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# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
# AGENDA
# APRIL 2, 1998

## CALL TO ORDER

## ROLL CALL

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

## OLD BUSINESS

## NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Proposed Studies on the Appropriations Table

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

## ADJOURNMENT

**Proposed Studies on the Appropriations Table ( or headed there)**
**April 1, 1998**

There are **20 studies on the Table** or headed there.

**As proposed, they would cost $78,080:**

FY 98 : $12,890
FY 99 : $65,190

**Enclosed Listing includes:**

- Studies on the Table (List categorizes them to sort out those that require staffing by the Legislative Council; staffing by other departments, etc.)
- Studies that have been passed but would appear to have some financial impact on the Legislative Account to compensate legislative members
- Pending Legislation that would appear to require meetings of Legislative committees during the interim and that will have to be funded out of the Legislative Account.

April 2, 1998

# PROPOSED STUDY COMMISSIONS

## CATEGORY 1:

- MEMBERSHIP: Varies; most include legislators
- STAFFING: Legislative Council

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET (FY 99 unless noted ) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Select Commission to Study the Opening of a Discount State Liquor Store in Fort Kent** | | | | | |
| L.D. 341<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 13 members;<br>10 legislators | Legislative Council | 1/1/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 4 meetings<br>PS: $2,200<br>AO: $3,400 |
| (10 legislators, 3 members of the Senate appointed by the President, 7 members of the House appointed by the Speaker; 2 business people from Fort Kent, 1 appointed by the President and 1 by the Speaker.) | | | | | |
| **Commission on Performance Budgeting** | | | | | |
| L.D. 2002 - EMERGENCY<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 13 members;<br>6 legislators | Legislative Council | | | Additional costs will be dependent on the number of interim committee meetings authorized beginning in FY 2000. |
| (President and Speaker appoint chair from among the legislative members. Reduces members from 14 to 13 members.) | | | | | |
| **Legislative Compensation Commission** | | | | | |
| L.D. 2108<br>COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"<br>SENATE: UNFIN. BUS. 3/30 | 5 members | Legislative Council | 3/1/00 | Per diem and expenses | 8 meetings<br>P.S.: $2,200<br>AO: $2,000<br>(Ongoing appropriations will be needed.) |
| **Commission to Study Providing Educators with More Authority to Remove Violent Students from Educational Settings** | | | | | |
| L.D. 2142<br>ENGROSSED/BOTH CHAMBERS | 17 members;<br>2 legislators | Legislative Council | 10/30/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members<br>Others: expenses only | 4 meetings<br>PS: $440<br>AO: $4,900 |
| (Two legislators from the Education Committee, one a Senator appointed by the President; one a Representative appointed by the Speaker. Both legislators jointly chair the commission. One member representing parents whose children attend a public school appointed by the President; 1 member representing educational technicians appointed by the Speaker; 1 member representing school bus drivers appointed by the Speaker and one member who is a student representing a peer mediation group appointed by the President.) | | | | | |
| **Commission to Examine Rate Setting and the Financing of Maine's Long-term Care Facilities (Extension of existing commission)** | | | | | |
| L.D. 2161 - EMERGENCY<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 16 members;<br>4 legislators | Legislative Council | 11/20/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | FY 98:<br>16 meetings<br>PS: $3,520<br>AO: $6,480 |
| (One additional member who represents consumers of nursing facility services added; to be appointed by the Speaker.) | | | | | |

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Maine Economic Opportunity Advisory Committee**<br><br>L.D. 2203<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 18 members;<br>4 legislators | Legislative Council | 2/1/00 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 2 meetings annually<br>PS: $440<br>AO: $2,400<br>(Ongoing appropriations will be needed through 3/01/2007.) |
| (Four legislators, 2 appointed by the President and 2 appointed by the Speaker; 2 members from a regional economic development agency appointed by the President, 1 from agency located in eastern Maine, 1 from northern Maine; 2 members from a regional economic development agency appointed by the Speaker, 1 from western Maine and 1 from southern Maine. | | | | | |
| **Task Force to Study the Need for an Ombudsman for the Department of Human Services, the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services**<br><br>L.D. 2207<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 13 members;<br>2 legislators | Legislative Council | 12/15/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 6 meetings<br>PS: $660<br>AO: $1,100 |
| (Two legislators on Health and Human Services Committee, one appointed by the President and 1 appointed by the Speaker; 5 other members appointed by the President and 4 appointed by the Speaker.) | | | | | |
| **Commission to Study the Funding and Distribution of Teletypewriters and Other Telecommunications Equipment for People with Disabilities**<br>**(Continuation of Commission)**<br><br>L.D. 2266 - EMERGENCY<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 13 members;<br>3 legislators | Legislative Council | 1/15/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 2 meetings<br>FY 98: PS: $220<br>AO: $1,200 |

