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132nd MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
MEETING SUMMARY**

April 14, 2026

Approved September 24, 2026

SEN. TERESA S. PIERCE
SEN. JILL DUSON
SEN. HAROLD "TREY" STEWART, III
SEN. MATTHEW HARRINGTON
REP. MATTHEW MOONEN
REP. LORI GRAMLICH
REP. BILLY BOB FAULKINGHAM
REP. KATRINA SMITH

CALL TO ORDER

Speaker Fecteau called the April 14, 2026 meeting of the 132nd Legislative Council to order at 12:19 p.m. in the Legislative Council Chamber.

ROLL CALL

Senators:	President Daughtry, Senator Pierce, Senator Duson, and Senator Harrington
Representatives:	Speaker Fecteau, Representative Moonen, Representative Gramlich, Representative Faulkingham, and Representative Smith
Absent:	Senator Stewart
Legislative Officers:	Suzanne Gresser, Executive Director of the Legislative Council Darek Grant, Secretary of the Senate Rob Hunt, Clerk of the House Ed Charbonneau, Revisor of Statutes Danielle Fox, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis Christopher Nolan, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review Nik Rende, Director, Office of Legislative Information Technology

Speaker Fecteau convened the meeting at 12:19 p.m. with a quorum of members present.

SUMMARY OF THE JANUARY 22, 2026 MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Motion: That the Meeting Summary for January 22, 2026 be accepted and placed on file. Motion by Senator Duson. Second by Representative Moonen. **Motion passed (9-0-0-1**, with Senator Stewart recorded as absent).

REPORTS FROM STAFF OFFICE DIRECTORS

None

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

None

OLD BUSINESS

1. Council Actions Taken by Ballot

Legislative Council Decisions:

Motion: That the Legislative Council approve the Maine YMCA Youth and Government Program's request to hold the 2026 Youth and Government Program in legislative space in the State House Complex from November 6, 2026 to November 8, 2026

Motion by: Speaker Ryan D. Fecteau

Date: March 3, 2026

Vote: 9-0-0-1 Passed (with Representative Faulkingham recorded as absent)

Requests for Introduction of Legislation:

LR 3004 **Resolve, to Confirm and Finalize the Boundary Between the Town of Kittery and the Town of York.**

Submitted by: Representative Kristi Mathieson

Date: January 28, 2026

Vote: 6-0-0-4 Passed (with Senator Stewart, