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**126th Legislature
Legislative Council**

**July 24, 2014
2:00 PM**

REVISED AGENDA

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

ADJOURNMENT

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
MEETING SUMMARY
June 23, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

Legislative Council Chair Mark Eves called the June 23, 2014 Legislative Council meeting to order at 3:17 p.m. in the Legislative Council Chamber.

ROLL CALL

Senators: President Alfond, Senator Jackson, Senator Haskell and Senator Katz

Absent: Senator Thibodeau

Representatives: Speaker Eves, Representative Berry Representative McCabe,
Representative Fredette and Representative Willette

Legislative Officers: Darek Grant, Secretary of the Senate
Robert Hunt, Assistant Clerk of the House
Dawna Lopatosky, Legislative Finance Director
Jackie Little, Human Resources Director
Grant Pennoyer, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review
Suzanne Gresser, Revisor of Statutes

Speaker Eves convened the meeting at 3:15 p.m. with a quorum of members present.

SUMMARY OF MAY 27, 2014 MEETING OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Motion: That the Meeting Summary for May 27, 2014 be accepted and placed on file.
Motion by President Alfond. Second by Representative Willette. **Motion passed unanimous**
(9-0-0-a, with Senator Thibodeau absent).

REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND COUNCIL OFFICES

Executive Director's Report

No report

Fiscal Report

Grant Pennoyer, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review, reported on the following:

Revenue Update

Total General Fund Revenue - FY 2014 (\$'s in Millions)

	Budget	Actual	Var.	% Var.	Prior Year	% Growth
May	\$247.7	\$233.5	(\$14.2)	-5.7%	\$249.6	-6.4%
FYTD	\$2,586.4	\$2,605.1	\$18.7	0.7%	\$2,598.6	0.2%

General Fund revenue was under budget by \$14.2 million (5.7%) in May but remained over budget for the fiscal year by \$18.7 million with one month remaining. Sales and Use Tax collections, income tax withholding and insurance premium taxes were the major causes of the variance for the month of May. Most of these variances are timing issues as each of these categories is either over or very close to budget for the fiscal year. Some areas of concern include the Estate Tax, Transfers for Tax Relief Programs and Transfers from Lottery Commission categories; each is likely to end the year with negative variances. The primary contributing factors to the General Fund surplus in FY 2014 are the positive variance from the new Property Tax Fairness Credit and the smaller decline than projected of the 2013 tax year income tax liability.

Highway Fund Revenue Update

Total Highway Fund Revenue - FY 2014 (\$'s in Millions)

	Budget	Actual	Var.	% Var.	Prior Year	% Growth
May	\$26.7	\$27.3	\$0.6	2.3%	\$26.9	1.7%
FYTD	\$266.4	\$271.3	\$4.9	1.9%	\$273.3	-0.7%

Highway Fund revenue was over budget by \$0.6 million (2.3%) in May which increased the FY 2014 positive variance to \$4.9 million with one month remaining. The \$4.5 million positive variance in the Fuel Taxes category is the primary contributing factor.

Cash Balance Update

Average cash balances in FY 2014 for the total cash pool have remained higher than the previous 2 years since January. Although General Fund internal borrowing last month was higher than May 2013, it now appears to be tracking very closely with FY 2012, which was also the first year of a biennium and included substantial Other Special Revenue borrowing from the second year to keep the General Fund in balance. Total cash pool balances are once again sufficient to avoid any external cash flow borrowing for FY 2014.

MaineCare Update

Supplemental funding and other legislative actions this past session appear to have been sufficient to meet MaineCare's FY 2014 funding requirements. The decision to pay \$9.3 million of hospital settlement payments for 2011 crossover claims in the 50th weekly payment cycle has certainly lessened any funding cushion to cover any unanticipated volatility in the last 2 weekly cycles in FY 2014.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

1. Personnel Committee

Legislative Council Chair Eves reported that the Personnel Committee held a meeting on June 23, 2014 to consider the following matters:

1. Nonpartisan Employee's Request for Position Reclassification.

The Personnel Committee tabled this item for a future meeting.

2. Recruitment of Director, Legislative Information Technology

The committee discussed the proposed recruitment plan, process and timeline for the position of Director, Office of Legislative Information Technology. The Personnel Committee approved the proposed plan.

3. Recruitment of Executive Director

The committee discussed the proposed recruitment plan, process and timeline for the position of Executive Director. The Personnel Committee formed a subcommittee to work with the Human Resources Director to further develop the plan.

4. Proposed Reorganization of Legislative Information Office

The committee discussed the proposed reorganization and revised position descriptions for the Legislative Information Office. The Personnel Committee will discuss this further at a future meeting.

5. Acting Executive Director Position

The Personnel Committee recommended an acting Executive Director for Legislative Council approval.

Motion: That upon the unanimous recommendation of the Personnel Committee, the Legislative Council appoint Suzanne Gresser as Acting Executive Director of the Legislative Council with authority to carry out all powers and duties of the Executive Director, effective June 24, 2014 and continuing until such time as a permanent Executive director is appointed. Motion by Speaker Eves. Second by President Alfond. **Motion passed unanimous (9-0-0-1, with Senator Thibodeau absent).**

Speaker Eves thanked Ms. Gresser for accepting the position of Acting Executive Director.

6. Approval of Meeting Minutes

The Personnel Committee approved the minutes of Personnel Committee meetings for: December 19, 2013, January 8, 2014, April 15, 2014, April 28, 2014 and May 19, 2014.

2. **State House Facilities Committee**

No report

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Correction of May 19, 2014 Meeting Summary

Speaker Eves reviewed the corrections needed to be made to the May 19, 2014 Meeting Summary and made the following motion:

Motion: That the Legislative Council correct the adopted Meeting Summary of May 19, 2014 by making the following changes to the description of the last motion:

Motion: That the Legislative Council authorize ~~the Personnel Committee to handle a staffing matter on its behalf~~ Speaker Eves and Senator Katz to execute on behalf of the Legislative Council the agreement recommended by the Personnel Committee. Motion by Speaker Eves. Second by ~~President Alfond~~ Representative Willette. **Motion passed unanimous (7-0-0-3,** with Senators Jackson and Thibodeau and Representative Fredette absent).

