

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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131<sup>ST</sup> MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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REP. MAUREEN F. TERRY  
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REP. BILLY BOB FAULKINGHAM  
REP. AMY ARATA

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
MEETING SUMMARY  
April 30, 2024  
Approved August 7, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Jackson called the April 30, 2024 meeting of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislative Council to order at 1:20 p.m. in the Legislative Council Chamber.

**ROLL CALL**

Senators: President Jackson, Senator Vitelli, Senator Daughtry, Senator Stewart (via Zoom), and Senator Keim

Representatives: Speaker Talbot Ross, Representative Terry (via Zoom), Representative Cloutier (via Zoom) and Representative Faulkingham

Absent: Representative Arata

Legislative Officers: Suzanne Gresser, Executive Director of the Legislative Council  
Darek Grant, Secretary of the Senate  
Rob Hunt, Assistant Clerk of the House  
Edward Charbonneau, Revisor of Statutes  
Danielle Fox, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis  
Christopher Nolan, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review  
Nik Rende, Director, Office of Legislative Information Technology

President Jackson convened the meeting at 1:20 p.m. with a quorum of members present.

President Jackson announced his intention to take items out of order, and hearing no objection, moved to New Business, Item 1.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Item #1: Consideration of Legislative Study Requests**

At the request of the chair, Ms. Gresser briefly summarized the suggested protocol for reviewing and approving legislative studies, and the Legislative Council voted to approve the protocol. (Motion by Senator Daughtry. Second by Senator Keim. **Motion passed (9-0-0-1**, with Representative Arata absent).

The Legislative Council considered and voted on the legislative study requests in accordance with the approved protocol. Of the 22 studies listed, the council authorized 8 studies, tabled 2 studies, rejected one study, and took no action on 11 studies. The Legislative Council's actions on the legislative studies are included on the attached list.

President Jackson then returned to the printed agenda.

#### **SUMMARY OF MARCH 28, 2024 MEETING OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**Motion:** That the Meeting Summary for March 28, 2024 be accepted and placed on file. Motion by Senator Daughtry. Second by Speaker Talbot Ross. **Motion passed unanimously (9-0-0-1**, with Representative Arata recorded as absent).

#### **REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND COUNCIL OFFICES**

No reports beyond the written Fiscal Report included in the packet.

#### **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

No reports

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS**

With no other business to consider or further announcements, the Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 2:59 p.m.