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)

REP. JOHN RICHARDSON CHAIR

SEN. BETH EDMONDS VICE-CHAIR



122ND MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SEN. MICHAEL F. BRENNAN SEN. PAUL T. DAVIS, SR. SEN. KENNETH T. GAGNON SEN. CAROL WESTON REP. GLENN A. CUMMINGS REP. DAVID E. BOWLES REP. ROBERT W. DUPLESSIE REP. JOSHUA A. TARDY

DAVID E. BOULTER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MEETING SUMMARY NOVEMBER 28, 2005 APPROVED DECEMBER 27, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair, Speaker Richardson, called the Legislative Council meeting to order at 11:40 a.m. in the Legislative Council Chamber.

ROLL CALL

Senators:

President Edmonds, Sen. Brennan, Sen. Davis,

Sen. Gagnon, Sen. Weston

Representatives:

Speaker Richardson, Rep. Cummings, Rep. Bowles,

Rep. Duplessie

Rep. Tardy joined the meeting in progress

Legislative Officers:

Michael Cote, Assistant Clerk of the House

David Boulter, Executive Director, Legislative Council

Grant Pennoyer, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review Patrick Norton, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis

Margaret Matheson, Revisor of Statutes

SUMMARY OF THE OCTOBER 27, 2005 COUNCIL MEETING

Motion: That the Meeting Summary of October 27, 2005 be accepted and placed on file. (Motion by President Edmonds, second by Rep. Cummings, unanimous).

Speaker Richardson asked if there was objection to taking 2 items out of order. Hearing none, the Chair then moved to **New Business**, **Items 1** and **2**.

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Suggested Procedures for Deciding Appeals of Legislative Bill Requests

1. Under the terms of the Maine Constitution, Section 1 of Article IV, Part Third, Legislative Power, the business of the second regular session must be limited to budgetary matters; legislation in the Governor's call; legislation of an emergency

nature admitted by the Legislature; legislation referred to committees to study and report by the Legislature in the first regular session; and legislation presented to the Legislature by written petition of the electors (direct citizen initiative).

- 2. Under the 122nd Legislative Council's Rules of Procedure, any action of the Council requires the affirmative vote of at least 6 members.
- 3. Under Rule 203 of the Joint Rules of the 122nd Legislature, any vote of the Legislative Council to accept or reject a bill or resolve for introduction under the procedures established under the Joint Rules must be taken by the yeas and nays, and that vote must be recorded and made available for public inspection.
- 4. Under Rule 217 of the Joint Rules, a bill that has been introduced and finally rejected in a regular or special session may not be introduced in a subsequent session of the same Legislature except by a vote of 2/3 of both chambers. Therefore, determinations as to the relevancy of Rule 217 are within the purview of the presiding officers, not the Legislative Council.

Suggested Protocol for deciding appeals

A. The Legislative Council will review appeals alphabetically by sponsor.

- B. For procedural consistency, when voting on an appeal of a bill request that was denied, the initial motion on a bill will be presumed to be a motion to accept the bill request for introduction into the second regular session along with a second to that motion. (Yea is to let in a bill; nay is to reject the bill for introduction).
- C. In order to review all legislative appeals in a timely manner, voting will be by electronic vote or a show of hands, with each Council Member's vote on each bill being recorded. The record of each vote will be made available for public inspection following the meeting.
- D. Legislators who appeal a decision of the Legislative Council will be given a brief opportunity to make their case to the Council. A time limit of 3 minutes will be observed for Legislators making an appeal. Only by leave of the Chair of the Legislative Council may a person who is not a Legislator address the Council.
- E. Discussion of a bill request will be limited to whether it is appropriate for introduction under Constitutional provisions for second regular session bills, and will not speak to the merits of the bill itself. If a bill was turned down because it is closely related to another legislative request or to a carryover bill, the burden is on the Sponsor to convincingly distinguish his or her bill request from the closely related one.

Discussion: It was suggested that the time limit of 3 minutes be changed to 2 minutes in Paragraph D of the Suggested Protocol for deciding appeals.

Motion: That the Legislative Council adopt the suggested protocol, A-E, for deciding legislative bill requests with the time limit change from 3 minutes to 2 minutes in section D. (Motion by Sen. Gagnon, second by Rep. Duplessie, unanimous).

Item #2: Consideration of Legislators' Appeals of Council Action on Bill Requests

The Council then proceeded to consider and vote on 93 appealed requests in accordance with the adopted protocol, and using an automated voting system.

RECESS

The Council recessed at 1:10 p.m. on the motion of the Chair.

RECONVENED

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 1:57 p.m. and continued with consideration of appeal request until all appeals had been considered.

Of the 93 appeal requests, the Council authorized 37 requests for introduction in the 2nd Regular Session of the 122nd Legislature. The Speaker thanked everyone for their outstanding work.

A list of the bills and the roll call votes are attached.

The Chair proceeded with the other items on the agenda.

REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND STAFF OFFICE DIRECTORS

• Executive Director's Report

David Boulter, Executive Director of the Legislative Council, did not present a report in the interest of time.

Fiscal Report

Grant Pennoyer, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review presented a brief summary of the written materials provided to the council as follows:

A. Revenue Variance Report for the General Fund and Highway Fund

General Fund revenue was \$9.5 million over budget for the month of October. After the 1st four months of FY 06, the fiscal year-to-date positive variance increased to \$61.0 million (+8.3%). He noted that \$19.3 million of this variance was related to a timing issue with Circuit Breaker and BETR payments. Mr. Pennoyer also noted that in October, Maine received an unusually large estate tax payment, in excess of \$17 million. Excluding variances related to these tax programs, General Fund revenue was \$42.6 million (+5.8%) ahead of budget.

Highway Fund revenue was over budget in October by \$1.3 million, increasing the positive variance for the fiscal year-to-date to \$1.9 million (+2.0).

B. Revenue Forecasting Committee Update

Mr. Pennoyer pointed out that the materials included a summary of the major revenue categories and the recommended changes to the revenue forecast approved by the Revenue Forecasting Committee as part of its December 2005 Revenue update. This update revises the 2006-2007 biennium budgeted revenue upward for General Fund, Highway Fund and the Dedicated Revenue MaineCare Taxes. Only the Fund for a Healthy Maine was revised downward for the 2006-2007 biennium, largely the result of an assumed delay in the receipt of tobacco settlement payments pending the outcome of "significant factor proceedings" under the Master Settlement Agreement. The FHM is also adversely affected by the change of assumed start-up of the permanent slot machine facility in Bangor. The net result for the 2006-2007 biennium revenue forecast for the Fund for a Healthy Maine is a downward revision of \$20.4 million (\$5.4 million in FY06 and \$15.0 million in FY07).