Motion by Speaker Eves. Second by Representative Willette. **Motion passed unanimous (9-0-0-1,** with Senator Thibodeau absent).

Item #2: Acceptance of Funds to Support the Task Force to End Student Hunger in Maine

President Alfond informed the Legislative Council that the Task Force to End Student Hunger established in Resolve 2013, chapter 107, was in receipt of \$500 in funding contributions and that the following additional contributions had been pledged: \$1000 by the Cianbro Foundation; \$1500 by the Maine Media Collection; and \$1500 by the Donato Tramuto Foundation. President Alfond indicated that the total of the amounts received and pledged exceed the amount required to undertake the study, but that the Resolve contemplated that the funding would be received 30 days after the effective date of the Resolve.

Motion: That the Legislative Council extend by 60 days the time frame in which the Task Force to End Student Hunger may receive funding contributions and that the Legislative Council authorize the task force to begin to meet in order to conduct its work. Motion by Representative Fredette. Second by Senator Haskell. **Motion passed unanimous (9-0-0-1,** with Senator Thibodeau absent).

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

Senator Haskell expressed her delight over the finished Lady of Wisdom statue at the top of the dome.

Speaker Eves announced that the next scheduled meeting of the Legislative Council is Thursday, July 24, 2014. There will also be a Personnel Committee meeting prior to that meeting.

Representative Berry announced that there will be a State House Facilities Meeting scheduled in July prior to the Legislative Council meeting.

With no other business to consider or announcements, the Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

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Legislative Council

Executive Director's Report July 24, 2014

1. Copper Dome Replacement

Progress on the copper dome replacement project is progressing on schedule. At this point, the top third of the dome has been completed. The project should be completed by November 2014.

2. Staff Retirements

Two long-term members of the nonpartisan staff are retiring.

Judy Paquette, a Paralegal in the Revisor's Office, is retiring after more than 28 years with the State, including 26 years with the Legislature. She is retiring effective August 1st.

Donna Sullivan, a Library Assistant in the Law & Legislative Reference Library, is retiring after more than 30 years of State service, including 14 years with the Legislature. During her tenure, she worked in the Office of Fiscal & Program Review as well as in the Executive Director's office. She is retiring effective August 1st.

3. Legislative Publications

The Office of Policy & Legal Analysis and the Office of Fiscal & Program Review have completed this session's compilation of enacted laws and bill summaries. A copy is posted on the Legislature's website for ready access by legislators and the public.

The Revisor's Office has completed the *Laws of Maine* for the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature. The hard copies are being distributed this week and a copy is also posted on the Legislature's website.

Fiscal Briefing

Legislative Council Meeting

July 24, 2014

Prepared by the Office of Fiscal & Program Review

1. General Fund Revenue Update (Preliminary prior to official year-end closing)

Total General Fund Revenue - FY 2014 (\$'s in Millions)

	Budget	Actual	Var.	% Var.	Prior Year	% Growth
June	\$488.0	\$508.4	\$20.5	4.2%	\$495.8	2.6%
FYTD	\$3,074.4	\$3,113.5	\$39.1	1.3%	\$3,094.4	0.6%

General Fund revenue was over budget by \$20.5 million (4.2%) in June and ended FY 2014 with a positive variance of \$39.1 million based on preliminary data. The performance of the income taxes, both Individual Income Tax and Corporate Income Tax, was the primary factor in this revenue surplus with a combined positive variance of \$38.7 million for FY 2014. An overestimation of the cost of the Property Tax Fairness Credit was the primary generator of the positive variance within the Individual Income Tax category and an unexplained \$5.4 million positive variance from June's estimated payments was the primary generator of the positive variance within the Corporate Income Tax category.

2. Highway Fund Revenue Update (Preliminary prior to year-end closing)

Total Highway Fund Revenue - FY 2014 (\$'s in Millions)

	Budget	Actual	Var.	% Var.	Prior Year	% Growth
June	\$43.9	\$45.8	\$1.9	4.3%	\$45.6	0.5%
FYTD	\$310.3	\$317.1	\$6.8	2.2%	\$318.8	-0.5%

Highway Fund revenue was over budget by \$1.9 million (4.3%) in June and ended FY 2014 with a \$6.8 million positive variance based on preliminary data. Highway Fund revenue declined by 0.5% from FY 2013, which was much less than the 2.7% budgeted decline. A \$5.7 million positive variance in the Fuel Taxes category was the primary contributing factor in FY 2014. All but \$100,000 of the increase in the Highway Fund unallocated surplus from the revenue variance, lapsed balances and other accounting adjustments will be transferred to the Department of Transportation for highway and bridge improvement projects.

3. MaineCare Update

Supplemental funding and other legislative actions this past session were sufficient to meet MaineCare's FY 2014 funding requirements. Based on preliminary data, the MaineCare program appears to have an ending General Fund balance of roughly \$9 million that will carry forward for FY 2015 funding needs.

4. General Fund Year-end Cascade Transfers

Based on the revenue surplus alone, the increase in the General Fund unappropriated surplus will be sufficient to provide full funding to all of the fixed dollar statutory transfers at the close FY 2014 and also provide funding for the various reserves that receive a percentage of the remaining uncommitted year-end unappropriated surplus. The summary on the next page represents the distribution based on only the revenue surplus. Unbudgeted lapsed balances and other unbudgeted accounting adjustments usually add to the surplus. However, the usual additions from these other contributing factors may be limited this year due to a \$3 million plus shortfall in a budgeted General Fund transfer from the Department of Education's Oxford Casino revenue.

