# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## 131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SPECIAL SESSION-2023

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No. 1556

S.P. 620

In Senate, April 10, 2023

An Act to Provide a Private Support Organization for the Maine Maritime Academy

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Representative MILLIKEN of Blue Hill and
Senators: LIBBY of Cumberland, PIERCE of Cumberland, RAFFERTY of York,
Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, LYMAN of Livermore Falls, MILLETT of Cape
Elizabeth, SAMPSON of Alfred, WORTH of Ellsworth.

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §10016 is enacted to read:

### §10016. Private support organization

- 1. Designation of private support organization. The President of the Maine Maritime Academy shall designate a nonprofit organization as the private support organization for the Maine Maritime Academy. The designated organization must be incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State, and its sole purpose, as reflected in its bylaws, must be to organize and foster support for the Maine Maritime Academy and its programs.
- <u>2. President or designee to serve on board of directors.</u> The President of the Maine Maritime Academy, or the president's designee, shall serve as a member of the private support organization's board of directors.
- 3. Plan of work. The President of the Maine Maritime Academy shall negotiate an annual memorandum of understanding between the Maine Maritime Academy and the private support organization that outlines a plan of work identifying priority projects of mutual benefit and cooperation. The private support organization's board of directors may delegate aspects of the plan of work to the executive director or president of the private support organization.
- **4. Use of property.** The President of the Maine Maritime Academy may permit the appropriate use of fixed property, equipment and facilities of the Maine Maritime Academy by the private support organization. Such use must be directly in keeping with the purpose of the private support organization as set out in subsection 1 and must comply with all appropriate state policies and procedures.

24 SUMMARY

This bill directs the President of the Maine Maritime Academy to designate a nonprofit organization as the private support organization for the Maine Maritime Academy to organize and foster support for the Maine Maritime Academy and its programs.