MAINE ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

REPORT DATE: 1/30/2023 LEGISLATIVE REPORT SUMMARY (LD #1- 341) 131st LEGISLATURE / FIRST REGULAR SESSION

MAR POSITION KEY	E COMMITTEE KEY			
S Support	ACF	Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry	IFW	Inland Fisheries & Wildlife
O Oppose	AFA	Appropriations & Financial Affairs	IDEA	Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement & Business
M Monitor	CJ	Criminal Justice & Public Safety	JUD	Judiciary
NFNA Neither For nor	EDU	Education & Cultural Affairs	LBHS	Labor & Housing
Against (will	EUT	Energy, Utilities & Technology	MR	Marine Resources
testify)	ENR	Environment & Natural Resources	SLG	State & Local Government
testify)	HHS	Health & Human Services	TAX	Taxation
	HCIFS	Health Cov, Insurance & Financial Services	TRA	Transportation
	HOU	Housing *New Committee 2023*	VLA	Veterans & Legal Affairs

BILL #	Sponsor	Title	LC Review	Committee	Status	MAR Pos
1	Senator Troy Jackson	An Act to Provide Funding for Winter Emergency Energy Relief and to Finalize the COVID Pandemic Relief Payment Program	1/24/23	n/a	ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3
2	Representative Rachel Talbot Ross	An Act to Address Maine's Housing Crisis	1/24/23	HOU	The Bill was REFERRED to the Joint Select Committee on HOUSING in concurrence	2M
3	Representative Rachel Talbot Ross	An Act to Establish the Winter Energy Relief Payment Program to Aid Residents with High Heating Costs and to Finalize the COVID Pandemic Relief Payment Program	1/24/23	AFA	Signed by the Governor (Emergency Measure)	3
6	Representative Maureen Fitzgerald Terry	Resolve, Authorizing the State TaxAssessor to Convey the Interest of theState in Certain Real Estate in theUnorganized Territory	1/24/23	TAX	Taxation (Joint); January 31, 2023 1:00pm (EST); State House, Room 127	4
7	Representative Maureen Fitzgerald Terry	An Act to Update References to the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986 Contained in the Maine Revised Statutes	1/24/23	TAX	Taxation (Joint); January 31, 2023 1:00pm (EST); State House, Room 127	3M
9	Representative James A. Boyle	An Act to Establish Processing Time Limits for Permit by Rule Applications	1/24/23	ENR	Environment and Natural Resources (Joint); January 30, 2023 10:00am (EST); Cross Building, Room 216	3S

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		Under the Site Location of Development				
		Laws				
11	Representative Kristen	An Act to Strengthen Temporary	1/24/23	HHS	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH	3M
	Cloutier	Protections for Children Living in			AND HUMAN SERVICES in concurrence	
		Dwellings with Identified Lead Hazards				
15	Representative Janice S.	An Act to Amend the Law Governing	1/24/23	EDU	Education and Cultural Affairs (Joint); February 2, 2023	3M
	Dodge	the State Grant Program Administered by the Maine Historic Preservation			1:00pm (EST); Cross Building, Room 208	
		Commission				
17	Representative Bruce A.	An Act to Amend the Membership	1/24/23	TRA	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on	3M
17	White	Requirements of the State Claims	1/2 1/25	intri	TRANSPORTATION in concurrence	5101
		Commission				
20	Representative Jessica L.	An Act to Further Protect Survivors of	1/24/23	JUD	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on	3M
	Fay	Economic Abuse			JUDICIARY in concurrence	
23	Senator Anne Carney	An Act to Limit Public Access to or	1/24/23	JUD	Judiciary (Joint); January 31, 2023 1:00pm (EST); State	3M
		Dissemination of Electronic Citation Information			House, Room 438	
27	Senator Matthew Pouliot	An Act to Align Maine's Lead Abatement Law with Federal Definitions	1/24/23	HHS	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3M
		and to Clarify Lead Abatement				
		Licensing and Certification				
		Requirements				
37	Senator Matthew Pouliot	An Act to Amend the Laws Governing	1/24/23	TAX	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3M
		<u>Property Tax Stabilization for Senior</u> Citizens to Eliminate the Requirement				
		for an Annual Application				
45	Senator Anne Carney	An Act to Prevent Retaliatory Evictions	1/24/23	JUD	Judiciary (Joint); February 9, 2023 1:00pm (EST); State	2M
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49	Senator Trey Stewart	An Act to Authorize the Deorganization	1/24/23	SLG	State and Local Government (Joint); January 31, 2023	4
		of Drew Plantation		~	1:00pm (EST); Cross Building, Room 214	

