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Board of Commissioners Meeting – July 20, 2021 9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD: Lincoln Merrill, Jr. (Chair), Daniel Brennan, Henry Beck, Bonita Usher (Vice Chair), Kevin P. Joseph (Secretary), Laura Buxbaum, Brian Hubbell, Nancy Harrison, and John Wasileski

9:00	Adopt Agenda (VOTE)	Lincoln Merrill
	Approve minutes of June 15, 2021 meeting (VOTE)	All
	Communications and Conflicts	All
	Chair of the Board Updates	Lincoln Merrill
	Director Updates	Peter Merrill
9:30	Public Hearing - Weatherization Waiver Request	Troy Fullmer/Linda Uhl
9:45	Maine Energy, Housing and Economic Recovery (MEHER) Bonds Resolution (VOTE)	Tom Cary
10:15	Legislation Update	Erik Jorgensen
10:30	Adjourn (VOTE)	All
	Tour of Building	All



Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting June 15, 2021

MEETING CONVENED

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for MaineHousing convened on June 15, 2021 virtually. Notice of the meeting was published on June 4, 2021 in Central Maine newspapers.

Chair Lincoln Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Director Dan Brennan and Commissioners Laura Buxbaum, Kevin Joseph, Bonita Usher, John Wasileski, Nancy Harrison and State Treasurer Henry Beck, all attended via video conference because of COVID-19. There were no other persons at their locations. Commissioner Brian Hubbell was absent. There was a quorum present.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Guests and staff present for all or part of the meeting included: Linda Uhl, Chief Counsel; Peter Merrill, Deputy Director; Denise Lord, Senior Director of Communications and Planning; Troy Fullmer, Manager of HEAP; Daniel Drost, Director of Energy and Housing Services; Cara Courchesne, Communications Coordinator; Linda Grotton, Director of Audit and Compliance; Jane Whitley, Director of Human Resources and Facilities; Erik Jorgensen, Director of Government Relations; Craig Reynolds, Director of Homeownership; Tom Cary, Treasurer; John Bobrowiecki, Counsel; Tracy Snowden, Office Coordinator; Karen Lawlor, Executive Administrator; Laurie Murray, Director of Emergency Rental Assistance Programs; Allison Gallagher, Director of Housing Choice Vouchers; Lauren Bustard, Senior Director of Programs; Brianna Martin, HCV Occupancy-FSS Specialist; Laurie Glidden, FSS Coordinator; Mark Wiesendanger, Director of Development; Brenda Sylvester, Community Housing of Maine, Inc.; Gerrylynn Ricker, Paralegal and Note taker.

ADOPT AGENDA

Commissioner Usher made a motion seconded by Commissioner Joseph to adopt the June 15, 2021 agenda. The vote carried unanimously.

APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2021 MEETING

Commissioner Buxbaum made a motion seconded by Commissioner Harrison to accept the May 18, 2021 minutes as written. The vote carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS

Commissioner Joseph reported that he advised a gentlemen to call MaineHousing.

CHAIR OF THE BOARD UPDATES

None

DIRECTOR UPDATES

Director Brennan reported issues, his activities and upcoming matters as follows:

- Recognition, praise, thanks and wishes of luck were extended to Laurie Murray and John Bobrowiecki who will be retiring in the month of June.
- Focus is still on the transition from ERA 1.0 to ERA 2.0. Hope to transition in early July.
- Working closely with Senator Anne Carney on eviction prevention and housing stability in ERA and working with Pine Tree Legal.

- Met with Speaker Ryan Fecteau, Hannah Pingree of the Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and Future, and the Maine Affordable Housing Coalition on a number of initiatives including the issuance of additional Part E bonds.
- Attended, in person, the Central Maine Growth Council meeting in Waterville. Met with the economic development director and discussed affordable housing issues.
- Restructuring the asset management department and hiring new staff in several positions.
- Attended the Maine Affordable Housing Coalition meeting.
- Attended a meeting with the Statewide Homeless Council.
- Attended the NCSHA executive directors' forum.
- MaineHousing offices will open to the public June 30. We will review telecommuting policies over the next few weeks.
- October 20 and 21 is the Affordable Housing Conference in two virtual half day sessions.
- The pre-applications for the 9% program are in. 13 projects with 563 units.
- Signed an Agreement with the Maine Association of Public Housing Directors whereby they will offer the landlord incentives programs that MaineHousing offers.
- Participating in the Best Places to Work study. This provides great feedback from the staff.
- Re-engaging Gallagher and Associates for a new compensation study.

ADOPT CHAPTER 24 – HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM RULE AND PROGRAM YEAR 2022 PROPOSED STATE PLAN

Manager of HEAP, Troy Fullmer, reviewed the stakeholders' input and the comments received at the public hearings and MaineHousing's response to those comments. There were five total comments received. In response to a question from Commissioner Harrison, Troy stated that few individuals receive direct payment.

Commissioner Joseph made a motion seconded by Commissioner Buxhaum to repeal the existing Home Energy Assistance Program Rule, Chapter 24 of MaineHousing's rules, and replace it with the replacement Home Energy Assistance Program Rule attached to the memo on adoption of the Home Energy Assistance Program Rule and Federal Fiscal Year 2022 State Plan from Manager of HEAP Troy Fullmer and Chief Counsel Linda Uhl to the Board of Commissioners dated June 8, 2021. The vote carried unanimously.

Commissioner Usher made a motion seconded by Commissioner Harrison to adopt the Federal Fiscal Year 2022 Home Energy Assistance Program State Plan as attached to the memo on adoption of the Home Energy Assistance Program Rule and Federal Fiscal Year 2022 State Plan from Manager of HEAP Troy Fullmer and Chief Counsel Linda Uhl to the Board of Commissioners dated June 8, 2021. The vote carried unanimously.

HEAP WEATHERIZATION WAIVER REQUEST

Manager of HEAP, Troy Fullmer, explained to the Board that grantees of HEAP funds are allowed to use 15% of those funds for weatherization and also seek a waiver to transfer an additional 10% of the HEAP grant for weatherization measures. We will hold a public hearing at the July Board meeting to receive public input on such waiver and we will ask the Board to approve the waiver at the August Board meeting. The Board encouraged more outreach and resources for the CAPS.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

Director of Government Relations, Erik Jorgensen, reported there were over 100 bills relating to our work and it was the last week of the legislative session. The bills that have passed and are in Appropriations for funding total well above \$1.5 billion. Some interesting bills include: an extension of the historic property tax credit; a proposed study on zoning rules and barriers to housing; and a bill from Senator Carney that helps people who are facing eviction get representation

in court. One bill we are watching provides property tax relief to seniors based on income, which is a good concept but part of the funding would come from our HOME fund. We are working with Appropriations to find a different source of funding. Erik also mentioned bills on the following: a State Section 8 program; bond issues for shelters and for weatherization; tiny homes; recovery houses; and helping towns turn abandoned houses into useful housing stock.

DRAFT HCV ANNUAL PLAN REVIEW

Director of Housing Choice Vouchers, Allison Gallagher, advised the Commissioners that she will review the 2022 Housing Choice Voucher Annual Plan at the August meeting. The public notice will be published in newspapers statewide; Allison will seek feedback and recommendations from the Resident Advisory Board; the public hearing will be held at the September 2021 Board meeting; and Allison will ask the Commissioners to adopt the Plan at the October meeting.