For the General Fund, this forecast results in a substantial upward revision of \$164.4 million for the 2006-2007 biennium (\$112.1 million in FY06 and \$52.3 million in FY07). The upward revision for the 2008-2009 biennium is \$98.4 million, decreasing the 2008-2009 structural gap.

For the Highway Fund, this forecast results in an increase of 2006-2007 budgeted revenue by \$8.3 million (\$6.1 million in FY06 and \$2.2 million in FY07). However, the projections for 2008-2009 biennium decrease revenue estimates by \$4.2 million, thereby increasing the Highway Fund 2008-2009 structural gap.

Mr. Pennoyer noted that the Revenue Forecasting Committee will be reporting to the Appropriations Committee on November 30th. More detail will be available at that time.

C. Cash Pool and Cash Pool Trends

Mr. Pennoyer noted that there was no significant change in trends, but pointed out that a legislative change now requires documentation of internal borrowing between funds. This is new with the October cash pool report.

Director Pennoyer said he would meet with Council members if any member so requested.

• Update of Interim Studies

Patrick Norton, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis, referred members to the Progress Report on Legislative Studies in their packet.

A copy of the Progress Report on Legislative Studies is attached.

Office of Information Services' Report

No Report

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

• Personnel Committee (Rep. Cummings, Chair)

Representative Cummings, Chair, Personnel Committee, reported that the committee had not met this month.

• State House Facilities Committee

Senator Gagnon, Chair, State House Facilities Committee, reported that the committee had not met this month.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Item #3: Request for Extension of Study Reporting Deadline

• Committee to Study State Compliance With the Federal Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 (from December 7, 2005 to January 9, 2006)

Motion: That the request from the Committee to Study State Compliance With the Federal Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 for an extension of the study reporting deadline from December 7, 2005 to January 9, 2006 be approved. (Motion by Sen. Gagnon, second by President Edmonds, unanimous).

 Study Commission Regarding Liveable Wages (from December 7, 2005 to January 15, 2006)

Motion: That the request from the Study Commission Regarding Liveable Wages for an extension of the study reporting deadline from December 7, 2005 to January 15, 2006 be approved. (Motion by President Edmonds, second by Rep. Cummings, unanimous).

 Task Force to Study Cervical Cancer Prevention, Detection and Education (from December 7, 2005 to December 23, 2005)

Motion: That the request from the Task Force to Study Cervical Cancer Prevention, Detection and Education from December 7, 2005 to December 23, 2005 be approved. (Motion by President Edmonds, second by Sen. Davis, unanimous).

Item #4: Request for Extension of Study Reporting Deadline and to Hold 2 meetings after adjournment of Second Regular Session

• Commission to Study the Cost of Providing Certain Services in the Unorganized Territories (from December 7, 2005 to July 1, 2006)

Motion: That the request from the Commission to Study the Cost Providing Certain Services in the Unorganized Territories for an extension of the study reporting deadline from December 7, 2005 to July 1, 2006 and to hold two meetings after adjournment of

the Second Regular Session be approved. (Motion by Rep. Duplessie, second by Sen. Gagnon, unanimous).

Item #5: Request to Hold 3 Additional Meetings

• Task Force to Study Maine Homeland Security

Motion: That the request from the Task Force to Study Maine Homeland Security to hold 3 additional meetings with funding of \$4,615.00 to be provided by the Maine Emergency Management Agency be approved. (Motion by President Edmonds, second by Sen. Davis, unanimous).

Item #6: Request Permission for Single Meeting Without Funding

• Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine

Motion: That the request from the Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine to hold a single meeting without funding and no compensation to members be approved. (Motion by President Edmonds, second by Rep. Tardy, unanimous).

Item #8: Washington County Development Authority Annual Report

That the Washington County Development Authority's Annual Report be accepted and placed on file. (Motion by President Edmonds, second by Sen. Davis, unanimous).

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

None,

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 2:46 p.m. (Motion by President Edmonds, second by Sen. Gagnon, unanimous).

SPONSOR: Senator Andrews of York

LR: 2611 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Make the Taxing of Lobster Traps Optional

COMMENTS: This bill would make the taxing of lobster traps optional.

SPONSOR: Representative Babbidge of Kennebunk

LR: 2928 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act Regarding Establishment of a Minimum Financial Standard Regarding

Educational Cost Sharing

COMMENTS: This bill would establish the local contribution to the total cost of funding public

education from kindergarten to grade 12 for each member municipality in MSAD

#71.

LR: 2984 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act Regarding the Sharing of Educational Costs

COMMENTS: This bill would provide an exception to the cost-sharing mechanism to limit the

adverse fiscal impact of the required contribution that would be assigned to member municipalities of a school administrative district or community school district under the essential programs and services funding law as compared to the

required contributions that the member municipalities have agreed to in the

cost-sharing formula.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2577 Miller CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2657 Mayo

SPONSOR: Representative Barstow of Gorham

LR: 2514 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Increase the Number of Cumberland County

Commissioners from 3 to 7

COMMENTS: This bill increases the number of Cumberland County Commissioners from 3 to 7.

A task force established by Cumberland County will establish new county commissioner districts to be in place until the next general redistricting.

SPONSOR: Representative Barstow of Gorham

LR: 2734 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Ensure Eligibility for Citizens 65 Years of Age and Older to Purchase

Dirigo Choice Insurance

COMMENTS: This bill would clarify language in the laws governing Dirigo Health to specifically

authorize citizens 65 years of age and older to purchase Dirigo Choice Insurance.

SPONSOR: Representative Bishop of Boothbay

LR: 2702 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Extend the Veterans' Property Tax Exemption to All Veterans

COMMENTS: This bill extends the veterans' property tax exemption to all veterans. Current law

limits the exemption to veterans who served during a federally recognized war

period.

CLOSELY RELATED CARRYOVERS: LD 74

JOINT RULE 217 RULING NEEDED: LD 365

LR: 2703 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Amend the Charter of the Boothbay Harbor Sewer District

COMMENTS: This bill would extend the territory of the Boothbay Harbor Sewer District to

include all of the territory of the Town of Boothbay to provide for regional sewer service. The bill also increases the debt limit of the Boothbay Harbor Sewer District from \$5,500,000 to \$8,500,000 to assist the Town of Boothbay in

extending sewer service north along the State Route 27 corridor to allow for economic development and the additional protection of the region's drinking water

resources in the Adams Pond watershed.

