR 2731	Representative Farnsworth of Portland An Act To Improve Prisoner Transport Safety by Specifically Authorizing Transport of Prisoners by Transport Officers	FAILED
LR 2742	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland An Act To Establish a Structured Reentry Program for the Reentry of Persons from Correctional Facilities into the Community	FAILED
LR 2762	Representative McCreight of Harpswell An Act To Enhance the Prosecution of Suffocation as Aggravated Assault in the Maine Criminal Code	FAILED
LR 2778	Representative Collings of Portland An Act To Require Breaks for State Prison Guards	FAILED
LR 2788	Representative Hall of Wilton An Act To Require Permits from the Office of the State Fire Marshal for Truck and Tractor Pull Events	FAILED
LR 2789	Senator Dill of Penobscot An Act To Allow Retired Law Enforcement Officers To Serve as School Resource Officers	PASSED
LR 2797	Representative Nadeau of Winslow An Act To Require Forest Rangers To Be Trained at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy	PASSED
LR 2807	Representative Stanley of Medway An Act Regarding the Payment of Witness Fees to Police Officers	FAILED
LR 2808	Representative Stanley of Medway An Act To Remove the Tax Cap on County Jail Funding	TABLED

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY		
LR 2812	Representative Reckitt of South Portland An Act To Ban the Distribution of Assault Weapons without Proper Authority	FAILED
LR 2823	Representative Martin of Sinclair An Act To Waive the Limit on the Assessment for Correctional Services for Aroostook County for One Year	FAILED
LR 2824	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Authorize Emergency Medical Services Personnel To Provide Treatment within Their Scope of Practice in a Hospital Setting with the Permission of the Hospital	PASSED
LR 2829	Representative Doudera of Camden An Act To Amend the Definition of the Term "Machine Gun"	FAILED
LR 2831	Representative Tuell of East Machias An Act To Correct Inconsistencies in the Laws Governing Statutory Arrest without a Warrant	FAILED
LR 2834	Representative Reckitt of South Portland An Act Regarding the Use of Propane and Natural Gas Detectors	PASSED
LR 2887	Representative Doudera of Camden An Act To Amend the Statute Regarding Endangering the Welfare of a Child To Include Allowing Children Access to Loaded Firearms without Permission	FAILED
LR 2901	Representative Morris of Turner An Act To Allow Retired Police Officers with a Federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act Clearance To Carry Concealed Firearms on School Grounds	FAILED
LR 2913	Representative Fay of Raymond An Act To Protect Water Quality by Prohibiting Consumer Fireworks in the Shoreland Zone	PASSED
LR 2930	Representative Costain of Plymouth An Act To Facilitate Implementation of a Day Reporting Program by Extending the Time Period for Which Furloughs from County Jails May Be Granted	FAILED
LR 2953	Representative Morales of South Portland	FAILED

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY		
	An Act To Prevent Mass Shootings in Maine by Banning Assault-style Weapons	
LR 2960	Representative Pluecker of Warren An Act To Reform Correctional Officer Compensation in Maine	PASSED
LR 2965	Senator Woodsome of York An Act To Eliminate Existing Emergency Fire Dispatch Protocols and Establish a Task Force To Study Public Safety Answering Point Systems in the State	FAILED
LR 2989	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland An Act To Ensure Access to Reproductive Health Care in Maine Jails, County Correctional Facilities and State Correctional and Detention Facilities	PASSED
LR 3067	Senator Woodsome of York An Act To Prohibit the Sale of Drug Paraphernalia That Encourage Drug Use by Young People	PASSED
LR 3071	Representative Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach An Act To Stop the Trafficking of Firearms	FAILED
LR 3075	Representative Martin of Sinclair An Act To Improve Response to Sudden Cardiac Arrest by Requiring Training in the Delivery of Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Methods by Telecommunications Technology	PASSED
LR 3080	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Summonses for Certain Misdemeanor Offenses	FAILED
LR 3093	Representative Dillingham of Oxford An Act To Update Worker Protection for Public Safety Employees	FAILED
EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS		
LR 2606	Representative Tipping of Orono An Act Regarding Immunizations for Students	PASSED
LR 2611	Senator Cyrway of Kennebec An Act To Reestablish the Maine Community Policing Institute at the University of Maine at Augusta	FAILED

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EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS		
LR 2633	Representative McCreight of Harpswell An Act To Include Student Absences for Mental Health or Behavioral Health Needs as Excusable Absences	PASSED
LR 2635	Representative Stewart of Presque Isle An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Maine School of Science and Mathematics	FAILED
LR 2653	Representative Dodge of Belfast An Act To Establish a Fund To Provide an Increase in Salary To School Nurses Who Achieve National Board Certification	FAILED
LR 2657	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Allow Day Students at the Maine School of Science and Mathematics	TABLED
LR 2673	Representative McCrea of Fort Fairfield An Act To Protect Teachers from Punitive Transfers	PASSED
LR 2674	Representative McCrea of Fort Fairfield An Act To Protect Teachers from Certification Changes	PASSED
LR 2676	Representative Cloutier of Lewiston An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding the Reserve Funds of School Administrative Districts, Regional School Units and Career and Technical Education Regions	PASSED
LR 2684	Senator Woodsome of York An Act To Provide Veterans with Educational Benefits	TABLED
LR 2685	Senator Woodsome of York An Act To Help Retain School Bus Drivers	PASSED
LR 2724	Representative Kornfield of Bangor An Act To Establish a Process for the Consideration and Implementation of Changes to School Curricula	PASSED
LR 2729	Representative Campbell of Orrington An Act To Amend the Qualifications and Hiring Process for an Owner's Representative for a School Construction Project	FAILED
LR 2770	Representative Stanley of Medway	FAILED

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EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS		
	An Act To Support Technical Education in the Katahdin Region	
LR 2777	Representative Collings of Portland An Act To Set a Minimum Wage for School Support Staff	PASSED
LR 2786	Representative Tepler of Topsham An Act To Allow the Spouses of Certain School Employees To Be School Board Members	FAILED
LR 2820	Representative Tuell of East Machias An Act To Reduce Pay Disparity in Maine Schools	FAILED
LR 2842	Representative Fecteau of Augusta An Act To Modify Teacher Certification Expiration Dates for Teachers Who Use Medical Leave or Family Medical Leave	FAILED
LR 2843	Representative Fecteau of Augusta An Act To Establish a Lifetime Substitute Teacher Certification for Successful and Established Maine Teachers	FAILED
LR 2845	Senator Chenette of York An Act To Authorize Naturopathic Doctors To Provide Medical Exemptions from the Laws Governing Immunization Requirements	FAILED
LR 2849	Representative Fecteau of Augusta An Act To Protect Students from Individuals Convicted of Sex Crimes	TABLED
LR 2853	Representative McDonald of Stonington An Act To Promote School Attendance for Maine Students Who Are Lobster and Crab Fishing License Holders	FAILED
LR 2857	Representative Fecteau of Augusta An Act To Waive Certain Standardized Assessment Requirements for Teacher Certification for Individuals Who Successfully Complete Bachelor's Degree Programs, Teacher Preparation Programs or Teacher Probationary Mentoring Programs	FAILED
LR 2861	Representative Brennan of Portland An Act Regarding the Negotiation of Educational Policies by School Boards	PASSED
LR 2862	Senator Libby of Androscoggin	PASSED

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EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS		
	An Act To Increase High School Graduation Rates for Students Experiencing Homelessness or in Foster Care	
LR 2865	Representative Andrews of Paris	FAILED
	An Act To Meet the Needs of Maine Students on Public Charter School Waiting Lists	
LR 2875	Senator Herbig of Waldo	PASSED
	An Act To Provide Funding for Capital Improvements and Equipment for Career and Technical Education Centers and Regions	
LR 2885	Senator Herbig of Waldo	PASSED
	An Act To Strengthen Maritime Education	
LR 2893	Representative Wadsworth of Hiram	FAILED
	An Act To Educate Students about the Financial Costs and Opportunities Associated with Various Types of Postsecondary Education and Careers	
LR 2896	Representative Dodge of Belfast	PASSED
	An Act To Establish a Career Path for Adjunct Professors in Maine's Public University and College System	
LR 2902	Representative Rykerson of Kittery	FAILED
	An Act Regarding Student Privacy	
LR 2919	Representative Sampson of Alfred	FAILED
	An Act To Establish Transparency and Clarity Regarding Educator Credentialing	
LR 2925	Senator Vitelli of Sagadahoc	PASSED
	An Act To Incentivize the Purchase of Electric Public School Buses	
LR 2934	Senator Libby of Androscoggin	PASSED
	An Act To Rename the University of Southern Maine the University of Maine at Portland and To Codify the Establishment of Lewiston-Auburn College	
LR 2946	Senator Claxton of Androscoggin	TABLED
	Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Amend Its Certification Requirement Rules	
LR 2948	Representative Morales of South Portland	PASSED
	An Act Regarding School Discipline for Maine's Youngest Students	

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EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS		
LR 2961	Senator Bellows of Kennebec An Act To Increase Voter Participation in School Budget Voting	FAILED
LR 2966	Representative Wadsworth of Hiram An Act To Provide Funding to the Maine Quality Centers within the Maine Community College System	TABLED
LR 2967	Representative Wadsworth of Hiram An Act To Support Maine's Workforce Initiatives within the Maine Community College System	TABLED
LR 2974	Representative Dunphy of Old Town An Act To Promote Outdoor Recreational Opportunities for Maine Students	PASSED
LR 2976	Representative Terry of Gorham An Act To Require All Public Schools To Have a Nurse on Site	FAILED
LR 2978	Representative Terry of Gorham An Act To Authorize Physical Education Course Credit for Athletic Program Participation	FAILED
LR 3061	Representative Landry of Farmington An Act Regarding Teacher Certification	FAILED
LR 3066	Representative Larsen-Daughtry of Brunswick An Act To Require Transparency in Postsecondary Institutions with Regard to Sexual Assaults	TABLED
ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY		
LR 2602	Senator Bellows of Kennebec An Act To Protect Consumer Privacy from Providers of Online Content, Applications or Service	FAILED
LR 2617	Representative Berry of Bowdoinham An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Renewable Portfolio Standards	FAILED
LR 2628	Representative Berry of Bowdoinham An Act Regarding Utility-related Fees	PASSED
LR 2668	Representative Dillingham of Oxford An Act To Create the Broadband Work Plan	FAILED

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ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY		
LR 2712	Senator Carpenter of Aroostook An Act To Ensure a Consumer's Right To Repair Certain Electronic Products	PASSED
LR 2714	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Ensure Equitable Pricing for Fuel Delivered to Energy Markets	TABLED
LR 2735	Representative Zeigler of Montville An Act To Establish a Right To Repair for Digital Electronic Products	FAILED
LR 2767	Representative Grohoski of Ellsworth An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Requirements for the Construction of Transmission Lines by Incumbent Transmission and Distribution Utilities	FAILED
LR 2796	Representative Rykerson of Kittery An Act To Amend the Kittery Water District Charter	PASSED
LR 2822	Representative Pickett of Dixfield An Act To Amend the Canton Water District Charter	PASSED
LR 2833	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Prohibit Certain Wheeling Charges for the Transmission of Electricity	PASSED
LR 2874	Senator Herbig of Waldo An Act To Provide Funding for Broadband Internet Infrastructure in Unserved and Underserved Areas	PASSED
LR 2878	Representative Brennan of Portland An Act To Expand Protections for the Privacy of Online Consumer Information	FAILED
LR 2916	Representative Grignon of Athens An Act To Promote the Installation of Ground Source Heat Pumps	FAILED
LR 2924	Senator Vitelli of Sagadahoc An Act To Authorize Separate Alternative Compliance Payment Rates for Maine's Renewable Portfolio Standard	PASSED
LR 2985	President Jackson of Aroostook	TABLED

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ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY		
	Resolve, To Establish Guidelines for the Creation of Offshore Wind Projects That Include the Protection of Fisheries and Wildlife and the Creation of High-quality Local Jobs	
LR 3052	Representative Matlack of St. George An Act To Protect Maine Propane Consumers	PASSED
LR 3060	Representative Landry of Farmington An Act Relating to Energy Storage	TABLED
LR 3076	Representative Riley of Jay An Act To Amend the Funding Mechanism for the E-9-1-1 System	FAILED
LR 3079	Representative Riley of Jay An Act To Promote Renewable Energy Resources	TABLED
LR 3089	Representative Caiazzo of Scarborough An Act Regarding Projects That Improve Industrial Energy Efficiency and Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions	FAILED
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES		
LR 2618	Speaker Gideon of Freeport An Act To Amend the Shoreland Zoning Rules Regarding Stream and Tributary Setbacks	FAILED
LR 2663	Senator Miramant of Knox An Act To Prohibit the Purging of Volatile Organic Compound Gases from Oil Tankers in the Waters of Maine	FAILED
LR 2680	Representative Perry of Calais An Act To Amend the Mandatory Shoreland Zoning Laws To Provide for Clear and Operable Language in Municipal Land Use Guidelines	FAILED
LR 2700	Senator Millett of Cumberland Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Evaluate Emissions from Heated Aboveground Petroleum and Storage Tanks	FAILED
LR 2708	Senator Miramant of Knox An Act To Ban Single-use Plastic Straws, Splash Sticks and Beverage Lid Plugs	FAILED
LR 2715	President Jackson of Aroostook	FAILED