RESTART PROGRAM

Director of Housing Choice Vouchers, Allison Gallagher, introduced Brianna Martin, HCV Occupancy-FSS Specialist, and Laurie Glidden, FSS Coordinator, who presented a slide show presentation explaining the Family Self Sufficiency program and told a couple success stories.

COVID FUNDING

Senior Director of Communications and Planning Denise Lord, Director of Emergency Rental Assistance Laurie Murray, Director of Housing Choice Vouchers Allison Gallagher, and Director of Energy and Housing Services Daniel Drost gave an overview of the funds MaineHousing is receiving from the Federal government for COVID recovery. The funds are described in a document sent to the Board prior to the meeting.

FUTURE PRESENTATIONS/TOPICS

Director Brennan explained that we can educate or present the Board on different areas of our business at the Board meetings. Commissioner Joseph would like to have client testimonies or groups such as oil dealers or landlords come speak. Commissioner Wasileski is interested in geographical distribution of funds; assisting in lobbying the Governor's office or Congressional staff; moderate income assisted living in Maine; and focus on COVID and vaccinations among staff and in projects.

JULY MEETING

Director Brennan and the Commissioners scheduled a July 20, 2021 Board meeting for the public hearing on the HEAP weatherization waiver and for authorization to issue Part E Bonds.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

In response to a question from Commissioner Harrison, Director of Homeownership Craig Reynolds said reservations are not falling out due to delays in getting appraisals or contracts expiring and there has been no increase in multi-family financing or modular home financing.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Wasileski made a motion seconded by Commissioner Buxbaum to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:42 a.m. by unanimous vote of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin P. Joseph, Secretary



Energy & Housing Services Department Memorandum

To: MaineHousing Board of Commissioners

From: Troy Fullmer, Manager of HEAP J.F.

Date: July 6, 2021

Subject: Waiver Request for PY2021 HEAP Weatherization Funding

MaineHousing is pursuing a wavier to the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) Statute related to funding limits for weatherization services provided within the HEAP. HEAP grantees can allocate up to fifteen percent (15%) of their annual HEAP funding towards installing cost-effective measures in dwellings occupied by eligible households to increase energy efficiency while ensuring health and safety. MaineHousing is seeking a waiver from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to exceed the maximum percentage limits placed on funds used for weatherization services from fifteen percent (15%) up to a maximum of twenty-five (25%) for the PY2021 HEAP grant award.

HEAP weatherization funds support installation of weatherization measures; repair and replacement of unsafe, inefficient and/or non-working primary heating systems; and installation of heat pumps. These activities align with and support several statewide initiatives, including meeting the requirements of LD 1766 "An Act To Transform Maine's Heat Pump Market To Advance Economic Security and Climate Objectives" and the Maine Climate Council's plan.

Currently, MaineHousing has allocated fifteen percent (15%) of PY2021 HEAP funds to weatherization. The rationale to seek a waiver for the HEAP weatherization funding cap is driven by several factors:

- 1. MaineHousing forecasted a six percent (6%) increase in households eligible for a regular HEAP benefit in PY2021 compared to PY2020. As of July 1, 2021, Maine was down by nearly five percent (5%) with households certified eligible for a regular HEAP benefit compared to the same time last year. MaineHousing is forecasting that Maine won't achieve the forecasted increase in additional households receiving a regular HEAP benefit;
- Maine received ~\$3 million of additional HEAP funds through the CARES act. These funds supported fully funding HEAP weatherization at fifteen percent (15%) in PY2020 and set aside an additional \$1.5 million for Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP) services in PY2021 (\$3 million total); and
- 3. ECIP was underutilized, spending only ~\$800,000 (\$2.2 million not used for ECIP as planned).

Maine is still processing PY2021 HEAP applications through July 31, 2021; therefore, a precise amount available cannot be determined at this time. After payment of all eligible applications, Maine will transfer additional funds to weatherization if total grant expenditures are projected to be less than ninety (90%) of the PY2021 grant award.



Treasury Department Memorandum

To: Board of Commissioners

From: Tom Cary

Date: July 14, 2021

Subject: A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Maine Energy, Housing and Economic

Recovery Revenue Bonds

At the Commissioners' meeting on July 20, 2021 you will be asked to adopt a resolution which would authorize the issuance of up to \$100 million Maine Energy, Housing and Economic Recovery Revenue Bonds, ("MEHER Bonds") for the purpose of providing subsidy for several production programs and to refund \$19,180,000 of 2010 MEHER Bonds which are currently outstanding. I have attached a copy of an authorizing resolution. This resolution is substantially similar to the resolution adopted by the Commissioner's on June 15, 2010 which authorized the issuance of \$49,600,000 of 2010 MEHER Bonds which were issued October 14, 2010. I have also attached a redlined copy of the resolution which highlights changes made to the 2010 resolution.

Background

The MEHER program funds are intended, per the legislation, to provide a source of funds to provide affordable housing for families in the state and improve the energy efficiency of housing through the construction and substantial rehabilitation of multi-family housing and the replacement of older substandard manufactured housing units. The proceeds of the 2010 MEHER Bonds were used as followed;

9%/4% Multi-Family	\$24 Million
Supportive Housing	\$15 Million
Mobile Home Replacement	\$6 Million
Island/Rural Housing	\$3 Million
<u> </u>	\$48 Million

Use of Proceeds

It is our expectation that the lendable proceeds of a new issue of MEHER Bonds will be used to make either forgivable grants or 0% loans in connection with various programs.

We are instructed by the legislation to seek to achieve the following targets in allocating the MEHER funds over time;

30% to multi-family for seniors 30% to multi-family for any age 10% to serve special needs populations 10% to replace substandard manufactured housing

There is also a directive to design programs so that up to 30% of proceeds could be used in smaller rural communities.

Source of Debt Service Payments

The MEHER Bonds are issued by MaineHousing but the annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are paid out of the State's share of the Real Estate Transfer Tax.

Ten percent (10%) of the revenue from the Real Estate Transfer Tax is retained by the respective counties. Each month the counties transfer 90% of the tax revenues received in the prior month to the State. The MEHER bond indenture defines this 90% portion as the "Treasurers Portion of the Real Estate Transfer Tax". Half of the Treasurers Portion is deposited in the HOME Fund and sent to MaineHousing and the remaining 50% of the Treasurers Portion is retained by the State and is available to pay debt service on the MEHER Bonds.

<u>Issuance Limitations</u>

The law limits the amount of MEHER Bonds outstanding at any time to \$200 million. In addition, per the MEHER Bond Indenture, MaineHousing must certify that the maximum annual debt service of the MEHER Bonds in no greater than 45% of the lesser of (i) 50% of the Treasurer's Portion received in the prior year or (ii) the average annual amount of 50% of the Treasurer's Portion for the prior 5 years.

In 2010, per the limitations described above, we were limited to an issue with a maximum annual debt service of \$4.3 million. The \$48,600,000 2010 MEHER Bonds were structured with level debt service of \$4.3 million per year ending in 2026.

Due to an increase in Real Estate Transfer Tax revenues MEHER Bonds issued in 2021 could have maximum annual debt service of \$7.6 million.

2021 MEHER Bond Issue

We anticipate getting the go ahead to sell MEHER bonds in 2021 with maximum annual debt service starting at the current level of \$4.3 million. In today's rate environment, a 15 year issue structured with level annual debt service at \$4.3 million, would generate \$50 million - \$55 million in bond proceeds. \$19,180,000 of the proceeds would be used to refund the outstanding 2010 MEHER Bonds.