# PROPOSED STUDY COMMISSIONS

## CATEGORY 2:

- MEMBERSHIP: Varies
- STAFFING: Request support from Council for Drafting and/or Legal Support

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Study Group to Review and Analyze the Data Reported to the Dept. of MHMR & SA by Law Enforcement Agencies**<br><br>L.D. 753 - EMERGENCY<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 9 members;<br>2 legislators | Dept. of MHMR & SA<br>&<br>Legislative Council<br>(for drafting) | 1/1/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 3 meetings<br>FY 98: PS: $330<br>AO: 300<br><br>7 meetings<br>FY 99: PS: $770<br>AO: $700 |
| (One Senator appointed by the President; one Representative appointed by the Speaker; Speaker appoints the chair.) | | | | | |
| **Task Force to Develop Recommendations to Implement the Unification of the Superior and District Courts**<br><br>L.D. 1372<br>FINALLY PASSED | Number not specific;<br>no legislative members | Legislative Council<br>(drafting) | Interim<br>3/15/99<br><br>Final<br>12/15/99 | Not authorized | |
| **Planning Task Force to Develop a Plan to Enhance the Enforcement of Civil and Criminal Penalties**<br><br>L.D. 1482<br>FINALLY PASSED | 7 members;<br>no legislators | Legislative Council<br>(drafting) | 12/15/98 | | |
| (Sec. 4 states "may request...legislators to participate in carrying out this resolve"...) | | | | | |
| **Task Force to Review the Maine Revised Statutes**<br>**(technical changes to the State's Criminal Statutes)**<br><br>L.D. 1938<br>FINALLY PASSED (EMERGENCY) | Not specified | DPS, AG and<br>Judicial Dept.<br><br>Legislative Council<br>(drafting) | 1/1/99 | Not authorized | |
| **Task Force on State and Federal Tax Filing**<br>(Continuation of task force)<br><br>L.D. 2171<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 11 members;<br>3 legislators<br><br>adds additional member | Bur. of Revenue Svcs.;<br>and<br>Legislative Council<br>(legal support) | 1/1/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members<br><br>Expenses for business community members | 12 meetings<br>PS: $1,980<br>AO: $4,200 |

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Study Group to Review Procedures and Consider Improvements in Juvenile and Adult Probation Services**<br><br>L.D. 2185 - EMERGENCY<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 13 members;<br>2 legislators | Dept. of Corrections<br><br>Legislative Council<br>(drafting) | 1/15/00 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 5 meetings<br>PS: $550<br>AO: $500 |
| (President appoints 4 members, including one Senator from Criminal Justice Committee; Speaker appoints 4 members, including one Representative from the Criminal Justice Committee.) | | | | | |
| **Maine Commission on Children's Health**<br>(continuation of commission)<br><br>L.D. 2225 - EMERGENCY<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 16 members;<br>7 legislators | SPO<br>and<br>Legislative Council | 12/15/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 2 meetings<br>PS: $770<br>AO: $1,200 |
| **Children's Mental Health Oversight Committee**<br><br>L.D. 2295<br>ENGROSSED/BOTH CHAMBERS | 17 members;<br>6 legislators | DMHMR & SA<br><br>(May also request staff assistance from the Legislative Council) | 2/1/98<br>and annually<br>thereafter | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 6 meetings<br>PS: $1,980<br>AO: $8,300<br><br>(Ongoing appropriations will be needed.) |
| (Three legislators from the Health and Human Services Committee, 1 appointed by the President and 2 by the Speaker. One legislator from the Criminal Justice Committee appointed by the Speaker; one legislator from the Education Committee appointed by the President; and one legislator from the Appropriations Committee appointed jointly by the President and the Speaker. Three representatives of families, 2 appointed by the President and one by the Speaker. Three representatives of providers, one appointed by the President and 2 by the Speaker.<br>One representative of a statewide organization that advocates for children, appointed jointly by the President and Speaker.)<br>The President and Speaker jointly select cochairs. | | | | | |