JOINT RULE 217 RULING NEEDED: LD 499

SPONSOR: Representative Bishop of Boothbay

LR: 2855 COU/APP

TITLE: RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Limit

Increases in Property Valuation for Residents 62 Years of Age and Older

COMMENTS: This constitutional resolution would limit increases in property valuation to 3% per

year for residents 62 years of age and older. When property is transferred, its

valuation returns to its fair market value.

JOINT RULE 217 RULING NEEDED: LD 1199

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2643 Marley CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2747 Curley

LR: 2856 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Provide Additional Home Heating Assistance to Low-income Residents

COMMENTS: This bill would designate revenue from one of the instant lotteries to be used to

provide additional home heating assistance to low-income residents.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2536 Lerman CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2575 Cummings CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2724 Fletcher

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2724 Freicher CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2868 Brennan

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2933 Fletcher

SPONSOR: Senator Bromley of Cumberland

LR: 2567 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Modify the Gross Weight Limits for Certain 2 and 3

Axle Vehicles

COMMENTS: This bill would modify the gross weight limits for vehicles having 2 or 3 axles that

carry permanently mounted snow removal equipment to take into consideration the

weight of that equipment.

LR: 2762 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act Regarding Preferences in Bidding on Maine State Housing Authority

Contracts

COMMENTS: This bill would eliminate preferences in bidding on contracts, adopted by rule by

the Maine State Housing Authority, for companies that provide health insurance to

their employees.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2673 Weston

SPONSOR: Representative Browne of Vassalboro

LR: 2874 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Allow Farm Trucks That Weigh over 9,000 Pounds To Be Eligible for

Farm Specialty Plates

COMMENTS: This bill would allow farm trucks that weigh over 9,000 pounds to be eligible for

farm specialty plates.

SPONSOR: Representative Burns of Berwick

LR: 2613 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Study the Efficient Delivery of Contracted Services by Social Workers

to MaineCare Recipients

COMMENTS: This resolve will create a task force to study the efficient delivery of contracted

services by social workers to MaineCare recipients.

SPONSOR: Representative Cain of Orono

LR: 2516 COU/APP

TITLE: RESOLUTION, Amending the Constitution of Maine To Lower

the Age of Eligibility for Election to the House of Representatives

COMMENTS: This resolution would amend the Constitution of Maine to decrease from 21 years

of age to 18 years of age the minimum age for election to the Maine House of

Representatives.

LR: 2867 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Promote Youth Involvement in County and Local Government

COMMENTS: This bill would create an internship program that pairs college-aged students with

county and local governments. Students must have completed at least 2 years of college or just graduated from college, and must be Maine residents or out-of-state

students attending college in Maine. This internship program would be

administered by the Margaret Chase Smith Center for Public Policy at the

University of Maine.

SPONSOR: Representative Canavan of Waterville

LR: 2715 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Require Lobbyists To Wear Identification Badges

COMMENTS: This bill would require lobbyists to wear identification badges in order to enhance

security in the capitol complex.

LR: 2716 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Promote Transitional Employment for People with Mental Illness

COMMENTS: This bill would promote cooperation between the State and mental health services

agencies in providing short-term transitional employment to people with long-term mental Illness. This transitional employment would allow people with mental illness to use recently acquired work skills and develop confidence in the

workplace.

SPONSOR: Representative Cebra of Naples

LR: 2529 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Establish a Back-to-school Tax-free Shopping Weekend

COMMENTS: This bill establishes a back-to-school sales-tax-free weekend during the 2nd full

weekend in August.

JOINT RULE 217 RULING NEEDED: LDS 81, 452, 747

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2822 Lerman CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2837 Lindell

SPONSOR: Senator Courtney of York

LR: 2490 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Provide State Funding for the Fingerprinting of School Personnel

COMMENTS: This bill would require that the State pay for the fingerprinting of school personnel.

LR: 2523 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Reduce Heating Fuel Taxes Paid by Businesses

COMMENTS: Under this bill, the 5% current tax paid by businesses would be reduced to 2 1/2%.

SPONSOR: Senator Cowger of Kennebec

LR: 2635 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Ensure Long-term Capacity of Municipal Landfills

COMMENTS: This bill prohibits municipally owned landfills from accepting out-of-state waste.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 3034 Twomey

LR: 2698 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Protect the Health and Welfare of Children and Spouses in Need of

Enhanced Child Support Enforcement Services

COMMENTS: This bill would ensure timely payments from noncustodial parents and provide

stricter measures for delinquent payments. It would also hold noncustodial parents

responsible for debt incurred by custodial parents due to late payment or

nonpayment.

SPONSOR: Representative Crosby of Topsham

LR: 2700 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Allow Businesses To Place a Sign at the Topsham Mall Exit on

Interstate 95

COMMENTS: This bill would allow businesses to pay the \$12,000 cost to put a sign at the

Topsham exit on Interstate 95.

LR: 2937 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Allow All Races Approved by the Maine Harness Racing Commission

for an Agricultural Fair To Be Simulcast

COMMENTS: This bill would allow all races approved by the Maine Harness Racing Commission

for an agricultural fair to be simulcast, including those that occur before or after the

scheduled fair dates.

SPONSOR: Senator Diamond of Cumberland

LR: 2626 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Clarify the Responsibilities of the State Tax Assessor Regarding Local

Assessors

COMMENTS: This bill would require a full-time professional assessor used by a municipality to

be certified by the Bureau of Revenue Services and would require supervision of

local assessors by the State Tax Assessor.

SPONSOR: Representative Dunn of Bangor

LR: 2889 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Provide Redemption Centers with Handling Supplies

COMMENTS: This bill would require distributors to provide redemption centers with handling

supplies.

LR: 2920 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act Regarding Child Custody Evaluations

COMMENTS: This bill provides good-faith protection for psychologists conducting child custody

evaluations similar to protections existing in Florida and West Virginia.

LR: 2921 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act Regarding Criminal Record Checks

COMMENTS: The bill would direct the Department of Public Safety to adopt rules that ensure

that incorrect information is not provided in response to a criminal record check

request.

SPONSOR: Representative Fischer of Presque Isle

LR: 2540 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Improve Workplace Safety

COMMENTS: This bill would require businesses to post policies on safety for all employees. If

there are more than 15 employees, the business must have training for new hires and annual training for managers. This bill would also create a task force to help

improve workplace safety.

SPONSOR: Representative Fletcher of Winslow

> LR: COU/APP 2723

An Act To Clarify the Eminent Domain Statutes TITLE:

COMMENTS: This bill would clarify eminent domain provisions of Maine law for economic

development through public use and prevent the use of eminent domain for

commercial private use.