FY 2014 Preliminary General Fund Year-end Summary
(Based on Revenue Variance Only)

Sources of General Fund Year-end Surplus:

General Fund Revenue Variance (Preliminary)	\$39,100,000
Unbudgeted Lapsed Balances (Not yet available)	\$0
Other Accounting Adjustments Increasing (Decreasing) Balance (Not yet available)	\$0

Total Increase in Uncommitted Unappropriated Surplus	<u>\$39,100,000</u>
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Uses of General Fund Year-end Surplus:

Fixed Dollar Transfers

Replenish Contingent Account up to \$350,000 (5 MRSA §1507)	(\$265,000)
Transfer to Loan Insurance Reserve up to \$1,000,000 (5 MRSA §1511)	(\$1,000,000)
Reserve for Retirement Costs up to required amount certified by MainePERS (5 MRSA §1522, PL 2013, c. 1, Part E & PL 2013, c. 578)	(\$10,250,000)
Reserve for Future Funding Needs up to \$20,000,000 (PL 2013, c. 595, Part X)	
> Up to \$1,300,000 reserved in the Reserve for Future Funding Needs to DHHS, Developmental Services Waiver (PL 2013, c. 595, Part X, §§3 & 4)	(\$1,300,000)
> Undesignated funds in Reserve for Future Funding Needs	(\$18,700,000)

Percentage Transfers of Remaining Surplus after Fixed Dollar Transfers

Maine Budget Stabilization Fund	48.0%	(\$3,640,800)
Reserve for General Fund Operating Capital	13.0%	(\$986,050)
Retiree Health Internal Service Fund	9.0%	(\$682,650)
Capital Construction & Improvements Reserve Fund	10.0%	(\$758,500)
Tax Relief Fund for Maine Residents	20.0%	(\$1,517,000)

Total Closing Transfers	<u>(\$39,100,000)</u>
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2014 Interim Legislative Studies and Committee Meetings

Updated July 23, 2014

Study/Committee	Citation	2014 Meetings Authorized	2014 Meetings Held	Scheduled Next Meeting Date(s)	Report Date	Chair(s)	Status Notes
NEW STUDIES							
Task Force To End Student Hunger in Maine	Resolve 107	5	7/7/14	8/11/14	12/9/2014	Pres. Alfond Rep. Kornfield	Appointments complete; outside funding received (pending LC approval); conducting work
Commission To Study College Affordability and College Completion	Resolve 109	4			12/9/2014	Sen. Millett Rep. Daughtry	Appointments not complete; UMS, MCCS and MMA staff; OPLA to provide drafting assistance; commission may also seek outside funds for staff support
Commission To Strengthen the Adequacy and Equity of Certain Cost Components of the School Funding Formula	Resolve 114	6		7/25/14	12/9/2014	Sen. Millett Rep. Hubbell	Appointments complete; DOE and Ed. Rsch. Inst. staff; OPLA to provide drafting assistance
Commission to Continue the Study of Long-term Care Facilities	PL 594	4			10/15/2014	Sen. Craven Rep. Stuckey	Appointments not complete
Commission on Independent Living and Disability	HP 1361	4			11/5/2014	Sen. Craven	Appointments not complete
Commission To Improve Protections for Injured Workers Whose Employers Have Wrongfully Not Secured Workers' Compensation Insurance	SP 759	4			11/5/2014		Appointments not complete (please see letter from LCRED chairs)
Commission To Study the Effects of Coastal and Ocean Acidification and Its Existing and Potential Effects on Species That Are Commercially Harvested and Grown along the Maine Coast	Resolve 110	at least 4		tentative - 8/1/14 (pending funding approval)	12/5/2014	Sen. Johnson & Rep. Devin	Appointments complete; contingent on LC approval of outside funding
Maine Health Exchange Advisory Committee	HP 1136	at least 4	6/3/14		12/4/2013 (prelim.) 11/5/2014 (final)	Sen. Craven Rep. Treat	Appointments complete; conducting work
ON-GOING LEGISLATIVE STUDIES							
State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force	PL 593				11/1 annually	Sen. Patrick & Rep. Berry	Appointments not complete
Legislative Youth Advisory Council	3 MRSA 168-B	may hold 2 per year			2nd Friday in February in even numbered years		Appointments not complete
Right to Know Advisory Committee	1 MRSA 411	4			1/15 annually	Sen. Valentino	Appointments not complete
Citizen Trade Policy Commission	10 MRSA 11	at least 2 per year	06/26/14		annually	Sen. Jackson & Rep. Treat	Conducting work; contract staff
Judicial Compensation Commission	4 MRSA 1701	N/A; funded from court system			12/15 biennially (due this year)		Appointments not complete

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AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE MEETINGS (other than AFA)

JUD Committee Study of Social Media Privacy in School and in the Workplace	Resolve 112	4			11/5/2014	Sen. Valentino & Rep. Priest	Outside funding was not received; requests for interim committee meetings for this purpose were not approved
VLA meetings to consider casino market analysis of contractor	Resolve 111	up to 4			12/3/2014	Sen. Tuttle & Rep. Luchini	Contract awarded for analysis of potential market for casinos; report to VLA anticipated by 9/1/14
ENR meeting for DEP and Maine Water Environment briefings		1			N/A	Sen. Boyle & Rep. Welsh	Meeting approved 7/17/14; meeting date TBD
HHS meeting for DHHS updates/briefings		1			N/A	Sen. Craven & Rep. Farnsworth	Meeting approved 6/25/14; meeting date TBD
LCRED meeting for Workers' Comp. Board briefing		1			N/A	Sen. Patrick & Rep. Herbig	Meeting approved 6/25/14; meeting date TBD

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June 27, 2014

Speaker Mark W. Eves, Chair
President Justin L. Alfond, Vice-Chair
Members of the Legislative Council
115 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Speaker Eves, President Alfond and Members of the Legislative Council:

As you know, the 126th Legislature passed Joint Order (SP 759) establishing the Commission To Improve Protections for Injured Workers Whose Employers Have Wrongfully Not Secured Workers' Compensation Insurance.

We have since learned from Paul Sighinolfi, Executive Director of the Maine Workers' Compensation Board, that he intends to continue the Board's previously formed working group. Given this development, we believe there is no need to move forward with the Commission created by Joint Order (SP 759).

Please let us know if have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of John L. Patrick in cursive.

John L. Patrick, Senate Chair

Handwritten signature of Erin D. Herbig in cursive.