# PROPOSED STUDY COMMISSIONS

## CATEGORY 3:

- MEMBERSHIP: Varies
- STAFFING: By Departments

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Maine Millenium Commission on Hunger and Food Security** | | | | | **Future Costs:** |
| L.D. 1661<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 15 members;<br>4 legislators | Dept. of Human Services and SPO | 12/15/01 | Per diem and expenses for legislators | FY 00 $4,080<br>FY 01: $4,080<br>FY 02: $4,580 |
| (One Senator from Health and Human Services Committee appointed by the President, 3 Representatives from the Health and Human Services Committee appointed by the Speaker. 3 representatives of the public appointed by the President and 3 by the Speaker.) | | | | | |
| **Commission on Eating Disorders** | | | | | |
| L.D. 1975 (EMERGENCY)<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 19 members;<br>3 legislators | DMHMR & SA | 1/1/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 2 meetings<br>FY 98: PS: $440<br>AO: $400<br><br>7 meetings<br>FY 99: PS: $1,540<br>AO: $1,400 |
| (Three legislators from the Health and Human Services Committee, 1 appointed by the President; 2 by the Speaker; 7 other members appointed by the President; 8 by the Speaker. Commission selects a legislative member as chair.) | | | | | |
| **Task Force to Increase Primary and Secondary Forest Product Manufacturing** | | | | | |
| L.D. 2077<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 14 members;<br>4 legislators | DECD | 1/1/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members<br><br>Nonstate or nonfederal employees: Mileage and expenses | 8 meetings<br>PS: $1,760<br>AO: $10,100 |
| (Two members of the Senate appointed by the President; 2 members of the House appointed by the Speaker.) | | | | | |
| **Advisory Commission on Radioactive Waste and Decommissioning**<br>(Change of name of existing commission and increase in membership from 15 to 17 members.) | | | | | |
| L.D. 2119<br>ENACTED (EMERGENCY) | 17 members;<br>6 legislators | DHS & DEP | 15-Feb annually | Legislative per diem for all members | 4 meetings per year<br>No provision for funding the payment of per diem |
| (Three Senators appointed by the President; 3 Representatives appointed by the Speaker; 1 members of the general public appointed by the President; 1 by the Speaker. One member representing an environmental advocacy organization is appointed by the Speaker.) | | | | | |
| **Task Force to Study Strategies to Support Parents as Children's First Teachers**<br>(continuation of task force) | | | | | |
| L.D. 2260<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 16 members;<br>2 legislators | Dept. of Human Services | 12/15/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 4 meetings<br>PS: $440<br>AO: $900 |

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Economic Development Incentive Commission** | | | | | |
| L.D. 2243<br>ENGROSSED/BOTH CHAMBERS | 11 members;<br>4 legislators | Bur. of Revenue Svcs. | Biannually | Per diem and expenses for legislators | 11 meetings<br>PS: $2,420<br>AO: $3,200 |
| (4 legislators, 2 members of the Senate appointed by the President and 2 members of the House appointed by the Speaker.) One public member appointed by the President and one by the Speaker.) | | | | | |
| **Consumer Health Care Division Advisory Council** | | | | | |
| L.D. 1848<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | 11 members;<br>2 legislators | Dept. of Prof & Fin. Reg. | 1-Jan annually | Per diem and expenses for legislators<br>Others: Expenses only | 2 meetings annually<br>GF PS: $220<br>AO: $200<br>(Allocation of funds; transfer from Bureau of Insurance) |
| (Two legislators from Banking and Insurance, 1 appointed by the President; 1 by the Speaker; 3 members of the public appointed by the President; 3 by the Speaker.) | | | | | (Ongoing funding will be needed.) |
| **Task Force on Intergovernmental Cooperation** | | | | | |
| L.D. 2244<br>APPROPRIATIONS TABLE | Not specified<br>4 legislators | Not specified | | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 6 meetings<br>PS: $1,320<br>AO: $1,200 |
| (Two members of the Senate appointed by the President and 2 members of the House appointed by the Speaker.) | | | | | (Ongoing appropriations will be needed.) |