CLOSELY RELATED CARRYOVERS: LDS 1203, 1297

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2459 Pelletier-Simpson

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2460 Lindell CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2461 Strimling CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2462 Makas CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2467 Turner CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2498 Joy CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2504 Merrill

> LR: 2724 COU/APP

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR

TITLE: An Act To Conserve Energy in Maine Homes

COMMENTS: This bill would restore funding to the Maine State Housing Authority from the real

2642

estate transfer tax to be used to weatherize the homes of Maine residents to reduce

Merrill

energy consumption.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2536 Lerman CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2575 Cummings CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REO: LR 2868 Brennan CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2933 Fletcher CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2856 Bishop

> LR: 2932 COU/APP

An Act To Encourage Energy Efficiency TITLE:

COMMENTS: This bill creates an integrated electric energy policy for Maine that seeks to lower

> the cost of electric service and the market price of power and that includes conservation and renewable energy development as important ways to achieve

these goals.

SPONSOR: Representative Fletcher of Winslow

LR: 2934 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Lower the Cost of Electricity

COMMENTS: This bill would prohibit utilities operating under an alternate rate plan from

belonging to a regional transmission organization or independent system operation that requires Maine electricity consumers to pay more for electricity that the Public

Utilities Commission determines necessary.

SPONSOR: Representative Flood of Winthrop

LR: 2754 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Allow Public Notification of Minors 16 Years of Age and 17 Years of

Age Arrested for Violent Felonies

COMMENTS: This bill would allow law enforcement officials to place in arrest logs the names

and addresses of minors 16 years of age and 17 years of age arrested for violent crimes. It would also allow the release of this information to local neighborhoods

and the media.

LR: 2755 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Prohibit Registered Sex Offenders from Establishing Residence within

1,000 Feet of a Public or Private School

COMMENTS: This bill would prohibit registered sex offenders from establishing residence within

1.000 feet of a school.

JOINT RULE 217 RULING NEEDED: LD 282

SPONSOR: Representative Glynn of South Portland

LR: 2669 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Increase Accessibility to Health Insurance

COMMENTS: This bill would allow an insurance company to issue a health insurance policy to a

person who is not a citizen of the United States.

SPONSOR: Representative Glynn of South Portland

LR: 2737 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Protect Services for MaineCare Clients Designated as Noncategorical

COMMENTS: This bill would protect the services offered by MaineCare to clients that are

designated as noncategorical.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REO: LR 2896 Brannigan

LR: 2918 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Lower Property Taxes by Exempting State and Municipal Employees

from the Savings Offset Payment under Dirigo

COMMENTS: This bill would exempt municipal and school employees from the new 4% savings

offset payment, or "SOP," under Dirigo.

SPONSOR: Senator Hobbins of York

LR: 2960 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Implement Model Timeshare Foreclosure Procedures

COMMENTS: This bill would create a nonjudicial timeshare foreclosure procedure based on

model national legislation.

SPONSOR: Representative Lerman of Augusta

LR: 2824 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Protect a National Historic Landmark

COMMENTS: This bill would appropriate \$1,000,000 to redevelop the arsenal in Augusta.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2528 Mitchell CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2547 Mitchell

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2823 Lerman

LR: 2832 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Protect Children from the Onset of Autism

COMMENTS: This bill would protect children from the onset of autism by banning the use of

thimerosol.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2792 Edmonds

SPONSOR: Representative Lerman of Augusta

LR: 2833 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Ensure Adequate Capacity at Riverview Psychiatric Center

COMMENTS: This bill would ensure adequate capacity at Riverview Psychiatric Center by

extending the agreement to keep the Stone Building open and also to begin

construction on a new wing.

SPONSOR: Representative Lindell of Frankfort

LR: 2838 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Establish a Commission To Study and Recommend Ethical Standards

for State Agencies

COMMENTS: This resolve would establish a commission to study and recommend ethical

standards for all state agencies including: measures to require agencies to follow their own rules; defining "clean" in the Maine Clean Elections Act; and reviewing

safeguards to ensure that laws to protect the disabled are enforced.

SPONSOR: Senator Mayo of Sagadahoc

LR: 2657 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act Regarding the Sharing of Costs in Certain School Districts

COMMENTS: This bill would extend the transition adjustment for member municipalities within

certain school administrative districts and community school districts that are eligible under the provisions of P&SL 2005, chapter 23, section 1. That transition adjustment provision was created to shift the contribution levels of certain member

municipalities that were adversely impacted by changes to the school funding

formula.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2577 Miller CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2984 Babbidge

LR: 2789 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Ensure Proper Accounting for Funds at the Department of Health and

Human Services

COMMENTS: This resolve would require that the Department of Health and Human Services

establish program accounts in a more detailed fashion to ensure that funding and

spending are accurately assigned to the appropriate account and program.

JOINT RULE 217 RULING NEEDED: LD 1555

SPONSOR: Representative McKane of Newcastle

LR: 2483

COU/APP

TITLE:

An Act To Enhance Free Market Health Insurance Reform

COMMENTS:

This bill would enhance free market health insurance reform, by creating a high-risk pool for the individual health insurance market and by broadening community rating laws to allow carriers to vary premiums on the basis of age, health status and tobacco use within specified maximum rate differentials. This bill would fund the high-risk pool by transferring the savings offset from the Dirigo program. In addition, this bill would create a medical management system for individuals in the individual health insurance market with chronic conditions.

JOINT RULE 217 RULING NEEDED: LDS 394, 1168, 1494

SPONSOR: Representative Merrill of Appleton

LR: 285'

COU/APP

COU/APP

TITLE:

Resolve, To Examine the Sufficiency of Representation for Students in Special

Education Cases

COMMENTS:

This resolve would establish a committee to examine whether students in special

education cases receive adequate legal representation.

SPONSOR: Representative Miller of Somerville

LR:

2577

TITLE:

An Act To Restore the Cost-sharing Agreement Established by

the Voters of School Administrative District No. 40

COMMENTS:

This bill reestablishes the cost-sharing agreement established in 1992 at a referendum election by the voters of School Administrative District No. 40. That cost-sharing formula apportions all the local share contributions to the school

cost-sharing formula apportions all the local share contributions to the school district on the basis of 50% of each town's valuation and 50% of each town's student population. The bill also preserves the right of the voters of a school administrative district to maintain cost-sharing arrangements that are available

under current law.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2984 Babbidge CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2657 Mayo

SPONSOR: Representative Millett of Waterford

LR: 2742 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Improve Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Services

COMMENTS: This bill would improve substance abuse rehabilitation services by creating a

process to involve local communities in the licensing process.

