

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

General Information Regarding Biennial Budget Next Steps

For this stage of the process of voting on LD 258, the Chairs have requested listings of initiatives and Language Parts in LD 258 that were not contained in the “1st Budget” (LD 424, PL 2023 c. 17) and not previously voted upon in previous work sessions. Three documents were produced: one containing the remaining Part A initiatives under the jurisdiction of the Health and Human Services Committee; one with all other remaining unvoted Part A initiatives; and one listing remaining language parts. Those documents will be used for taking straw votes until the incorporation of the expected Change Package.

The list of previously unvoted initiatives has been posted on the AFA materials page:

<https://legislature.maine.gov/12101>

Please note the following caveats regarding these documents:

- 1) The initiatives are grouped by policy committee of jurisdiction (the orange- or maybe it’s salmon- “Comm Code” column) for ease of transition between the report-backs and this document.
- 2) The first column is “line number.” Committee members may reference that when making a motion.
- 3) The document posted has been formatted for legal size paper. If you only have letter size available, I apologize for any broken eyeball that may result from the prohibitively tiny print.
- 4) The document used by the committee members was printed on larger paper and contains additional columns (justification statements and policy committee votes). That information can be found on the posted Policy Committee Report-backs. (The print on the Committee’s documents is wicked small too and would have been microfiche size print on legal size – which is why we left out those columns on the posted docs).
- 5) The omitted columns in your documents means that the page numbers seen by the committee will not correspond to the ones you see. You will have to pay attention to whatever else is referenced in committee discussions (line number, policy committee, initiative description or reference number.)
- 6) The documents contain only appropriations and allocation initiatives and language parts originally proposed in the Governor’s biennial budget. They do not contain additional initiatives put forth by Policy Committees. Those can also be found on the posted Policy Committee Report-backs.
- 7) New documents will likely be created some time after the Governor’s Change Package is released (it will likely be posted on the Bureau of Budget website [Home | Bureau of Budget \(maine.gov\)](https://www.budget.maine.gov/) and after the AFA Committee has taken a “1st pass” vote off that document. We will let you know when new committee documents have been created and posted.

**DRAFT AGENDA
Room 228 State House**

PLEASE NOTE:

**The only meeting currently scheduled between May 8th and May 12th is for
Tuesday, May 9th at 2:00 pm.**

**Start time is subject to the completion of the House and Senate Session.
The Committee may break for caucus between, during, or in lieu of, work sessions**

Tuesday, May 9, 2021

2:00 pm

Work Session LD 734 An Act to Authorize the Treasurer of State and Municipalities to Invest in Gold, Silver and Other Precious Metals

Work Session LD 760 An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Issuance of General Fund Bonds

Work Session LD 1023 An Act to Strengthen Maine's Financial Future in Perpetuity by Establishing the Irrevocable Budget Trust Fund

Work Session LD 258 (The Biennial Budget)

**Potential Discussion and/or voting from among the remaining initiatives contained in the posted
“unvoted” documents (see General Information)**