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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
July 30, 2003
2:00 pm
Legislative Council Chamber
AGENDA

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	CALL TO ORDER	
	ROLL CALL	
1	SUMMARY OF THE JUNE 10, COUNCIL MEETING	Decision
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	• Executive Director's Report	
5	• Fiscal Report (Pennoyer)	
9	• Office of Information Services' Report (Mayotte)	
	REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES	
	• Personnel Committee (Rep. Richardson, Chair)	
	Report of the July 30, 2003 Personnel Committee meeting	
	• State House Facilities Committee (Sen. Gagnon, Chair)	
	No report	
	OLD BUSINESS	

NEW BUSINESS

- 10 **Item #1: Request that Maine's Public Affairs Network Provide Life & Taped Coverage of the Maine Legislature, Public Hearings, New Conferences and Public Policy Forums (letter from Hon. Michael V. Saxl and Sen. Richard A. Bennett)** Decision
- 13 **Item #2: 121st/Second Regular Session Cloture Schedule and Related Dates (memo from Margaret Matheson, Revisor)** Decision

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING (Executive Session if needed)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

ADJOURNMENT

SEN. BEVERLY C. DAGGETT
CHAIR

REP. PATRICK COLWELL
VICE-CHAIR



121ST MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SEN. SHARON ANGLIN TREAT
SEN. PAUL T. DAVIS, SR.
SEN. KENNETH T. GAGNON
SEN. CHANDLER E. WOODCOCK
REP. JOHN RICHARDSON
REP. JOSEPH BRUNO
REP. ROBERT W. DUPLESSIE
REP. DAVID E. BOWLES

DAVID E. BOULTER
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MEETING SUMMARY
June 10, 2003

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair, President Daggett, called the Legislative Council meeting to order at 12:22 p.m. in the Legislative Council Chamber.

ROLL CALL

Senators: President Daggett, Sen. Treat, Sen. Davis, Sen. Gagnon
Sen. Woodcock

Representatives: Speaker Colwell, Rep. Richardson, Rep. Bruno,
Rep. Duplessie, Rep. Bowles

Legislative Officers: Millicent MacFarland, Clerk of the House
David Shiah, Assistant Clerk of the House
David Boulter, Executive Director, Legislative Council
Grant Pennoyer, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review
David Elliott, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis
Margaret Matheson, Revisor of Statutes
Lynn Randall, State Law Librarian
Paul Mayotte, Director, Legislative Information Services

President Daggett asked if there was objection to taking an item out of order. Hearing none, the Chair then moved to **New Business, Item #1.**

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Consideration of After Deadline Bill Requests

Six after deadline requests were considered by the Legislative Council. The Council's actions on these requests are included on the attached list.

SUMMARIES OF THE MAY 28 AND JUNE 4, 2003 COUNCIL MEETINGS

Motion: That the Meeting Summaries of May 28 and June 4, 2003 be accepted and placed on file. (Motion by Rep. Bruno, second by Sen. Treat, unanimous).

REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND STAFF OFFICE DIRECTORS

- **Executive Director's Report**

No report was presented.

- **Fiscal Report**

Grant Pennoyer, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review, presented the following fiscal report:

- 1. General Fund and Highway Fund Revenue Variances**

Total General Fund revenue for the month of May was above projections by \$9.8 million, which resulted in the General Fund being ahead of budget projections by \$4.8 million for the fiscal year-to-date. The individual income tax positive variance was \$8.5 million over budget in May reducing its negative variance to \$5.5 million for fiscal year-to-date through May. Mr. Pennoyer said it looked encouraging to remain ahead of budget through the end of the year.

- 2. Highway Fund**

Highway Fund revenues were below projections by \$1.5 million in May; fuel taxes were below projected revenues by \$2.2 million. Mr. Pennoyer believed it to be a timing issue between April and May. The Highway Fund remains ahead of budget projections by approximately \$4.5 million for fiscal year-to-date.

- **Office of Information Services' Report (Mayotte)**

No report was presented.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

- **Personnel Committee**

No Report

- **State House Facilities Committee**

Senator Gagnon, Chair of the State House Facilities Committee, asked Executive Director Boulter to give a summary of the Committee's meeting on June 5, 2003. A brief summary follows.