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ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES		
	An Act To Ensure Fairness in the Application of the Laws Banning the Use of Polystyrene Containers	
LR 2743	Representative Campbell of Orrington	FAILED
	An Act To Amend the Solid Waste Management Laws Relating to Waste-to-energy Facilities	
LR 2744	Representative Campbell of Orrington	FAILED
	An Act To Create a Sustainable Solution to the Handling, Management and Disposal of Solid Waste in the State	
LR 2816	Representative Harnett of Gardiner	PASSED
	An Act To Protect State Workers from Exposure to Carcinogens	
LR 2884	Representative Ingwersen of Arundel	TABLED
	Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Investigate Potential Sources of High-level Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Contamination of Land and Drinking Water	
LR 2972	Representative Andrews of Paris	FAILED
	An Act To Extend the Moratorium on New Redemption Centers and Adjust the Reporting Requirements for Initiators of Deposit	
LR 3064	Representative Morales of South Portland	FAILED
	An Act To Protect Maine's Air Quality by Requiring the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Environmental Protection To Place More Focus on Public Health	
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		
LR 2613	Representative Keschl of Belgrade	FAILED
	An Act To Require a Referendum Regarding the Maine Death with Dignity Act	
LR 2614	Representative Berry of Bowdoinham	WITHDRAWN
	An Act Regarding Surgical Smoke Evacuation Systems at Hospitals and Ambulatory Surgical Centers	
LR 2623	Senator Millett of Cumberland	PASSED
	An Act To Eliminate Waiting Lists for Home-based and Community-based Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities, Autism, Other Related Conditions and Brain Injury	
LR 2625	Representative Kinney of Knox	TABLED

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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		
	An Act To Protect the People of Maine from Drug Overdoses	
LR 2640	Representative Craven of Lewiston	PASSED
	An Act Concerning MaineCare Coverage for Donor Breast Milk	
LR 2655	Representative Cooper of Yarmouth	FAILED
	An Act To Ban Smoking, Including the Use of Vaping Devices, at Public Transportation Stops	
LR 2682	Representative Cooper of Yarmouth	FAILED
	Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Study the Average Potency of Medical Marijuana and Illegal Marijuana, the Adverse Health Effects of Marijuana Use and the Adverse Physical Effect of Using Vaping Devices To Inhale Marijuana	
LR 2696	Representative Doudera of Camden	PASSED
	An Act To Prohibit, Except in Emergency Situations, the Performance without Consent of Pelvic Examinations on Unconscious or Anesthetized Patients	
LR 2727	Representative Craven of Lewiston	FAILED
	An Act To Advance Palliative Care Utilization in the State	
LR 2728	Representative Hepler of Woolwich	PASSED
	An Act To Comply with Recommendations of the Federal Traumatic Brain Injury State Partnership Program by Changing the Membership of the Acquired Brain Injury Advisory Council	
LR 2738	Senator Gratwick of Penobscot	PASSED
	An Act To Promote Telehealth in the Targeted Case Management Program	
LR 2748	Senator Pouliot of Kennebec	FAILED
	An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Lyme Disease	
LR 2751	Senator Pouliot of Kennebec	FAILED
	An Act To Extend MaineCare's Nonemergency Transportation Program	
LR 2760	Senator Keim of Oxford	TABLED
	An Act To Provide MaineCare to Disabled Veterans	
LR 2763	Representative Cooper of Yarmouth	FAILED

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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		
	An Act To Prohibit the Sale of Vaping Devices and Similar Electronic Smoking Devices	
LR 2764	Representative Sampson of Alfred	FAILED
	An Act To Require an Assessment of the Role of Vaccination in Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Cases during Postmortem Examinations	
LR 2765	Senator Millett of Cumberland	PASSED
	An Act To Enact Restrictions on Electronic Smoking Devices	
LR 2768	Senator Sanborn of Cumberland	PASSED
	An Act To Increase Access to and Reduce the Cost of Epinephrine Autoinjectors	
LR 2782	Representative Tepler of Topsham	PASSED
	An Act To Expand Eligibility for Home Accessibility Adaptation Benefits under the MaineCare Program	
LR 2783	Representative Tepler of Topsham	FAILED
	An Act To Review the Structure of MaineCare Waivers	
LR 2784	Representative Tepler of Topsham	FAILED
	An Act To Require the Establishment of a Contract Oversight Protocol by the Department of Health and Human Services	
LR 2793	Representative Roberts of South Berwick	FAILED
	An Act To Address the Needs of Expectant Mothers Affected by Opioid Abuse	
LR 2837	Representative Hutchins of Penobscot	FAILED
	An Act To Prohibit the Addition of Tetrahydrocannabinol and of Cannabidiol to Liquids Used in Vaping Devices	
LR 2841	Senator Chenette of York	FAILED
	An Act To Protect the Public from Legionnaires' Disease	
LR 2855	Senator Libby of Androscoggin	TABLED
	Resolve, To Ensure Appropriate Case Management under the Behavioral Health Home Program and for Adults with Human Immunodeficiency Virus Infection	
LR 2883	Representative Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach	PASSED

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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		
	An Act To Provide Timely Access to Behavioral Health Services for Maine Children and To Address Trauma and the Impacts of the Opioid Crisis	
LR 2888	Senator Pouliot of Kennebec An Act To Clarify Local Regulation of Medical Marijuana Facilities	FAILED
LR 2894	Senator Claxton of Androscoggin An Act Regarding the Implementation of Federal Requirements for Electronic Visit Verification of Personal Care and Home Health Assistance Visits	PASSED
LR 2895	Representative Meyer of Eliot Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Increase MaineCare Reimbursement Rates for Targeted Case Management To Reflect Inflation	PASSED
LR 2909	Representative Gattine of Westbrook An Act To Promote Cost-effectiveness in the MaineCare Program and Improve the Oral Health of Maine Adults and Children	PASSED
LR 2912	Representative Carney of Cape Elizabeth Resolve, To Establish the First 1,000 Days Committee To Improve Health and Life Outcomes for Children	FAILED
LR 2915	Representative Carney of Cape Elizabeth An Act To Provide Maine Women MaineCare Coverage for Postpartum Care	PASSED
LR 2920	Representative Sampson of Alfred An Act To Establish as a Civil Violation the Use by Adults of Tobacco Products or Electronic Smoking Devices on School Grounds	FAILED
LR 2928	Representative Mastraccio of Sanford Resolve, To Support Individuals with Acute Mental Health Needs	PASSED
LR 2929	Representative Perry of Calais An Act To Reduce Barriers to Health Care for Low-income Homeowners	PASSED
LR 2943	Senator Claxton of Androscoggin An Act To Improve the Medical Marijuana Laws Regarding the Transfer of Plants, Regulation Standards and Retail Sales Requirements	FAILED
LR 2945	Senator Claxton of Androscoggin	FAILED

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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		
	Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Convene a Study Group To Review the Potential Contribution of Community-based Health Workers and Consider Issues Relating to Credentialing and Compensation	
LR 2947	Senator Claxton of Androscoggin An Act To Improve Maine's Efforts To Decrease the Impact of Obesity	FAILED
LR 2968	Representative McCreight of Harpswell An Act To Maintain and Enhance the Behavioral Health Workforce in Maine	TABLED
LR 2969	Senator Dow of Lincoln An Act To Ban Persons under 21 Years of Age from Purchasing, Possessing or Using Vaping Products	FAILED
LR 2982	Representative Terry of Gorham Resolve, To Establish a Task Force To Assist Women Recovering from Substance Use Disorder	FAILED
LR 2987	Representative Madigan of Waterville An Act To Create a Consumer Affairs Representative for Mental Health Services Position within the Department of Health and Human Services	FAILED
LR 2988	Representative Madigan of Waterville Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Create an Alternative Network for Youth Homelessness in Rural Areas	FAILED
LR 2990	Representative Stover of Boothbay An Act Regarding the Process for Obtaining Prior Authorization for Health Insurance Purposes for Medicaid Recipients	PASSED
LR 3033	Representative McCreight of Harpswell An Act To Provide Access to Health Care	PASSED
LR 3068	Representative Keschl of Belgrade An Act To Establish the Trust for a Healthy Maine	FAILED
LR 3073	Representative Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach An Act To Protect Drinking Water for Low-income Maine Residents	PASSED
LR 3078	Representative Riley of Jay	PASSED

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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		
	An Act To Allow Parents of Minors Who Qualify for In-home Personal Care To Be Employed as Caregivers for Those Minors	
LR 3086	Representative Morales of South Portland	FAILED
	An Act To Create a Frequent Users Systems Engagement Collaborative	
LR 3091	Representative Cloutier of Lewiston	PASSED
	An Act To Provide Compensation to Family Caregivers	
LR 3094	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland	FAILED
	An Act To Ensure That Persons Qualified To Receive Food Assistance Are Able To Receive Full Benefits	
HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES		
LR 2621	Senator Davis, Sr. of Piscataquis	FAILED
	An Act To Repeal Laws That Require Health Insurers To Cover Abortion Services and That Require MaineCare Coverage for Abortion Services	
LR 2624	Senator Libby of Androscoggin	PASSED
	An Act To Prohibit Insurance Carriers from Retroactively Reducing Payment on Clean Claims Submitted by Pharmacies	
LR 2641	Senator Libby of Androscoggin	FAILED
	An Act To Ensure Timely Billing for Medical Care	
LR 2662	Representative Hepler of Woolwich	FAILED
	An Act Regarding Health Insurance	
LR 2690	Senator Gratwick of Penobscot	FAILED
	An Act Regarding Prior Medical Authorizations for Certain Medical Procedure	
LR 2694	Representative Pierce of Falmouth	FAILED
	An Act To Support Maine Businesses by Authorizing the Imposition of a Surcharge on the Use of a Debit or Credit Card	
LR 2702	Senator Foley of York	FAILED
	An Act To Increase the Automatic Draft Authority for Licensed Insurance Producers	
LR 2720	Representative Foster of Dexter	FAILED

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HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES		
	An Act To Allow a Qualifying Religious or Other Entity To Self-insure for Automobile Insurance	
LR 2725	Representative Faulkingham of Winter Harbor An Act To Require That Any Driver Specifically Excluded from an Automobile Insurance Policy Be Listed on the Required Evidence of Insurance or Financial Responsibility	FAILED
LR 2737	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Ensure Access to Affordable Prescription Drugs	TABLED
LR 2746	Senator Moore of Washington An Act To Clarify the Rights of Parties in Certain Foreclosure Actions	FAILED
LR 2766	Senator Chipman of Cumberland An Act To Require Health Insurance Coverage for Treatment of Infertility	FAILED
LR 2879	Speaker Gideon of Freeport An Act To Improve Care and Increase Efficiency in the Small Business Health Insurance Marketplace	PASSED
LR 2880	Speaker Gideon of Freeport An Act To Increase Fairness in Maine's Health Insurance Marketplace	PASSED
LR 2881	Speaker Gideon of Freeport An Act To Protect Consumers from Surprise Emergency Medical Bills	PASSED
LR 2882	Speaker Gideon of Freeport Resolve, To Increase Transparency and Lower Health Insurance Costs for Small Businesses in Maine	PASSED
LR 2889	Senator Claxton of Androscoggin An Act To Establish Patient Protections in Billing for Health Care	PASSED
LR 2890	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Establish a Fully State-based Health Care Exchange	PASSED
LR 2891	Senator Sanborn of Cumberland An Act To Control Health Care Spending	PASSED
LR 2892	President Jackson of Aroostook	PASSED

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	An Act To Protect Consumers from Rising Drug Costs Resulting from Manipulation of Prescription Drug Formularies	
LR 2910	Senator Sanborn of Cumberland An Act To Facilitate Dental Treatment for Children	PASSED
LR 2923	Senator Gratwick of Penobscot An Act To Protect Maine Patients from Unwarranted Medical Bills	FAILED
LR 2931	Senator Sanborn of Cumberland An Act To Clarify Insurance Requirements under the Peer-to-peer Car Sharing Insurance Act	FAILED
LR 2939	Representative Foley of Biddeford An Act To Create the Limited Lines Self-Storage Insurance Act	FAILED
LR 2986	Representative Madigan of Waterville An Act To Assist Persons with Disabilities Who Are Subject to Pill Count Rules with Receiving Refills	PASSED
LR 3088	Representative Moonen of Portland An Act To Increase the Minimum Amount of Insurance Coverage Required for Medical Payments for Vehicle Liability Insurance	PASSED
INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE		
LR 2669	Representative Dillingham of Oxford An Act To Create Administrative Review of Hunting and Fishing License Violations	PASSED
LR 2678	Representative Keschl of Belgrade An Act Establishing a Commission To Examine the Effects of Wake Boats in the State	FAILED
LR 2689	Senator Gratwick of Penobscot An Act To Require a Person To Carry Liability Insurance on a Snowmobile	FAILED
LR 2854	Representative Warren of Hallowell An Act To Reclassify Certain Offenses To Increase the Efficiency of the Criminal Justice System	TABLED
LR 2863	Representative Ordway of Standish	FAILED