LR: 2907 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Enact the Maine Recovery Act

COMMENTS: This bill would place Maine on an immediate path to long-term economic recovery

and stability by implementing changes to the State's tax and budgeting laws. It does so by establishing appropriate maximum levels for overall taxation based on the Maine economy's ability to fund the cost of State Government, a limit on the rate of tax increases and a timetable for bringing tax policies and spending levels

into compliance.

SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J of Farmington

LR: 2847 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for the Emery Center at the

University of Maine at Farmington

COMMENTS: This bill would propose a general fund bond issue in the amount of \$15 million to

match a \$5 million donation to build the Emery Center at the University of Maine

in Farmington.

LR: 2891 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Require Legislative Review of Department of Environmental Protection

Shoreland Zoning Rules

COMMENTS: This bill would require that the proposed amendments to chapter 1000 of the

guidelines for municipal shoreland ordinances currently being promulgated for comment by the Department of Environmental Protection be reviewed by the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources and the Legislature before the rules go

into effect.

SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J of Farmington

LR: 2986 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Clarify the Unemployment Laws Relating To Subcontractors

COMMENTS: This bill would clarify that the services performed by a subcontractor are not

considered employment for purposes of the unemployment compensation laws if the work performed is generally done by a subcontractor who performs such work for multiple contractors in the course of the subcontractor's annual employment and

is the type of work that is generally done by an independent contractor.

SPONSOR: Senator Mitchell of Kennebec

LR: 2863 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Increase College Attainment of Maine Students by Expanding the

Maine Tuition Waiver Program

COMMENTS: This bill would expand the Maine Tuition Waiver Program, which enables the

Department of Education to join the University of Maine System, the Maine Community College System and Maine Maritime Academy to provide one course per semester tuition free to qualified students. Adding 500 courses per year fully paid by the State will quadruple the program. The existing program would

continue as it is currently structured for cost sharing between the State and the institutions. This bill would appropriate money to expand the program at state

expense.

LR: 2910 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Establish a Child Advocate Position in the Disability Rights Center

.COMMENTS: This bill would create a position of child advocate in the Disability Rights Center.

LR: 2912 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Provide for Accountability in Maine's Educational Systems by Creating

a Higher Education Council

COMMENTS: This bill would create a council that would report annually to the joint standing

committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs

regarding all capital building and improvement projects, program curricula,

budgeting and any other issues identified by the education committee.

SPONSOR: Representative Moody of Manchester

LR: 2661 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Enhance the Integrity of the Moose Lottery

COMMENTS: This bill would require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to have the

moose hunting lottery process reviewed annually to ensure that it is applied fairly.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2585 Jackson

SPONSOR: Representative Moore, G of Standish

LR: 2482 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Repeal the Requirement That Employees Who Are Minors Be Overseen

by a Superior in Order To Sell Tobacco

COMMENTS: This bill would repeal the requirement that employees who are younger than 17

years of age must be in the presence of an adult supervisor to sell tobacco products.

SPONSOR: Representative Muse of Fryeburg

LR: 2663 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Amend the Maine Education Law

COMMENTS: This bill would amend the Maine education law as it pertains to the teaching of

virtue and morality in public and private institutions.

SPONSOR: Senator Nutting, J of Androscoggin

LR: 2935 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Deter Environmental Terrorism in the State

COMMENTS: This bill would enact measures designed to discourage environmental terrorism.

SPONSOR: Representative Paradis of Frenchville

LR: 2904 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Amend the Law Governing DNA Testing

COMMENTS: This bill would shift the burden of proof to the State in cases where DNA samples

prove that the convicted person is not the perpetrator of the crime.

SPONSOR: Representative Pelletier-Simpson of Auburn

LR: 2744 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Protect Drinking Water

COMMENTS: This resolve would require that aquifers in Maine be studied to ascertain their

long-term sustainability.

LR: 2883 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act Regarding Child Welfare Services Contracting

COMMENTS: This bill would protect against the appearance of conflicts of interest by separating

child welfare contracts for assessment services from contracts for the provision of

services to families in the child welfare system.

SPONSOR: Representative Perry, A of Calais

LR: 2745 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Address the Problems Created by Substance Abuse in Maine

COMMENTS: This bill would provide greater funding for public and private substance abuse

programs by increasing the premiums collected on the sales of distilled spirits,

wine and sparkling wine and malt beverages.

CLOSELY RELATED CARRYOVERS: LD 1595

JOINT RULE 217 RULING NEEDED: LDS 841, 705

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2720 Faircloth

SPONSOR: Senator Plowman of Penobscot

LR: 2573 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Place a Moratorium on the Imposition of the Sales Tax on Wood Stoves

and Furnaces

COMMENTS: This bill places a moratorium for 10 months on the imposition of the sales tax on

wood stoves and furnaces.

SPONSOR: Representative Robinson of Raymond

LR: 2520 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Allow for Access to Digital Phone Service for

Customers in Rural Areas

COMMENTS: This bill would allow customers in rural areas access to digital phone service

provided through cable companies.

LR: 2704 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Protect Small Payroll Processors

COMMENTS: This bill would provide for bonding through a state agency to small payroll

processors who have not been able to access bonding through the marketplace.

JOINT RULE 217 RULING NEEDED: LDS 58, 208

SPONSOR: Senator Rosen, R of Hancock

LR: 2677 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Conform the Certificate of Need Law To Industry Standards

COMMENTS: This bill would prohibit the State from disallowing reasonable construction

contingency budgeting that is consistent with industry standards in a certificate of

need application.

LR: 2717 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Improve Quality and Access to Care through the Development of a

Joint Strategic Plan

COMMENTS: This resolve would require Maine's 4 mental disease hospitals to jointly develop a

comprehensive strategic plan for the provision of hospital-based mental health services. The plan must create a coordinated safety net of programs and services and must be submitted to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human

Services for approval and implementation.

SPONSOR: Representative Schatz of Blue Hill

LR: 2968 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Improve the Public Hearing Process

COMMENTS: This bill would improve the public hearing process.

SPONSOR: Senator Schneider of Penobscot

LR: 2899 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Direct the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural

Affairs To Review and Amend Warrants

COMMENTS: This resolve would have the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural

Affairs review and amend the language concerning warrant funding to

municipalities for education.

SPONSOR: Representative Sherman of Hodgdon

LR: 2735 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Appropriate Funds To Fund the Office of the Maine-Canada Trade

Ombudsman

COMMENTS: This bill would provide funds to fund the Office of the Maine-Canada Trade

Ombudsman.