Restoration of the Klir Beck Dioramas

The Committee received an update from the Maine State Museum on the restoration of the dioramas. Two of the four dioramas are now completed. The remaining two are somewhat behind schedule. With the guidance of the Sen. Gagnon, the Museum director agreed to a completion date of June 30, 2003.

Proposed Multi Year Plan for State House Facilities and Grounds

Executive Director Boulter referred members to the proposed Multi Year Plan prepared by Richard Burt, Architect. The plan proposes improvement projects for the next 5 years, beginning in the summer of 2003. The committee discussed whether there was a need for an owner's representative. It was decided, for 2003, the only project that may need an owner's representative is the replacement of the west wing roof and that service could be handled within the bid document itself. Sen. Gagnon offered the following motion.

Motion: That the Legislative Council adopt the Multi Year Plan for Maintenance and Improvement to the Maine State House and Grounds; direct the Executive Director to take necessary measures to implement the plan in accordance with the schedules contained in the plan, notify the Legislative Council of project costs that exceed more than 5% of the total project budget or allowance and to annually present recommended modifications and amendments to the plan to the Legislative Council for consideration; and further that the expenditures of the projects in any given year may not exceed budgeted and available resources except as expressly authorized by the Legislative Council. (Motion by Sen. Gagnon, second by Rep. Duplessie, unanimous).

A copy of the State House Facilities Committee Meeting Summary of June 5, 2003 is attached.

OLD BUSINESS**Item #1: Consideration of Requests for Legislative Studies
(continued from Legislative Council meeting of June 4, 2003)**

Executive Director Boulter reminded Legislative Council Members of the Legislative Council adoption of study guidelines and its earlier actions on legislative studies. The Council proceeded to consider the proposed legislative studies, including those studies that had been added or tabled at its June 4, 2003 meeting.

Following a discussion by Council members of private (non-state) funding for legislative studies, Rep. Richardson offered the following addendum to the legislative studies drafting guidelines.

Motion: That the guidelines be amended to include the following: "The chair(s) of the study group may seek and accept outside funding subject to the following limitations. Contributions to support the work of a study committee may not be accepted from any party having a pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the matters being studied. Any person, other than a state agency, desiring to make a financial or in-kind contribution must certify to the Legislative Council that it has no pecuniary or other vested

interest in the outcome of the study. Such certification must be made in the manner prescribed by the Legislative Council. All contributions are subject to approval by the Legislative Council.

If the Legislative Council authorizes acceptance of funds, the chair(s) shall provide prompt notice of solicitation and acceptance of funds to the executive director of the Legislative Council who will so notify the Legislative Council. All funds accepted must be forwarded to the executive director, along with an accounting that includes amount, date received, from whom, purpose and limitation of use of the funds. The executive director of the Legislative Council administers all funds received. Unless otherwise specified by the Legislative Council, expenses that have an effect on the General Fund may not be incurred by the study group". (Motion by Rep. Richardson, second by Speaker Colwell, 9-1 – Sen. Woodcock opposed).

The Legislative Council then proceeded to review and decide the study requests. The Council's action on study requests are noted on the attached list.

Item #2: Council Actions Taken by Ballot

Executive Director Boulter provided Council members with a list of actions taken by ballot by the Legislative Council since its May 28, 2003 meeting.

No further Council action was required.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING (Executive Session)

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 1:49 p.m. (Motion by Sen. Davis, second by Speaker Colwell, unanimous).

Executive Director's Report
July 30, 2003

1. Renovations – Summer Projects 2003

2. Retirements in Law Library

Simone Antworth, Adm. Sec. and Laura Goss, Library Associate are retiring this summer.

Simone has worked more than 25 years in the Library and Laura has worked more than 30 years. Laura and Simone have contributed greatly to the effectiveness of the Library and they will be missed.

3. Dioramas

Completed: lighting adjustments being made.

4. Portraits in State House

Maine State Museum is developing a schedule and portraying hanging plan to return the 144 portraits to the State House. Work should be completed by the start of the 2nd Regular session.

