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LD 1799 / SP0724

An Act to Expand Maine's High-quality Early Learning and Care for Children by Increasing Public Preschool Opportunities in Communities. Presented by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. Public Hearing 05/10/23. Majority (OTP-AM) Report Accepted 06/22/23. Amended by: CA S-395, HA/CA H-726, SA/CA S-493. Final Disposition: Enacted, Signed 07/27/23, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 477.

Original Bill

[LD 1799 \(131st Legis. 2023\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law

[LD 1799 / PL 2023, c. 477](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs

- (Master file available on request—please include citation:cf131-LD-1799.pdf)

[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(EDU\) \(05/10/2023\)](#)

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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(S-395\) \(LD 1799 2023\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment SA/CA \(S-493\) \(LD 1799 2023\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment HA/CA \(H-726\) \(LD 1799 2023\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, April 25, 2023 \(H-356-372\)](#)

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[SENATE, April 25, 2023 \(S-510-537\)](#)

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[SENATE, June 21, 2023 \(S-1328-1413\)](#)

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[HOUSE, June 22, 2023 \(H-1017-1053\)](#)

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p. H-1176 (Amendment(s) S-493, S-395, H-726)

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[HOUSE, January 3, 2024 \(H-1190-1231\)](#)

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[SENATE, January 3, 2024 \(S-1593-1637\)](#)

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Enacted Law or Resolve

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Reports and Other Related Documents

[Report of the Commission to Study Expansion of Public Preschool and Early Care and Education \(January 2024\)](#)

[Maine Department of Education. Initiative, Incentives, and Progress to Expand Public Preschool Programs - New Annual Report \(February 15, 2024\)](#)

News Articles

These bills give real support to teachers and their students (Eloise Vitelli) (Lincoln County News, 5/19/2023, p. 6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD17xx/nc131-LD-1799/Clip23206.pdf)

Addressing the urgent need for improved child care in Maine (Glen Curry "Chip") (Republican Journal, 6/1/2023, p. B4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD17xx/nc131-LD-1799/Republican Journal 230601C.pdf)

Confronting Maine's desperate lack of childcare (Mike Tipping) (Lincoln News/Katahdin Region News, 7/12/2023, p. 14) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD17xx/nc131-LD-1799/Clip23255.pdf)

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