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54	Representative Adam R. Lee	An Act to Require Compliance with Natural or Agricultural Resource Protection Ordinances	1/24/23	LBHS	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR AND HOUSING in concurrence	3M
55	Representative William R. Bridgeo	An Act to Move the Headquarters for the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife	1/24/23	IFS	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE in concurrence	4
61	Representative Holly Rae Eaton	An Act to Conserve Coastal Habitat by Restricting Rockweed Harvesting on Private Property	1/24/23	MR	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on MARINE RESOURCES in concurrence	38
73	Senator Richard Bennett	An Act to Require Bottled Water Companies to Monitor for Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances	1/24/23	HHS	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	
75	Senator Richard Bennett	An Act to Establish Maximum Contaminant Levels Under the State's Drinking Water Rules to Prohibit Certain Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances	1/24/23	HHS	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3M
81	Representative Michele Meyer	An Act to Address Recovery Residence Participation in the Municipal General Assistance Program	1/24/23	HHS	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES in concurrence	3M
85	Senator James Libby	Resolve, Directing the Maine Turnpike Authority to Study Adding Exits off the Maine Turnpike to Aid Economic Development	1/24/23	TRA	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	
89	Representative Stephen W. Moriarty	An Act to Clarify Eligibility for Property Tax Stabilization for Individuals 65 Years of Age or Older	1/24/23	TAX	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on TAXATION in concurrence	
91	Representative Stephen W. Moriarty	An Act to Adopt the National 2022 Amendments to the Uniform Commercial Code	1/24/23	JUD	Judiciary (Joint); January 31, 2023 1:00pm (EST); State House, Room 438	3M

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101	Representative Chad Richard Perkins	An Act to Return to the Former Owner Any Excess Funds Remaining After the Sale of Foreclosed Property	1/24/23	TAX	Taxation (Joint); February 7, 2023 1:00pm (EST); State House, Room 127	3M
107	Representative Daniel J. Ankeles	An Act Regarding Municipal Efforts to Avert Evictions and Heating Shut-offs During Winter	1/24/23	n/a	On motion by Senator Nangle of Cumberland, REFERRED to the Joint Select Committee on Housing, in concurrence.	3M
114	Senator Donna Bailey	An Act to Make Technical Amendments to Banking Laws	1/24/23	HCIFS	Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services (Joint); January 31, 2023 1:00pm (EST); Cross Building, Room 220	3M
115	Senator Donna Bailey	An Act to Protect Minors from Exploitation by Adults for Violation of Privacy	1/24/23	CJ	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3M
119	Senator Chip Curry	An Act to Clarify the Boundary Between Waldo and Knox Counties in Penobscot Bay	1/24/23	SLG	State and Local Government (Joint); January 31, 2023 1:00pm (EST); Cross Building, Room 214	4
130	Representative Richard Bennett	An Act to Eliminate Senior Citizen Property Tax Stabilization and Expand the Homestead Property Tax Exemption	1/24/23	TAX	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3M
132	Senator Stacy Brenner	An Act to Require Health Insurance Carriers to Provide Coverage for Blood Testing for Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances	1/24/23	HCIFS	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3M
144	Representative Melanie Sachs	An Act Regarding the Monitoring of Municipal Abandoned Property	1/24/23	TAX	Taxation (Joint); February 7, 2023 1:00pm (EST); State House, Room 127	3M
149	Senator Donna Bailey	An Act to Amend the Definition of "Homestead" Under the Homestead Property Tax Exemption Laws	1/24/23	TAX	Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (Joint); February 6, 2023 9:00am (EST); Cross Building, Room 214	3M
153	Representative Janice Dodge	An Act to Allow Electronic Distribution of Certain Documents to Municipalities and Electronic Acknowledgment of	1/24/23	SLG	State and Local Government (Joint); January 31, 2023 1:00pm (EST); Cross Building, Room 214	4