5. Flag Replicas in the Hall of Flags

Museum staff are preparing flag cases in the Hall of Flags to receive the newly completed replicas of civil war flags. The flags are to be installed by _____, thereby completing 3 of the 4 flag cases to date.

6. NCSL Training Seminar

Announce that NCSL will be holding a professional development seminar for senior research and committee staff in Portland, Maine in early October. This seminar will bring legislative staff from across the country to Maine, and it is a good opportunity to showcase Maine.

Fiscal Briefing for the Legislative Council

July 30, 2003 Meeting

*Prepared by the
Office of Fiscal & Program Review*

1. General Fund and Highway Fund Revenue Variances for FY03 (Reflects final budgeted amounts for FY03 – See attached summary)

- **General Fund**

Total General Fund revenue was over budget by \$15.9M in June and ended FY03 with a positive variance of \$22.4M for the fiscal year.

Major Positives:

- Individual Income - Over by \$13.7M in June/Over by \$8.2M for FY
- Corporate Income - Over by \$2.4M in June/Over by \$3.0M for FY
- Insurance Tax - Over budget by \$5.8M in June/Over by \$14.4M for FY
- Estate Tax - Under budget by \$0.6M in June/Over by \$6.7M for FY

Major Negatives:

- Cigarette Tax - Under by \$2.6M in June/Under FY-T-D by \$7.3M
- Sales Tax - Under by \$1.2M in June/Under FY-T-D by \$4.1M

- **Highway Fund**

Total Highway Fund revenue was under budget by \$0.5M in June, but still ended FY03 with a positive variance of \$4.0M for the fiscal year. Most of this positive variance was related to Motor Vehicle Registration and Fees, which was \$3.6M over budget for the FY.

2. Cash Pool Status

- June 2003 Cash Pool Summaries (see attached)

- General Fund balance was +33.0M in June, despite having no reserve fund balances.
- Absent the \$250 million TAN balance, General Fund cash would have been negative by \$217.0M in June.
- TAN issued for FY04 is \$275 million.

- General Fund – History of Cash Balances (see attached)

- General Fund 12-month moving average has flattened out recently and has actually begun to trend upward.