Erin D. Herbig, House Chair

Cc: Suzanne Gresser, Acting Executive Director
Marion Hylan Barr, Director, OPLA
Paul Sighinolfi, Executive Director, Maine Workers' Compensation Board



Recommendations for the State dome copper reuse employing Maine artists

Introduction-

The construction project to replace the copper sheath on the dome of the State Capitol in Augusta began in March of 2014 with a time span from June to October of 2014. There is an estimate of 7,000 square feet of copper for reuse depending on the amount of corrosion and weather damage to the material. In June 2014 the Legislative Council invited the Maine Arts Commission to a committee meeting to be briefed on this project. They discussed an interest in finding possible artistic uses for the one hundred year old patina copper being removed. It was learned that prior to this meeting the Legislative Council had solicited several professional artists and surveyed Maine's Legislators to request suggestions for significant reuse of the historic material. They presented these suggested artistic uses to the Maine Arts Commission and requested they attend the next meeting with recommendations for appropriate processes for implementing them. The Maine Arts Commission respectfully submits the following report.

Project Goals-

- Identify multiple public purpose reuse of copper in keeping with its heritage as the original State House dome copper
- Involve Maine artists in creating new work that has specific iconic and cultural value
- Assist Maine artists by providing opportunities and materials to make a living
- Create public art that is momentous to the state's history and meaningful to its citizens
- Find fiscally responsible and creative solutions for reusing the copper to offset some of the project costs

Protocol-

- Legislative Council is the decision maker in consultation with the Maine Arts Commission and the Maine Historic Preservation Commission
- No sales or transfers of the material can be made that are not previously authorized by the Legislative Council
- Process is considered public through the Legislative Council

- Some of the removed copper will be provided to the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and/or the Maine State Museum upon written request
- All work that is generated from this copper and resold or publicly viewed must be advertised as "Copper from the original Maine State House Dome"
- The Maine Arts Commission will collaborate with any State entity in the promotion of these projects

The following uses for the copper were previously solicited and discussed by the Legislative Council as possible best reuse for the material employing Maine artists.

Recycle- A portion of the copper will be recycled to offset project costs.

Process- The lower quality scrap copper from the removal can be sent to a recycling facility and sold by weight at the current market value. It is recommended that the transaction be certified by the participating recycling company to assure it is not given away or put up for auction without the consent of the Legislative Council.

Implementation- The executive director of the Legislative Council would be responsible for making arrangements for this transfer.

Timeline- Can be completed anytime with no known time constraints.

Commemorative Artifact- A portion of the copper will be melted and reformed into commemorative objects for general purchase or distribution.

Process- The removed copper sheath would be inspected for quality (no evidence of other impure materials on it from welding, soldering or adhesives). Smaller pieces would be allocated for this project. Since this metal will be melted down for mold pouring, the patina would not be a necessary or desired part of the final artifact. Funds would be required to pay the awarded artist for their design costs and the fabrication of the final product.

The design aspect of the final commemorative piece would be administered through a design competition with Maine artists. The product fabrication would utilize a State issued Request for Proposals (RFP). This process would be effective because it is inclusive (large pool of artists for design) but will also keep production costs low by working with a facility that is better equipped to bulk produce product (limited number of capable foundries/ businesses).

The design competition component would begin with a marketed solicitation to artists with set eligibility requirements, submission guidelines and evaluation criteria.

This "Call for Design" would be marketed to:

- The general public
- Maine artists/designers directly
- Regional art and design organizations
- Maine artist collectives, co-operatives or groups
- Maine colleges with design programs

A selection committee (the Legislative Council) would review all submissions and choose the final design. Once the artist/s is selected a contract is prepared with specified payment milestones. Finalized drawings from the artist are then sent out as part of the State issued RFP. (Copyrights for the design will remain with the artist.)

Implementation- The executive director of the Legislative Council would be responsible for administering and implementing all aspects of this project.

Timeline- This is a lengthy process so any foreseen timelines for the sale of these artifacts should be considered. Approximately 12- 24 months to complete.

Jeweler/Artisan – *A portion of the copper to be sold to Maine jewelers and artisans for use in creating commercially marketable art pieces.*

Process- The removed copper sheath would be inspected for integrity/quality and some of the smaller to mid-sized pieces with the “best” patina (the patina will most likely be a desired part of the final sold object) should be allocated for this particular project.

A contractor would be hired to cut smaller rectangular sheets (approx. 36” x 48”) for artists to fabricate small commercial marketable art pieces. The copper reuse sheets would be sold only to interested Maine artists with the price set by the Legislative Council with the following considerations:

- The historic significance and inherent value of the one-hundred year patina copper
- As a comparison- currently a commercial industry 24 gage roofing-grade copper sheet (36” x 48”) is sold for approximately \$140. With an added “verde”(green) patina it’s cost is roughly \$400
- The removed dome copper’s integrity/quality as a workable material (after 100 years of environmental weathering)
- Keeping the cost affordable so Maine artists are able participate in this project

Selling of the copper would be executed through a purchase request marketed to the following:

- Maine artists directly
- Regional craft organizations
- Maine metal artisan collectives, co-operatives or groups
- Maine jewelry businesses

Interested artists/businesses would be required to submit a written purchase request with the following:

1. Verification that they are a Maine resident/business to be eligible to purchase the material
2. How much material they would like to acquire
3. Their intended uses for resale

*Also any other appropriate forms required by the State of Maine Division of Purchases.

A list of interested parties would be given to the Legislative Council for consideration. Artists/businesses selected would be contacted and arrangements made to purchase and pick up the material. Documentation on the sale would be recorded and a report of purchases provided to the Legislative Council.

Implementation- The executive director of the Legislative Council would be responsible for administering and implementing all aspects of this project.

Timeline- Approximately 6- 8 months or ongoing until all the material is purchased.

Sculpture- *A portion of the copper sold to Maine sculptors or educational institutions for use in creating three-dimensional works which may be sold or used for instructive purposes.*

Process- The copper would be inspected for integrity/quality and some of the largest pieces would be allocated for this project. The patina may or may not be the most desired aspect of the material. The material would be given at no cost or sold at a highly reduced amount of the market value to assure inclusion of quality Maine artists and/or academic participation.

