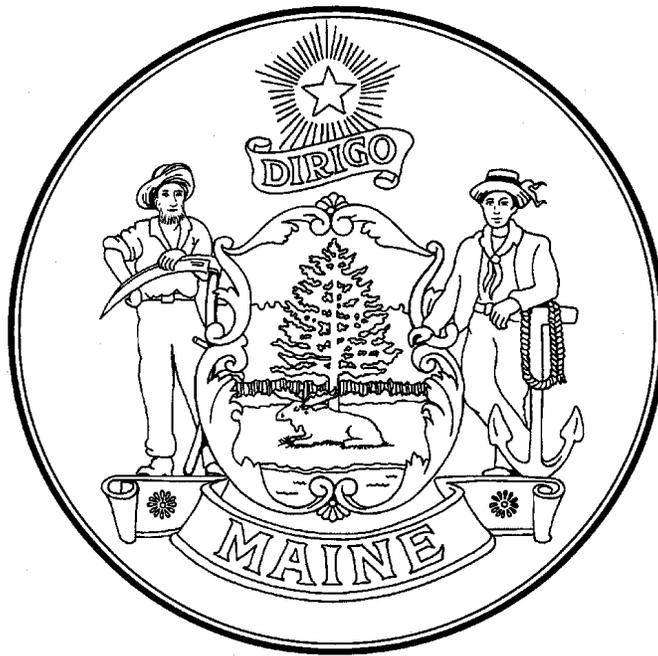


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In Senate, February 24, 2026

**An Act to Amend the Composition of the Landowners and Land
Users Relations Advisory Board**

Reported by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot for the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Resolve 2025, chapter 82, section 6.

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D M Grant".

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10157, sub-§1-A**, as amended by PL 2023, c. 405, Pt. A, §28,
3 is further amended to read:

4 **1-A. Appointment and composition.** The Landowners and Land Users Relations
5 Advisory Board, referred to in this chapter as "the advisory board" and established by Title
6 5, section 12004-I, subsection 49-C, consists of the following 18 members:

7 A. ~~Eleven~~ Thirteen voting members, appointed by the Commissioner of Inland
8 Fisheries and Wildlife:

9 (1) One representative of a statewide small woodland owners association;

10 (2) One representative of a large landowners association;

11 (3) One representative of a statewide farmers organization;

12 (4) Three representatives who hunt, fish or trap;

13 (5) ~~Two~~ Three representatives of outdoor recreationists, including one
14 representative of an all-terrain vehicle club and one representative of a
15 nonmotorized recreation industry with a focus on hiking, wildlife watching, biking,
16 paddling, trail running or other popular outdoor pursuits;

17 (6) Two representatives of environmentalist organizations; ~~and~~

18 (7) One representative of land trust organizations; ~~and~~

19 (8) One representative of an organization managing recreational access to the
20 North Maine Woods; and

21 B. Five nonvoting members:

22 (1) Two representatives of the Bureau of Warden Service, designated by the
23 Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;

24 (2) One representative of the Department of Economic and Community
25 Development, designated by the Commissioner of Economic and Community
26 Development; and

27 (3) Two representatives of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and
28 Forestry, designated by the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and
29 Forestry.

30 SUMMARY

31 This bill is reported out by the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and
32 Wildlife pursuant to Resolve 2025, chapter 82. The bill amends the composition of the
33 Landowners and Land Users Relations Advisory Board. It increases the number of outdoor
34 recreationists on the board and adds specificity about the requisite experience of these
35 members. It also adds a representative of an organization managing recreational access to
36 the North Maine Woods. Finally, it adds 5 nonvoting members to the board: two
37 representatives of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Bureau of Warden
38 Service, one representative of the Department of Economic and Community Development
39 and 2 representatives of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.