If we were instructed to increase annual debt service to the \$7.6 million level, an additional \$40 million - \$45 million could be issued in a second phase.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF MAINE ENERGY, HOUSING AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY REVENUE BONDS AND APPROVING RELATED MATTERS

Be It Resolved by the Commissioners of Maine State Housing Authority ("MaineHousing") on July 20, 2021, that this Resolution is adopted as follows:

SECTION 1. Authorization of Bonds. Special, limited obligation bonds of MaineHousing are hereby authorized to be issued, entitled the "Maine Energy, Housing and Economic Recovery Revenue Bonds" (the "Bonds"), for the purpose of providing funds for any project authorized under applicable law or to refund such bonds previously issued for such purpose, which Bonds are to be paid from revenues received by MaineHousing for deposit in the Maine Energy, Housing and Economic Recovery Fund ("MEHER Fund"). The MEHER Fund shall be a special trust fund comprised of (i) the State of Maine's (the "State") portion of those real estate transfer taxes required to be transferred to the MEHER Fund pursuant to Chapter 711-A of Title 36 of the Maine Revised Statues, as amended from time to time ("Chapter 711-A"); (ii) any earnings on amounts on deposit in the MEHER Fund; and (iii) any other funds available to MaineHousing which MaineHousing directs to be deposited in the MEHER Fund. The Bonds are to be special, limited obligations of MaineHousing payable solely from the Trust Estate pledged therefor under the Indenture, and the Bonds shall not constitute a loan of the credit of the State, any debt of the State, or any indebtedness of the State within any constitutional or statutory debt limitation or restriction, nor shall the Bonds be payable out of any funds of MaineHousing other than the Trust Estate pledged under the Indenture.

SECTION 2. **Indenture**. The Bonds are to be issued and secured under the Indenture, dated as of September 1, 2010 (the "Indenture"), by and between MaineHousing and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), and one or more Series Indentures, by and between MaineHousing and the Trustee, specifying the terms of the related series of Bonds (collectively, referred to herein as the "Series Indentures"), and the Director or Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such amendments to the Indenture, and such Series Indentures with such changes, insertions or omissions, all as shall be approved by the Director, the Treasurer, or the delegatee or designee thereof (referred to herein as an "Authorized Officer"), including a determination of the Capital Reserve Fund Maximum Requirement (as defined in the Indenture), if deemed appropriate and necessary, such person's execution thereof to be conclusive evidence of the approval thereof by the Commissioners.

SECTION 3. **Terms of the Bonds**. The Bonds are to be issued in one or more separate Series, each pursuant to a Series Indenture, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100,000,000, are to be dated, mature on a date not later than 20 years from the closing of the sale of each such Series of Bonds, bear interest at an overall interest cost not to exceed 6% per annum, and be subject to redemption, all as are set forth in the Indenture and the related Series Indenture. The principal amount of the Bonds issued pursuant to the Series Indentures shall not exceed the principal amount of Bonds authorized to be issued pursuant to the Maine Housing Authorities Act, being Title 30-A, Chapter 201 of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, as amended and supplemented from time to time (the "MaineHousing Act") and Chapter 711-A. Upon issuance of Bonds under the Indenture, MaineHousing shall certify that the amount in the Capital Reserve

Fund shall be equal to the Capital Reserve Fund Maximum Requirement (as defined in the Indenture), if any, and that all accumulations required to be made into the Bond Payment Fund, or other similar account for Outstanding Bonds, are current as required pursuant to the terms of the Indenture and Chapter 711-A.

The execution and delivery of the Indenture and each Series Indenture conforming to the terms set forth in this Resolution shall constitute conclusive evidence of the approval of the final terms of the Bonds by the Commissioners. An Authorized Officer is authorized and directed to execute the Bonds in the form established by the Indenture by her/his manual or facsimile signature. Following such execution of the Bonds, an Authorized Officer is authorized and directed to cause the Trustee to authenticate such Bonds at such time and in such manner as to assure proper delivery thereof pursuant to the Purchase Contract described in the following Section 4.

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SECTION 5. **Official Statement**. Each Series of Bonds are to be offered pursuant to an Official Statement (the "Official Statement"). The distribution by the Underwriters of a Preliminary Official Statement, to elicit investors' indications of interest in purchasing the Bonds, is hereby approved. An Authorized Officer is hereby authorized and directed to execute and approve the distribution of the final Official Statement (with pricing terms included therein) and deliver a Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 Certificate in connection with the distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement, such Authorized Officer's execution thereof to be conclusive evidence of the approval thereof by the Commissioners.

SECTION 6. **Other Approvals**. The Authorized Officers of MaineHousing are each hereby authorized and directed to do all things required of them by the documents and instruments described in this Resolution, and all prior actions taken by officers of MaineHousing in connection with the issuance and sale of each Series of Bonds are hereby ratified and approved.

SECTION 7. **Effective Date**. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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the Maine Housing Authorities Act, being Title 30—A, Chapter 201 of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, as amended and supplemented from time to time (the "MaineHousing Act") and Chapter 711-A. Upon issuance of the Bonds under the Indenture, MaineHousing shall certify that, upon issuance of such Bonds, the amount in the Capital Reserve Fund shall be equal to the Capital Reserve Fund Maximum Requirement (as defined in the Indenture), if any, and that all accumulations required to be made into the Bond Payment Fund, or other similar account for Outstanding Bonds, are current as required pursuant to the terms of the Indenture and Chapter 711-A.

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SECTION 7. **Effective Date**. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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Memorandum

To: Board of Commissioners

From: Peter Merrill, Deputy Director

Date: July 13, 2021

Subject: Legislative Update

We have included two documents for your review. The first is a spread sheet that lists all of the bills we followed this session. The second is a summary of the more significant bills, their status, our analysis, and our position. The Legislature will not complete its work until Monday, July 19th. The status of a few of these bills will be determined then. (The status of at least two of them changed last night and today.)

We will review these at our meeting and provide additional updates. If you have any questions, please let me know. If there are any bills not listed that you are curious about, we're happy to check on them.



MAINEHOUSING LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

130th Legislature 2021 First Session and Special Sessions

The 130th Legislature convened in its first regular session and first special sessions between January and July of 2021. While MaineHousing monitored bills in addition to the ones shown in this document, these represent those legislative items in which MSHA had a particular interest. Bill provisions that specifically require action of MSHA are shown in bold.

In addition to the bills shown below, which we are monitoring, MaineHousing also supported a handful of bond proposals, all of which have been back-burnered for consideration in the second regular session. These include our bill, LD 175, to Create and Enhance Regional Homeless Shelters (Cloutier); LD 218, to Accelerate Weatherization Efforts and Rep. Babbidge's bill for a senior housing bond. These items will likely be considered at the very end of the next regular session.

If you are viewing this document electronically, the LD numbers shown in the leftmost column are linked to the legislature's bill tracking system, which provides broader information, bill status, and testimony.