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INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE		
	An Act To Enhance Funding To Support Maine Operation Game Thief	
LR 2981	Representative Terry of Gorham	FAILED
	An Act To Prevent Hunting Accidents by Suspending Turkey Hunting on Maine Youth Deer Hunting Day	
INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS		
LR 2679	Representative Keschl of Belgrade	FAILED
	An Act To Provide for an Appeals Process for Decisions of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Real Estate Commission	
LR 2750	Senator Pouliot of Kennebec	FAILED
	An Act To Prohibit Vendors from Requiring Electronic Payments	
LR 2792	Representative Roberts of South Berwick	FAILED
	An Act To Establish a Grant Program To Promote the Development of Remote Work Opportunities and Arrangements	
LR 2802	Representative Stewart of Presque Isle	FAILED
	An Act To Establish the Universal Occupational and Professional License Reciprocity and Recognition Act	
LR 2803	Senator Libby of Androscoggin	PASSED
	An Act To Provide Student Debt Forgiveness To Support Attraction and Retention of First Responders, Home Health Care Providers and Public School Teachers	
LR 2832	Representative Campbell of Orrington	FAILED
	An Act To Increase the Number of Employees and To Encourage Higher Starting Pay in the Construction Trades	
LR 2852	Representative Brennan of Portland	FAILED
	An Act To Ensure State Agency Coordination and Workforce Development	
LR 2864	Representative Andrews of Paris	FAILED
	An Act To Recognize Occupational Licenses from Other States To Attract New Residents and Business to Maine	
LR 2873	Senator Woodsome of York	FAILED
	An Act To Remove Barriers to Entry to the Profession of Dental Therapy and Expand Access for the Underserved Dental Patient Population	

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LR 2942	Representative Morales of South Portland An Act To Promote Retail Bulk Purchasing	PASSED
LR 2951	Senator Chipman of Cumberland An Act To Create Incentives for Employers To Allow Employees to Work Remotely in Rural Maine	FAILED
LR 2964	Senator Bellows of Kennebec An Act To Facilitate Speech-Language Therapy	PASSED
LR 2970	Senator Bellows of Kennebec An Act To Establish a Public-Private Collaboration for Emerging Nanosatellite and Aerospace Technology	PASSED
LR 2979	Representative Terry of Gorham An Act To Protect Consumers by Creating a Voluntary Contractor Licensing Program	FAILED
LR 2984	Representative Morales of South Portland An Act To Reduce Carbon Emissions in New Construction and Paving	FAILED
JUDICIARY		
LR 2620	Senator Sanborn of Cumberland An Act To Prohibit the Generalized Reduction Based on Race, Ethnicity or Gender of Damages for Lost Earnings Potential or Impaired Earnings Capacity	FAILED
LR 2630	Representative Kinney of Knox An Act To Protect Infants Who Are Born Alive Immediately following Birth	FAILED
LR 2632	Representative Cardone of Bangor An Act To Implement Recent Changes to the Laws Regarding Unclaimed Property in Lawyer's Trust Accounts	FAILED
LR 2636	Senator Miramant of Knox An Act To Expunge Records for Certain Cannabis Convictions	FAILED
LR 2671	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland An Act To Restore to the Penobscot Nation and Passamaquoddy Tribe the Authority To Exercise Jurisdiction under the Federal Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010	PASSED

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JUDICIARY		
LR 2675	Representative Ackley of Monmouth An Act To Update Noncustodial Parental Support	FAILED
LR 2701	Senator Pouliot of Kennebec An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Child Support	FAILED
LR 2704	Senator Woodsome of York An Act To Establish Common Law Marriage in Maine	FAILED
LR 2705	Senator Diamond of Cumberland An Act To Streamline the Process for Change of Name for a Divorced Person	FAILED
LR 2710	Representative Bailey of Saco An Act To Amend the Protection from Abuse Laws Concerning Consent Agreements	PASSED
LR 2771	Representative Corey of Windham Resolve, Directing the Office of the Attorney General To Study Recidivism of Persons Convicted of Engaging the Services of a Prostitute and Make Recommendations for the Establishment of a School for Persons Convicted of Engaging the Services of a Prostitute	FAILED
LR 2790	Senator Dill of Penobscot An Act To Amend the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act	FAILED
LR 2791	Senator Dill of Penobscot An Act To Authorize the Expungement of Records of Nonviolent Crimes	PASSED
LR 2798	Representative Bailey of Saco An Act To Increase Access to Justice and Maine's Rural Lawyer Workforce by Expanding Student Attorney Practice Opportunities	PASSED
LR 2799	Representative Martin of Eagle Lake An Act To Preserve the Value of Abandoned Properties by Allowing Entry by Mortgagees	PASSED
LR 2847	Representative Brennan of Portland An Act To Promote Justice for Victims of Sexual Abuse by Suspending the Statute of Limitations	TABLED
LR 2872	Senator Rosen of Hancock	FAILED

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JUDICIARY		
	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Persons Who Are Found Not Criminally Responsible by Reason of Insanity	
LR 3082	Senator Bellows of Kennebec	FAILED
	An Act To Prohibit Video Surveillance on Private Property without Property Owner Consent	
LABOR AND HOUSING		
LR 2603	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland	TABLED
	An Act To Enact the Maine Fair Chance Employment Act	
LR 2648	Senator Miramant of Knox	PASSED
	An Act To Improve the Disability Retirement Program of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System	
LR 2661	Senator Vitelli of Sagadahoc	FAILED
	An Act To Create an Apprenticeship Housing Permit for Persons 18 to 20 Years of Age	
LR 2664	Representative Stearns of Guilford	FAILED
	An Act To Include Grandparents in the Laws Governing Family Medical Leave	
LR 2681	Senator Bellows of Kennebec	PASSED
	An Act To Protect Job Applicants from Identity Theft	
LR 2717	President Jackson of Aroostook	PASSED
	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Arbitration under Certain Public Employees Labor Relations Laws	
LR 2755	Senator Dow of Lincoln	FAILED
	Resolve, To Study Certain Issues Regarding Compensatory Time for Salaried Employees	
LR 2756	Senator Bellows of Kennebec	FAILED
	An Act To Expand the Membership of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System	
LR 2757	Senator Bellows of Kennebec	FAILED
	An Act To Protect Workers by Amending the Laws Regarding Classification of Workers as Independent Contractors	

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LABOR AND HOUSING		
LR 2779	Representative Collings of Portland An Act To Classify Certain Persons as Employees Rather Than Independent Contractors	FAILED
LR 2780	Representative Collings of Portland An Act To Increase the Minimum Wage	FAILED
LR 2781	Senator Black of Franklin An Act To Modify Retirement Plans for Oil and Hazardous Materials Responders and Supervisors	FAILED
LR 2794	Representative Roberts of South Berwick An Act To Provide Protections to Residents of Manufactured Housing Communities	FAILED
LR 2801	Representative Kessler of South Portland An Act To Prohibit Residential Rental Application Fees and Limit Security Deposits	FAILED
LR 2821	Senator Libby of Androscoggin An Act To Make Clarifying Corrections to Recently Enacted Laws Governing the Retired County and Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Municipal Firefighters Health Insurance Program	PASSED
LR 2828	Representative Bradstreet of Vassalboro An Act To Conform State Labor Law with Federal Labor Law	FAILED
LR 2844	Senator Claxton of Androscoggin An Act To Extend to Other Public Sector Employees the Same Protections Provided to State Employees upon the Expiration of Contracts	PASSED
LR 2846	Representative Brennan of Portland An Act Regarding Socially Responsible Investing by the Maine Public Employees Retirement System	FAILED
LR 2866	Representative Cuddy of Winterport An Act To Amend the Retirement Laws Pertaining to Certain Educational Technicians	PASSED
LR 2900	Representative Gattine of Westbrook An Act To Support Emergency Shelter Access for Persons Experiencing Homelessness in Maine	PASSED

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LABOR AND HOUSING		
LR 2932	Senator Gratwick of Penobscot An Act To Allow Certain Law Enforcement Officers To Return to Participation in the Maine Public Employees Retirement System	FAILED
LR 2952	Representative Morales of South Portland Resolve, Directing the Maine State Housing Authority To Remove Barriers to Housing for Foster Care, Section 8 Applicants and Persons Experiencing Homelessness	FAILED
LR 2954	Representative Morales of South Portland An Act To Create MaineCorps	FAILED
LR 2958	Representative Fecteau of Biddeford Resolve, To Establish a Commission To Increase Housing Opportunities in Maine by Studying Zoning and Land Use Restrictions	PASSED
LR 3057	Representative Larsen-Daughtry of Brunswick An Act To Provide for Leave from Work for Victims of Domestic Violence or Stalking	PASSED
LR 3058	Representative Larsen-Daughtry of Brunswick An Act To Protect Independent Contractors from Sexual Harassment	TABLED
LR 3092	Representative Fecteau of Biddeford An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Subminimum Wage	PASSED
LR 3100	Representative Sylvester of Portland An Act To Protect Communications between Bargaining Agents and Union Members	PASSED
MARINE RESOURCES		
LR 2619	Representative Devin of Newcastle Resolve, To Require Maine To Become an Affiliate of the International Alliance To Combat Ocean Acidification	FAILED
LR 2716	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act Regarding State Subsidies for the Seafood Industry and To Clarify Inconsistencies in the Laws Governing Lobster Dealership Licensing	PASSED
LR 2718	Senator Miramant of Knox An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Aquaculture Leases	TABLED

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MARINE RESOURCES		
LR 2752	Senator Moore of Washington An Act To Restore Fish Passage for Anadromous Fish	FAILED
LR 2769	Representative Matlack of St. George An Act to Ensure Equity in the Shellfish Depuration Compensation Process for Municipalities	FAILED
LR 2774	Representative Hepler of Woolwich An Act To Provide Recreational Lobster and Scallop Licenses to Disabled Veterans at No Cost	PASSED
LR 3096	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Protect the Lobster Industry	PASSED
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT		
LR 2649	Senator Lawrence of York An Act To Allow Public Members of the Maine-Canadian Legislative Advisory Commission To Receive Reimbursement for Travel Expenses	FAILED
LR 2650	Representative Cooper of Yarmouth An Act To Encourage Infill and Higher-Density Residential Area Housing	FAILED
LR 2658	Representative Hanington of Lincoln An Act To Impose Penalties for the Failure of Municipalities To Keep the Grave Sites of Veterans in Public Burying Grounds in Good Condition and Repair	TABLED
LR 2686	Senator Woodsome of York An Act To Ensure Maine Cable Service Franchises Are Nonexclusive	FAILED
LR 2758	Senator Carson of Cumberland An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Municipal Conservation Commissions	PASSED
LR 2773	Senator Davis, Sr. of Piscataquis An Act To Authorize a Department of State Government To Share with Another Department of State Government Background Check Screening Results and Documentation Provided to It by a Person Seeking Licensing or Certification from Both Departments	FAILED
LR 2804	Senator Libby of Androscoggin An Act To Require the Installation of Solar Panels on or Adjacent to State-owned Buildings	PASSED

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STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT		
LR 2810	Representative Stanley of Medway RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Provide Home Rule for Counties	FAILED
LR 2819	Representative Tuell of East Machias An Act To Establish First Responders Day as a State Holiday on September 11	PASSED
LR 2835	Representative Tuell of East Machias An Act To Establish Separate Prosecutorial Districts in Downeast Maine	FAILED
LR 2839	Representative Cooper of Yarmouth An Act To Increase the Salary of Legislators and the Governor	FAILED
LR 2877	Representative Keschl of Belgrade An Act To Establish the Last Saturday in October as the Official Day for "Trick or Treat" in Maine	FAILED
LR 2975	Representative Stewart of Presque Isle Resolve, To Establish a Commission To Study Reforming the Legislative Process	FAILED
LR 2983	Representative Talbot Ross of Portland An Act To Authorize the Preparation of Racial Impact Statements for Certain Legislation	FAILED
LR 3077	Representative Riley of Jay An Act To Base the Cost for the Purchase of State Vehicles on the Total Cost of Operation	FAILED
LR 3099	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Require 3rd-party Certification for Employees Performing Blasting and Coating on Public Works Projects for Water Treatment Plants, Water Tanks and Bridges	PASSED
LR 3101	Representative Sylvester of Portland An Act Regarding the Definition of "Public Employee"	PASSED
TAXATION		
LR 2651	Representative Meyer of Eliot An Act Regarding the Financing of Elder Care Facilities	PASSED

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TAXATION		
LR 2665	Representative Stearns of Guilford An Act To Repeal the Tax on the Rental of All-terrain Vehicles	FAILED
LR 2699	Senator Black of Franklin An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Property Tax Exemptions for Veterans	FAILED
LR 2703	Representative Dunphy of Old Town An Act To Exempt Religious Nonprofit Thrift Stores from Collection of Sales and Use Taxes	FAILED
LR 2713	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Provide Tax Credits for Employers Who Employ Qualified Apprentices	TABLED
LR 2723	Representative Ackley of Monmouth An Act To Allow Municipalities To Set Below-market Interest Rates for Senior Citizen Property Tax Deferral Programs	FAILED
LR 2745	Senator Pouliot of Kennebec An Act Regarding the Property Tax Exemption on Residential Real Estate Owned by Persons Who Are Legally Blind	FAILED
LR 2772	Senator Sanborn of Cumberland An Act Regarding Taxes on Energy Projects	PASSED
LR 2795	Representative Roberts of South Berwick An Act To Provide a Food Donation Tax Credit for Farms and Certain Restaurants	FAILED
LR 2809	Representative Stanley of Medway An Act To Provide Revenue Sharing for Counties	FAILED
LR 2851	Representative Fecteau of Augusta An Act To Establish a Tax-free Weekend in Maine	FAILED
LR 2856	Representative Fecteau of Augusta An Act To Establish a Tax-free Day in November for Sales by Businesses with 50 or Fewer Employees	FAILED
LR 2867	Senator Deschambault of York	FAILED