# LEGISLATION REQUIRING INTERIM COMMITTEE MEETINGS

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Legislation Requiring Interim Committee Meetings** | | | | | |
| **Alternative Fuels Study**<br><br>L.D. 660<br>ENGROSSED/BOTH CHAMBERS | Requires DEP to consult with Natural Resources Committee | | Interim Report 1/15/99<br><br>Final 1/15/00 | | |
| **Joint Select Committee to Implement a Program for the Control, Care and Treatment of Sexually Violent Predators**<br><br>JOINT ORDER (H.P. 1653) | 13 legislators | Legislative Council | 10/15/98 | Per diem and expenses | Projected cost for 4 meetings<br>PS: $2,860<br>AO: $3,100<br><br>(Would be funded from existing FY 99 appropriations.) |
| (President shall appoint 3 members from the Senate who either serve on Judiciary or Criminal Justice or who are interested in developing a program; Speaker shall appoint 10 members from the House who either serve on Judiciary or Criminal Justice or who are interested in developing a program. The first Senate member named is the Senate Chair; the first House member named is the House Chair.) | | | | | |
| **Department of Human Services to Report Its Progress in Obtaining Waiver to Provide Medicaid Prescription Drug Benefits**<br><br>L.D. 1950<br>P.L. 1997, C. 643, PART RR | Report to Approp & Fin Affairs Health & Human Svcs | | 10/1/98 | | |
| **Department of Education and Department of Corrections Review of Educational Programs at the Maine Youth Center**<br><br>L.D. 1950<br>P.L. 1997, C. 643, PART SS | Report to Approp & Fin Affairs Education Comm for comment | | 7/1/98 | | |
| **Department of MHMR & SA and Dept. of Corrections Review of Mental Health Programs within State-Operated Juvenile Correction Facilities**<br><br>L.D. 1950<br>P.L. 1997, C. 643, PART TT | Report to Approp & Fin Affairs Health & Human Svcs Criminal Justice for comment | | 7/1/98 | | |
| **Resolve, to Ensure that Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Are Provided in an Efficient, Accessible and Cost-effective Manner**<br><br>L.D. 1964<br>P.L. 1997, C. 90, RESOLVES - EMERGENCY | Commissioner of Labor in consultation with Labor Committee and other affected agencies | | 9/15/98 | | |

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife** | | | | | |
| Request to Legislative Council<br><br>Committee to provide policy direction and legislative oversight over a comprehensive review of state fish and wildlife laws. | 13 legislators | Legislative Council | | Per diem and expenses | Projected Cost for 4 meetings<br>PS: $2,860<br>AO: $3,100<br><br>(Would be funded from existing FY 99 appropriations.) |
| **Joint Select Committee on Substance Abuse** | | | | | |
| Request to Legislative Council for 6 additional meetings and authorization for compensation of travel and meal expenses. | Total not specified; 13 legislators | Substance Abuse Services Commission | | Compensation for travel and meals for legislative members<br><br>Public Hearing Costs (projected cost for 3) | Projected cost for 6 meetings<br>AO: $3,900<br><br>AO: $3,000<br><br>(Would be funded from existing FY 99 appropriations.) |
| **Committee to Review the Governance Structure of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf** | | | | | |
| Request to Legislative Council to authorize payment of per diem and expenses for legislative member, staffing assistance and funding for interpreter services. | 20 members; 1 legislator | Legislative Council | 12/15/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative member<br><br>Interpreter Costs | 8 meetings<br>PS: $440<br>AO: $400<br><br>AO: $3,200<br><br>(Would be funded from existing FY 99 appropriations.) |

Prepared by the Office of the Executive Director 4/01/98

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
# ACTION ON PROPOSED STUDY COMMISSIONS
# 4/2/98