LD	TITLE	CHIEF SPONSOR	STATUS
<u>20</u>	An Act To Provide for the 2021 and 2022 Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds	Curry	IN LAW

This is a special law bill, a version of which is passed annually to set allocations authorizing entities in Maine that sell private activity bonds to proceed with bond sales for the coming year. Routine but important. MSHA POSITION: Support

<u>32</u>	An Act Regarding Remote Participation in Public Proceedings	Trey Stewart	IN LAW
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This was the surviving bill out of several statutes aimed at codifying remote meeting standards for agencies with rulemaking authority. MaineHousing was concerned that the authority that we currently have to hold remote meetings might be altered or eliminated. The intent was to focus this measure on elected officials rather than entities like MaineHousing. The final legislation left us alone. MSHA POSITION: Support as amended

<u>201</u>	An Act To Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Promote Weatherization in the Buildings Sector by Extending the Sunset Date for the Historic Property Rehabilitation Tax Credit	Libby	AFA TABLE
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This bill extends the popular and effective historic preservation rehabilitation tax credit, a measure that has allowed for the restoration, to National Park Service standards, of historic structures around Maine. Many of these have provided new affordable housing units due to an affordable housing incentive included in the law. Because this tax credit is undergoing a routine OPEGA evaluation this year, the bill was amended from a 2040 Sunset to a 2030 sunset in order to give the legislature a chance to complete and analyze the assessment. For unknown reasons the bill was carried over on the table and will not go into effect this year. MSHA POSITION: Support

An Act To Support Emergency Shelter Access for Persons Experiencing Homelessness	Cloutier	AFA TABLE
Homelessness		TABLE

This bill proposes to increase the shelter **operating subsidy, administered by MaineHousing**, to provide more operating funds for Maine's homeless shelters. It includes a straight \$3 million General Fund appropriation per year for this purpose. While the bill passed, it has not yet been funded and remains tabled. MSHA POSITION: Support

<u>473</u>	An Act To Create the Maine Rental Assistance and Voucher Guarantee Program	Morales	AFA TABLE
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LD 473 is a bill that is aimed at establishing a state-level housing voucher program through the Maine State Housing Authority. This is a perennial proposal, and with Housing Choice vouchers costing around \$8,000 each per year, the fiscal logistics of providing this form of assistance at a state level are daunting. The bill proposed a \$9M per year General Fund appropriation. We were happy to see that 200 new housing choice vouchers have been provided to Maine through ARPA which might help meet this need using federal funds. If this is funded MSHA will be responsible for administering the program. MSHA POSITION: Support, though we expressed concern about long-term feasibility of using state funds for this purpose.

475 Resolve, To Create the Frequent Users System Engagement Collaborative Morales IN I
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This bill seeks to address the problem of frequent users of the highest-cost services in the homelessness support system, such as emergency shelters, psychiatric hospitals, emergency departments, jails and prisons. The "collaborative" is a commission **appointed by the director of MaineHousing** which will plan to provide stable housing for 200 persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. MSHA POSITION: Support

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	<u>609</u>	Resolve, To Establish a Commission To Increase Housing Opportunities in Maine by Studying Zoning and Land Use Restrictions	R. Fecteau	IN LAW

This high-profile bill will establish a commission appointed by the legislature to study barriers to housing that are caused by land use regulation. The commission will examine the factors that prevent housing development, review conditions in other states, consider the impact of race and racism, and consider measures that would increase housing options. The commission will include the Director of the Maine State Housing Authority or his designee. MSHA POSITION: Support

<u>654</u>	An Act To Create a 24-hour Shelter Capital Project Funding Program	Arford	AFA TABLE
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Rep. Arford's bill seeks to provide **Maine State Housing Authority** with a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$3,000,000 to support capital improvements at emergency homeless shelters around Maine. We would gladly use and distribute these funds but the bill is not likely to be funded due to its cost. MSHA POSITION: Support

<u>660</u>	An Act Regarding Protection from Power Outages for Tenants 65 Years of Age and Older in Subsidized Housing	Head	DEAD
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This bill sought to require emergency electrical generators in all subsidized housing projects for the elderly. MaineHousing testified neither for nor against the measure, noting that while well intentioned, it would place a significant burden on facility owners and managers and that many of these structures are already so equipped. The bill collapsed under its own weight, having left many details unconsidered. MSHA POSITION: Neither For Nor Against

<u>681</u>	An Act Clarifying the Removal Process of Individuals from Certain Facilities Not Governed By Title 14 of the Maine Revised Statutes	Libby	STUDY TABLE
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With this bill, Senator Nate Libby originally sought to align policies for evictions at rooming houses with analogous policies at hotels and motels, asserting that the arrangements in these facilities are closer to "innkeeper/guest" than "landlord/tenant." Advocates for low-income and homeless persons opposed the bill, seeing it as an abridgement of anti-eviction protections that would be available to tenants in other types of long term housing. The bill was amended into a study commission to "Explore Safe and Stable Housing in Lodging Facilities." MaineHousing did not testify on this bill, but included it in this list as the **study commission will include the Director of the Maine State Housing Authority or his designee.** MSHA POSITION: Did not testify

<u>773</u>	An Act To Assist Public School Students and Families Who Are Homeless	Brennan	AFA TABLE
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Sponsored by Rep. Michael Brennan of Portland, this bill will assist homeless students and their families in accessing housing assistance. Local schools will refer eligible students to MSHA for this assistance. The bill was amended to be funded by ARPA money to the extent permitted by law and would create a non-lapsing fund at MSHA seeded with \$2,000,000. MSHA POSITION: Support

<u>787</u>	An Act To Comprehensively Address Homelessness and Affordable Housing in Maine	Morales	AMD to LETTER
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This bill started life as a blank concept, and on the last day of committee hearings was modified without warning into a comprehensive study to be conducted by MSHA on the state of affordable housing in Maine. We opposed this last-minute idea, and in the end, the committee killed the bill and converted the concept into a letter to our agency requesting that we report back to them on best practices being used to develop affordable housing across the country, as well as recommend legislative proposals to foster the same in Maine. The report will be due on February 1 2022. MSHA POSITION: Accept the Letter

<u>819</u>	An Act To Reduce Lung Cancer Rates in Maine by Requiring Testing for the Mitigation of Radon in Residential Buildings by Landlords	Baldacci	AFA TABLE
	Mitigation of Radon in Residential Buildings by Landlords		TABLE

This bill originally mandated all Maine landlords to conduct annual radon measurements in their apartment units along with appropriate mitigation for properties in which radon levels exceed 4 picocuries per liter of air. The landlord community responded with howls of opposition, and the bill was amended into an incentive program, whereby voluntary biennial radon testing by landlords could lead to "Gold Standard" certification for radon mitigation that would be recognized by DHHS and posted on a website. MSHA POSITION: Did not testify.

<u>875</u>	An Act To Protect Taxpayers in the Privatization of Services and To Establish the State Procurement Review Committee	Baldacci	AFA TABLE
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This bill was a priority for labor unions, who sought to prevent unnecessary privatization of state government services. Though neither agency would likely have been affected by this measure, MaineHousing and FAME are always concerned about being casually lumped in as state government agencies. Accordingly, we offered an amendment, which was accepted, to exclude all of Maine's quasi-governmental entities from this legislation. MSHA POSITION: Support as Amended.

<u>898</u>	An Act To Provide Incentives to Unemployed Workers To Become Part of the Caregiver Workforce	Fay	CARRIED
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This concept bill is not officially about housing, but relates to measures that the state might take to encourage workers to choose employment in the caregiver workforce. An amendment proposed to prioritize caregivers for housing vouchers. We are generally suspicious of bills that seek to privilege one group of low-income people over another, and in this case, the measure would confuse our existing prioritization system for vouchers. The bill has been carried over and is therefore something we will have to deal with in 2022. MSHA POSITION: No hearing yet, but will oppose attempts to monkey with voucher priorities.