A limited invitational Request for Proposals (RFP) would be utilized to administer this process. In a limited invitational RFP only a few select artist/groups are contacted to submit proposals for a specific piece or project to use the copper. This limited group would be comprised of all Maine college studio art programs as well as professional metal sculptors recommended by the Maine Arts Commission and/or from regional art organizations and public art professionals.

Invitation RFPs would be sent to:

- Chairs of studio sculpture programs at Maine colleges
- Directors of Maine craft schools
- Pre- selected (qualified) Maine professional sculptors

Interested artist/academic groups would be required to submit a written proposal with the following:

1. Examples of previous sculpture work in metal (or student projects)
2. How much copper material they would like to acquire (within a set amount offered)
3. Their intended uses of the material (if for resale purposes)
4. Drawings of proposed piece/s and final installation locations (if any)

*Also any other appropriate forms required by the State of Maine Division of Purchases (if material is sold to artists)

The Legislative Council would review all proposals based on appropriate evaluation criteria and choose the final artwork/s. Awardees would be contacted and arrangements made to pick up the material. It would be requested that all completed artwork be documented by the artist and copies provided for the Legislative Council.

Implementation- The executive director of the Legislative Council would be responsible for administering and implementing all aspects of this project.

Timeline- Approximately 12 – 24 months.

Public Art Commission (Capitol Complex Site) - *A portion of the copper to be used as the primary material in creating artwork for specific locations identified within the State Capitol Complex and its grounds.*

Process- The copper would be inspected for integrity/quality and some of the largest pieces would be allocated for this project. The patina may or may not be the most desired aspect of the material. The material would be given at no cost to the awarded artist/s. A minimum \$15,000 budget would be required as payment to final selected artists for their time, installation, insurance and materials (other than copper provided) and also for the fabrication of any educational signage to accompany the installed work.

This project would be administered through a Request for Proposals (RFP) with Maine artists and reflects the standard practices of the State's Percent for Art Program. This process usually contains a double-round of elimination to arrive at the final selected commissioned piece/s. The artwork selection committee would be comprised of voting and advisory members from the following: the Legislative Council, selected local art professionals, Executive Director of the Legislative Council, the Maine Arts Commission Executive Director and staff, the Executive Director of the Maine State Museum, and a representative of the Maine Historic Preservation Commission. The selection committee's duties would consist of:

- Identifying appropriate/accessible locations within the Capitol Complex where artwork could be designed/installed
- Set an appropriate budget for artist's costs
- Decide on amount of reuse copper to allocate for this project (for entire project and per proposal)
- Create a project timeline
- Set an appropriate amount for honorarium to pay finalists for second-round proposal presentations
- Evaluate all submissions against specific criteria
- Come to a definitive decision on artwork to be installed in the accessible locations
- Make final recommendations to the Legislative Council for commissioned artwork using the State dome copper as the primary material

The RFP would be a marketed solicitation to Maine artists with set eligibility requirements, submission guidelines and evaluation criteria. This would be marketed to:

- The general public
- Maine artists directly
- Regional art, craft and design organizations
- Maine artist collectives, co-operatives or groups

Interested artist/groups would be required to submit a written proposal with the following:

1. Their chosen locations for installation (from the locations provided)
2. Examples of previous sculpture work in metal and artist resume
3. Estimated amount of reuse copper material needed to complete the project
4. Budget to include all artists incurred costs other than provided copper material
5. Timeline for completion of the work
6. Maintenance plan

Once the final artist/s has been selected a contract is prepared containing specified payment milestones. An appointed site representative will coordinate with the artist for the final installation of the work. It would be requested that all completed artwork be documented by the artist and copies provided for the Legislative Council. Identifying/educational signage will then need to be fabricated and installed to accompany the artwork.

Implementation- The Maine Arts Commission would act as the administrator of the RFQ. The Legislative Council will give final site approval of all artwork to be commissioned. The executive director of the Legislative Council would be responsible for the contract generation, implementation and completion of the work and installation.

Timeline- Approximately 12 – 24 months.

SUZANNE M. GRESSER

ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL



MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MEMO

To: Members, Legislative Council

From: Suzanne M. Gresser, Acting Executive Director *smg*

Date: July 16, 2014

Re: Acceptance of private funds for study

Pursuant to Resolve 2013, c. 107, Resolve, To Create the Task Force to End Student Hunger in Maine, acceptance of private funds to support the task force is subject to Legislative Council approval. The following organizations have proposed contributing a total of \$4500.00 to fund 100% of the study: Cianbro (\$1,000), the Donato J. Tramuto Foundation (\$1,500), the Maine Media Collective (\$1,500), and the Maine School Nutrition Association (\$500). Each of these organizations has certified that it has no pecuniary or other vested interest, as required by Legislative Council policy.

I recommend that the Legislative Council accept the funds.

Attachments

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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: Student Hunger Task Force

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Full name of contributor: <u>CIAMBRO</u>	Date of contribution: <u>7/11/14</u>
Address (number and street) of contributor: <u>PO BOX 1000</u>	Amount of contribution: \$ <u>1,000.00</u>
City, state, zip code: <u>Pittsfield, ME 04967</u>	If in-kind, list fair market value here and itemize in space provided below. \$
SS# OR FED ID #: <u>[REDACTED]</u>	Contributor is: individual <input type="checkbox"/>
Occupation: <u>Construction</u>	partnership <input type="checkbox"/> corporation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Principal place of business:	foundation <input type="checkbox"/>

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION

Describe goods, services, etc. to be contributed:

I, Alan Burton, the undersigned, hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this report is true and complete, that no information is knowingly withheld and that the purpose of the contribution is not to influence the outcome of the above named study or any subsequent legislative action. I further certify that I, and the employer or organization I represent, if applicable, do not have any pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the above named study. I understand that this contribution is subject to acceptance by the Legislative Council.