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TAXATION		
	An Act To Promote Economic Development by Increasing Incentives for the Film Industry	
LR 2886	Senator Sanborn of Cumberland	PASSED
	An Act To Clarify the Law Relating to Corporate Income Tax Nexus and the Shipment of Spirits into the State	
LR 2906	Representative Skolfield of Weld	FAILED
	An Act To Authorize the Use of Tax Increment Financing District Funds for Law Enforcement Purposes	
LR 2917	Representative Grignon of Athens	FAILED
	An Act To Revive Film Production in the State by Providing Financial Incentives That Encourage Visual Media Production	
LR 2940	Senator Claxton of Androscoggin	FAILED
	An Act Regarding the Manufacture and Taxation of Marijuana	
LR 2941	Representative Morales of South Portland	FAILED
	An Act To Provide for Fairer Taxation for Middle-income and Lower-income Earners	
LR 2956	Representative Fecteau of Biddeford	PASSED
	Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Study Fair, Equitable and Competitive Tax Policy for Maine's Working Families and Small Businesses	
LR 2980	Representative Terry of Gorham	FAILED
	An Act To Provide Funding To End Hunger by Allowing Taxpayers To Make Donations on Their Tax Returns	
LR 3054	Senator Millett of Cumberland	PASSED
	An Act To Provide a Sales Tax Exemption for Textbooks	
LR 3056	Representative Tipping of Orono	PASSED
	An Act Relating to Property Tax Assessments Based on Comparable Sales and Market Segments	
LR 3062	Representative Landry of Farmington	FAILED
	An Act To Assist Maine's Ski Industry	
LR 3084	President Jackson of Aroostook	PASSED
	An Act To Create Fairness in the Revitalization of Maine's Paper Industry	

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TAXATION		
LR 3098	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act Regarding the Transportation of Products in the Forest Products Industry	PASSED
TRANSPORTATION		
LR 2626	Representative Kinney of Knox An Act To Allow Homeschooling for Driver Education	FAILED
LR 2647	Representative Fecteau of Biddeford An Act To Improve Roads and Public Infrastructure	FAILED
LR 2652	Representative Doore of Augusta Resolve, To Rename the Sibley Pond Bridge the William Harris Memorial Bridge	PASSED
LR 2666	Representative Hepler of Woolwich Resolve, To Name Bridge Number 3880 in the Town of Dresden the Veterans Memorial Bridge	PASSED
LR 2670	Representative Hobbs of Wells An Act To Require Operators of Motorized Scooters To Wear Helmets	FAILED
LR 2695	Senator Guerin of Penobscot An Act To Prevent Vulgar License Plates	FAILED
LR 2697	Representative Kinney of Knox An Act To Require the Bureau of Motor Vehicles To Notify Municipalities of Residents Who Are Required To File Certain Certificates of Insurance in Order To Register a Motor Vehicle	FAILED
LR 2734	Representative Bryant of Windham An Act Regarding Penalties for Distracted Driving	FAILED
LR 2739	Senator Diamond of Cumberland An Act To Amend the Laws Prohibiting the Use of Handheld Phones and Devices While Driving	PASSED
LR 2741	Representative Moonen of Portland An Act Regarding Driver's License Suspensions for Nondriving Violations	PASSED
LR 2749	Senator Pouliot of Kennebec	FAILED

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TRANSPORTATION		
	An Act To Provide Wreckers with Their Own Registration Plate and Class	
LR 2753	Senator Cyrway of Kennebec	PASSED
	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Motor Vehicle Child Restraint Systems To Allow Certain Exceptions	
LR 2761	Senator Keim of Oxford	PASSED
	An Act To Broaden Eligibility for Disabled Veteran License Plates	
LR 2785	Representative Tepler of Topsham	FAILED
	An Act To Restrict Parking in Areas Reserved for Charging Electric Motor Vehicles	
LR 2811	Representative Stanley of Medway	FAILED
	An Act Regarding Learner's Permits for the Operation of a Motor Vehicle	
LR 2818	Senator Keim of Oxford	FAILED
	An Act To Provide an Appeals Process for Administrative Suspensions of Provisional Driver's Licenses	
LR 2830	Senator Deschambault of York	PASSED
	Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Designate and Erect Highway Markers To Commemorate and Recognize the Lafayette Trail	
LR 2836	Representative Rudnicki of Fairfield	FAILED
	An Act Regarding the Definition of the Term "Wrecker"	
LR 2840	Senator Chenette of York	FAILED
	Resolve, To Study School Bus Safety	
LR 2850	Representative Fecteau of Augusta	FAILED
	An Act To Restore the Previous Version of the Veteran License Plate	
LR 2858	Representative McLean of Gorham	FAILED
	An Act To Require Publicly Subsidized Transit Agencies To Publish Ridership and Financial Data	
LR 2859	Representative Corey of Windham	FAILED
	An Act To Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws To Authorize Registration and Issuance of Certificates of Title for Tiny Mobile Houses	
LR 2860	Representative O'Connor of Berwick	FAILED

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TRANSPORTATION		
	An Act To Require That 10 Percent of the Revenue Collected for Each Motor Vehicle Violation Be Retained by the Law Enforcement Agency That Issued the Citation To Be Used To Enable Law Enforcement Vehicles To Comply with Hands-free Technology Requirements	
LR 2869	Senator Lawrence of York	FAILED
	An Act To Prohibit a Person from Using or Interacting with a Handheld Electronic Device or Mobile Telephone While Riding a Bicycle on a Public Way	
LR 2899	Representative Rykerson of Kittery	FAILED
	Resolve, To Lower the Costs and Environmental Impact of the Islesboro Ferry	
LR 2944	Senator Claxton of Androscoggin	FAILED
	An Act To Minimize Potentially Objectionable License Plates	
LR 2949	Senator Carpenter of Aroostook	PASSED
	An Act To Revise Regulations Concerning Tiny Houses	
LR 2950	Representative McDonald of Stonington	PASSED
	Resolve, To Reduce the Operational Costs of Ferries in the State	
LR 2955	Representative Wadsworth of Hiram	FAILED
	An Act To Establish a Specialty License Plate To Increase Funding for Multiple Sclerosis Research	
LR 2957	Representative Fecteau of Biddeford	FAILED
	An Act To Protect Consumers during Severe Weather and Emergencies	
LR 2971	Senator Bellows of Kennebec	FAILED
	An Act To Require Employee Safety within the Funeral Industry	
LR 3053	Representative White of Waterville	PASSED
	An Act Regarding the Naming of Bridges and Designating Bridge 5818 as the Specialist Wade A. Slack Memorial Bridge	
LR 3087	Representative Moonen of Portland	PASSED
	An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Parking for Vehicles with Disability Placards and Plates	
LR 3095	Senator Vitelli of Sagadahoc	PASSED

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TRANSPORTATION		
	Resolve, To Exempt Truck Drivers Transporting Live Lobsters from Certain Hours-of-service Restrictions	
VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS		
LR 2604	Representative Devin of Newcastle An Act To Prohibit the Use of the State Seal in Political Advertisements and Campaign Materials	FAILED
LR 2610	Senator Cyrway of Kennebec An Act To Require Warning Labels Regarding the Danger of Psychosis from the Consumption of Marijuana Products	FAILED
LR 2612	Representative Keschl of Belgrade An Act Requiring a Statewide Referendum Regarding the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact	FAILED
LR 2615	Senator Carpenter of Aroostook An Act To Enact the Veterans Bill of Rights	PASSED
LR 2642	Representative Corey of Windham An Act To Exempt Citizen Initiatives and People's Vetoes from Presidential Primary Elections	FAILED
LR 2646	Representative Strom of Pittsfield An Act To Extend the Hours for Serving Alcohol	FAILED
LR 2667	Senator Chenette of York An Act To Define the Term "Caucus Political Action Committee"	PASSED
LR 2683	Senator Woodsome of York An Act To Establish Energy Efficiency Standards for the Marijuana Industry	FAILED
LR 2687	Representative Stewart of Presque Isle An Act To Allow Nonprofit Organizations in Maine To Sell Raffle Tickets Online	FAILED
LR 2698	Senator Libby of Androscoggin An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Recounts in Municipal Elections	PASSED
LR 2709	Representative Strom of Pittsfield	TABLED

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VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS		
	An Act To Prohibit the Collection of Campaign Contributions within a Voting Place	
LR 2711	Senator Farrin of Somerset	FAILED
	An Act Regarding Games of Chance at Fairs Conducted by Groups Affiliated with Fraternal Organizations	
LR 2747	Senator Millett of Cumberland	PASSED
	An Act To Prohibit the Fabrication of a Deceptive Video with the Intent To Influence the Outcome of an Election	
LR 2759	Representative Ackley of Monmouth	PASSED
	An Act To Restrict Maine Clean Election Act Candidates from Seeking Employment with Vendors	
LR 2775	President Jackson of Aroostook	PASSED
	An Act To Make Necessary Amendments To Ensure Quality, Safety and Transparency in the Adult Use and Medical Marijuana Markets	
LR 2805	Representative DeVeau of Caribou	FAILED
	An Act To Provide Additional Supplemental Funding to the Veterans' Homelessness Prevention Coordination Program	
LR 2817	Representative Faulkingham of Winter Harbor	FAILED
	An Act To Remove the Requirement Regarding Unique Identifying Numbers on Petitions for Direct Initiatives	
LR 2838	Representative Crockett of Portland	PASSED
	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Dual Liquor Licenses	
LR 2848	Representative Fecteau of Augusta	FAILED
	An Act To Protect Minor Political Parties That Seek Official Party Status	
LR 2868	Representative Andrews of Paris	FAILED
	An Act To Allow the Sale of Privately Held Fine and Rare Spirits by Auction	
LR 2870	Representative Andrews of Paris	FAILED
	An Act To Prohibit Municipal License or Other Fees on Breweries and Spirits, Wine and Cider Manufacturers	
LR 2926	Representative O'Neil of Saco	PASSED
	An Act To Ensure High-quality Long-term Care for Maine Veterans	

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VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS		
LR 2973	President Jackson of Aroostook An Act To Encourage Innovation in Maine's Craft Beverage Industries	FAILED
LR 2977	Representative Terry of Gorham An Act To Support Employment Services for Military Members Transitioning to Civilian Life	PASSED
LR 3055	Representative Tipping of Orono Resolve, Directing the Gambling Control Board To Investigate and Propose New Rules Regarding So-called Loot Boxes in Video Games	FAILED
LR 3059	Representative Larsen-Daughtry of Brunswick An Act Authorizing an Instant Lottery Game with Proceeds To Benefit Early Childhood Education	FAILED
LR 3063	Senator Sanborn of Cumberland An Act To Authorize the Automatic Continuation of Absentee Voter Status until the Termination of That Status	PASSED
LR 3065	Representative Larsen-Daughtry of Brunswick An Act To Properly Fund Early Childhood Education and Postsecondary Grant Opportunities	TABLED
LR 3074	Representative O'Neil of Saco An Act To Allow an Adult Use Marijuana Store or Manufacturing Facility during Its First 90 Days after Licensure To Purchase Adult Use Marijuana Products from a Registered Caregiver or Dispensary	FAILED

Total number of bills accepted: 134

Total number of bills tabled: 29

Total number of bills screened: 397

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Executive Director's Report December 6, 2019

1. Aspiring Leaders – Third Cohort

The third cohort of staff recently completed the Aspiring Leaders program that was first offered in 2016. This very successful program was designed in-house to encourage and engage promising staff. This year's graduates who made the additional commitment to participate in the program are: Ariel Ricci and Jennifer Henderson from the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability; Suzanne Voynik from the Office of Fiscal and Program Review; Olivia Watson from the House Democratic Office; Nadia Stovicek and Sarah Ward from the Senate Democratic Office; Janet Stocco and Dan Tartakoff from the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis; Roy Lopez from the Office of Legislative Information Technology; Mark Swanson, Adam Bachelder and Rachel Carter from the Office of the Revisor of Statutes; and Frank Gleason from the Office of the Clerk of the House.

2. Harassment Prevention Training Update

In November, 127 staff and 25 supervisors completed annual harassment prevention training. Additional staff training is planned for January. Lobbyists will begin annual training in mid-December and Legislators will receive training in January.

3. Legislator Training Workshops

Three training workshops are being offered to Legislators on December 17 and 18 in partnership with the Council of State Governments. The topics include: *Building a Culture of Excellence and Civility*; *Managing Multiple Responsibilities*; and *Strategies to Overcome Impasse to Build Agreement*. Space is limited for these workshops so advance registration is strongly encouraged.