<u>953</u>	An Act To Improve Affordable Housing Options and Services to Address Homelessness (TIF Bill)	Deschambault	IN LAW
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This bill expanded the parameters of a development TIF district by allowing for the inclusion of affordable housing as a permitted activity within the district, even if the affordable housing project is physically located elsewhere in a municipality. This expansion of scope is not intended to change the affordable housing TIF statute found elsewhere in state law, but to provide some additional flexibility around housing in the context of business development. Don Guild was instrumental in drafting a technical amendment to assure that the changes proposed by this bill could coexist with the existing housing TIF statute. MSHA POSITION: Support with our amendment

<u>964</u>	An Act To Expand Access to Certified Substance Use Disorder Recovery Residence Services	J. Fecteau	AFA TABLE
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LD 964 sets standards for recovery residences in order for them to receive housing vouchers, DHHS contracts and other support, while also clarifying that residents of recovery residences, whether those are certified or not, are eligible for General Assistance. This bill originally had a provision that would have put MSHA in potential conflict with federal law around distribution of vouchers, but that was corrected in the final version of the bill. MSHA POSITION: Support as amended.

<u>1132</u>	An Act To Encourage the Renovation of Available Housing Stock	Morales	IN LAW
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This is a bill that seeks to increase available housing stock by reducing the amount of time needed for a town to take possession of abandoned properties. As originally drafted, these properties would have been conveyed to MSHA for resale. Since we are not in the real estate flipping business, we encouraged an amendment allowing towns to dispose of the properties themselves. Municipalities certifying abandoned property under this stature shall submit to MSHA address and parcel data for use in determining redevelopment opportunities, programs for first-time buyers, and data analysis. MSHA POSITION: Support

<u>1201</u>	Resolve, Directing the Maine State Housing Authority To Engage Stakeholders in an Examination of Fair Chance Housing Policy Options	Talbot Ross	IN LAW
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This represents continuation of legislation that was introduced in the 129th legislature wherein MaineHousing convened a stakeholder group to explore "Fair Chance" policy options. These options relate to reducing the negative effect of prior incarceration on applicants for housing by making a criminal record the last thing asked about in a landlord's screening process. The earlier group met several times and had little success finding common ground before the session ended in the COVID pandemic. This bill is intended to re-start these discussions. **MSHA has been assigned to lead and continue to serve as the facilitator for this process.** MSHA POSITION: Support

<u>1240</u>	Resolve: to Review Barriers to Regional Solutions for Housing Choices	Vitelli	CARRIED
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Senator Vitelli's bill proposes a study to be conducted by the Department of Economic and Community Development in review of barriers to regional solutions to making housing affordable, accessible and compatible with the Maine Climate Action plan. The study shall also present possible solutions. The bill was carried over without a hearing and will be considered in 2022.

<u>1246</u>	Resolve, To Study best Practices and Different Area Needs for Development of Affordable Homes and Expanding Home Ownership in Maine Communities	Gere	STUDY TABLE
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This resolve creates a commission to study housing in Maine and elsewhere to explore best practices and needs in affordable housing. Initially conceived as a legislative study, the resolve did not leave the study table. Subsequently it was amended into a study funded by private foundations and using hired consultant expertise. **MSHA** will provide technical support for the committee and serve as the fiscal agent for any grants received as part of this project.

<u>1269</u>	An Act To Preserve Fair Housing in Maine	Talbot Ross	IN LAW
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During the Trump administration, HUD moved away from an explicit commitment to assuring fair housing. While MaineHousing never reduced its focus in that area, the purpose of this bill was to assure that, regardless of changes to Federal policy, Maine would continue to adhere to fair housing standards. HUD has since re-established its fair housing rules, making this bill largely unnecessary. Nonetheless **MSHA** has been assigned the task of reporting on its fair housing efforts as well as compiling similar efforts from other PHA's in Maine with a report due to the Legislature by January 15 2022. The committee wants to get copied on annual fair housing reports from every public housing authority in the state going forward. MSHA POSITION: Neither For Nor Against

<u>1305</u>	An Act To Streamline Requests for Housing Assistance	Morales	IN LAW	
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This bill started as an attempt to make it easier for people applying to DHHS for public benefits to more easily qualify for housing assistance. But given that different programs often have vastly different enrollment and documentation requirements, the practicalities of such an approach are complicated. The bill was amended into a resolve "to increase communication between the Maine State Housing Authority and the Department of Health and Human Services." Under its provisions, MSHA and DHHS are required to collaborate on a report to the legislature exploring ways to better work together on programming, I.T. coordination and outreach, and to measure how such collaboration can result in increased use of each agency's programs. The report will be authored by DHHS but will be the result of a joint process and provided to the Legislature no later than January 15 2022. MSHA POSITION: Neither For Nor Against

<u>1312</u>	An Act To Remove Barriers to Accessory Dwelling Units and Allow Accessory Dwelling Units where Single-family Houses are Allowed	Geiger	AFA TABLE
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LD 1312 is part of a suite of bills aimed at making it easier to develop affordable housing. In this case the bill seeks to streamline the path to allowing accessory dwelling units wherever single homes are permitted. It does not allow for the sidestepping of shore-land zoning or environmental regulations. It pre-empts towns from adopting ordinances to avoid this bill. MSHA POSITION: Did not testify

<u>1322</u>	Resolve, Directing the Maine State Housing Authority To Allow Rental Housing Owners To Apply for Emergency Rental Relief Assistance	Drinkwater	DEAD
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This bill, by Representative Drinkwater, was built on a basic premise: why shouldn't landlords be able to access federal rental assistance themselves in cases where tenants do not want to participate? The answer: federal regulations expressly prohibit this. Tenants may, in cases where landlords do not wish to participate, access funds themselves, but no parallel rule exists for landlords, who must approach the program in cooperation with their tenants. MSHA POSITION: Oppose, not because we disagree with the premise, but because we can't do this.

<u>1337</u>	An Act To Increase Affordable Housing and Reduce Property Taxes through an Impact Fee on Vacant Residences	Kessler	CARRIED
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This is a proposal to levy a fee on certain unoccupied residential properties, with the proceeds from the fee to be split between the HOME Fund to fund affordable housing activities, and the Local Government Fund to support the Homestead Exemption. This bill is modeled on a measure passed in Vancouver, British Columbia, and has been carried over. It probably faces some tough sledding in the second session. MSHA POSITION: Neither For Nor Against

<u>1342</u>	An Act To Authorize a Local Option Sales Tax on Lodging and Other Goods and Provide Funding for Tax Abatement and Rental Relief	Sylvester	DEAD
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This bill is a variation on a theme that has appeared in every session in recent memory: the local option sales tax, whereby municipalities might levy a small surtax on lodging or other goods. In this case, the bill provided for towns to have the option (via referendum) of imposing a 1% lodging surtax. 90% of the proceeds from this tax would be distributed to the municipality, with 10% going to MSHA for rent relief. This bill failed passage in both the House and Senate, in the latter by a margin of 29-4. MSHA POSITION: We supported additional funding for the HOME Fund but did not opine on the tax policy.

	An Act Directing the Maine State Housing Authority To Create A Commission To Develop a Comprehensive Rental Registry for Multifamily Housing	Gere	MODIFIED IN LAW
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This bill originally called for MSHA to develop a comprehensive registry of all apartment units in Maine, their occupancy status, any violations they might have experienced, their owners, and all sorts of other information. We opposed it on the simple grounds that the task would be impossible in the absence of a significant permanent full-time staff, and maybe impossible period. In the end, the bill was modified into a resolve whereby **MSHA will provide technical support to the City of Lewiston, which is in the process of developing such a registry for their city.** MSHA POSITION: Oppose but support our amended role.

