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130th Legislature (2020-2022)

History and Final Disposition

LD 2001 / SP0719

Original Title: An Act To Fund and Support the Veterans Homes in Caribou and Machias and Require Legislative Approval for the Establishment and Closure of Veterans Homes. New Title: An Act To Clarify State Policy and Legislative Intent Regarding the Maine Veterans' Homes, To Require Notification of Closure of the Maine Veterans' Homes to the Legislature and To Fund Public Homes in Caribou and Machias in Order To Keep Them Open. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.) Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs. Public Hearing 03/02/22. OTP-AM Accepted 03/29/22. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) S-468, SA/CA S-473. Final Disposition: Emergency Enacted, Emergency Signed 03/31/22, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 528.

Original Bill

[LD 2001 \(130th Legis. 2022\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law

[LD 2001 / PL 2021, c. 528](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs

- Master file available on request—please include citation: cf130-LD-2001.pdf
[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(VLA\) \(03/02/2022\)](#)
[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(VLA\) \(03/11/2022\)](#)
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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(S-0468\) \(LD 2001 2022\) \(Passed\)](#)
[Amendment SA/CA \(S-0473\) \(LD 2001 2022\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, February 23, 2022 \(H-1116-1137\)](#)
p. H-1137
[SENATE, February 23, 2022 \(S-1497-1514\)](#)
p. S-1510
[HOUSE, March 29, 2022 \(H-1231-1256\)](#)
p. H-1237 (Amendment(s) S-468, S-473)
[HOUSE, March 29, 2022 \(H-1231-1256\)](#)
p. H-1254 (Amendment(s) S-473, S-468)

[SENATE, March 29, 2022 \(S-1667-1702\)](#)

p. S-1668 (Remarks) (Amendment(s) S-468, S-473)

[SENATE, March 31, 2022 \(S-1703-1730\)](#)

p. S-1724 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p1727)) (Amendment(s) S-473, S-468)

Enacted Law or Resolve

[PL 2021, c. 528](#)

News Articles

Lawmakers plead for vet facilities to remain open (David DiMinno) (Aroostook Republican and News, 3/2/2022, p. 1, 2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Clip22060.pdf)

Panel backs bill to fund veterans homes (David DiMinno) (Bangor Daily News, 3/14/2022, p. B4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/BDN 220314E.pdf)

Owners of closing veterans homes say bailout won't solve financial problems (David DiMinno) (Houlton Pioneer Times, 3/9/2022, p. 1B) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Houlton Pioneer Times 220309C.pdf)

Initial votes favor funds for veterans homes (David DiMinno) (Bangor Daily News, 3/30/2022, p. A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/BDN 220330C.pdf)

Plans to close veterans' home spark outrage (RJ Heller) (Quoddy Tides, 3/11/2022, p. 1, 16) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Quoddy Tides 220311A.pdf)

Bill to help fund veterans homes sent with unanimous vote (David DiMinno) (Houlton Pioneer Times, 3/16/2022, p. 3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Clip22095.pdf)

Keeping the Veterans' Homes in Caribou and Machias open (Janet Mills) (Machias Valley News Observer, 4/13/2022, p. 6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Machias Valley News Observer 220413A.pdf)

New funding and bill aim to retain veterans' homes (Edward French) (Quoddy Tides, 3/25/2022, p. 1, 14) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Quoddy Tides 220325D.pdf)

Long-term fix needed for veterans homes (Editorial) (Bangor Daily News, 4/13/2022, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/BDN 220413E.pdf)

Trustee vote saves Caribou and Machias Maine Veterans Homes (Paula Brewer) (Houlton Pioneer Times, 4/6/2022, p. 1, 3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Houlton Pioneer Times 220406B.pdf)

Maine will spend millions to save veterans homes without a long-term plan (Paula Brewer) (Houlton Pioneer Times, 4/13/2022, p. 3, 5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Houlton Pioneer Times 220413A.pdf)

We need to make sure we're there for our veterans (Jim Dill) (Penobscot Times, 4/14/2022, p. W2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Clip22164.pdf)

Mills, legislators join vets for Caribou bill signing (St. John Valley Times, 4/27/2022, p. B1) ●
(Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Clip22179.pdf)

Coming together to save Caribou's Maine Veterans Home (Troy Jackson) (Houlton Pioneer Times, 4/20/2022, p. 3B, 7B) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Houlton Pioneer Times 220420B.pdf)

Board reverses decision to close veterans' homes after bill signed (Edward French) (Quoddy Tides, 4/8/2022, p. 1, 12) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD20xx/nc130-LD-2001/Quoddy Tides 220408B.pdf)

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