Fiscal Briefing

December 6, 2019

Prepared by the Office of Fiscal & Program Review

1. General Fund Revenue Update (see attached)

Total General Fund Revenue - FY 2020 (\$'s in Millions)						
	Budget	Actual	Var.	% Var.	Prior Year	% Growth
October	\$336.3	\$336.5	\$0.2	0.1%	\$334.5	0.6%
FYTD	\$1,359.8	\$1,391.5	\$31.7	2.3%	\$1,338.5	4.0%

General Fund revenue was over budget by \$0.2 million (0.1%) for the month of October and by \$31.7 million (2.3%) for the fiscal year to date.

Individual income tax revenue was under budget by \$0.5 million for the month but over budget by \$15.9 million for the fiscal year to date. Estimated individual income tax payments were over budget for the month by \$2.5 million while individual income tax withholdings were over budget by \$1.9 million. Refunds were under budget (more refunded than budgeted) for the month by \$3.5 million. Corporate income tax revenue was under budget by \$0.2 million for the month but over budget by \$1.8 million for the fiscal year to date. Sales and use tax revenue (September sales) was over budget for the month by \$4.3 million and by \$14.3 million for the fiscal year to date. Other taxes and fees were under budget for the month by \$5.0 million due to a correction in the distribution of real estate transfer taxes between the General Fund and the Housing Opportunities for Maine (HOME) fund.

2. Highway Fund Revenue Update (see attached)

Total Highway Fund Revenue - FY 2020 (\$'s in Millions)						
	Budget	Actual	Var.	% Var.	Prior Year	% Growth
October	\$29.6	\$26.2	(\$3.3)	-11.2%	\$29.4	-10.8%
FYTD	\$119.7	\$122.1	\$2.4	2.0%	\$119.9	1.8%

Highway Fund revenue was under budget by \$3.3 million (11.2%) for the month of October but over budget by \$2.4 million (2.0%) for the fiscal year to date.

Fuel taxes were under budget by \$4.0 million for the month and by \$0.6 million for the fiscal year to date. Motor vehicle registration and fees were over budget for the month by \$1.0 million and over budget for the fiscal year to date by \$3.0 million.

3. Cash Balances Update

The average balance in the cash pool for October was \$1,666.5 million, an increase from September's average of \$1,629.3 million and above both last October's average balance and the ten-year average for the month. The average Highway Fund balance of \$12.1 million in October was down from September's average of \$16.1 million.

4. December 2019 Revenue Forecast

The Revenue Forecasting Committee met on November 25, 2019 to review and update the revenue forecast to comply with its December 1, 2019 statutory reporting deadline. The report was posted to the RFC web site and printed copies will be available later this week. A summary follows:

General Fund revenue estimates were revised upward by \$52.7 million for FY20 and by \$21.9 million for FY21, for a combined increase of \$74.6 million for the 2020-2021 biennium. The resulting forecasted overall rate of growth for General Fund revenue for FY20 is now 2.8% over

FY19 final revenue amounts, followed by a 2.1% rate of growth for FY21. The forecast for the 2022-2023 biennium was revised upward by \$24.9 million for FY22 and by \$14.3 million for FY23 (an increase of \$39.2 million for the biennium). FY22 General Fund revenue is now projected to grow at an overall rate of 2.8% and for FY23 at a rate of 3.4%.

General Fund Summary - December 2019 Revenue Forecast

	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
Current Forecast	\$3,904,382,358	\$4,017,979,977	\$4,128,465,965	\$4,281,283,866
Annual % Growth	1.5%	2.9%	2.7%	3.7%
Net Increase (Decrease)	\$52,658,136	\$21,937,402	\$24,897,475	\$14,280,599
Revised Forecast	\$3,957,040,494	\$4,039,917,379	\$4,153,363,440	\$4,295,564,465
Annual % Growth	2.8%	2.1%	2.8%	3.4%
Summary of Revenue Revisions by Major Revenue Category				
Sales and Use Tax	\$19,600,000	\$20,300,000	\$19,600,000	\$11,700,000
Service Provider Tax	(\$1,000,000)	(\$1,800,000)	(\$3,000,000)	(\$4,000,000)
Individual Income Tax	\$19,500,000	\$7,600,000	\$12,300,000	\$15,000,000
Corporate Income Tax	\$12,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cigarette and Tobacco Tax	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Insurance Companies Tax	\$700,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,950,000
Estate Tax	\$6,100,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,900,000
Other Taxes and Fees	(\$2,787,316)	(\$3,639,608)	(\$4,064,249)	(\$4,525,041)
Fines, Forfeits and Penalties	(\$5,992,564)	(\$5,992,564)	(\$5,992,564)	(\$5,992,564)
Income from Investments	\$227,930	(\$3,980,360)	(\$4,337,948)	(\$4,511,321)
Transfer from Lottery Commission	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfer to Tax Relief Programs	(\$2,915,000)	(\$1,167,000)	(\$2,020,000)	(\$3,010,000)
Transfer to Municipal Rev. Sharing	(\$3,392,712)	\$1,463,796	\$2,458,307	(\$1,185,145)
Other Revenue	\$10,617,798	\$7,053,138	\$6,953,929	\$6,954,670
Total Revisions - Increase (Decrease)	\$52,658,136	\$21,937,402	\$24,897,475	\$14,280,599

Highway Fund revenue estimates were revised upward by \$3.1 million for FY20 and by \$0.9 million for FY21 (\$4.0 million for the 2020-2021 biennium). The forecasts for FY22 and FY23 were revised upward by \$0.9 million per year (\$1.8 million for the 2022-2023 biennium).

Fund for a Healthy Maine (FHM) revenue estimates were revised slightly upward for FY 20 but slightly downward for FY21 through FY 23. There were no changes made to the forecast for Tobacco Settlement Payments after significant adjustments were made in the May 2019 forecast. Minor adjustments were made to Fund for a Healthy Maine revenue from the Hollywood Casino Bangor and from income from investments consistent with the larger changes in the forecasts for these revenue sources.

Medicaid/MaineCare Dedicated revenue estimates were revised downward by \$5.7 million for FY20 and by \$3.6 million per year for FY21 through FY23. A one-time reduction of \$2.1 million was made in the hospital tax as a result of two hospitals, in the midst of bankruptcy filings, that have not paid their hospital tax on a timely basis. In addition, while service provider tax revenue is up in the first 4 months of FY20, the increase in revenue is less than budgeted and therefore a decrease in the forecast of \$3.0 million per year was made consistent with actual expected revenue.

**General Fund Revenue
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 (FY 2020)**

October 2019 Revenue Variance Report

Revenue Category	October '19			October '19			Fiscal Year-To-Date			FY 2020 Budgeted Totals
	Budget	Actual	Variance	Budget	Actual	Variance	Budget	Actual	Variance	
Sales and Use Tax	144,864,644	149,179,583	4,314,939	609,241,813	623,545,982	14,304,169	2.3%	6.2%	1,584,138,944	
Service Provider Tax	5,108,226	4,472,832	(635,394)	21,338,787	19,420,828	(1,917,959)	-9.0%	-8.1%	59,524,000	
Individual Income Tax	146,057,541	145,540,731	(516,810)	576,173,947	592,056,618	15,882,671	2.8%	7.8%	1,771,003,500	
Corporate Income Tax	10,000,000	9,790,420	(209,580)	69,275,000	71,099,297	1,824,297	2.6%	-17.1%	205,460,000	
Cigarette and Tobacco Tax	13,373,708	14,689,073	1,315,365	49,752,677	49,451,929	(300,748)	-0.6%	4.9%	141,621,642	
Insurance Companies Tax	8,800,287	8,959,727	159,440	9,444,122	8,899,693	(544,429)	-5.8%	-15.9%	75,250,000	
Estate Tax	208,414	3,112,229	2,903,815	2,786,670	12,299,391	9,512,721	341.4%	463.0%	10,350,000	
Other Taxes and Fees *	21,901,839	16,956,955	(4,944,884)	51,201,641	49,200,953	(2,000,688)	-3.9%	-10.8%	139,559,891	
Fines, Forfeits and Penalties	1,263,730	1,134,783	(128,947)	5,669,783	4,916,058	(753,725)	-13.3%	-14.7%	18,451,755	
Income from Investments	857,016	1,278,411	421,395	2,563,974	3,927,366	1,363,392	53.2%	78.8%	10,575,750	
Transfer from Lottery Commission	4,686,268	4,210,132	(476,136)	19,180,968	19,384,778	203,810	1.1%	-7.2%	57,000,000	
Transfers to Tax Relief Programs *	(3,500,000)	(2,143,942)	1,356,058	(4,600,000)	(6,178,835)	(1,578,835)	-34.3%	-34.1%	(72,400,000)	
Transfers for Municipal Revenue Sharing	(7,615,115)	(12,144,130)	(4,529,015)	(32,300,512)	(40,044,361)	(7,743,849)	-24.0%	-57.6%	(107,541,060)	
Other Revenue *	(9,715,564)	(8,573,756)	1,141,808	(19,951,150)	(16,529,058)	3,422,092	17.2%	10.8%	11,387,936	
Totals	336,290,994	336,463,049	172,055	1,359,777,720	1,391,450,637	31,672,917	2.3%	4.0%	3,904,382,358	

* Additional detail by subcategory for these categories is presented on the following page.

**General Fund Revenue
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 (FY 2020)**

October 2019 Revenue Variance Report

Revenue Category	October '19			October '19			Fiscal Year-To-Date			FY 2020 Budgeted Totals
	Budget	Actual	Variance	Budget	Actual	Variance	Budget	Actual	Variance	
Detail of Other Taxes and Fees:										
- Property Tax - Unorganized Territory	2,707,348	(2,185,028)	(4,892,376)	12,000,724	(361,623)	(12,362,347)	12,000,724	12,000,724	(361,623)	14,613,169
- Real Estate Transfer Tax	1,698,426	1,930,228	231,802	114,258	114,258	6,793,704	8,575,722	8,575,722	(4,615,183)	18,140,000
- Liquor Taxes and Fees	199,223	313,481	114,258	88,239	88,239	1,335,457	2,537,677	2,537,677	1,782,018	20,381,153
- Corporation Fees and Licenses	7,333	95,572	88,239	(124,282)	(124,282)	(242,413)	99,724	99,724	342,137	9,938,649
- Telecommunication Excise Tax	2,279,332	2,155,050	(124,282)	(101,149)	(101,149)	9,117,328	8,510,650	8,510,650	(606,678)	5,700,000
- Finance Industry Fees	174,579	73,430	(101,149)	(75,151)	(75,151)	796,404	499,070	499,070	(297,334)	27,891,990
- Milk Handling Fee	841,832	766,681	(75,151)	(63,223)	(63,223)	3,029,905	3,231,708	3,231,708	201,803	2,024,900
- Racino Revenue	224,618	161,395	(63,223)	16,038	16,038	1,401,096	1,353,458	1,353,458	(47,638)	8,495,834
- Boat, ATV and Snowmobile Fees	842,238	858,276	16,038	222,583	222,583	5,753,462	6,230,984	6,230,984	477,522	4,523,561
- Hunting and Fishing License Fees	564,563	787,146	222,583	(4,944,884)	(4,944,884)	2,943,388	2,865,456	2,865,456	(77,932)	15,990,794
- Other Miscellaneous Taxes and Fees										11,859,841
Subtotal - Other Taxes and Fees	21,901,839	16,956,955	(4,944,884)	16,956,955	(4,944,884)	51,201,641	49,200,953	49,200,953	(2,000,688)	139,559,891
Detail of Other Revenue:										
- Liquor Sales and Operations	2,375	3,600	1,225	1,225	1,225	9,500	18,000	18,000	8,500	28,500
- Targeted Case Management (DHHS)	47,966	8,040	(39,926)	(39,926)	(39,926)	245,111	41,366	41,366	(203,745)	600,000
- State Cost Allocation Program	1,458,827	2,256,313	797,486	797,486	797,486	5,905,053	8,594,294	8,594,294	2,689,241	18,213,579
- Unclaimed Property Transfer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,186,442
- Tourism Transfer	(6,720,980)	(6,758,879)	(37,899)	(37,899)	(37,899)	(18,048,610)	(18,150,386)	(18,150,386)	(101,776)	(18,048,610)
- Transfer to Maine Milk Pool	(664,969)	(502,253)	(162,716)	(162,716)	(162,716)	(4,088,751)	(3,110,715)	(3,110,715)	978,036	(7,994,162)
- Transfer to STAR Transportation Fund	(2,844,609)	(3,324,728)	(480,119)	(480,119)	(480,119)	(9,530,000)	(11,138,493)	(11,138,493)	(1,608,493)	(9,530,000)
- Other Miscellaneous Revenue	(994,174)	(255,849)	(738,325)	(738,325)	(738,325)	5,556,547	7,216,877	7,216,877	1,660,330	21,872,187
Subtotal - Other Revenue	(9,715,564)	(8,573,756)	1,141,808	1,141,808	1,141,808	(19,951,150)	(16,529,058)	(16,529,058)	3,422,092	11,387,936
Detail of Transfers to Tax Relief Programs:										
- Mc. Resident Prop. Tax Program (Circuitbreaker)	0	300	300	300	300	0	1,602	1,602	1,602	0
- BETR - Business Equipment Tax Reimb.	(3,500,000)	(2,234,155)	1,265,845	1,265,845	1,265,845	(4,600,000)	(6,324,908)	(6,324,908)	(1,724,908)	(25,600,000)
- BETE - Municipal Bus. Equip. Tax Reimb.	0	89,913	89,913	89,913	89,913	0	144,471	144,471	144,471	(46,800,000)
Subtotal - Tax Relief Transfers	(3,500,000)	(2,143,942)	1,356,058	1,356,058	1,356,058	(4,600,000)	(6,178,835)	(6,178,835)	(1,578,835)	(72,400,000)
Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Revenue - Total	1,150,657	1,119,134	(31,523)	1,119,134	(31,523)	21,491,305	7,880,545	7,880,545	(13,610,760)	21,486,646

