

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

**117th MAINE LEGISLATURE/1ST REGULAR SESSION  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACTION ON PROPOSED INTERIM STUDIES  
TO BE STAFFED THROUGH THE COUNCIL**

<b>Study Commission</b>	<b>Report Date</b>	<b>Council Action</b>
<b>Commission on Property Rights &amp; the Public Health, Safety &amp; Welfare</b> (Chapter 45, Resolves of 1995)	December 1, 1995 (to Judiciary Committee)	<b>Approved unanimously</b> , with action to decrease appropriation from \$6,725 to \$6,000 to reflect reduction from 3 public hearings to 2.
<b>Commission to Study Trespass Laws</b> (Chapter 53, Resolves of 1995)	December 1, 1995 (to Legislature)	<b>Approved unanimously</b> , with stipulation that study be funded by an allocation of \$1,500 from the Dept of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife.
<b>Task Force to Review the Beverage Container Laws</b> (Chapter 52, Resolves of 1995)	November 15, 1995 (to Business & Economic Development Committee)	<b>Approved unanimously</b> , with decrease in appropriation from \$3,020 to \$2,000, reflecting reduction in authorized meetings to 3 (5 proposed)
<b>Task Force on Tax Increment Financing</b> (Chapter 51, Resolves of 1995)	December 15, 1995 (to Legislature)	<b>Approved unanimously</b> : appropriation reduced from \$4,000 to \$3,000; 1 public hearing authorized; emergency preamble added.
<b>Work Group on Electric Industry Restructuring</b> (Chapter 48, Resolves of 1995)	November 1, 1995 (to Utilities & Energy Committee and the PUC)	<b>Approved unanimously</b> .
<b>Commission to Study the Growth of Tax-Exempt Property in Maine's Towns, Cities, Counties and Regions and its Impact on those Budgets</b> (Chapter 47, Resolves of 1995)	February 2, 1996 (to Legislature)	<b>Approved unanimously</b> : appropriation increased from \$1,000 to \$2,750 to allow payment of per diem to legislative members.
<b>Judicial Compensation Commission</b> (Chapter 451, P.L. 1995)	by December 1 of each odd - numbered year.	<b>Approved unanimously</b> .
<b>Task Force to Study the Operations of the Department of Inland Fisheries &amp; Wildlife</b> (Chapter 455, P.L. 1995)	December 1, 1995	<b>Approved unanimously</b> , with stipulation that study be funded by an allocation from the Dept. of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife and that reporting date be changed to 12/1/95.
<b>Commission on Higher Education Governance</b> (Chapter 395, P.L. 1995, Part Q)	December 15, 1995 (to Legislature)	No Council action required: language had already been incorporated in Part II Budget

<b>Study Commission</b>	<b>Report Date</b>	<b>Council Action</b>
<b>Commission to Study Poverty Among Working Parents</b> (Chapter 418, P.L. 1995, Part B)	November 15, 1996 (suspend during 2nd Regular)	<b>Approved unanimously</b> , with increase in appropriation to allow reimbursement for mileage and addition of language to suspend work during 2nd Regular Session
<b>Assisted Living Task Force</b> (Chapter 362, P.L. 1995)	February 15, 1996 (to Legislature)	<b>Approved unanimously.</b>
<b>Commission to Study Options for; Preserving the Dairy Industry in the State</b> (Chapter 35, Resolves of 1995)	December 15, 1995 (to Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry Committee)	<b>Approved unanimously.</b>
<b>Commission on Performance Budgeting</b> (Chapter 395, P.L. 1995, Part B)	November 5, 1995 (to State & Local Gov't and Appropriations & Financial Affairs Committees)	No Council action required; had already been enacted in Supplemental budget.
<b>Education Research Institute</b> (Chapter 395, P.L. 1995, Part J)	December 1, 1995 (Progress Report to Education Committee)	No Council action; language had already been incorporated in Part II Budget.

<b>Study Topic</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Report</b>	<b>Council Action</b>
<b>Issues related to Dam Abandonment and Dam Relicensing</b>	Natural Resources	December 1, 1995	<b>Approved unanimously</b> as a staff study.
<b>Formation of Limited Liability Partnerships (develop proposed redraft of LD 1358 for Judiciary Committee's review in January, 1996)</b>	Judiciary	December 1, 1995	<b>Approved unanimously</b> as a staff study.
<b>Recodification and Revision of Title 19, MRSA</b>	Judiciary	December 1, 1995	<b>Approved unanimously</b> as a staff study.