Signature of contributor: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>7/11/14</u>
Title: <u>Vice President</u>	
Witness: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>7/11/14</u>

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Accepted Contribution: YES ☐ NO ☐

Date:

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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: TASK FORCE TO END STUDENT HUNGER

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Full name of contributor: <u>DONATO TRAMUTO</u>	Date of contribution: <u>6.15.14</u>
Address (number and street) of contributor: <u>385 SHORE RD - PO BOX 1728</u>	Amount of contribution: <u>\$ 1500.00</u>
City, state, zip code: <u>OGUNQUIT ME 03907</u>	If in-kind, list fair market value here and itemize in space provided below. \$
SS# OR FED ID #: <u>[REDACTED]</u>	Contributor is: individual <input type="checkbox"/>
Occupation: <u>CEO / CHAIRMAN</u>	partnership <input type="checkbox"/> corporation <input type="checkbox"/>
Principal place of business: <u>READING, MA</u>	foundation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION

Describe goods, services, etc. to be contributed:

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Signature of contributor: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>7/1/14</u>
Title: <u>CHAIRMAN + FOUNDER</u>	
Witness: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>7/1/14</u>

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACTION

Accepted Contribution: YES _____ NO _____

Date:

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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: Resolve to Create the Task Force To End Student Hunger in Maine

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Full name of contributor: <u>Maine Media Collective</u>	Date of contribution:
Address (number and street) of contributor: <u>75 Market St. Suite 203</u>	Amount of contribution: <u>\$ 1,500</u>
City, state, zip code: <u>Portland, Maine 04101</u>	If in-kind, list fair market
SS# OR FED ID #: [REDACTED]	value here and itemize
Occupation:	in space provided below. \$
Principal place of business: <u>Portland, ME</u>	Contributor is: individual <input type="checkbox"/>
	partnership <input type="checkbox"/> corporation <input type="checkbox"/>
	foundation <input type="checkbox"/>

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION

Describe goods, services, etc. to be contributed:

I, KEVIN THOMAS, the undersigned, hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this report is true and complete, that no information is knowingly withheld and that the purpose of the contribution is not to influence the outcome of the above named study or any subsequent legislative action. I further certify that I, and the employer or organization I represent, if applicable, do not have any pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the above named study. I understand that this contribution is subject to acceptance by the Legislative Council.

Signature of contributor: <u>Kevin Thomas</u>	Date: <u>6.20.14</u>
Title: <u>Publisher</u>	
Witness: <u>Amy Hall</u>	Date: <u>6.20.14</u>

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Accept Contribution: YES _____ NO _____ Date: _____

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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: Task Force to End Student Hunger in Maine

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Full name of contributor: Maine School Nutrition Ass	Date of contribution: 5/14/14
Address (number and street) of contributor: 130 Westcott Rd	Amount of contribution: \$ 500.00
City, state, zip code: South Portland, Me 04106	If in-kind, list fair market value here and itemize
SS# OR FED ID #: [REDACTED]	in space provided below. \$
Occupation: School Nutrition Programs	Contributor is: individual <input type="checkbox"/>
Principal place of business: Schools	partnership <input type="checkbox"/> corporation <input type="checkbox"/>
	foundation <input type="checkbox"/>

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION

Describe goods, services, etc. to be contributed:

I, Martha Spencer, the undersigned, hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this report is true and complete, that no information is knowingly withheld and that the purpose of the contribution is not to influence the outcome of the above named study or any subsequent legislative action. I further certify that I, and the employer or organization I represent, if applicable, do not have any pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the above named study. I understand that this contribution is subject to acceptance by the Legislative Council.

Signature of contributor: Martha Spencer	Date: 5/14/14
Title: Treasurer, Maine School Nutrition Association	
Witness: Christ Wardwell	Date: 5/14/14

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACTION

Report Contribution: YES _____ NO _____ Date: _____

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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MEMO

To: Members, Legislative Council

From: Suzanne M. Gresser, Acting Executive Director

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Suzanne M. Gresser".

Date: July 23, 2014

Re: Acceptance of private funds for study

Pursuant to Resolve 2013, c. 110, Resolve, Establishing the Commission to Study the Effects of Coastal and Ocean Acidification and Its Existing and Potential Effects on Species that are Commercially Harvested and Grown along the Maine Coast, acceptance of private funds to support the task force is subject to Legislative Council approval. The following organizations have proposed contributing a total of \$1550.00 to fund over 100% of the study: the Island Institute (\$650), the Maine Coast Fisherman's Association (\$50), the Maine Coast Heritage Trust (\$300), the Nature Conservancy (\$300), and Sierra Club Maine (\$250). Each of these organizations has certified that it has no pecuniary or other vested interest, as required by Legislative Council policy.

I recommend that the Legislative Council accept the funds and authorize the Commission to convene.

Attachments

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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: Maine's Ocean Acidification Commission

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Full name of contributor: <u>Island Institute</u>	Date of contribution: <u>6-22-14</u>
Address (number and street) of contributor: <u>386 Main St</u>	Amount of contribution: \$ <u>650</u>
City, state, zip code: <u>Rochester ME 04843</u>	If in-kind, list fair market value here and itemize
SSN OR FED ID #:	in space provided below. \$
Occupation: <u>Non profit</u>	Contributor is: individual <input type="checkbox"/>
Principal place of business: <u>Rochester</u>	partnership <input type="checkbox"/> corporation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	foundation <input type="checkbox"/>

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION

Describe goods, services, etc. to be contributed:

Eric Waters, the undersigned, hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this report is true and complete, that no information is knowingly withheld and that the purpose of the contribution is not to influence the outcome of the above named study or any subsequent legislative action. I further certify that I, and the employer or organization I represent, if applicable, do not have any pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the above named study. I understand that this contribution is subject to acceptance by the Legislative Council.