Highway Fund Revenue Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 (FY 2020)

October 2019 Revenue Variance Report

Revenue Category	October '19			October '19			Fiscal Year-To-Date			FY 2020 Budgeted Totals
	Budget	Actual	Variance	Budget	Actual	Variance	Budget	Actual	Variance	
Fuel Taxes:										
- Gasoline Tax	17,289,683	25,560,633	8,270,950	75,607,972	75,421,321	(186,651)	75,607,972	75,421,321	(186,651)	208,539,148
- Special Fuel and Road Use Taxes	4,848,710	(5,175,973)	(10,024,683)	17,676,070	17,285,050	(391,020)	17,676,070	17,285,050	(391,020)	50,812,494
- Transcap Transfers - Fuel Taxes	(1,622,883)	(3,409,962)	(1,787,079)	(6,836,707)	(6,827,194)	9,513	(6,836,707)	(6,827,194)	9,513	(19,060,252)
- Other Fund Gasoline Tax Distributions	(431,866)	(938,401)	(506,535)	(1,889,398)	(1,891,420)	(2,022)	(1,889,398)	(1,891,420)	(2,022)	(5,214,940)
Subtotal - Fuel Taxes	20,083,644	16,036,297	(4,047,347)	84,557,937	83,987,758	(570,179)	84,557,937	83,987,758	(570,179)	235,076,450
Motor Vehicle Registration and Fees:										
- Motor Vehicle Registration Fees	5,209,894	5,806,016	596,122	22,692,349	24,652,152	1,959,803	22,692,349	24,652,152	1,959,803	67,572,906
- License Plate Fees	344,303	103,373	(240,930)	1,253,527	1,493,564	240,037	1,253,527	1,493,564	240,037	3,618,983
- Long-term Trailer Registration Fees	578,123	979,934	401,811	2,416,273	3,330,538	914,265	2,416,273	3,330,538	914,265	10,384,523
- Title Fees	1,144,276	1,399,068	254,792	4,694,387	5,510,090	815,703	4,694,387	5,510,090	815,703	13,696,264
- Motor Vehicle Operator License Fees	1,037,113	976,601	(60,513)	4,247,023	3,825,195	(421,828)	4,247,023	3,825,195	(421,828)	11,066,651
- Transcap Transfers - Motor Vehicle Fees	320	0	(320)	(4,223,650)	(4,697,342)	(473,692)	(4,223,650)	(4,697,342)	(473,692)	(15,597,414)
Subtotal - Motor Vehicle Reg. & Fees	8,314,029	9,264,992	950,963	31,079,909	34,114,197	3,034,288	31,079,909	34,114,197	3,034,288	90,741,913
Motor Vehicle Inspection Fees										
Motor Vehicle Inspection Fees	400,209	218,005	(182,204)	1,150,834	984,126	(166,709)	1,150,834	984,126	(166,709)	3,202,500
Other Highway Fund Taxes and Fees										
Other Highway Fund Taxes and Fees	107,005	117,128	10,123	449,851	505,852	56,001	449,851	505,852	56,001	1,368,729
Fines, Forfeits and Penalties	61,499	69,923	8,424	246,889	243,050	(3,839)	246,889	243,050	(3,839)	739,039
Interest Earnings	42,821	29,502	(13,319)	171,280	202,392	31,112	171,280	202,392	31,112	513,836
Other Highway Fund Revenue	560,142	513,858	(46,284)	2,037,655	2,056,049	18,394	2,037,655	2,056,049	18,394	9,680,279
Totals	29,569,349	26,249,705	(3,319,644)	119,694,355	122,093,423	2,399,068	119,694,355	122,093,423	2,399,068	341,322,746

2019 Interim Legislative Studies and Committee Meetings

Updated December 5, 2019

Study/Committee	Citation	2019 Meetings Authorized	2019 Meetings Held	Scheduled Next Meeting Date(s)	Report Date	Chair(s)	Status/Notes
NEW STUDIES							
Task Force on Changes to the Maine Indian Claims Settlement Implementing Act	HP 1307	01/04/00	07/22/19 08/09/19 09/13/19 10/21/19 12/05/19	12/06/19 12/13/19	12/04/19 (extension approved)	Sen. Michael E. Carpenter Rep. Donna Bailey	
Commission To Study Long-term Care Workforce Issues	PL 2019, c. 343, Part BBBBB	4	09/11/19 09/26/19 10/24/19 11/14/19	12/10/19	11/17/19 (extension approved)	Sen. Erin Herbig Rep. Jessica Fay	
Commission To Study the Economic, Environmental and Energy Benefits of Energy Storage to the Maine Electricity Industry	Resolve 2019, c. 83	4	10/22/19 11/06/19 11/19/19 12/02/19		12/04/19	Sen. Eloise A. Vitelli Rep. Christina Riley	Meetings completed, report in progress
Advisory Committee for the Independent Review of the State's Early Childhood Special Education Services (with JSC on EDU oversight)	PL 2019, c. 343, Part VVVVV	4	09/24/19 (Advisory Committee) 10/01/19 (EDU Committee) 10/18/19 (Advisory Subcommittee) 11/07/19 (Advisory Subcommittee) 11/14/19 (Advisory Committee)	12/02/19 (Advisory Committee) 12/11/19 (JSC on EDU)	Preliminary report 04/01/20; Final report 12/01/20 (to the EDU Committee)	Sen. Rebecca J. Millett Rep. Victoria P. Kornfield	12/03/19 JSC on EDU meeting postponed
Blue Ribbon Commission To Study and Recommend Funding Solutions for the State's Transportation Systems	Resolve 2019, c. 97	6	09/17/19 10/01/19 10/24/19 11/25/19	12/16/19	12/04/19 (extension approved)	Sen. Bill Diamond Rep. Andrew J. McLean	Subcommittee meetings: 12/02/19, 12/04/19, tentatively 12/16/19
Criminal Records Review Committee	Resolve 2019, c. 90	4			12/04/19	Sen. Michael E. Carpenter	Did not receive necessary outside funding to convene as required per Resolve
Committee To Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security	Resolve 2019, c. 82	4	11/22/19		11/04/20	Sen. Shenna L. Bellows Rep. James R. Handy	Meetings completed; no report required this interim
JSC on CJFS to Study the Stabilization of Funding for the County Jails and the Regional Jail	HP 1277	4	10/22/19 11/05/19 11/19/19	12/10/19	129th 2nd Regular Session	Sen. Susan A. Deschambault Rep. Charlotte Warren	12/03/19 meeting postponed
ON-GOING LEGISLATIVE STUDIES							
Right to Know Advisory Committee	1 MRSA §411	4	09/05/19 11/13/19 12/04/19	12/18/19	01/15/19 (annually)	Rep. Thom Harnett	Subcommittee meetings: 09/20/19, 10/09/19, 10/21/19, 11/13/19, 12/04/19, 12/18/19
Marijuana Advisory Commission	28-B MRSA, c. 1, subc. 9 20-A MRSA §12901	not specified	10/24/19		01/15/20 (annually)	Sen. Justin M. Chenette Rep. Teresa S. Pierce	Meetings completed; report in progress
State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force							Did not convene this interim

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Study/Committee	Citation	2019 Meetings Authorized	2019 Meetings Held	Scheduled Next Meeting Date	Report Date	Chair(s)	Status/Notes
Citizen Trade Policy Commission	10 MRSA, c. 1-A	at least 2 times per year annually (+ 2 off-site for public comment)	7/19/2019 10/02/19		annually	Sen. David R. Miramant Rep. Craig V. Hickman	12/03/19 meeting postponed
State Compensation Commission	3 MRSA §2-B	not specified	9/10/19 10/15/19 11/07/19 11/20/19	12/16/19	by 05/01 of every odd-numbered year and 01/15 of every even-numbered year an interim report; by 11/15 of every even-numbered year a final report	Vendean Vafades	10/02/19 meeting postponed
AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE MEETINGS							
Appropriations and Financial Affairs	PSL	2	11/14/2019	12/9/2019			
Marine Resources Committee	Approved by POs	1	08/06/19				Off-site meeting re oyster aquaculture (Mook Sea Farm) and SEA Fellows Symposium at Darling Marine Center
Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee	Approved by POs	1	09/17/19				Review of DOC Rule 2.12(F) re prisoner savings accounts, pursuant to CJFS decision to review under 5 MRSA §1113
Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee	Approved by POs	2	09/24-25/19 10/08/19				Public forum and tour of forestland in northern ME related to CO bill LD 1691 banning aerial herbicides; and tour of Bigelow Preserve in western ME
Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee regarding PUC, OPA and Governor's Office on Energy briefings	Approved by POs	4	07/29/19				
Health Care and Insurance and Financial Services Committee regarding health care reform	Approved by POs	4	09/24/19 10/21/19 11/19/19	12/16/19			
Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business Committee	Approved by POs	2	10/22/19	12/17/19			Update from DECD regarding Economic Development Plan
Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee	Approved by POs	1	09/11/19				Tour of new IFW Gray Regional Headquarters and Maine Wildlife Park
Judiciary Subcommittee regarding the reorganization of the Probate Court	Approved by POs	8					Did not convene
State and Local Government Subcommittee regarding ancient and family burial grounds	Approved by POs	4	09/17/19 10/01/19 10/07/19				
State and Local Government Subcommittee regarding abandoned and discontinued roads	Approved by POs	4	09/18/19 10/21/19 12/04/19				
Taxation Committee regarding tax expenditure reviews	Approved by POs	3	09/24/19 10/29/19 12/01/19		12/01/19 to the Legislature		Meetings completed; report drafted, approved and at printers
Veterans and Legal Affairs Subcommittee regarding the revision of Title 28-A	Approved by POs	8	08/26/19 09/10/19 09/24/19 10/08/19 10/22/19 11/19/19	12/19/19			11/12/19 meeting postponed

**Legislative Council
Tabled Bill Requests
from October 23, 2019**

LRNumber	Sponsor	Title
2847	Rep. Brennan, Michael	An Act To Promote Justice for Victims of Sexual Abuse by Suspending the Statute of Limitations
2946	Sen. Claxton, Ned	Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Amend Its Certification Requirement Rules
3058	Rep. Daughtry, Matthea	An Act To Protect Independent Contractors from Sexual Harassment
3065	Rep. Daughtry, Matthea	An Act To Properly Fund Early Childhood Education and Postsecondary Grant Opportunities
3066	Rep. Daughtry, Matthea	An Act To Require Transparency in Postsecondary Institutions with Regard to Sexual Assaults
2849	Rep. Fecteau, Justin	An Act To Protect Students from Individuals Convicted of Sex Crimes
2691	Sen. Gratwick, Geoff	An Act To Restrict the Use of Chlorpyrifos in Farming
2692	Sen. Gratwick, Geoff	An Act To Safeguard Children by Aligning the Laws Concerning the Possession of Firearms on Nursery School and Child Care Facility Properties with the Laws Governing the Possession of Firearms on School Property
2658	Rep. Hanington, Sheldon	An Act To Impose Penalties for the Failure of Municipalities To Keep the Grave Sites of Veterans in Public Burying Grounds in Good Condition and Repair
2884	Rep. Ingwersen, Henry	Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Investigate Potential Sources of High-level Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Contamination of Land and Drinking Water
2657	Pres. Jackson, Troy	An Act To Allow Day Students at the Maine School of Science and Mathematics
2713	Pres. Jackson, Troy	An Act To Provide Tax Credits for Employers Who Employ Qualified Apprentices
2714	Pres. Jackson, Troy	An Act To Ensure Equitable Pricing for Fuel Delivered to Energy Markets
2737	Pres. Jackson, Troy	An Act To Ensure Access to Affordable Prescription Drugs
2985	Pres. Jackson, Troy	Resolve, To Establish Guidelines for the Creation of Offshore Wind Projects That Include the Protection of Fisheries and Wildlife and the Creation of High-quality Local Jobs
2760	Sen. Keim, Lisa	An Act To Provide MaineCare to Disabled Veterans
2625	Rep. Kinney, MaryAnne	An Act To Protect the People of Maine from Drug Overdoses
3060	Rep. Landry, Scott	An Act Relating to Energy Storage
2855	Sen. Libby, Nate	Resolve, To Ensure Appropriate Case Management under the Behavioral Health Home Program and for Adults with Human Immunodeficiency Virus Infection
2968	Rep. McCreight, Jay	An Act To Maintain and Enhance the Behavioral Health Workforce in Maine
2718	Sen. Miramant, Dave	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Aquaculture Leases
3079	Rep. Riley, Tina	An Act To Promote Renewable Energy Resources
2808	Rep. Stanley, Stephen	An Act To Remove the Tax Cap on County Jail Funding
2709	Rep. Strom, Scott	An Act To Prohibit the Collection of Campaign Contributions within a Voting Place
2603	Rep. Talbot Ross, Rachel	An Act To Enact the Maine Fair Chance Employment Act
2966	Rep. Wadsworth, Nathan	An Act To Provide Funding to the Maine Quality Centers within the Maine Community College System