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		Receipt of Certain Documents as Acceptable Communications				
159	Representative Roger Albert	An Act to Facilitate the Construction of a Firehouse by Sinclair Township	1/24/23	ACF	Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (Joint); February 6, 2023 9:00am (EST); Cross Building, Room 214	4
164	Representative William Bridgeo	An Act to Fund the Lake Restoration and Protection Fund	1/24/23	ENR	Environment and Natural Resources (Joint); January 30, 2023 9:00am (EST); Cross Building, Room 216	3M
166	Representative Lynn Williams	An Act to Provide Revenue for Property <u>Tax Relief and Capital Infrastructure</u> <u>Projects</u>	1/24/23	SLG	State and Local Government (Joint); January 31, 2023 1:00pm (EST); Cross Building, Room 214	3M
167	Representative Arthur Bell	An Act Regarding Eligibility for the Maine Resident Homestead Property Tax Exemption	1/24/23	TAX	Taxation (Joint); February 7, 2023 1:00pm (EST); State House, Room 127	3M
169	Representative Richard H. Campbell	An Act to Amend and Clarify the Laws Governing Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances and Other Harmful Chemicals	1/24/23	ENR	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES in concurrence	3M
170	Representative Amy Arata	An Act to Clarify the Authority of the Director of the Real Estate Commission to Dismiss Certain Claims That Do Not Allege Violations of Law or Rules	1/24/23	IDEA	Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business (Joint); February 7, 2023 1:00pm (EST); Cross Building, Room 206	3M
171	Senator Richard Campbell	An Act to Provide That All Rules Regarding Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Are Major Substantive Rules	1/24/23	ENR	R The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES in concurrence	
180	Senator Russell Black	An Act to Allow a Person to File a Paper Copy of a Timber Harvest Notification Form	1/24/23	ACF	Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (Joint); February 6, 2023 9:00am (EST); Cross Building, Room 214	4
187	Senator Mark Lawrence	An Act to Eliminate the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Resource Fund	1/24/23	EUT	Energy, Utilities and Technology (Joint); February 2, 2023 1:00pm (EST); Cross Building, Room 211	3M

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188	Senator James Libby	An Act to Require the Department of Environmental Protection to Pay for Certain Water Tests for Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances	1/24/23	ENR	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3M
196	Representative Matt Moonen	An Act to Implement the <u>Recommendations of the Probate and</u> <u>Trust Law Advisory Commission for</u> <u>Amending the Maine Uniform Probate</u> <u>Code and Related Provisions of Law</u>	1/24/23	JUD	Judiciary (Joint); January 31, 2023 1:00pm (EST); State House, Room 438	3M
206	Representative Melanie F. Sachs	An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations from the General Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Yea	1/24/23	AFA	Hearings week of January 23.	3М
207	Representative Joshua Morris	An Act to Transfer Responsibility for Administering the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code from the Department of Public Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal to the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation	1/24/23	n/a	Unfinished Business	3M
210	Representative Tavis Rock Hasenfus	An Act to Expand the List of Persons Exempt from the Real Estate Transfer Tax	1/24/23	TAX	Taxation (Joint); February 7, 2023 1:00pm (EST); State House, Room 127	3М
211	Representative Jessica L. Fay	An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Water Supply Protection Funds	1/24/23	EUT	Energy, Utilities and Technology (Joint); February 7, 2023 1:00pm (EST); Cross Building, Room 211	3M
214	Representative Richard H. Campbell	An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Zoning and Land Use Restrictions to Limit Certain Requirements to	1/24/23	n/a	Unfinished Business	20