SPONSOR: Representative Smith, N of Monmouth

LR: 2648 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Inform and Protect the Public Regarding State Employees with Certain

Criminal Records

COMMENTS: This bill requires that any employee of the State of Maine who is in direct contact

with the public and has been convicted of a sex offense or violent crime be required

to have that record revealed to the public. The public will have the option of

requesting a different employee.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2649 Smith, N

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2650 Smith, N

SPONSOR: Representative Smith, W of Van Buren

LR: 2756 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act to Protect Retirement Funds

COMMENTS: This bill would exempt from creditors all retirement funds, including IRAs.

JOINT RULE 217 RULING NEEDED: LD 948

SPONSOR: Representative Smith, W of Van Buren

LR: '2764 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Preserve Patient Records

COMMENTS: This bill would prohibit hospitals or other medical providers from destroying x-ray,

CT or MRI films without patient permission.

LR: 2834 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Preserve Citizens' Access to the Courts

COMMENTS: This bill would require a provision of a contract requiring binding arbitration or

denying access to Maine courts to be specifically agreed to in writing in order to be

enforceable.

LR: 2840 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Limit Double-dipping of Retirement Funds

COMMENTS: This bill would repeal the law passed by the 120th Legislature that allowed retirees

in the Maine State Retirement System to return to employment without a reduction

in benefits.

LR: 2987 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Revise the Unemployment Law

COMMENTS: This bill would require employers whose employees draw more benefits than are

paid in by the employer to pay increased unemployment contributions.

SPONSOR: Senator Strimling of Cumberland

LR: 2471 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Direct the Maine State Retirement System To Divest Certain Holdings

COMMENTS: This resolve directs the Maine State Retirement System to divest any holdings it

has in the countries of Sudan and Uganda due to their human rights violations.

SPONSOR: Senator Strimling of Cumberland

LR: 2571 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Provide Notification to a Person Who Holds a

Protection from Abuse Order When the Person against Whom the Order Is Held Attempts To Purchase a Firearm

COMMENTS: This bill provides notification to a person who holds a protection from abuse order

when the person against whom the order is held attempts to purchase a firearm.

SPONSOR: Senator Sullivan of York

LR: 2655 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Amend the Maine Consumer Credit Code as It Relates to Finance

Charges for Loans on Open-end Credit

COMMENTS: This bill exempts home equity lines of credit accessed by a credit card from the

provision of law that prohibits the imposition of a finance charge on purchases made during a billing cycle if they are paid for not later than 25 days after the

closing date of that billing cycle.

LR: 2670 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Include Dental Screening with Other Preschool Testing for Maine's

Children

COMMENTS: This bill would add dental screenings to the hearing and vision screenings given to

children before they start school.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2993 Dudley

SPONSOR: Representative Tardy of Newport

LR: 2814 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Access Federal Money for Health Insurance Reform

COMMENTS: This bill would require the State to apply for federal money that is being made

available to states by Congress.

LR: 2815 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Investigate Causes of State Computer Malfunctions

COMMENTS: This resolve would require that an investigation be done to find out the cause of the

state computer malfunctions.

SPONSOR: Representative Tardy of Newport

LR: 2816 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Restore Fairness in Funding Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education

COMMENTS: This bill would adjust the essential programs and funding formula to take into

account shifting labor markets and issues surrounding transportation of students.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2765 Goldman

SPONSOR: Representative Thomas of Ripley

LR: 2758 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Increase the Penalties for Bomb Scares

COMMENTS: This bill would increase the penalties for calling in a bomb threat at a school.

CLOSELY RELATED LEGISLATOR REQ: LR 2909 Dow

SPONSOR: Representative Thompson of China

LR: 2475 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Clarify Prescription Drug Labels

COMMENTS: This bill would require that pharmacies include on prescription bottle labels the

name of the medication that was written on the doctor's prescription. In this way, if the pharmacy fills the prescription with a generic drug, the patient will be able to identify the medication and take the medication in accordance with the doctor's

instructions.

SPONSOR: Representative Trahan of Waldoboro

LR: 2660 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Clarify the Status of the Seaweed Harvesting Industry as a Public

Resource

COMMENTS: This bill would clarify that the seaweed industry is a public resource.

SPONSOR: Representative Tuttle of Sanford

LR: 2508 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Create a Joint Select Committee To Study Agent Purple

COMMENTS: This resolve establishes a joint select committee to study the effects of Agent

Purple.

SPONSOR: Representative Tuttle of Sanford

LR: 2608 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Expedite a Workers' Compensation Case

COMMENTS: This resolve directs the Joint Standing Committee on Labor to review the case of

Joseph Greenier (Workers Compensation Board Case #89021459E) and make

recommendations to the board for resolution of the case.

LR: 2609 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Increase Wheelchair Reimbursement Rates

COMMENTS: This bill increases the wheelchair reimbursement rate under MaineCare.

SPONSOR: Representative Valentino of Saco

LR: 2865 COU/APP

TITLE: An Act To Require Approval of the Gambling Control Board for the Transfer of

Any Ownership in an Off-track Betting Facility

COMMENTS: This bill would require the approval of the Gambling Control Board for the transfer

of any ownership in an off-track betting facility.

LR: 2866 COU/APP

TITLE: Resolve, To Consolidate the Jurisdiction over Any Entity Involved in Gambling

COMMENTS: This resolve would give control over any entity involved in gambling, gaming,

wagering, lottery or games of chance to the Gambling Control Board.

Number of appealed requests: 93

Legislator Appeals 11-28-05 Roll Call

Andrews

								1 (-	
Vote 2611 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie No	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote Total: 6	5 - 4	Motion Passed							
Babbidge									
Vote 2984									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Vote Total: 2	2 - 8	Motion Failed							
Vote 2928									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Vote Total: 2	2 - 8	Motion Failed		<u> </u>					
Barstow									
Vote 2514									
Spkr. Richardson	•	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vote Total: 1	10 - 0	Motion Passed							
Bishop									
Vote 2703									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vote Total:	10 - 0	Motion Passed							
Vote 2855									
Spkr. Richardson	•	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Vote Total:	1 - 9	Motion Failed							
Vote 2856									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
	3 - 7	Motion Failed							

Vote 2702 Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Vote Total:	2 - 8	Motion Failed							
Bromley									
Vote 2567 Spkr. Richardson No	Rep. Cummings No 4 - 6	Rep. Duplessie No Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote area					_				
Vote 2762 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote Total:	6 - 4	Motion Passed			· ·				
Browne									
Vote 2874 Spkr. Richardson No	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote Total:	5 - 5	Motion Failed							
Burns									
Vote 2613 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings No	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Cain									
Vote 2516 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes 6 - 4	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote 2867 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No