<u>1464</u>	An Act To Improve Accessibility of Affordable Housing Data (Housing Voucher Reporting Bill)	R. Fecteau	DEAD
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This bill was predicated on the notion that somehow information on housing choice vouchers and emergency rental assistance was unavailable, despite MSHA's reporting on this. It specified that MSHA should be filing regular reports with the legislature on how these federal resources are being allocated. We objected to this on the basis of both redundancy and paperwork, and the important fact that MSHA manages only about 1/3 of the state's vouchers, and to have use report only from us would provide an incomplete picture. The Bill was killed in committee, **though a** new reporting requirement for MSHA was amended into another bill, LD 1546. MSHA POSITION: Oppose

<u>1508</u>	An Act To Prevent Homelessness by Establishing an Eviction Mediation Program	Carney	IN LAW
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This bill initially called for a court-based mediation program for tenants facing potential eviction to be paid for from the HOME Fund. We objected to the funding source but offered to help find alternatives. In addition, the Judicial Branch did not have the capacity to take such a program on, and so it was pared down to having the courts create an eviction information sheet for tenants, and for MSHA, through contracts with legal aid providers, to make attorneys available in courtrooms on days when eviction cases are being heard. The program is now funded by housing stability funds that come through the federal Emergency Rental Assistance program. MSHA POSITION: Support

<u>1530</u>	An Act To Allow People To Live in Tiny Homes as a Primary or Accessory Dwelling	McCrea	IN LAW
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This bill established standards for municipalities to follow regarding "tiny homes" – structures that are smaller than 400SF and which sometimes fall between the regulatory cracks; communities have seen them as being neither permanent homes nor mobile homes, and as such have run into problems in getting them sited, assessed and operating within code. With this bill, tiny homes are generally permitted wherever a single family home might be permitted, and they are subject to applicable land use laws. MSHA POSITION: Support

1546	An Act To Prevent Homelessness by Establishing the Rental Relief Fund		MODIFIED
1546	An Act To Prevent Homelessness by Establishing the Rental Relief Fund within the Maine State Housing Authority	Lookner	IN LAW

This was a bill aimed at providing rental relief to tenants who had become housing unstable due to the COVID-19 pandemic or for other reasons. We opposed the bill on the grounds that it was unnecessary given the existence of more than \$300 million of federal rental relief funds in Maine for the next several years. The bill was then modified using a part of LD 1464, providing that MSHA must provide at least an annual report to the legislature on federal rental relief, or to provide copies of reports we are otherwise required to file on this program. MSHA POSITION: Oppose

	1638	An Act To Help Seniors and Certain Persons with Disabilities Remain in Their Homes by Providing for the Deferral of Property taxes	Bailey	AFA
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This bill is our most serious problem this session. It proposes to provide property tax deferral to seniors and certain disabled homeowners at certain income and liquid asset levels. The deferrals will be paid for using the HOME Fund (and possibly ARPA), and when the property is eventually sold, the HOME Fund will be paid back. Despite our opposition to the use of the HOME Fund, the bill sailed out of the Taxation committee with unanimous support, and the sponsor, who has not been able to find alternative sources of funding other than maybe ARPA funds, has declined our urgent requests to modify the bill, which is essentially an entitlement that could benefit elderly people with bad cashflow but expensive appreciated properties and which will be paid for at the expense of the homeless, first-time homebuyers and other people in need. MSHA POSITION: We *strongly* opposed the funding source, not the policy. We will continue to fight to see the bill killed outright, carried over, or continued with different funding.

<u>1656</u>	An Act To Promote Energy-efficient Affordable Housing	Millett	AFA TABLE
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This is a bill that appeared late in the session proposing a \$100,000,000 General Fund appropriation to pay for affordable housing. As originally drafted it was unworkable (neither LIHTC nor Section 8 would have been accessible to projects built with this funding) – and after an extensive reworking it was only marginally better, the major remaining problem being that the bill required Project Labor Agreements in every project, regardless of whether the contractors are unionized. While we certainly applauded and supported the notion of \$100 million for housing and

spoke in favor of that, the PLA's were a major sticking point for both us and the Maine Affordable Housing Coalition. The Governor is deeply opposed to PLA's in this circumstance and we don't expect this bill to go anywhere.

<u>1673</u>	An Act To Create a Comprehensive Permit Process for the Construction of Affordable Housing	Talbot Ross	CARRIED
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This bill seeks to reconceive permitting for affordable housing in the fashion of Massachusetts' "40-B" program, which is an expedited permitting process allowing affordable housing projects to bypass local zoning restrictions. This bill is carried over. It is not clear to us how many potential projects are in fact derailed by regulation or what the extent is, if any, of this problem in Maine. The bill has been carried over. MSHA POSITION: No Hearing Yet

<u>1694</u>	An Act To Create the Maine Redevelopment Land Bank Authority	Sachs	CARRIED
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This bill establishes a state-level community redevelopment land bank authority, which will be charged with coordinating the acquisition of blighted and distressed properties and establishing statewide guidelines for community redevelopment. It has been carried over, and likely faces some obstacles around cost. MSHA POSITION: Support

<u>1695</u>	An Act To Improve Housing Security by Improving Access to General Assistance	Morales	DEAD
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This was a very complex bill that sought to modify the general assistance program, which is administered by DHHS and local municipalities. It also sought to prioritize certain individuals for housing vouchers from MSHA. The bill died in committee. MSHA POSITION: Oppose

1704	An Act To Change the Exclusion Amount under the Estate Tax and Provide	Talbot Ross	CADDIED
1/04	An Act To Change the Exclusion Amount under the Estate Tax and Provide Additional Funding for the Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund	Taibot Koss	CARRIED

This bill seeks to lower the state estate tax exclusion threshold from \$5MM to \$1MM with tax proceeds from the reduced exclusion amount being divided between the general fund and the HOME fund. The bill also directs MSHA to develop a racial equity assessment tool to use when evaluating project funding. This bill has been carried over and will likely run into serious gubernatorial headwinds if for no other reason than the tax increase. MSHA POSITION: No Hearing Yet

1709 An Act To Promote Homeownership by Minimizing Education Debt Jackson IN LAW
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This is a program proposed by Senate President Troy Jackson to promote homeownership by minimizing educational debt. Modeled on programs in Maryland and Illinois, the program would start with participants who qualify for MaineHousing's First Home Loan program. With the closing of the mortgage, qualifying student debt, up to a specific level, would be paid down in exchange for the borrowers agreeing to remain in their new home for a predetermined number of years. A second lien, based on the amount of student debt retired, would then be placed on the property, and that lien would be forgiven at the end of the residency requirement period. This would, by nature, be a "just add money" kind of program – more funding is equal to more student debt relief. It was modified into a resolve directing MSHA and FAME to jointly design such a program and propose it to the legislature by December 30, 2021. MSHA POSITION: Support

172	An Act To Provide Allocations for the Distributions of State Fiscal Recovery	IN
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This bill is still in progress in Appropriations and it relates to how the state will distribute its ARPA funding. We are including in this bill our proposal to refinance and reissue Part E bonds, while several other components will seek to secure funding for various legislative initiatives.