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		Municipalities with a Population of More than 10,000				
217	Representative Richard H. Campbell	An Act to Support Manufacturers Whose Products Contain Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances	1/24/23	ENR	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES in concurrence	3M
219	Representative Richard T. Bradstreet	An Act to Promote Equity in the Permitting Appeals Process	1/24/23	ENR	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES in concurrence	3M
220	Representative Timothy C. Guerrette	An Act to Support Maine's Potato Farmers and Processors	1/24/23	ACF	Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (Joint); February 6, 2023 9:00am (EST); Cross Building, Room 214	3M
226	Representative Rebecca J. Millett	An Act to Address Maine's Affordable Housing Crisis	1/24/23	n/a	Sent for concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	28
230	Representative Daniel Joseph Shagoury	Resolve, to Require the Maine National Guard to Sell Certain Property in Hallowell	1/24/23	VLA	Veterans and Legal Affairs (Joint); February 6, 2023 10:00am (EST); State House Room437	4
238	Representative Abigail W. Griffin	An Act to Create a Program for Mortgage Assistance for Persons with Illnesses Related to COVID-19	1/24/23	IDEA	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS in concurrence	3M
240	Representative Stanley Paige Zeigler Jr.	An Act to Increase Public Access to Utilities	1/24/23	EUT	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY in concurrence	3M
246	Senator Craig Hickman	An Act to Amend the Campaign Finance Laws	1/24/23	n/a	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3M
247	Senator Craig Hickman	An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Elections	1/24/23	n/a	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3M
249	Senator Craig Hickman	An Act to Amend the Campaign Finance Laws Regarding Political Action Committees	1/24/23	n/a	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	3M
250	Senator Matthew Pouliot	An Act to Improve Housing by Increasing Housing Options	1/24/23	n/a	In concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.	2M

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258	Representative Melanie F. Sachs	An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations from the General Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Endi		AFA	The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS in concurrence	3M
262	Representative Tiffany Roberts	An Act to Strengthen Maine's Workforce		n/a	Printed	3M
274	Representative Ankeles	An Act Regarding Municipal Costs for Water Used for Firefighting		n/a	Printed	3M
276	Representative Daniel J. Ankeles	An Act to Assist Municipalities in Preventing Damage from Storm Water		n/a	Printed	3M
277	Representative Jessica L. Fay	An Act Regarding Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances		n/a	Printed	3M
283	Representative Ann Higgins Matlack	An Act to Make Technical Changes to the Maine Tax Laws		n/a	Printed	3M
288	Representative Lookner	An Act Concerning Housing and Support Services for At-risk Youth and Youth Who Have Committed Juvenile Crimes		n/a	Printed	3M
289	Representative Wayne R. Parry	An Act to Require the State to Purchase Farms Contaminated with Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances		n/a	Printed	3M
295	Representative Lori K. Gramlich	An Act Regarding Plastic Pollution		n/a	Printed	3M
298	Representative Williams	An Act to Study the Shared Use of the Public Right of Way		n/a	Printed	3M

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304	Representative Benjamin C. Hymes	An Act to Establish Statewide Standards for Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances		n/a	Printed	3M
306	Representative Lori K. Gramlich	An Act Related to Water		n/a	Printed	3M
310	Representative Amanda N. Collamore	An Act to Increase the Workforce in the State		n/a	Printed	3M
314	Senator Craig Hickman	An Act to Establish the Permanent Commission on the Status of Housing in Maine		n/a	Printed	2M
315	Senator Ingwersen	An Act to Provide Funding for Drought Relief and Other Programs Benefiting Maine Farmers		n/a	Printed	3M
319	Senator Jeffrey Timberlake	An Act to Amend Maine's Underground Oil Storage Tank Laws		n/a	Printed	3M
323	Senator Mike Tipping	An Act to Improve Compliance with Maine's Implied Warranty Law		n/a	Printed	3M
330	Senator Mike Tipping	An Act to Ensure Legal Representation for Residents Facing Eviction		n/a	Printed	3M
332	Senator Craig Hickman	An Act to Amend the State's Election Laws		n/a	Printed	3M
337	Representative Cheryl A. Golek	An Act to Amend the Regulations of Manufactured Housing to Increase Affordable Housing		n/a	Printed	3M
341	Representative John "Jack" E. Ducharme III	An Act to Amend the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law to Encourage Housing Construction		n/a	Printed	35