**General Fund and Highway Fund Revenue
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2003**

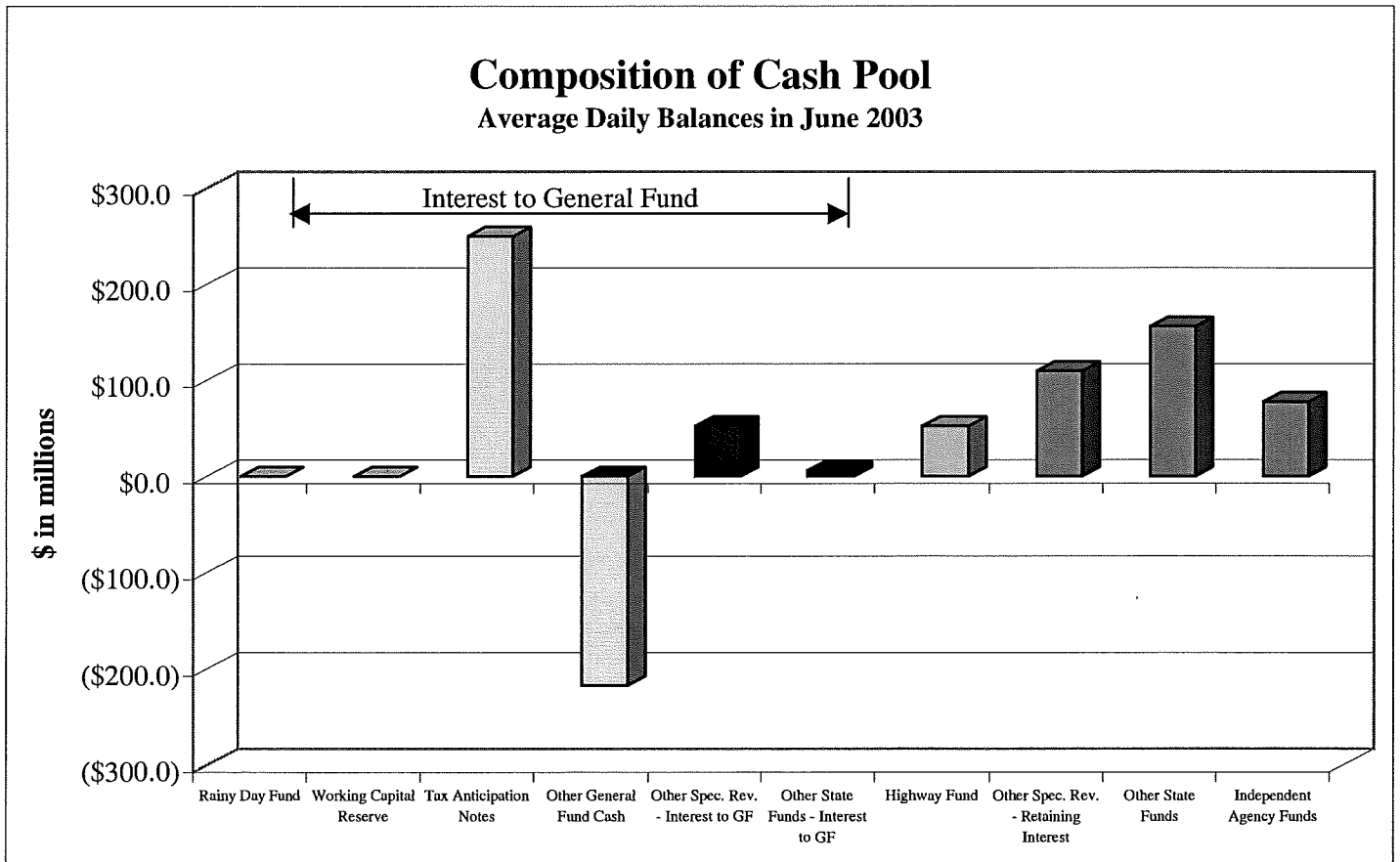
Based on All Actions of the 121st Legislature, 1st Regular Session and May 2003 Revenue Revisions