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<u>418</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0302&item= 1&snum=130	TAX	An Act To Create a Graduated Real Estate Transfer Tax	Williams	JETO JETO		16 Mar POSTPONED	DIVIDED REPORT 5/20			VETO	
<u>463</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0339&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Better House Maine Residents	Sylvester								
<u>468</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0344&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Labor and Housing	Sylvester								
<u>469</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0345&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Ensure Safety Across Maine's Construction Industry	Sylvester	ON TABLE		16-Mar	DIVIDED REPORT	19-May			
<u>473</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0347&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Create the Maine Rental Assistance and Voucher Guarantee Program	Morales	ON TABLE		21 APR 12PM	DIVIDED REPORT				
<u>475</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0349&item= 1&snum=130	HHS	Resolve, To Create the Frequent Users System Engagement Collaborative	Morales			9 APR 9am	OTP AM	19-May	19-May		Yes
<u>488</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/qetPDF.asp?paper=SP0195&item= 1&snum=130	HHS	Resolve, To Expand Recovery Community Organizations throughout Maine	Maxmin								
<u>506</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0369&item= 1&snum=130	TAX	An Act To Reduce the Tax Burden on Low-income Electricity Customers	Berry	ON TABLE							

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<u>517</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0380&item= 1&snum=130	AFA	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Promote the Construction of Energy-efficient Affordable Homes and the Adaptive Reuse, Repair and Weatherization of Existing Homes for Low-income Seniors	Babbidge		4/21 1PM						
<u>551</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0396&item= 1&snum=130	EUT	An Act To Accelerate Weatherization Efforts in the State (Efficiency Maine Trust)	Kessler	ON TABLE							
<u>607</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0443&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Restore Overtime Protection for Maine Workers	Ross		3/22						
<u>609</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0445&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	Resolve, To Establish a Commission To Increase Housing Opportunities in Maine by Studying Zoning and Land Use Restrictions	Fecteau		3/22		ОТР				Yes
<u>654</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0481&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Create a 24-hour Shelter Capital Project Funding Program	Arford	ON TABLE	3/22	4/21 12p	OTP DIV				
<u>659</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0486&item= 1&snum=130	TAX	An Act To Ease the Property Tax Burden by Authorizing Municipalities To Require Payments in Lieu of Taxes from Certain Exempt Organizations	Tuell								
<u>660</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0487&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act Regarding Protection from Power Outages for Tenants 65 Years of Age and Older in Subsidized Housing	Head				ONTP				
<u>668</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0495&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Ensure Public Accountability While Implementing a Practical Approach to Remote Participation	Babbidge		4/23						
<u>681</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0268&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act Clarifying the Removal Process of Individuals from Certain Facilities Not Governed By Title 14 of the Maine Revised Statutes	Libby	Our only connection is to appoint a person to a committee. On Study Table			OTP -AM May 12				
<u>683</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP02718ilem= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Allow Maine Nonprofit Corporations To Hold Meetings Electronically	Stewart								
<u>773</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0578&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Assist Public School Students and Families Who Are Homeless	Brennan	ON TABLE	4/2 10AM						
<u>779</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0584&item= 1&snum=130	EDU	An Act To Extend the Time Allowed for Selling, Distributing and Displaying the State of Maine Bicentennial Commemorative License Plate and To Allow the Maine Bicentennial Commission To Continue To Serve in 2021	Bryant								Yes
<u>787</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0592&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Comprehensively Address Homelessness and Affordable Housing in Maine	Morales	Turned into a Study by MH via a letter (not a resolve)							
<u>795</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0062&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Address Rental Housing Policies	Pouliot								
<u>810</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0154&item= 1&snum=130	SLG	An Act To Allow Remote Notarization of Documents in Limited Circumstances While Preventing Exploitation	Bailey								
<u>819</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0203&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Reduce Lung Cancer Rates in Maine by Requiring Testing for the Mitigation of Radon in Residential Buildings by Landlords	Baldacci	ON TABLE Amended to be voluntary	4/8 10AM						
<u>827</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0269&item= 1&snum=130	VLA	An Act To Help Veterans Access Jobs, Education, and Housing	Rafferty	Veterans in BRAP							
<u>832</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0600&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Promote Immigrant Workforce Development and Community Integration	Brennan	TASK FORCE WITH MSHA	4/23 1230PM						
<u>843</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0611&item= 1&snum=130	HHS	An Act To Create a Pathway to Housing Stability for Homeless Young People and Those at Risk of Entering and Those Exiting Corrections Systems	Morales	CONCEPT HOUSING NAVIGATOR	4/8 10AM HHS						
<u>875</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0289&item= 1&snum=130	SLG	An Act To Protect Taxpayers in the Privatization of Services and To Establish the State Procurement Review Committee	Baldacci								26

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<u>898</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0654&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Provide Incentives to Unemployed Workers To Become Part of the Caregiver Workforce	Fay								Yes
<u>904</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0660&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act Concerning the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts	Moriarty								
<u>918</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0674&item= 1&snum=130	EUT	An Act To Transition from a Fossil Fuel-based to an Electrical Energy Economy	Warren	Had serious technical problems for us.		TBD					
<u>953</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0305&item= 18snum=130	TAX	An Act To Improve Affordable Housing Options and Services to Address Homelessness (TIF Bill)	Deschambault	TIFS FOR AH	4/14 9am TAX	4/21 9AM	OTP-U May Need AMDMENT				
<u>959</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0311&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	"An Act To Protect Small Businesses by Ensuring That a Prevailing Wage Is Paid on Public Works Construction Projects"	Miramant								
<u>963</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0709&item= 1&snum=130	CJPS	An Act To Create Culturally Sensitive Treatment and Recovery Halfway Houses for Immigrants Transitioning out of the Juvenile Justice System	Brooks	HALFWAY HOUSES FUNDED BY DOJ							
<u>964</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0710&item= 1&snum=130	HHS	An Act To Expand Access to Certified Substance Use Disorder Recovery Residence Services	J. Fecteau	ON TABLE	4/6						
<u>1084</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0799&item= 1&snum=130	AFA	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Create Energy- efficient and Affordable Homes for Maine People	Doudera	Bond TO BUILD HOUSES?	4/21 1PM						
<u>1094</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0355&item= 1&snum=130	AFA	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Reduce Homeowner and Municipal Energy Bills through Increased Efficiency and Weatherization Projects	Pouliot		4/21 1PM						
<u>1098</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0359&item= 1&snum=130	EUT	An Act To Support Rural Maine Residents through the Winter by Probiding Rebates for Backup Power Generators	Daughtry								
<u>1132</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0810&item= 1&snum=130	TAX	An Act To Encourage the Renovation of Available Housing Stock	Morales	TAX LIEN REPOS	4/14 9am TAX	9AM 4/21	OTP AM	19-May	19-May		
<u>1143</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0821&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Protect Tenants from Unnecessary Evictions	Harnett								
<u>1180</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0858&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Prohibit Discrimination in Housing Based on a Person's Participation in a Rental Assistance Program	Collings	CANT NOT DO SEC 8	4/20 1pm	-					
<u>1201</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0879&ilem= 1&snum=130	LBHS	Resolve, Directing the Maine State Housing Authority To Engage Stakeholders in an Examination of Fair Chance Housing Policy Options	Talbot Ross		4/26	26-Apr	OTP - DIVIDED				
1224	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0397&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Authorize Remote Participation in Maine State Cultural Affairs Council Meetings	Carney								
<u>1233</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0904&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Determine How Many Employees of Large Companies in Maine Receive Public Benefits	Morales								
<u>1238</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0406&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Protect Women's Single-sex Shelters	Keim								
<u>1240</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0408&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	Resolve, To Review Barriers to Regional Solutions for Housing Choices	Vitelli		4/16/21 9am L&H	4/21 Noon	TABLED 4/21				
<u>1246</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0912&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	Resolve, To Study Best Practices and Different Area Needs for Development of Affordable Homes and Expanding Home Ownership in Maine Communities	Gere	ON STUDY TABLE	4/16/21 9am L&H	4/21 Noon	OTP? Amended				
<u>1255</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0921&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Prohibit Evictions until 90 Days after the End of the Governor's Declaration of Emergency	Lookner								Yes
1269	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lis/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0929&item= 1&enum=130	LBHS	An Act To Preserve Fair Housing in Maine	Talbot Ross		-						