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2967	Rep. Wadsworth, Nathan	An Act To Support Maine's Workforce Initiatives within the Maine Community College System
2854	Rep. Warren, Charlotte	An Act To Reclassify Certain Offenses To Increase the Efficiency of the Criminal Justice System
2684	Sen. Woodsome, David	An Act To Provide Veterans with Educational Benefits

Legislative Council
Meeting Schedule for 2020

The schedule for Legislative Council meetings for calendar year 2020 is listed below:

Thursday, January 23, 2020
Thursday, February 27, 2020
Thursday, March 26, 2020
Thursday, April 23, 2020
Thursday, May 28, 2020
Thursday, June 25, 2020

Thursday, July 23, 2020
Thursday, August 27, 2020
Thursday, September 24, 2020
Thursday, October 22, 2020
Thursday, November 12, 2020
Thursday, December 3, 2020

All Legislative Council meetings are scheduled for Thursdays, usually the fourth Thursday of each month, in the Legislative Council Chamber, Room 334. Unless otherwise specified in the meeting notices, the meetings will begin at **1:30 P.M.**

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MEMO

To: Members, Legislative Council

From: Grant T. Pennoyer 

Date: October 17, 2019

Re: Additional Outside Funding for Committee to Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security for covering travel costs of outside experts

Pursuant to the Legislative Council's decision at the October 23, 2019 meeting, the Committee to Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security was approved to raise additional outside funding for the purpose of covering travel costs of outside experts. To this end, the committee has raised an additional \$250 (see attached).

Motion: That the Legislative Council authorizes the Committee To Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security to raise additional funds for the purpose of covering any travel costs requested by outside experts asked to present to the study committee and further authorizes the expenditure of these additional funds if approved by the Legislative Council. If sufficient funds are not received for this purpose, no expenses of any kind may be incurred or reimbursed to outside experts. Motion by Representative Moonen. Second by Senator Vitelli. **Motion passed (9-1-0-0, with Senator Timberlake opposed).**

This organization has certified that it has no pecuniary or other vested interest as required by Legislative Council policy.

I recommend that the Legislative Council accept the funds as stipulated in the above motion of October 23, 2019.

Attachment

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: Committee to Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Checks must be made payable to Treasurer, State of Maine and mailed with this form to the Office of the Executive Director, Maine State Legislature, 115 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0115.

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Signature of contributor: <i>Gilda E. Nardone</i>	Date: 10/25/19
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October 30, 2019

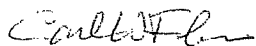
Mr. Grant T. Pennoyer
Executive Director
State of Maine Legislative Council
115 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0115

Dear Mr. Pennoyer:

Pursuant to "Section 13080-L Annual Report" of the Loring Development Authority of Maine's (LDA) enabling legislation, please find enclosed a complete report of the activities of the LDA for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. The report includes a summary of the LDA's development activities and audited financial statements for FY19. Subsequent events through October 15, 2019 and proposed activities for FY20 are also reported.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please don't hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,



Carl W. Flora
President & CEO

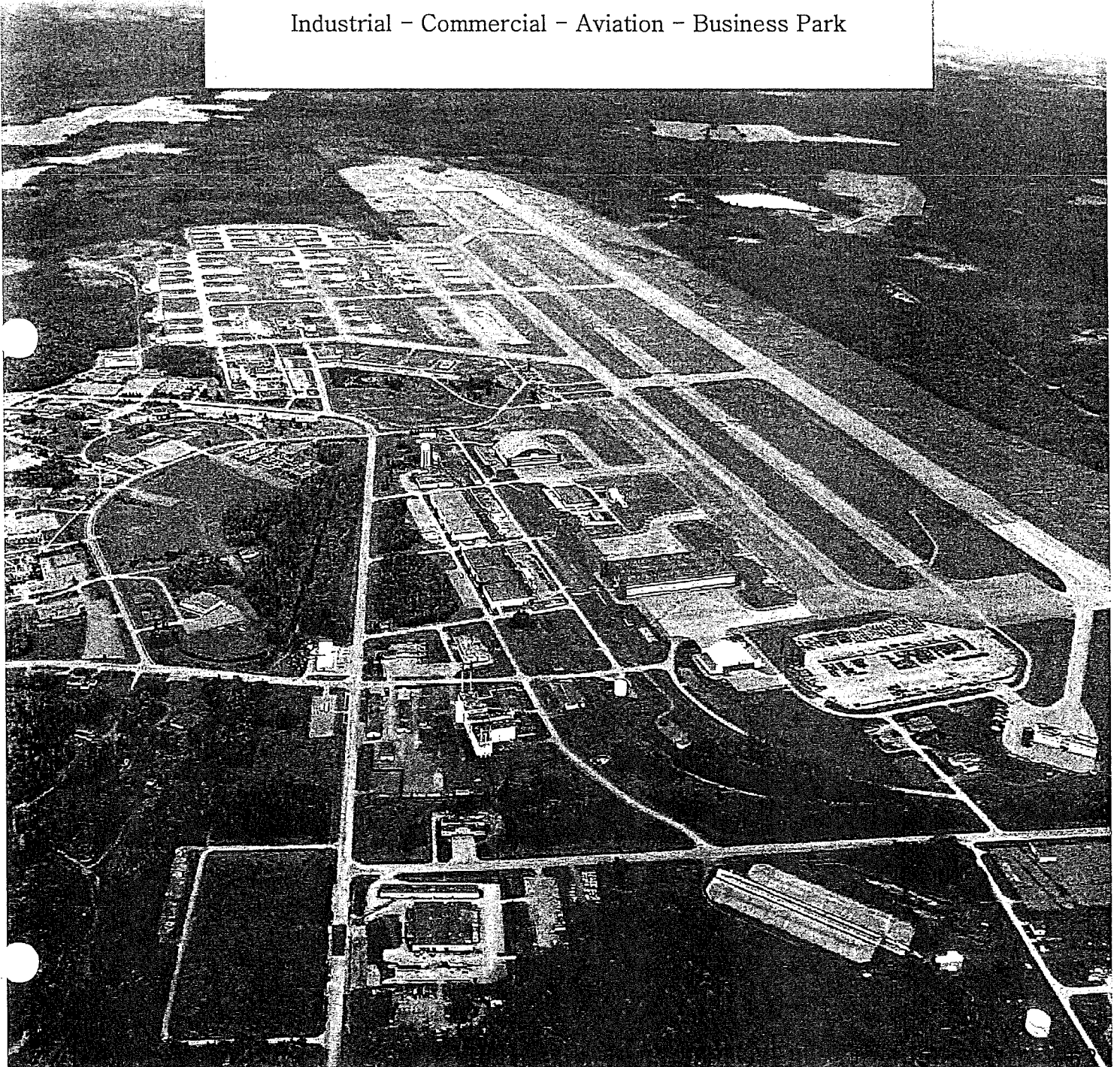
Enclosure

cc: Senator Erin Herbig - Chair
Representative Matthea Daughtry - Chair
Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

LORING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF MAINE

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

Report on Activity at Maine's Largest
Industrial - Commercial - Aviation - Business Park



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Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Report
July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019

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PARAGRAPH 1A: DESCRIPTION OF THE AUTHORITY'S OPERATIONS

Loring Development Authority (LDA) is responsible for the redevelopment of the properties of the state's largest industrial park, Loring Commerce Centre, formerly Loring Air Force Base, in support of new job creation and new economic activity. LDA manages the 3,700-acre business-commercial and industrial park including a 1,600-acre aviation complex; serves as landlord to leasehold businesses and supplies municipal-type services to approximately 290 residents and to 28 businesses that collectively employ approximately 770 people and occupy 1 million square feet of space in numerous major buildings. LDA operates a water treatment plant, water distribution system, and a wastewater collection system; maintains and plows 26 miles of roadways; performs grounds maintenance on hundreds of acres of developed and developable property; and through arrangements with the Town of Limestone and others, secures fire, ambulance, and law enforcement services and contracts for wastewater treatment. The LDA works with prospective businesses to develop opportunities to reuse additional facilities and properties, create additional employment and economic activity both at Loring and in the broader region.

Employers at Loring represent industrial, manufacturing, agriculture, forestry, energy, telecommunications, commercial, back-office, education, recreation, conservation and aviation sectors. A profile of the employers at Loring, included at the end of this report, illustrates the significant level and diversity of economic activity generated by the reuse of facilities at Loring Commerce Centre.

FISCAL YEAR 2019 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**THE FOLLOWING SUMMARIZES THE LDA'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019,
WHICH SUPPORT ITS PRIMARY MISSION OF JOB CREATION AND FACILITY ABSORPTION ON
LORING COMMERCE CENTRE.**

WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS. The most recent phase of Loring's wastewater improvement project was completed this year. Significant investments have been made on Loring's wastewater collection system, replacing sewer lines and manholes. Four of ten phases of a sewer line replacement plan are now complete, costing about \$3 million. Phases five to seven will bring significant improvements and will cost about \$1.2 million. LDA intends to apply for funding from a CDBG and the State Revolving Loan Fund next year to continue the improvements.

LORING INDUSTRIES, LLC (LI). LI worked with Maine Military Authority (MMA) on MMA's final contract at Loring and occupies two buildings at Loring. Work completed by LI includes end-of-life and mid-life bus overhauls, overhauls of coach buses, trucks, snowplows and other

municipal equipment, and landfill compactors. LI continues to secure work on large vehicle and heavy equipment overhauls and manufacturing projects.

LI also operates the Bunker Inn at Loring. The company has invested the facility, making notable improvements to the former visiting officer's quarters. Bunker Inn serves as guest quarters for business affiliates and is open to the public with 20 suites available.

NEW ENGLAND KENWORTH (NEK). NEK operates a TRP truck parts outlet in building #7210 and with LI provides sales and service of Kenworth Trucks and other over-the-road transportation equipment at Loring.

MAINE MILITARY AUTHORITY. With work on its final bus refurbishment contract completed, MMA ended its more than 20-year presence at Loring. LDA acquired vehicle painting equipment from MMA and most other equipment was purchased by Loring Industries.

SFE MANUFACTURING, INC. SFE leases part of building #8712 where it manufactures stainless steel equipment. The initial six-month lease was extended and the company recently worked to recruit employees to fill new positions.

STRAIGHT LINE FENCING. Following Planning Board approval, the LDA Trustees approved the Site Design for the Straightline Fencing project. The company initially leased the former laundry building at Loring and has expanded its fence manufacturing operation into the former gymnasium complex. LDA has entered into a lease/purchase option agreement with the company which has begun to make improvements to the building.

CHINESE INVESTOR GROUP. LDA and the Investor Group agreed to terms for a 9-month due diligence and exclusive negotiation period that will begin with the receipt of a negotiation fee. The project involves the sale of many facilities and property at the commerce center. It is a project that will need approval of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS), which is a federal multi-agency group that gives approval to proposed investments and transactions involving foreign persons and entities.

SPACEPORT. The Spaceport Complex feasibility study determined that there is potential for Maine to participate in the small and nano-satellite business. The best place for vertical launches is likely to be northeast coastal Maine, where the satellites would launch over the ocean. Loring could be part of a hub for non-launch work to support the new industry. Loring could also support horizontal launches from large aircraft. The next step to develop a business plan for Maine.

AVIATION PROJECT. LDA requested that the Loring airport be included in the State Aviation System Plan (SASP) as encouraged by MDOT. Inclusion in SASP is a precondition to be included in the FAA's National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS), which is a precondition to receiving funding support through the Airport Improvement Plan (AIP) or Military Airports Program (MAP). AIP and MAP represent potential sources of funding for airport improvements. Unfortunately, FAA determined that the airport at Loring is too close to other NPIAS airports to get a public NPIAS designation. However, if Loring distinguishes itself from other airports, through significant new activity in a unique niche, it may be able to request the NPIAS designation.

NEXTERA. In October 2017, LDA and Ranger Solar, a grid-scale solar developer, executed a lease agreement for a projected 600-acre utility-scale solar energy project at Loring. The projected 100-megawatt solar energy facility would be one of the largest, if not the largest in New England. Ranger has assigned much its portfolio of solar projects to Nextera. The lease affords Nextera several years to evaluate the opportunity before committing to construction.

LORING HOLDINGS, LLC. Loring Holdings continues to work on a project called Maine Power Express, which involves the construction of a DC power converter plant with a transmission line in the Searsport pipeline right-of-way and underwater to southern New England. The Maine Power Express project would bring renewable energy from northern Maine and Canada to southern New England. If built, the LDA would be compensated for the additional uses of the pipeline corridor under a New Facilities Payment Agreement.