JUNE 2003 - FINAL VARIANCE REPORT FOR FY2002-03

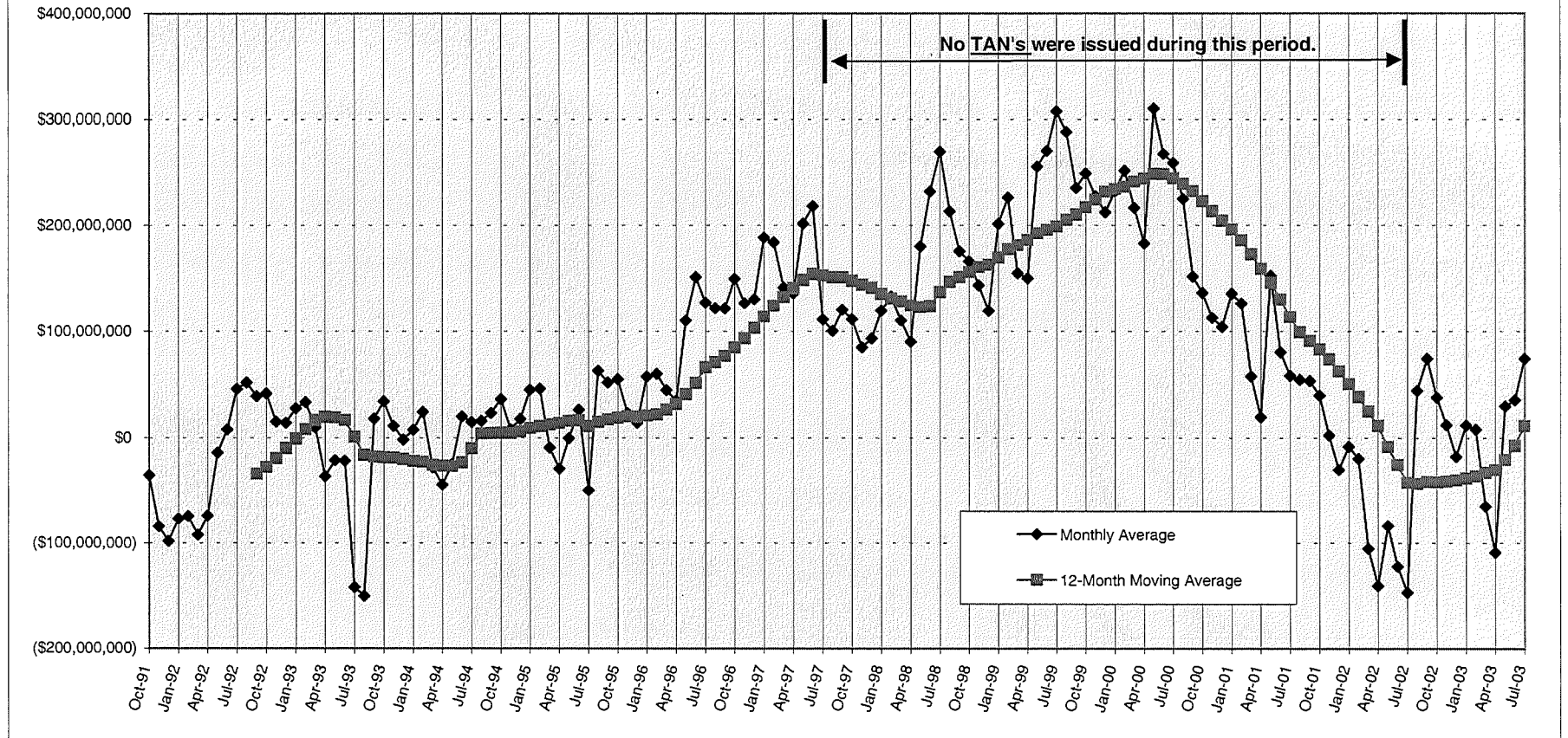
FUND	Revenue Line	June '03 Budget	June '03 Actual	June '03 Var.	FY03 YTD Budget	FY03 YTD Actual	FY03 YTD Variance	FY03 Budgeted Totals
GF	Sales and Use Tax	159,256,982	158,099,006.54	(1,157,975.46)	861,578,278	857,486,801.19	(4,091,476.81)	861,578,278
GF	Individual Income Tax	142,266,941	155,964,412.51	13,697,471.51	1,063,483,417	1,071,701,693.70	8,218,276.70	1,063,483,417
GF	Corporate Income Tax	17,600,002	19,992,663.54	2,392,661.54	88,170,000	91,188,393.05	3,018,393.05	88,170,000
GF	Cigarette and Tobacco Tax	9,750,270	7,124,655.96	(2,625,614.04)	105,684,505	98,414,469.72	(7,270,035.28)	105,684,505
GF	Public Utilities Tax	0	125,492.22	125,492.22	30,400,000	29,285,142.72	(1,114,857.28)	30,400,000
GF	Insurance Companies Tax	14,058,508	19,886,522.70	5,828,014.70	56,646,354	71,078,088.63	14,431,734.63	56,646,354
GF	Estate Tax	5,899,843	6,528,861.07	629,018.07	23,821,692	30,520,319.78	6,698,627.78	23,821,692
GF	Property Tax - Unorganized Territory	1,318,801	629,517.61	(689,283.39)	10,162,545	9,930,102.61	(232,442.39)	10,162,545
GF	Income from Investments	210,914	321,610.12	110,696.12	1,889,000	2,345,740.54	456,740.54	1,889,000
GF	Transfer to Municipal Revenue Sharing	(16,275,321)	(17,036,860.21)	(761,539.21)	(102,674,817)	(103,039,221.27)	(364,404.27)	(102,674,817)
GF	Transfer from Liquor Commission	2,248,858	2,306,031.25	57,173.25	26,290,223	26,073,276.40	(216,946.60)	26,290,223
GF	Transfer from Lottery Commission	3,549,962	3,413,986.70	(135,975.30)	39,635,176	39,442,111.31	(193,064.69)	39,635,176
GF	Other Revenue	28,184,946	26,654,331.66	(1,530,614.34)	167,219,181	170,263,271.26	3,044,090.26	167,219,181
GF	Totals	368,070,706	384,010,231.67	15,939,525.67	2,372,305,554	2,394,690,189.64	22,384,635.64	2,372,305,554
HF	Fuel Taxes	36,167,061	35,367,513.87	(799,547.13)	187,500,000	187,901,008.11	401,008.11	187,500,000
HF	Motor Vehicle Registration and Fees	8,889,865	9,383,752.71	493,887.71	79,432,966	83,032,420.99	3,599,454.99	79,432,966
HF	Inspection Fees	601,309	435,129.70	(166,179.30)	3,683,907	4,169,773.38	485,866.38	3,683,907
HF	Fines	321,078	124,831.78	(196,246.22)	3,057,180	2,531,692.24	(525,487.76)	3,057,180
HF	Income from Investments	266,344	155,066.57	(111,277.43)	1,418,000	1,338,793.82	(79,206.18)	1,418,000
HF	Other Revenue	694,375	969,408.51	275,033.51	9,154,514	9,272,395.93	117,881.93	9,154,514
HF	Totals	46,940,032	46,435,703.14	(504,328.86)	284,246,567	288,246,084.47	3,999,517.47	284,246,567