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET | COUNCIL ACTION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Select Commission to Study the Opening of a Discount State Liquor Store in Fort Kent**<br>L.D. 341 | 13 members;<br>10 legislators | Legislative Council | 1/1/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 4 meetings<br>PS: $2,200<br>AO: $3,400 | Approved |
| **Commission on Performance Budgeting**<br>L.D. 2002 - EMERGENCY | 13 members;<br>6 legislators | Legislative Council | | | | Approved as Amended |
| **Legislative Compensation Commission**<br>L.D. 2108 | 5 members | Legislative Council | 3/1/00 | Per diem and expenses | 8 meetings<br>P.S.: $2,200<br>AO: $2,000 | Approved |
| **Commission to Study Providing Educators with More Authority to Remove Violent Students from Educational Settings**<br>L.D. 2142 | 17 members;<br>2 legislators | Legislative Council | 10/30/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members<br>Others: expenses only | 4 meetings<br>PS: $440<br>AO: $4,900 | Approved |
| **Commission to Examine Rate Setting and the Financing of Maine's Long-term Care Facilities (Extension of existing commission)**<br>L.D. 2161 - EMERGENCY | 16 members;<br>4 legislators | Legislative Council | 11/20/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 12 meetings<br>PS: $2,640<br>AO: $4,860 | Approved as Amended |
| **Maine Economic Opportunity Advisory Committee**<br>L.D. 2203 | 18 members;<br>4 legislators | Legislative Council | 2/1/00 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 2 meetings annually<br>PS: $440<br>AO: $2,400 | Failed |
| **Task Force to Study the Need for an Ombudsman for the Department of Human Services, the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services**<br>L.D. 2207 | 13 members;<br>3 legislators | Legislative Council | 12/15/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 4 meetings<br>PS: $660<br>AO: $1,100 | Approved as Amended |

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET | COUNCIL ACTION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Commission to Study the Funding and Distribution of Teletypewriters and Other Telecommunications Equipment for People with Disabilities**<br>(Continuation of Commission)<br><br>L.D. 2266 - EMERGENCY | 13 members;<br>3 legislators | Legislative Council | 1/15/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 1 meeting<br>PS: $165<br>AO: $1,150 | Approved as Amended |
| **Study Group to Review and Analyze the Data Reported to the Dept. of MHMR & SA by Law Enforcement Agencies**<br><br>L.D. 753 - EMERGENCY | 9 members;<br>2 legislators | Dept. of MHMR & SA<br>&<br>Legislative Council<br>(for drafting) | 1/1/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 3 meetings<br>FY 98: PS: $330<br>AO: 300<br><br>7 meetings<br>FY 99: PS: $770<br>AO: $700 | Failed |
| **Task Force to Develop Recommendations to Implement the Unification of the Superior and District Courts**<br><br>L.D. 1372 | Number not specific;<br>no legislative members | Legislative Council<br>(drafting) | Interim<br>3/15/99<br><br>Final<br>12/15/99 | Not authorized | | Approved |
| **Planning Task Force to Develop a Plan to Enhance the Enforcement of Civil and Criminal Penalties**<br><br>L.D. 1482<br>Resolves, c. 103 | 7 members;<br>no legislators | Legislative Council<br>(drafting) | 12/15/98 | | | No action required |
| **Task Force to Review the Maine Revised Statutes**<br>**(technical changes to the State's Criminal Statutes)**<br><br>L.D. 1938<br>Resolves, c. 105 | Not specified | DPS, AG and<br>Judicial Dept.<br><br>Legislative Council<br>(drafting) | 1/1/99 | Not authorized | | No action required |
| **Task Force on State and Federal Tax Filing**<br>(Continuation of Task Force)<br><br>L.D. 2171 | 11 members;<br>3 legislators | Bur. of Revenue Svcs.;<br>and<br>Legislative Council<br>(legal support) | 1/1/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members<br><br>Expenses for business community members | 4 meetings<br>PS: $660<br>AO: $2,700 | Approved as Amended |

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET | COUNCIL ACTION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Study Group to Review Procedures and Consider Improvements in Juvenile and Adult Probation Services**<br><br>L.D. 2185 - EMERGENCY | 13 members;<br>2 legislators | Dept. of Corrections<br><br>Legislative Council (drafting) | 1/15/00 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 5 meetings<br>PS: $550<br>AO: $500 | Approved |
| **Maine Commission on Children's Health**<br>(continuation of Commission)<br><br>L.D. 2225 - EMERGENCY | 16 members;<br>7 legislators | SPO<br>and<br>Legislative Council | 12/15/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 2 meetings<br>PS: $770<br>AO: $1,200 | Failed** |
| **Children's Mental Health Oversight Committee**<br><br>L.D. 2295 | 17 members;<br>6 legislators | DMHMR & SA<br><br>Legislative Council staff upon request | 2/1/98 and annually thereafter | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 6 meetings<br>PS: $1,980<br>AO: $8,300 | Approved as Amended |
| **Maine Millenium Commission on Hunger and Food Security**<br><br>L.D. 1661 | 15 members;<br>4 legislators | Dept. of Human Services and SPO | 12/15/01 | Per diem and expenses for legislators | (Future Costs) | Approved |
| **Commission on Eating Disorders**<br><br>L.D. 1975 (EMERGENCY) | 19 members;<br>3 legislators | DMHMR & SA | 1/1/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 2 meetings<br>FY 98: PS: $330<br>AO: $300<br><br>7 meetings<br>FY 99: PS: $1,155<br>AO: $1,550 | Approved as Amended |
| **Task Force to Increase Primary and Secondary Forest Product Manufacturing**<br><br>L.D. 2077 | 14 members;<br>4 legislators | DECD | 1/1/99 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members<br><br>Nonstate or nonfederal employees: Mileage and expenses | 4 meetings<br>($1,000 transfer from Bur. of Revenue Svcs. DECD to absorb remaining costs.) | Approved as Amended |

