JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

General Information

At this stage of the budget process, the number of initiatives yet to receive a straw vote is relatively small. Because of this, it is more difficult and less efficient to plan subject areas to be discussed or voted on in any given work session. The agendas will get less and less specific from now until the final committee vote. If there is specific information available ahead of a work session, it will be contained in an agenda update.

Also note that the Committee may, at any point, discuss and vote any of the additional proposals contained in the Policy Committee Report-back or proposed by an AFA member.

Straw votes taken by the Committee will likely reference a spreadsheet of previously unvoted appropriations and allocations initiatives contained in the Governor’s proposed budget. A document containing those initiatives has been posted on the AFA materials page:

http://legislature.maine.gov/ofpr/129th-afa-committee-information/9599

Please note the following caveats regarding this document:

1) The initiatives are grouped by policy committee of jurisdiction (the pink “Comm Code” column) for ease of transition between the report-backs and this document.

2) The first column is “line number.” Line numbers are sequential but there are gaps in the numbering. For example one row has a line number of “14” and the next row is “19.” There are a couple of reasons why this is so but those reasons matter less that the fact that it is so. If a line number is referenced by a committee member, remember that they are in order but not necessarily sequential.

3) The document posted has been formatted for legal size paper. The document used by the committee members was printed on larger paper and contains additional columns for notes and votes. This means that the page numbers seen by the committee will not correspond to the ones on your document. Hence the importance of paying attention to whatever else is referenced in committee discussions (line number, policy committee, initiative description or reference number.)

4) The document contains only appropriations and allocation initiatives originally proposed in the Governor’s biennial budget. It does not contain additional initiatives put forth by Policy Committees or unvoted language parts (with the exception of the appropriation found in Part RR Section 2.)
DRAFT AGENDAS: May 13th through May 17th
Room 228 State House

PLEASE NOTE:
Start-times are subject to the completion of the House and Senate Session (Tue & Thu)
The Committee may break for caucus during, or in lieu of, scheduled work sessions

Monday, May 13, 2019
2:00 pm
*Work Session LD 1001 (The Biennial Budget)*
**Potential Discussion and/or voting:**
- Selected initiatives under the policy jurisdiction of the Agriculture Conservation & Forestry committee
- Other remaining initiatives contained in the posted “unvoted” document
- Language Parts previously unvoted.

Tuesday, May 14, 2019
3:00 pm
*Work Session LD 1001 (The Biennial Budget)*
**Potential Discussion and/or voting:**
- Remaining initiatives contained in the posted “unvoted” document
- Language Parts previously unvoted.

Wednesday, May 15, 2019
2:00 pm
*Work Session LD 1001 (The Biennial Budget)*
**Potential Discussion and/or voting:**
- Remaining initiatives contained in the posted “unvoted” document
- Language Parts previously unvoted.

Thursday, May 16, 2019
3:00 pm
*Work Session LD 1001 (The Biennial Budget)*
**Potential Discussion and/or voting:**
- Remaining initiatives contained in the posted “unvoted” document
- Language Parts previously unvoted.

Friday, May 17, 2019
TBD