Composition of State's Cash Pool June 2003 Average Daily Balances

	June 2003
General Fund - Total	\$33,025,081
General Fund - Detail	
Rainy Day Fund	\$0
Working Capital Reserve	\$0
Tax Anticipation Notes	\$250,000,000
General Fund - Other	(\$216,974,919)
Highway Fund	\$52,384,363
Other Special Revenue - Contributing to General Fund	\$52,341,263
Other Special Revenue - Retaining Interest Earned	\$109,444,409
Other State Funds - Contributing Interest to General Fund	\$6,057,702
Other State Funds	\$155,888,472
Independent Agency Funds	\$77,492,299
Total Cash Pool	\$486,633,588



GENERAL FUND DAILY STARTING CASH BALANCES



TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES (TAN's) - History from FY 1990-91 ⁽¹⁾

Fiscal Year	Amount Authorized	Amount Issued	Reference
2003-04 ⁽¹⁾	\$284,492,042 ⁽¹⁾	\$275,000,000	5 MRSA, §150 (as amended by PL 2001, c. 705)
2002-03 ⁽¹⁾	\$282,869,203 ⁽¹⁾	\$250,000,000	5 MRSA, §150 (as amended by PL 2001, c. 705)
2001-02	\$100,000,000	\$0	5 MRSA, §150 (as amended by PL 2001, c. 467)
1997-98	\$100,000,000	\$0	PL 1997, c. 24, §F-1 (Repealed by PL 1997, c. 643, §E-5)
1996-97	\$190,000,000	\$150,000,000	PL 1995, c. 665 §P-1
1995-96	\$182,000,000	\$182,000,000	PL 1995, c. 368, §V-1
1994-95	\$175,000,000	\$175,000,000	PL 1993, c. 707, §P-2
1993-94	\$170,000,000	\$170,000,000	PL 1993, c. 382, §1
1992-93	\$170,000,000	\$170,000,000	PL 1991, c. 780, §BB-1
1991-92	\$150,000,000	\$150,000,000	PL 1991, c. 589, §1
1990-91	\$125,000,000	\$115,000,000	PL 1991, c. 5, §1

Notes: ⁽¹⁾ 5 MRSA, §150 provides the statutory authorization for Tax Anticipation Notes. As amended by PL 2001, c. 705, the limit is the same as that imposed by the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Sec. 14, 10% of total General Fund appropriations and Highway Fund allocations or 1% of the State Valuation, whichever is less. The amounts authorized for fiscal years 2002-03 and 2003-04 reflect General Fund appropriations and Highway Fund allocations through the 121st Legislature, 1st Regular Session. Special exceptions to the general authorization levels are detailed in this table.