Canavan

-	Yes 6 Rep. Cummings Yes	Yes Motion Failed	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Spkr. Richardson I	•	Des Desir							
Spkr. Richardson I	•	Des Desil							
	163	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total: 4 -	. 6	Motion Failed	140	140	140	No	ies	NO	NO
Cebra		Motion Paned							- Arria - Larra - Lar
Vote 2529									
Spkr. Richardson F	Rep. Cummings No	Rep. Duplessie No	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total: 3 -	7	Motion Failed							
Courtney									
-	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes Vote Total: 5 -	No 5	No Motion Failed	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Vote 2490									
	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote Total: 8 -	. 2	Motion Passed							
Cowger						•			
Vote 2698 Spkr. Richardson I	Rep. Cummings No	Rep. Duplessie No	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total: 0 -	· 10	Motion Failed							
Vote 2635 Spkr. Richardson I	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total: 6 -		Motion Passed			-				

Crosby

Vote 2700 Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes Vote Total:	Yes 7 - 3	Yes Motion Passed	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Dunn	, - 3	Without I asset						* ··· ·	
Vote 2889 Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
No	No	Yes	No	No No	No.	No	No	No.	No No
Vote Total:	1 - 9	Motion Failed							
Vote 2021	A A STATE OF THE S								
Vote 2921 Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Vote Total:	6 - 4	Motion Passed							
Vote 2920									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Vote Total:	6 - 4	Motion Passed							
Fischer									
Vote 2540									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Vote Total:	7 - 3	Motion Passed							
Fletcher									
Vote 2934									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Vote Total:	4 - 6	Motion Failed							
Vote 2724									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Vote Total:	7 - 3	Motion Passed							

Vote 2932 Spkr. Richardson No	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie No	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote Total:	1 - 6	Motion Failed							
Flood									
Vote 2754 Spkr. Richardson No Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings No	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Voic Total.	y - y	Monon Paneu							
Vote 2755 Spkr. Richardson No Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings No 4 - 6	Rep. Duplessie No Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Glynn		***************************************							
Vote 2669 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings Yes 9 - 1	Rep. Duplessie No Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote 2737 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings No 5 - 5	Rep. Duplessie No Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote 2918 Spkr. Richardson No Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings No 4 - 6	Rep. Duplessie No Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Hobbins									
Vote 2960 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings Yes 10 - 0	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes

Vote 2824 Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
Vote Total: 2	2 - 8	Motion Failed							
Vote 2832									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Vote Total:	5 - 4	Motion Passed							
Vote 2833									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Vote Total:	0 - 10	Motion Failed							
Lindell									
Vote 2838 Spkr. Richardson No	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie No	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total:	0 - 10	Motion Failed							
Mayo									
Vote 2789									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Vote Total:	5 - 5	Motion Failed							
Vote 2657									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Vote Total:	6 - 4	Motion Passed							
McKane									
Vote 2483									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Vote Total:	5 - 5	Motion Failed							

Vote 2857 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No	
Vote Total:	4 - 5	Motion Failed								
Miller										
Vote 2577 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes	
Millett	10 - 0	Michael Laste								
Vote 2742 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes 7 - 3	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes	
Vote 2907 Spkr. Richardson No	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie No	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes	
Vote Total:	4 - 6	Motion Failed								
Mills, J Vote 2986 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes	
Vote Total:	5 - 4	Motion Passed								
Wote 2863 Spkr. Richardson No Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings No 3 - 7	Rep. Duplessie No Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston Yes	
Vote 2910 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings Yes 7 - 2	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles Absent	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No	

Vote 2912 Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie No	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total: (Motion Failed	110	110	110	1.0	110	2.0	
Moody									
Vote 2661 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes 3 - 2	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Moore, G						,			A ALCOHOLOGICAL MANAGEMENT
Vote 2482 Spkr. Richardson No Vote Total: 4	Rep. Cummings No 4 - 6	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston No
Nutting, J									
Vote 2935 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total: 8	Rep. Cummings Yes 8 - 2	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Paradis									
Vote 2904 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Pelletier-Simps		ALAUTANA I MODELL							
Vote 2883 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No

Vote 2744 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total: 4	- 6	Motion Failed							
Perry, A									
Vote 2745 Spkr. Richardson No	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie No	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total: 2	7	Motion Failed							
Plowman									
No	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote Total: 3	- 7	Motion Failed							
Robinson									
Vote 2520 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote Total: 7	- 3	Motion Passed		<u> </u>					
Vote 2704 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total: 1	Rep. Cummings Yes 0 - 0	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Rosen, R									
Vote 2677 Spkr. Richardson No	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote 2717 Spkr. Richardson No	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes

Schneider

Vote 2899 Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vote Total:	9 - 1	Motion Passed							
Smith, N									
Vote 2648 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote Total:	10 - 0	Motion Passed							
Smith, W	*************************************								
Vote 2764 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total:	3 - 7	Motion Failed							
Vote 2834 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings No 4 - 6	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote 2840 Spkr. Richardson No Vote Total:	No	Rep. Duplessie No Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote 2987 Spkr. Richardson No	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total:	1 - 9	Motion Failed							
Vote 2756 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings Yes 6 - 4	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No

Strimling

Vote 2471 Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Vote Total:	6 - 4	Motion Passed							
Vote 2571									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Vote Total:	6 - 4	Motion Passed							
Sullivan									
Vote 2670	Non Cummings	Dan Dunlessia	Don Dowles	Don Touds	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Vote Total:		Motion Passed							
Vote 2655 Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vote Total:	10 - 0	Motion Passed							
Tardy									
Vote 2815									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Vote Total:	4 - 6	Motion Failed							
Vote 2814									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Vote Total:	6 - 4	Motion Passed							
Thomas									
Vote 2758									
Spkr. Richardson	Rep. Cummings	Rep. Duplessie	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy	Pres. Edmonds	Sen. Brennan	Sen. Gagnon	Sen. Davis	Sen. Weston
No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Vote Total:	4 - 6	Motion Failed							