Signature of contributor: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>6-27-14</u>
Title: <u>CFO</u>	
Witness: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>6-27-14</u>

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Accept Contribution: YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Date: _____

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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: Ocean Acidification

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Full name of contributor: Maine Coast Fishermen's Assn	Date of contribution: 7/14/2014
Address (number and street) of contributor: PO Box 112	Amount of contribution: \$ 50
City, state, zip code: Topsham ME 04086	If in-kind, list fair market value here and itemize
SS# OR FED ID #: [REDACTED]	In space provided below. \$
Occupation: Asst Non-Profit	Contributor is: individual <input type="checkbox"/>
Principal place of business: coastal Maine	partnership <input type="checkbox"/> corporation <input type="checkbox"/>
	foundation <input type="checkbox"/>

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION

Describe goods, services, etc. to be contributed:

I, Ben Martens, the undersigned, hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this report is true and complete, that no information is knowingly withheld and that the purpose of the contribution is not to influence the outcome of the above named study or any subsequent legislative action. I further certify that I, and the employer or organization I represent, if applicable, do not have any pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the above named study. I understand that this contribution is subject to acceptance by the Legislative Council.

Signature of contributor: <u>Ben Martens</u>	Date: 7/14/2014
Title: Executive Director	
Witness: <u>Kalyn Bickerman</u>	Date: 7/14/2014

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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: Ocean Acidification Study

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Full name of contributor: Maine Coast Heritage Trust	Date of contribution: 7/2/14
Address (number and street) of contributor: 1 Bowdoin Mill Island, Suite 201	Amount of contribution: \$ 300 -
City, state, zip code: Topsham, ME 04086	If in-kind, list fair market value here and itemize in space provided below. \$
SS# OR FED ID #: [REDACTED]	
Occupation: Nonprofit	
Principal place of business: Topsham	Contributor is: individual <input type="checkbox"/> partnership <input type="checkbox"/> corporation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> foundation <input type="checkbox"/>

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION

Describe goods, services, etc. to be contributed:

I, William T. Glendon Jr., the undersigned, hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this report is true and complete, that no information is knowingly withheld and that the purpose of the contribution is not to influence the outcome of the above named study or any subsequent legislative action. I further certify that I, and the employer or organization I represent, if applicable, do not have any pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the above named study. I understand that this contribution is subject to acceptance by the Legislative Council.

Signature of contributor: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: 7.1.14
Title: President Maine Coast Heritage Trust	
Witness: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: 7.1.14

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACTION

Accepted Contribution: YES _____ NO _____

Date:

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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: Ocean Acidification Study

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Full name of contributor: <u>The Nature Conservancy</u>	Date of contribution: <u>7-3-14</u>
Address (number and street) of contributor: <u>14 Maine Street, Suite 401</u>	Amount of contribution: <u>\$ 300.00</u>
City, state, zip code: <u>Brunswick, ME 04011</u>	If in-kind, list fair market value here and itemize in space provided below. \$
SS# OR FED ID #: <u>[REDACTED]</u>	
Occupation: <u>Statewide Conservation Group</u>	
Principal place of business: <u>Maine</u>	Contributor is: individual <input type="checkbox"/> partnership <input type="checkbox"/> corporation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> foundation <input type="checkbox"/>

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION

Describe goods, services, etc. to be contributed:

I, Thomas Abello, the undersigned, hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this report is true and complete, that no information is knowingly withheld and that the purpose of the contribution is not to influence the outcome of the above named study or any subsequent legislative action. I further certify that I, and the employer or organization I represent, if applicable, do not have any pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the above named study. I understand that this contribution is subject to acceptance by the Legislative Council.

Signature of contributor: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>7-7-14</u>
Title: <u>Senior Policy Advisor, The Nature Conservancy</u>	
Witness: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>7-7-14</u>

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Accepted Contribution: YES _____ NO _____ Date: _____

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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: OCEAN ACIDIFICATION STUDY

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Full name of contributor: Sierra Club Maine	Date of contribution: 6/30/14
Address (number and street) of contributor: 44 OAK ST. #301	Amount of contribution: \$ 250
City, state, zip code: PORTLAND, ME 04101	If in-kind, list fair market
SS# OR FED ID #: [REDACTED]	value here and itemize
Occupation: ENVIRONMENTAL WORK	in space provided below. \$
Principal place of business: (SEE ABOVE)	Contributor is: individual <input type="checkbox"/>
	partnership <input type="checkbox"/> corporation <input type="checkbox"/>
	foundation <input type="checkbox"/>

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION

Describe goods, services, etc. to be contributed:

I, Susan L. Barzovics, the undersigned, hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this report is true and complete, that no information is knowingly withheld and that the purpose of the contribution is not to influence the outcome of the above named study or any subsequent legislative action. I further certify that I, and the employer or organization I represent, if applicable, do not have any pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the above named study. I understand that this contribution is subject to acceptance by the Legislative Council.

Signature of contributor: [Signature]	Date: 6/30/14
Title: Co Chair Executive Committee	
Witness: [Signature] / [Signature]	Date: 6/30/14

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACTION

Accept Contribution: YES _____ NO _____

Date:

Sen. Christopher K. Johnson, Chair
Sen. Brian D. Langley
Susie Arnold
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Jon Lewis
Kathleen Leyden
Larry Mayer
Susanne Miller



Rep. Michael G. Devin, Chair
Rep. Wayne R. Parry
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STATE OF MAINE

**Commission to Study the Effects of Coastal and Ocean Acidification
on Commercially Harvested and Grown Species**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House, Chair
Senator Justin L. Alfond, President of the Senate, Vice-Chair
Legislative Council
c/o Suzanne Gresser, Acting Executive Director, Legislative Council

FROM: Senator Chris Johnson and Representative Mick Devin, co-chairs *CKJ MD CCS*
Commission to Study the Potential and Existing Effects of Coastal and Ocean
Acidification on Commercially Harvested and Grown Species

DATE: 17 July 2014

RE: **Request for Approval of In-kind Contribution**

Pursuant to the Legislative Council's policy on studies, section 4 (copy attached), **we are requesting approval of an in-kind contribution (\$761.25) to pay facility and meal costs for the first meeting** of the Commission to Study the Potential and Existing Effects of Coastal and Ocean Acidification on Commercially Harvested and Grown Species. The meeting would be at the University of Maine's Darling Marine Center in Walpole. The Darling Center has raised this amount through the Maine Sea Grant Program.