121st MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
Legislative Council
Technology Report

July 30, 2003

Migration – Bill Drafting System

- **HP has installed the revised bill drafting system software**
 - **Correct remaining problem log items**
 - **Address slow performance**
- **Testing is underway**
 - **Full test of all functions and requirements**
 - **Performance**
- **Complete testing by 8/1/03**
- **ROS, IS Director and Executive Director final judge on acceptable performance**

Remote Access

- **Remote E-mail access is available**

SPAM

- **Steps taken to reduce the volume of SPAM**
- **Reviewing SPAM filtering software options**

DAVID E. BOULTER
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL



MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Memo

To: Legislative Council Members
From: *Dave*
David Boulter, Executive Director
Date: July 24, 2003
Re: Maine Public Affairs Network's request for rights to broadcast legislative proceedings and access to State House rooms and infrastructure

Maine Public Affairs Network requests the Legislative Council's support for its proposal to broadcast live and taped proceedings of the Maine Legislature and related events (similar to C-Span broadcasts) beginning in January, 2004. It also seeks approval to access the chambers and rooms in the State House, install equipment, and use the building infrastructure to connect the system and be provided dedicated space for equipment or operations in the State House complex.

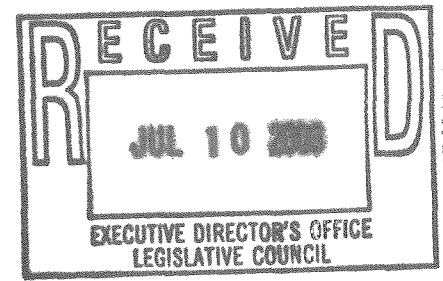
Because of the various policy and facility-related issues associated with this proposal, I recommend that the matter be referred to the State House Facilities Committee.

The Committee could then invite representatives of the proposing organization to present its proposal in detail and be available to answer questions. Following its review, the Committee could make a recommendation to the full Legislative Council as to an appropriate course of action.

Thank you.

Attachment

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Honorable Richard A. Bennett
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Honorable Michael V. Saxl
45 Memorial Circle
Augusta, Maine 04332-5307

July 9, 2003

President Beverly Daggett, Chair
Speaker Patrick Colwell, Vice Chair
Members of the Legislative Council
State House Station #115
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daggett, Speaker Colwell and distinguished members of the Legislative Council:

We are writing to request formally your support of a very important project for democracy in Maine.

As you know, Mainers have a long history of involvement with their government. They vote at a rate among the highest in the nation, they volunteer their time and energy in political campaigns, and they turn out at town meetings. They care about the world around them and the government they elect.

Nevertheless, the issues confronting society have become increasingly complex and made it more difficult for most citizens to continue their involvement. Public hearings, where opinions are subject to questions and competing testimony, are held in rooms that have only a few dozen chairs. Public policy forums by various groups are usually limited to a few hundred on a campus or at a civic center.

Fortunately, technology can change that and open up Maine's governmental processes to unprecedented public transparency and involvement. Due to the foresight of Maine's legislative leaders in recent years, the State House has been outfitted to accommodate the latest advances in audio and visual technology. With your support, in January 2004, Maine's Public Affairs Network will start providing live and taped coverage of the Maine Legislature, public hearings, news conferences and public policy forums. Mainers, through cable TV or the Internet, will be able to watch and hear the debates and discussions that shape state policy. Many events will be replayed to accommodate the diverse schedules of Maine people. No programming will be edited; it will be presented as it happened.

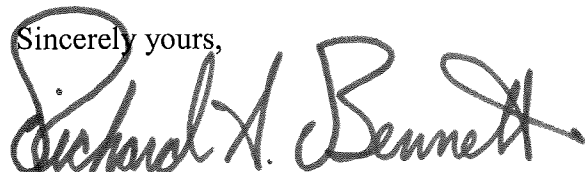
We have been working with a team of energetic, technically talented, and generous individuals to put this project together. We enthusiastically endorse this new nonpartisan and nonprofit organization that will provide all Mainers with another avenue to participate in their government. In order for us to continue to reach out to Maine's civic and business leaders for financial and other support for this venture, we need your expressed support. You will be pleased to know that the plan for this venture would have it sustained without funds from taxpayers. However, we do need your approval to access the chambers and rooms and the infrastructure of the State House complex. Just as importantly, we need an affirmation of your support for Maine's Public Affairs Network, and we ask that you memorialize your support by writing a letter as soon as possible. We would be grateful, too, for your consideration of a joint resolution at the next session of the Legislature.