LAND SPEED RACING. Loring Timing Association (LTA) continues to host land speed racing events at Loring, making use of the 12,100 foot runway. The events attract racers from all over the US and Canada and help to expose Loring's facilities and airfield to companies interested in automotive product testing, research and development.

AUTOCROSS EVENT. Cumberland Motor Club Inc. continues to hold autocross precision driving events at Loring. The events consist of automobiles, including high performance cars, being operated within a defined course. Although the race events do not attract huge crowds of spectators, they do bring drivers and car enthusiasts to the area who provide increased traffic to restaurants, hotels and other businesses.

PROSPECTS. Active prospects include various types of businesses including an energy project that proposes to create an energy park at Loring, air cargo operations, transportation, manufacturing, technology and warehousing. The availability of unique or specialized facilities at Loring is an important attraction for companies.

FIRE AND AMBULANCE. Crown Ambulance will provide ambulance service at Loring and all of Limestone, and Caswell through the end of 2019. LDA is working to ensure ambulance service continues at Loring following Crown's departure. Fire response falls under the authority of the Limestone Fire Department.

CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. LDA and the City of Presque Isle renewed the agreement by which LDA obtains the services of George Howe, Codes Enforcement Officer for the city, on an as-needed basis.

AIR FORCE ENVIRONMENTAL WORK. The Air Force has identified specific buildings and land potentially affected by soil vapor intrusion (SVI). SVI occurs when contaminants in the soil or groundwater become vaporized and find their way through a floor slab and into a building. An amendment of the OU 12 (Groundwater) Record of Decision would create use restrictions for several Loring buildings, preventing residential, school or day care use and implementing institutional controls to avoid or minimize exposure to SVI. The amendment would have minimal impact on LDA reuse activity since the buildings in question are industrial buildings with good air exchange. The Air Force is considering installing mitigation systems for active buildings and also monitoring actively marketed buildings. LDA Trustees approved the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Air Force indicating our cooperation with new land use controls and other SVI remedies.

MARKETING EFFORTS

WEBSITE. Loring.org was designed to provide downloadable data for available facilities, up-to-date information, ease in making in-house changes and an efficient delivery of board meeting documents. LDA regularly responds to inquiries submitted through the website.

PROMOTING LORING

Loring's facilities, attributes and contact information are available on various business development websites such as the Limestone Chamber of Commerce, Northern Maine Development Commission, The Yellow Pages online, AviationAcres.com, AirNav.com and other aviation interests.

Following a request for proposals to provide real estate services, the LDA signed an Exclusive Right to Sell Listing Agreement with Re/Max Central to provide Sales Agent services and exposure on the Multiple Listing Service for designated Loring properties. The goal is to promote Loring properties, for sale or lease, to the widest possible audience. For properties not specifically listed, LDA maintains an "Open Listing" and encourages all real estate brokers to bring prospective purchasers or commercial lessees to Loring.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

STAKEHOLDER AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS. The LDA President & CEO regularly leads tours and presents Loring's buildings and assets to potential tenants and visitors. He also promotes Loring and northern Maine when participating in speaking engagements and meetings regionally and state-wide.

PUBLIC BOARDS AND AFFILIATIONS. The LDA President & CEO serves in a voluntary capacity on regional and state-wide Boards, networking within various communities and acquainting people with Loring Commerce Centre, the State of Maine's largest industrial, business and aviation complex.

Mainebiz article. Mainebiz featured an article about Loring, written by Laurie Schreiber. Thank you to Mark Appleton, owner of British Cycle Supply, Ben Glass, with Altaeros Energy and Tim McCabe of Loring Industries for sharing their experiences of doing business at Loring. The article is providing good exposure for Loring Commerce Centre.

OTHER ACTIVITIES & EFFORTS

STRATEGIC PLAN. RKG Consulting, in conjunction with the LDA Strategic Planning Committee, is developing a Strategic Plan for Loring. RKG wrote the original development plan for Loring in 1995. The new plan will go to the Governor in the fall and to the legislature in January. LDA intends for Loring's strategic plan to complement the state wide economic development plan that will go to the Governor in November. LDA attended a meeting, sponsored by the Maine State Chamber, where the state plan was discussed. Paul Towle, President of Aroostook Partnership, is involved with development of the State plan and also participates on the LDA's strategic plan committee. A sustainable vision for Loring is important; Loring, with the current 770 jobs and potential for significant growth, is an important state asset.

Last year Chester M. Kearney, CPAs assisted LDA in the development of a five-year financial profile using several alternative development scenarios, assuming best, worst and probable outcomes for several development initiatives including airport development, the proposed solar farm, the Maine Power Express project, and Loring Industries expansion.

LD 1835. As LDA plans to propose a new strategy for Loring, state support needed to move it forward is requested. The legislature is supportive of LD 1835, “An Act to Authorize Early Payment of Anticipated Funds to the Loring Job Increment Financing Fund”, sponsored by Senator Troy Jackson, which would allow revenue from the Loring Job Increment Financing Fund to be paid early. The Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business (IDEA Committee) was supportive of the bill. It will allow the July 2020 LJIFF payment to be made early, which will help with cashflow but does not solve underlying issues of filling the funding gap until new projects are underway.

BASE REDEVELOPMENT FORUM. Carl Flora and Steve Levesque attended a Base Redevelopment Forum sponsored by the Association of Defense Communities held in Portland. During one meeting, participants discussed issues common to rural bases with the Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA). Many closed rural bases are dealing with aging infrastructure, sluggish growth and delays in infrastructure maintenance.

LDA ADVISORY GROUP. LDA Trustees established an Advisory Group for LDA. The function of the group is to work with the LDA President to generate and develop new ideas and proposals for the use of Loring’s assets. Board member Dana Saucier was appointed to serve as the Board’s designee; This group has effectively become the Strategic Planning Committee and will continue on as an advisory group after the work on the Strategic Plan has concluded.

AROOSTOOK PARTNERSHIP (AP). LDA’s President & CEO serves on the Board of Directors of Aroostook Partnership. The Partnership represents many economic development interests ranging from private sector businesses and non-profits as well as public sector entities like Northern Maine Development Commission, the University and Community College, and the LDA. AP President, Paul Towle, serves on the LDA’s Strategic Plan Committee. AP works to support new projects, providing the assistance needed to promote and develop local assets. The partnership encourages and helps to coordinate collaboration between business, education, government and other parties. AP can also help LDA with marketing and with promoting the benefits of the county’s rural lifestyle.

MRRA BOARD MEMBERSHIP. LDA President & CEO, Carl Flora, serves on the board of trustees for the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority (MRRA). MRRA Executive Director, Steve Levesque, is an LDA trustee.

KEEPING INFORMED. When relevant to the LDA’s activities, LDA staff members actively participate in community and state economic development efforts, serving on various boards, attending workshops, development forums and trainings, keeping abreast of programs and other opportunities available to businesses.

LDA FUNDING

STATE OF MAINE. LDA seeks assistance through grants available through the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development including CDBG grants accessed

through the Town of Limestone. Routine annual appropriations ceased after the FY 2011 budget year. All LDA funding supports the reuse of the former military facilities including newly developing projects.

LD 1643. LD 1643, An Act to Provide Funding to the Loring Development Authority of Maine, was approved in June 2017. It provided \$1.5 million for grants to the LDA from the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD). LDA received half of the grant funds, \$750,000, in fiscal year 2018 and upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of DECD and the approval of the Governor, LDA received another \$750,000 in 2019. The funding supports new business development at Loring.

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FUND. The Loring Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Program allows the LDA to receive 50% of the Maine State Income Tax withheld from incremental jobs created at the Loring Commerce Centre. Contributions to this fund for fiscal year 2019 totaled \$665,399. These funds are used to fund municipal service costs and maintenance of public infrastructure.

PROPERTY SALE, LEASE, MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES. During fiscal year 2019, the LDA revenues from its tenants, property transactions and miscellaneous revenues totaled \$1,107,184. In FY 2019, LDA reclassified \$797,000 of unpaid rents owed by Maine Military Authority from “doubtful” to “written off”.

MACHIAS SAVINGS BANK. LDA has a \$1.5 million line of credit from Machias Savings Bank. The line assists in the management of cash flow. At the end of FY 2019, funds advanced under the line of credit totaled \$1,395,000.

CDBG GRANT. A \$1 million Department of Economic and Community Development Community Development Block Grant was awarded to the Town of Limestone on behalf of the LDA in July 2015. The grant assisted with water treatment system upgrades needed to achieve Disinfection By-Product (DBP) removal in the water supply system. It is also being used to upgrade a portion of the existing wastewater collection system to reduce the inflow and infiltration of ground and surface water in the system.

U.S. AIR FORCE FUNDING LDA received \$300,000 from the Air Force in 2016 for work on the water supply system at Loring. The funding assures the LDA will be able to repay the loan portion of the DWSRF funding through the Maine Municipal Bond Bank. It supplements the \$1.5 million provided by the Air Force in 2009 to complete the work required to continue to supply water to the former Loring Air Force Base tenants.



***Committee to Study the
Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security***

TO: Senator Troy Jackson, President of the Senate, Chair
Representative Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House, Vice-Chair
Legislative Council

FROM: Senator Shenna Bellows ^{SB KSN}
Representative James Handy ^{JH KSN}
Chairs, Committee to Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security

DATE: December 2, 2019

RE: Study Committee Next Steps

The purpose of this memo is to memorialize a recent vote taken by the Committee to Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security (“study committee”).

The study committee held its first meeting on Friday, November 22, 2019. As you know, the study committee is budgeted to meet up to eight times and is required to submit a report that includes findings and recommendations, including suggested legislation, no later than November 4, 2020.

At the first meeting, the study committee agreed that we would like to contract with an outside entity for a larger feasibility study. It is our understanding that this is outside the scope of the current authorizing legislation and that new legislation is necessary to give us the authority to commission an outside entity to conduct a feasibility study. Legislators on the study committee understand that either an after-deadline bill or joint order will be necessary to accomplish this goal. Assuming this legislation goes through during the Second Regular Session, we also plan to continue to seek funding to fully fund the cost of the feasibility study. Of those present, the study committee voted unanimously in support of commissioning outside experts to conduct a study and in support of raising additional outside funds to cover the cost of the study. Those present at the time of the vote were Senator Shenna Bellows, Representative Jim Handy, Representative Michele Meyer, Samarali Daniels, Sass Linneken, Michael Howard, and Tracie Bellinger.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

cc: Grant Pennoyer, Executive Director, Legislative Council
Members, Committee to Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security
Marion Hylan Barr, OPLA Director

Legislative Council Meeting
December 6, 2019

Deciding Appeals of Legislative Bill Requests Turned Down By the Council

Requirements Relevant to Bills in the Second Regular Session

1. Under the terms of the Maine Constitution, Section 1 of Article IV, Part Third, Legislative Power, the business of the second regular session **must be limited** to budgetary matters; legislation in the Governor's call; legislation of an emergency nature admitted by the Legislature; legislation referred to committees to study and report by the Legislature in the first regular session; and legislation presented to the Legislature by written petition of the electors (direct citizen initiative).
2. Under the 129th Legislative Council's Rules of Procedure, any action of the Council requires the affirmative vote of at least 6 members.
3. Under Rule 203 of the Joint Rules of the 129th Legislature, any vote of the Legislative Council to accept or reject a bill or resolve for introduction under the procedures established under the Joint Rules must be taken by the yeas and nays, and that vote must be recorded and made available for public inspection.
4. Under Rule 217 of the Joint Rules, a bill that has been introduced and finally rejected in a regular or special session may not be introduced in a subsequent session of the same Legislature except by a vote of 2/3 of both chambers. Therefore, determinations as to the relevancy of Rule 217 will be made by the presiding officers outside of this meeting.

Suggested Protocol for Deciding Appeals

- A. The Legislative Council will review appeals in alphabetical order by Sponsor.
- B. For procedural consistency, when voting on an appeal of a bill request that was denied, the initial motion on a bill will be presumed to be a motion to accept the bill request for introduction in the second regular session along with a second to that motion. (Yea is to let in a bill; nay is to reject the bill for introduction). Also for procedural consistency, unless otherwise stated, each motion is presumed to have been made by the vice-chair of the Legislative Council, seconded by the chair.
- C. In order to review all legislative appeals in a timely manner, voting will be by electronic vote or a show of hands, with each Council Member's vote on each bill being recorded. The record of each vote will be made available by the Office of the Executive Director for public inspection following the meeting.
- D. Legislators who have appealed a decision of the Legislative Council will be given a brief opportunity to orally present their appeal to the Council. A time limit of 2 minutes will be observed for Legislators making an appeal. Only by leave of the Chair of the Legislative Council may a person who is not a Legislator Sponsor address the Council.
- E. Discussion of a bill request will be limited to whether it is appropriate for introduction under Constitutional provisions for second regular session bills, and will not speak to the merits of the bill itself. If a bill was turned down because it is closely related to another legislative request or to a carryover bill, the burden is on the Sponsor to convincingly distinguish his or her bill request from the closely related one.

ADDENDUM TO PART 6
Of Appealed Bill Requests

Representative Moriarty withdrew his appeal regarding LR 2707, “An Act To Fund the Land for Maine's Future Program.” (p. 54)

Representative Rykerson withdrew his appeal regarding LR 2902, “An Act Regarding Student Privacy.” (p. 59)