This contribution to the commission would be above and beyond the currently established budget of the commission. We would note travel expenses and per diem for this meeting would, as allowed under the resolve, come out of the commission's currently established budget.

Background

As you know, the resolve establishing the commission (attached) requires outside funding contributions in the amount of \$1,500 in order for the commission to proceed with its work: The total budget for the commission established by the Council last session is \$3,000, \$1,500 of which is to come from outside funding and \$1,500 from the legislative study budget. The outside funding is subject to approval by the Council. We are hopeful the approval will be granted at your July 24th Council meeting and the commission will be able to move forward.

In anticipation of that approval, we have tentatively planned the commission's first meeting on August 1, 2014 at the University of Maine's Darling Marine Center in Walpole. It is the contribution to funding this meeting for which we are requesting approval. We believe it is logical and appropriate that the commission's first meeting be held at the site of the marine laboratory for the state's flagship university and in a coastal area where key species are commercially grown and harvested. Additionally, meeting at the Center will allow us to convene the state's leading researchers at one of the key labs studying the impacts of coastal and ocean acidification on Maine's marine environment and resources.

As you may know, the University of Maine is a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration designated Sea Grant College. The Sea Grant Program's mission is to provide outreach about and sponsor research and training related to issues that affect those people who depend on the state's coastal and marine resources.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

cc: Members, Commission to Study the Effects of Coastal and Ocean Acidification on
Commercially Harvested and Grown Species
Marion Hylan Barr, OPLA Director

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CERTIFICATION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDY

Name of Study: Coastal & Ocean Acidification Study

CONTRIBUTOR IDENTIFICATION

Full name of contributor: <u>University of Maine Sea Grant</u>	Date of contribution: <u>8/1/17</u>
Address (number and street) of contributor: <u>5784 York Complex #606</u>	Amount of contribution: \$
City, state, zip code: <u>Orono, ME 04469-5784</u>	If in-kind, list fair market value here and itemize <u>\$761.25 (estimated)</u>
SS# OR FED ID #: <u>[REDACTED]</u>	in space provided below. \$
Occupation: <u>Research and Outreach on Marine Issues</u>	Contributor is: individual <input type="checkbox"/>
Principal place of business: <u>Orono, Maine</u>	partnership <input type="checkbox"/> corporation <input type="checkbox"/>
	foundation <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Publicly funded institution of higher learning</u>

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION

Describe goods, services, etc. to be contributed:
Venue at Darling Marine Ctr and food/refreshments for meeting
No deliverables are expected.

I, Lynn Wardwell, the undersigned, hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this report is true and complete, that no information is knowingly withheld and that the purpose of the contribution is not to influence the outcome of the above named study or any subsequent legislative action. I further certify that I, and the employer or organization I represent, if applicable, do not have any pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the above named study. I understand that this contribution is subject to acceptance by the Legislative Council.

Signature of contributor: <u>LWardwell</u>	Date: <u>7/17/2014</u>
Title: <u>Grants Manager, Maine Sea Grant</u>	
Witness: <u>Ruth Villanreal</u>	Date: <u>7/17/2014</u>

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACTION

Accept Contribution: YES _____ NO _____

Date:

MEMORANDUM

TO: Suzanne Gresser, Interim Executive Director
Legislative Council
FROM: Mark Vogelzang, President & CEO - MPBN
DATE: July 18, 2014

Proposed Contract between Legislative Council and MPBN for operation of Maine Capitol Connection (MCC) Channel for 2015-2016 Session

MPBN has initiated a pilot season of the *Maine Capitol Connection (MCC)* Channel, broadcasting the State Legislature from Augusta to homes across the state of Maine. The costs for the pilot season (2013) and the most recent session (2014) of the *Maine Capitol Connection* Channel were underwritten wholly by MPBN, and not paid for in the annual appropriation.

MPBN requests that the State or Legislature would provide direct additional funding through a fee-for-service contract for continued operation of the *Maine Capitol Connection (MCC)* Channel in subsequent years. MPBN has provided all technical and personnel costs in the first two years of operation. To that end, MPBN respectfully requests support from the Legislative Council for funding and technical costs for *MCC* Channel for the upcoming session to be determined no later than September 15, 2014. The cost for one season covering a legislative session, at current levels, is \$450,000, which includes personnel, direct expenses, technical support and infrastructure. Cost details for a 2-year session are delineated below:

MAINE PUBLIC BROADCASTING NETWORK'S Maine Capitol Connection - Operating Expense

	FY15	FY16
<i>Personnel</i>	\$ 170,000	\$ 175,100
<i>Affiliated Expenses</i>	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,450
<i>Marketing</i>	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,300
<i>Equipment</i>	\$ 198,000	\$ 203,940
<i>Overhead (15%)</i>	\$ 58,950	\$ 60,719
TOTAL	\$ 451,950	\$ 465,509

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To: Legislative Council Members

From: Suzanne M. Gresser, Acting Executive Director *smg*

Date: July 23, 2013

Re: FY15 Membership Dues to CSG & NCSL

As you know, the Legislature is a member of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) and the Council of State Governments (CSG), the two principal national organizations for state legislatures. The membership dues to NCSL and CSG for this fiscal year are due in July and the Executive Director's office has made payment to both organizations in the amount that was included in the Legislature's base budget for membership dues. While that amount covered the majority of the dues, like last year, there is a difference between the budgeted amount and this year's dues amount. In order to be fully current with the membership dues for both organizations, the following additional amounts need to be paid: NCSL, \$170 and CSG, \$4,452. With those additional payments, the organizations would be fully paid and Legislature would remain a member in good standing.

There are sufficient funds in the legislative account to cover the payments without affecting overall operations, and there would not be any net increase in the Legislature's budget. I recommend that, as it did in fiscal year 2014, the Legislative Council authorize the above specified payments to NCSL and CSG this month for this fiscal year.

If you have any questions, I would be happy to address them.

Thank you.

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