Vote 2475 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total:	6 - 4	Motion Passed							
Trahan				·					
Vote 2660 Spkr. Richardson No	Rep. Cummings No 5 - 5	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Tuttle									
Vote 2609 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Rep. Cummings Yes 10 - 0	Rep. Duplessie Yes Motion Passed	Rep. Bowles Yes	Rep. Tardy Yes	Pres. Edmonds Yes	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis Yes	Sen. Weston Yes
Vote 2608 Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie Yes	Rep. Bowles	Rep. Tardy No	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan Yes	Sen. Gagnon Yes	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total:	5 - 5	Motion Failed							
Valentino									
Vote 2866 Spkr. Richardson Yes Vote Total:	Yes	Rep. Duplessie No Motion Failed	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy Absent	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote 2865									
Spkr. Richardson Yes	Rep. Cummings Yes	Rep. Duplessie No	Rep. Bowles No	Rep. Tardy Absent	Pres. Edmonds No	Sen. Brennan No	Sen. Gagnon No	Sen. Davis No	Sen. Weston No
Vote Total:	2 - 7	Motion Failed							

Total Bills Allowed In: 37

Total Bills Denied: 45

2005 Interim Study Status Report (as of November 21, 2005)

#	Study Name	Policy Area	Recent or Planned	Report Dates/Reports to:	Total Mambase	Appointments made to date	Responsible Agency/Staffing	Study Status to date
1	Study of Forest Ownership in Maine (staff study in conjunction with C/O of LD 1406)	ACF	N/A	ACF	None	made to date	OPLA staff study	On-going
2	Commission to Reform the State Budget Process (PL 2005, c. 386, Part O)	AFA	9/29/2005	To AFA Committee by 1/3/06	12	12	Bureau of the Budget	On-going
3	CRJ Committee review of Sex Offender Laws (PL 2005, c. 423	CRJ	8/9/05; 9/8/05; 9/28/05	No report	CRJ Committee		OPLA staffing	CRJ met on 8/9/05 and 9/8/05. Third mtg on 9/28/05 (Complete)
4	Task Force to Study Maine's Homeland Security Needs (Resolve 2005, c. 126)	CRJ	10/17/2005; 11/17/2005; 11/21/2005	12/7/05 Interim Report; 11/1/06 Final Report (both to Legislature)	11	11	OPLA and MEMA	On-going.
5	Legislative Youth Advisory Council (PL 2001 c.439, as amended by PL 2005, c. 414)	EDU	N/A	Annually; Legislature	22	15	OPLA staffing	Awaiting completion of appointments; preliminary plans for January meeting
6	Review and Recodify Laws Pertaining to Violence in Our Schools (Resolve 2005, c. 120)	EDU	N/A	Legislation due 12/7/05 to EDU	None		OPLA and ROS	Draft legislation sent to DOE for review and comment
7	Blue Ribbon Commission on the Future of MaineCare (Resolve 2005, c. 117)	HHS	10/11/2005; 11/1/2005; 11/15/2005; 12/6/2005	12/7/05 to HHS and AFA	10	10	OPLA and OFPR staffing	On-going
8	Governor's Committee to Study the Feasibility of the Importation of Prescription Drugs (P&S 2005, c. 24	HHS	TBD	1/15/06 to HHS	2	2	Governor's Office	On-going
9	Task Force to Study Cervical Cancer Prevention, Detection and Education (Resolve 2005, c. 121)	HHS	11/16/2005; 12/16/2005	12/7/05 to HHS and Gov; Final Report 11/1/06 to HHS and Gov	16	16	OPLA staffing	Appointments complete; first meeting being scheduled
10	DHHS Working Group on Department's Accounting Structure (PL 2005, c. 412)	HHS	TBD	10/1/05 to HHS; AFA and Gov	None		OPLA/OFPR will participate in working group	Interim report received.
11	Review the Establishment of the DHHS (PL 2003, c. 689)	HHS	N/A	No report	None	•	DHHS is lead agency (with drafting assistance from OPLA and ROS)	On-going (outlining structure for new Title 22-A)
1:	2 Health Care System and Health Security Board (PL 2001, Part 222)	IFS.	10/11/2005; 11/14/2005; 12/2/2005	12/7/05 to IFS	20	20	OPLA staffing	On-going
13	3 Freedom of Access Advisory Committee (Resolve 2005, c. 123	JUD	TBD	12/7/05 to LC, JUD and Governor	13	13	OPLA staffing	Appointments complete; first meeting being scheduled
14	4 Study State Compliance with Federal Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 (Resolve 2005, c. 118)	JUD	12/15/2005	12/7/05 to LC & JUD	. 12	12	OPLA staffing	Appointments complete; first meeting being scheduled
1	5 Study Commission Regarding Livable Wages (Resolve 2005, c. 128	LAB	10/5/2005; 10/27/05; 11/16/05; 11/30/05; 12/15/05(?)	12/7/05 to Legislature	12	12	OPLA staffing	On-going

2005 Interim Study Status Report (as of November 21, 2005)

#	Study Name	Policy Area	Recent or Planned Meeting Dates	Report Dates/Reports to:	Total Members	Appointments made to date	Responsible Agency/Staffing	Study Status to date
16	Task Force on Substance Abuse Testing and Treatment (PL 2005, c. 443)	LAB	N/A	12/7/05 to LAB	None		Department of Labor	On-going
	Citizen Trade Policy Commission (PL 2003, c. 699)	LAB	9/30/05 meeting to review final 2005 report (legislation anticipated; 10/28/05; public hearing 11/21/05 in	Annually to Legislature, Gov and others	22	22	OPLA staffing	On-going: Final Draft sent to print.
18	Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine (Resolve 2005, c. 116)	LVA	TBD	1/2/06 and 3/1/06 to Capitol Planning Commission		.8	OPLA staffing	Appointments complete. No outside funding received.
19	Commission to Study Alternative Voting Procedures, and Citizen Initiative Process and Minor Party Ballot Access (Resolve 2005, c. 127	LVA	10/3/05; 10/24/05; 11/7/05	12/7/05 to Legislature	11	11	OPLA staffing	Meetings complete. Drafting final report.
20	Study of State Regulation of Groundwater Withdrawal (PL 2005, c. 452)	NAT .	TBD	11/1/07 to NAT	Working group		Maine Geological Survey	3 Legislators budgeted. Appointing authority not specified
21	Committee to Establish a Memorial for Emergency Medical Services Personnel (Resolve 2005, c. 124	SLG	11/20/2005	1/15/06 to SLG; 3/15/06 to SLG and Capitol Planning Commission	9		DAFS	On-going
22	Commission to Study the Cost of Providing Certain Services in the Unorganized Territories (Resolve 2005, c. 125)	TAX	9/29/05; 11/10/05	12/7/05 to Legislature	17	17	OFPR	Ongoing
	Appointment Summary Number of app Appointmer Percent of appoint	e 190			G:/management	director/council reports/	11-21-05 status report.xls	
	Study Activity Summary Studies awaitir	ng appointment On-goin						