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**History and Final Disposition**

LD 1295 / IB0001

An Act To Require Legislative Approval of Certain Transmission Lines, Require Legislative Approval of Certain Transmission Lines and Facilities and Other Projects on Public Reserved Lands and Prohibit the Construction of Certain Transmission Lines in the Upper Kennebec Region. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry. Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310 05/19/21. Final Disposition: Approved at Referendum, 11/02/2021 (In favor: 243,943; Opposed: 168,143), INITIATED BILL, Chapter 1.

**Original Bill**

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**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Forestry and Conservation

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**News Articles**

Corridor battle years in the making (Caitlin Andrews) (Bangor Daily News, 11/3/2021, p. B1, B4) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211103F.pdf)

No on Question 1 (Editorial) (Bangor Daily News, 10/19/2021, p. A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211019G.pdf)

CMP warns of costly corridor delays if state pulls approvals (Lori Valigra) (Bangor Daily News, 10/20/2021, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211020A.pdf)

CMP allies liken corridor opponents to 'gun-grabbers' (Jessica Piper) (Bangor Daily News, 10/21/2021, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211021A.pdf)

Referendum won't end high-stakes legal fight over the CMP corridor (Lori Valigra) (Bangor Daily News, 10/25/2021, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211025B.pdf)

Spending on Q1 tops \$87 million (Jessica Piper) (Bangor Daily News, 10/27/2021, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211027B.pdf)

US energy secretary wants Mainers to back corridor (Jessica Piper) (Bangor Daily News, 10/30/2021, p. A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211030-31E.pdf)

Referendum recap (Editorial) (Bangor Daily News, 10/30/2021, p. A12) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211030-31G.pdf)

CMP corridor is bad for Maine Vote 'yes' on Question 1 (Sandi Howard and Tom Saviello) (Bangor Daily News, 10/30/2021, p. A13) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211030-31I.pdf)

CMP corridor vote puts symbolic role of Maine woods back in the spotlight (Caitlin Andrews) (Bangor Daily News, 11/1/2021, p. A1, A10) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211101A.pdf)

Maine voters reject \$1 billion CMP corridor (Caitlin Andrews and Michael Shepherd) (Bangor Daily News, 11/4/2021, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211104A.pdf)

CMP continues to work on corridor despite vote (Lori Valigra) (Bangor Daily News, 11/4/2021, p. A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211104I.pdf)

CMP's parent calls anti-corridor initiative unlawful in new lawsuit (Lori Valigra) (Bangor Daily News, 11/5/2021, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211105A.pdf)

Maine vote imperils climate bid by Mass (Sabrina Shankman) (Boston Globe, 11/2/2021, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Boston Globe 211102A.pdf)

Power line loss in Maine vote echoes in Mass (Sabrina Shankman) (Boston Globe, 11/4/2021, p. A1, A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Boston Globe 211104A.pdf)

Plugging in and tuning out (Editorial) (Ellsworth American, 10/21/2021, p. Sec. II, p. 6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Ellsworth American 211021B.pdf)

Let's talk about the CMP Corridor (Nicole Grohoski) (Ellsworth American, 10/21/2021, p. Sec. II, p. 8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Ellsworth American 211021F.pdf)

Looking back on the crazy, convoluted campaign on Question 1 (Jill Goldthwait) (Ellsworth American, 11/4/2021, p. Sec. II, p. 10) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Ellsworth American 211104C.pdf)

Question one and the climate (Paul and Cynthia Stancioff) (Franklin Journal, 10/29/2021, p. B5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Franklin Journal 211029A.pdf)

Alternatives to CMP corridor aren't much better (Chris O'Neil) (Kennebec Journal, 10/28/2021, p. A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/KJ 211028B.pdf)

CMP's power line project is fatally flawed (Lisa Pohlmann) (Kennebec Journal, 10/29/2021, p. A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/KJ 211029D.pdf)

Why I voted no on Question 1 (Janet Mills) (Machias Valley News Observer, 11/3/2021, p. 6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Machias Valley News Observer 211103A.pdf)

Win or lose, power line fight will continue (Tux Turkel) (Maine Sunday Telegram, 10/31/2021, p. A1, A11) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/MST 211031A.pdf)

Don't like Central Maine Power corridor? Consider the alternatives (Chris O'Neil) (Portland Press Herald, 10/22/2021, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/PPH 211022A.pdf)

Voters reject CMP corridor (Tux Turkel) (Portland Press Herald, 11/3/2021, p. A1, A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/PPH 211103B.pdf)

In vote's wake, Avangrid files lawsuit, vows to move forward with power line (Tux Turkel) (Portland Press Herald, 11/4/2021, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/PPH 211104A.pdf)

Environmentalists want state to halt corridor work (Edward D. Murphy) (Portland Press Herald, 11/5/2021, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/PPH 211105A.pdf)

CMP corridor question poses a conundrum (John Balentine) (Forecaster, 10/22/2021, p. 5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Southern Forecaster 211022B.pdf)

A 'No' vote will bring cleaner air, revenue to Maine (Editorial) (Sun Journal (Lewiston), 10/24/2021, p. C7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Sun Journal 211024E.pdf)

Future of corridor uncertain (Andrew Rice) (Sun Journal (Lewiston), 11/4/2021, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Sun Journal 211104B.pdf)

Mainers vote to halt \$1B electric transmission line (David Sharp) (York County Coast Star, 11/5/2021, p. 8A) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/York County Coast Star 211105B.pdf)

CMP corridor and public lands (David McCrea) (St. John Valley Times, 10/20/2021, p. 7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/Clip21600.pdf)

State DEP sets hearing on corridor in vote's wake (Peter McGuire) (Portland Press Herald, 11/6/2021, p. A1 A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/PPH 211106A.pdf)

Question 1 foes spent four times as much, to no avail (Eric Russell) (Portland Press Herald, 11/6/2021, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/PPH 211106B.pdf)

Maine voters reject \$950 million power line for hydro imports (Jon Kamp) (Wall Street Journal, 11/4/2021, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/WSJ 211104.pdf)

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Corridor opponent seeks construction halt (Michael Shepherd) (Bangor Daily News, 11/6/2021, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211106-07B.pdf)

Gov Mills seeks quick action on CMP lawsuit (Kevin Miller) (Bangor Daily News, 11/6/2021, p. A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211106-07D.pdf)

CMP rebuked at polls (Editorial) (Bangor Daily News, 11/6/2021, p. A14) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211106-07E.pdf)

CMP corridor effort couldn't change voters' image of utility (Caitlin Andrews) (Bangor Daily News, 11/8/2021, p. A1, A7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211108A.pdf)

CMP corridor vote shows how region's clean-energy goals will be hard to meet (Lori Valigra) (Bangor Daily News, 11/8/2021, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211108C.pdf)

Maine's top attorney defends anti-corridor law in Portland court (Lori Valigra) (Bangor Daily News, 11/29/2021, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/BDN 211129B.pdf)

CMP's woes not the only driver in clean-energy project's defeat (Richard Barringer and Ellen Pope) (Portland Press Herald, 11/30/2021, p. A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD12xx/nc130-LD-1295/PPH 211130C.pdf)

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