****Presiding officers will authorize the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services to meet to monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the Maine Commission on Children's Health Care.**

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET | COUNCIL ACTION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Advisory Commission on Radioactive Waste and Decommissioning** | | | | | | |
| L.D. 2119 | 17 members; 6 legislators | DHS & DEP | 15-Feb annually | Legislative per diem for all members | 4 meetings per year | Approved |
| **Task Force to Study Strategies to Support Parents as Children's First Teachers** | | | | | | |
| (Continuation of Task Force) L.D. 2260 | 16 members; 2 legislators | Dept. of Human Services | 12/15/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 4 meetings PS: $440 AO: $900 | Approved |
| **Economic Development Incentive Commission** | | | | | | |
| L.D. 2243 | 11 members; 4 legislators | Bur. of Revenue Svcs. | Biannually | Per diem and expenses for legislators | 11 meetings PS: $2,420 AO: $3,200 | Approved |
| **Consumer Health Care Division Advisory Council** | | | | | | |
| L.D. 1848 | 11 members; 2 legislators | Dept. of Prof & Fin. Reg. | 1-Jan annually | Per diem and expenses for legislators Others: Expenses only | 2 meetings annually GF PS: $220 OSR AO: $200 | Approved |
| **Task Force on Intergovernmental Cooperation** | | | | | | |
| L.D. 2244 | Not specified 4 legislators | Not specified | | Per diem and expenses for legislative members | 6 meetings PS: $1,320 AO: $1,200 | Approved |

| COMMISSION/STUDY | MEMBERSHIP | STAFFING | REPORT | COMPENSATION | PROPOSED BUDGET | COUNCIL ACTION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Legislation Requiring Interim Committee Meetings** | | | | | | |
| **Alternative Fuels Study**<br>L.D. 660 | Requires DEP to consult with Natural Resources Committee | | Interim Report 1/15/99<br>Final 1/15/00 | | | Approved |
| **Joint Select Committee to Implement a Program for the Control, Care and Treatment of Sexually Violent Predators**<br>JOINT ORDER (H.P. 1653)<br>(President shall appoint 3 members from the Senate who either serve on Judiciary or Criminal Justice or who are interested in developing a program; Speaker shall appoint 10 members from the House who either serve on Judiciary or Criminal Justice or who are interested in developing a program. The first Senate member named is the Senate Chair; the first House member named is the House Chair.) | 13 legislators | Legislative Council | 10/15/98 | Per diem and expenses | 4 meetings<br>PS: $2,860<br>AO: $3,100 | Tabled |
| **Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**<br>Request to Legislative Council<br>Committee to provide policy direction and legislative oversight over a comprehensive review of state fish and wildlife laws. | 13 legislators | Legislative Council | | Per diem and expenses | 4 meetings<br>PS: $2,860<br>AO: $3,100 | Tabled |
| **Joint Select Committee on Substance Abuse**<br>Request to Legislative Council for 6 additional meetings and authorization for compensation of travel and meal expenses. | Total not specified; 13 legislators | Substance Abuse Services Commission and Legislative Council | | Compensation for travel and meals for legislative members and Public Hearing Costs | 4 meetings<br>AO: $5,600 | Approved as Amended |
| **Committee to Review the Governance Structure of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf**<br>Request to Legislative Council to authorize payment of per diem and expenses for legislative member, staffing assistance and funding for interpreter services. | 20 members; 1 legislator | Legislative Council | 12/15/98 | Per diem and expenses for legislative member and Interpreter Costs | 8 meetings<br>PS: $440<br>AO: $3,600 | Tabled |