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<u>1294</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0422&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Prevent Discrimination against Domestic Violence Victims	Bailey	ON AFA TABLE							
<u>1296</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0952&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Guarantee Housing Rights during a State of Civil Emergency	Collings			5/11 TABLED					Yes
1300	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0956&item= 1&snum=130	SLG	An Act To Require County Governments To Coordinate with Municipalities To Create Plans to Address Homelessness	Supica	ON AFA TABLE - GIANT NOTE 3.4mm + 1.2 ongoing ??	SLG 16 APRIL 9am	Apr 26 1030AM	OTP DIV				
<u>1301</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0957&item= 1&snum=130		An Act To Support Transitional Housing for Persons Experiencing Abuse, Dangerous Living Conditions, Economic Insecurity Due to Divorce or Seperation, Chronic Homelessness, Substance Use Disorder or Mental Disorders	Collings								
<u>1305</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0961&item= 1&snum=130	HHS	An Act To Streamline Requests for Housing Assistance	Morales	(Turned into a resolve)	4/13 9AM HHS	4/21 2PM					
<u>1312</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0968&item= 1&snum=130	SLG	An Act To Remove Barriers to Accessory Dwelling Units and Allow Accessory Dwelling Units where Single-family Houses are Allowed	Geiger				10-May				
<u>1322</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0974&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	Resolve, Directing the Maine State Housing Authority To Allow Rental Housing Owners To Apply for Emergency Rental Relief Assistance	Drinkwater		4/26	30-Apr					
<u>1337</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0988&item= 1&snum=130	TAX	An Act To Increase Affordable Housing and Reduce Property Taxes through an Impact Fee on Vacant Residences	Kessler	STATUS UNCLEAR	4/14 9AM TAX	4/21 9am 5/20/9am					
<u>1342</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP0993&item= 1&snum=130	TAX	An Act To Authorize a Local Option Sales Tax on Lodging and Other Goods and Provide Funding for Tax Abatement and Rental Relief	Sylvester								
<u>1397</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1031&ilem= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act Directing the Maine State Housing Authority To Create A Commission To Develop a Comprehensive Rental Registry for Multifamily Housing	Gere		4/26	30-Apr					
<u>1399</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1033&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Provide for Remote Notarization	Doudera								
<u>1411</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0461&item= 1&snum=130	SLG	An Act T^o Establish the Maine Buy American and Build Maine Act	Jackson								
<u>1437</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1053&item= 1&snum=130		An Act To Reduce Poisoning from Radon, Arsenic and Other Air or Water Pollutants by Expanding Education, Testing and Mitigation Regarding Those Pollutants	Kessler								
<u>1464</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1080&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Improve Accessibility of Affordable Housing Data (Housing Voucher Reporting Bill)	Fecteau		4/26	30-Apr					
1478	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1093&item= 1&snum=130	CJPS	An Act To Decriminalize Homelessness	Morales				DIV 5/21				
<u>1508</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/qetPDF.asp?paper=SP0485&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Prevent Homelessness by Establishing an Eviction Mediation Program	Carney		4/27	11-May	DIV OTP				
<u>1514</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi Ils/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1122&item= 1&snum=130	TAX	An Act To Provide for Fairness in Property Taxation by Accessing a One- time Tax on Financial Assets	Lookner			26-May					
<u>1530</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1134&ilem= 1&snum=130	SLG	An Act To Allow People To Live in Tiny Homes as a Primary or Accessory Dwelling	McCrea		5/5	10-May	DIV OTP			15-Jun	
<u>1546</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/geIPDF.asp?paper=HP1151&ilem= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Prevent Homelessness by Establishing the Rental Relief Fund within the Maine State Housing Authority	Lookner	CONVERTED TO REPORTING ON RENT RELIEF AS PER HUD	4/26						
<u>1547</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1152&item= 1&snum=130	HHS	An Act To Promote Intergovernmental Coordination Regarding Age- friendly State Initiatives	Fay								
<u>1557</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0499&item= 1&snum=130	HHS	An Act To Ensure the Provision of Housing Coordinator Services to Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities	Curry								28

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<u>1570</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1167&item= 1&snum=130	HHS	An Act To Protect Drinking Water for Maine Residents	Gramlich	ON AFA TABLE							
<u>1578</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0451&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Permit Remote Access for Public Proceedings	Sanborn								
<u>1580</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0483&item= 1&snum=130	IDEA	An Act To Provide Protections for Mobile Home Park Residents	Baldacci		5/5	10 May TABLED					
<u>1590</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1179&item= 1&snum=130		An Act To Define Commercial and Noncommercial Purveyors of Accommodations for Short-term Rental	Sylvester		5/5	10-May					
<u>1606</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1195&item= 1&snum=130	JUD	An Act To Expand Tenant Representation on Boards of Directors of Nonprofit Housing Organizations	Grohoski			28-May					
<u>1638</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0522&item= 1&snum=130	TAX	An Act To Help Seniors and Certain Persons with Disabilities Remain in Their Homes by Providing for the Deferral of Property taxes	Bailey	ON AFA TABLE	5/13 9am TAX	26-May					
<u>1656</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1227&item= 1&snum=130	LBHS	An Act To Promote Energy-efficient Affordable Housing	Millett		5/10 9AM LBHS						
<u>1657</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1228&item= 1&snum=130	HHS	An Act To Protect the Health, Safety and Comfort of Elderly Residents and Residents with Disabilities by Ensuring Backup Access to Electrical Power in Certain Facilities during Power Outages	Babbidge		5/10 10 AM HHS		ONTP				
<u>1661</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1232&item=	HCIFS	An Act To Protect the Insurable Interest of Homeowners in Multifamily Residences	Perry		5/13 130P HCIFS						
<u>1673</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/qetPDF.asp?paper=HP1244&item= 1&snum=130		An Act To Create a Comprehensive Permit Process for the Construction of Affordable Housing	Talbot Ross								
<u>1694</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1259&item= 1&snum=130http://www.mainelegislatu re.org/legis/bills/getPDF.asp?paper=H P1259&item=1&snum=130	IDEA	An Act To Create the Maine Redevelopment Land Bank Authority	Sachs			5/18 9:30AM					
<u>1695</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1261&item= 1&snum=130	HHS	An Act To Improve Housing Security by Improving Access to General Assistance	Morales			5/18 10AM					
<u>1704</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/qetPDF.asp?paper=HP1267&item= 1&snum=130	TAX	An Act To Change the Exclusion Amount under the Estate Tax and Provide Additional Funding for the Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund	Talbot Ross		5/18	26-May					
<u>1709</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0562&item= 1&snum=130	IDEA	An Act To Promote Homeownership by Minimizing Education Debt	Jackson							15-Jun	
<u>1730</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi Jls/getPDF.asp?paper=HP12798item= 18snum=130	JUD	An Act To Correct Inconsistencies, Conflicts and Errors in the Laws of Maine	Harnett								Yes
<u>1733</u>	http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bi lls/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0577&item= 1&snum=130	AFA	An Act To Provide Allocations for the Distributinos of State Fiscal Recovery Funds									Yes