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**131st Legislature (2022-2024)**

**History and Final Disposition**

LD 2167 / HP1387

An Act to Develop Maine's Economy and Strengthen Its Workforce by Establishing an Office of New Americans. Presented by Representative DHALAC of South Portland. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government. Public Hearing 01/30/24. Final Disposition: Carried Over 05/10/24.

**Original Bill**

[LD 2167 \(131st Legis. 2024\)](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government

- (Master file available on request—please include citation:cf131-LD-2167.pdf)

[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(SLG\) \(01/30/2024\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(SLG\) \(02/06/2024\)](#)

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**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

[HOUSE, January 16, 2024 \(H-1246-1249\)](#)

p. H-1247

[SENATE, January 16, 2024 \(S-1663-1667\)](#)

p. S-1665

**News Articles**

Immigrants could help Maine staff workforce (Patrick Whittle) (Bangor Daily News, 1/22/2024, p. C1) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD21xx/nc131-LD-2167/BDN 240120G.pdf)

Mills releases plan to create Office of New Americans (Andy O'Brien) (Amjambo Africa, 2/1/2024, p. 5, 29) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD21xx/nc131-LD-2167/AA 2402A.pdf)

Proposed office in New Americans advances (Rachel Ohm) (Portland Press Herald, 2/8/2024, p. B1, B3) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD21xx/nc131-LD-2167/PPH 240208E.pdf)

When we empower new Mainers, all of Maine thrives (Deqa Dhalac, and Mana Abdi) (Maine Sunday Telegram, 2/21/2024, p. D3) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD21xx/nc131-LD-2167/MST 240218H.pdf)

Welcoming new Americans will make Maine stronger (Allison Hepler) (Times Record (Brunswick), 3/8/2024, p. A4) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD21xx/nc131-LD-2167/Times Record 240308A.pdf)

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