Thank you for your thoughtful attention to this matter. We are pleased to respond to any questions that you may have.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael V. Saxl", followed by a large, stylized circular flourish.

Hon. Michael V. Saxl
Former Speaker of the House

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard A. Bennett", written in a cursive style.

Sen. Richard A. Bennett
Former President of the Senate



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Date: July 23, 2003

To: Beverly C. Daggett, Chair of the Legislative Council
Patrick Colwell, Vice Chair of the Legislative Council
Members of the Legislative Council

From: Margaret E. Matheson, Revisor *MEM*

RE: Second Session Cloture Schedule and Related Dates

The attached draft schedule establishing dates and deadlines for cloture and related events for the Second Regular Session of the 121st Legislature is offered for your review, discussion, change and adoption.

The cloture deadline as set out tracks the traditional cloture date for a second regular session, namely the first week in October. The requirement that a request be accompanied on the cloture date by sufficient instructions from which a bill may be drafted or it will be drafted as a concept draft is one that was instituted by the Legislative Council of the 120th Legislature to provide sufficient time to draft and process bills for the Second Regular Session. This cloture requirement is now consistent with that of the First Regular Session. The schedule also requires departments and agencies to submit final drafts on the cloture date, which is also consistent with past practice and the First Regular Session.

During the period of time between cloture and the next meeting of the Legislative Council to undertake the initial screening of Legislators' bill requests, the Revisor's Office will prepare and distribute a loose-leaf volume that includes all requests filed by Legislators that are subject to affirmative votes of the council. Each request to be voted upon is indexed by subject matter by the Legislative Indexer and given a brief summary by the Revisor's Office. The office, with the assistance of the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis and the Office of Fiscal and Program Review, also identifies requests that appear to be closely related to other requests, to bills carried over to the second regular session or to bills that might be considered finally rejected in the first regular session. The volume also includes a listing of those bills carried

over and a listing of bill titles submitted by executive and independent agencies, which, traditionally, have never been subject to the screening process.

After the initial screening of Legislators' requests, the results are compiled and the Revisor's Office notifies each individual Legislator of the Council's actions and provides instructions on how to appeal a decision.

A supplemental volume will be prepared and distributed between the appeal deadline and the meeting of the Council to hear those appeals.

Lastly on the schedule is a suggested bill signing day. The Legislative Council for the 120th Legislature recommended to the Presiding Officers that they establish a bill signing day in order to ensure a more productive beginning of the session. Two years ago, out of 489 Legislator-filed bill requests submitted, the Legislative Council admitted a total of 131. Of those, 98% had been completed and were signed on the bill signing day and transmitted to the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House for printing and referral to committees before the Second Regular Session convened. Departments and agencies were also subject to the bill signing day and 100% of those filed by cloture date were also completed and sent to the chambers before the session convened.

If I can provide you any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

DRAFT
 121st LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
 SECOND REGULAR SESSION
 REVIEW OF REQUESTS TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION
 FALL 2003 SCHEDULE

October 1st (Wednesday)
 4 p.m.

Filing Deadline (Cloture) *

- Legislators (With sufficient information to draft or authorize a concept draft)
- Department/Agencies (Final Drafts)

October 22nd (Wednesday)
 10 a.m.

**Legislative Council Meeting –
 Screening of Legislators’ requests**

October 27th (Monday)

**Notification of Council’s action
 mailed to sponsors**

November 3rd (Monday)

Deadline for filing appeals

November 12th (Wednesday)
 10 a.m.

**Legislative Council Meeting to
 consider appeals**

December 19th (Friday)

Bill Signing Day **

January 7th (Wednesday)

Legislature convenes

* Legislators are encouraged to file bill requests well in advance of this deadline.

** If approved by the Presiding Officers.

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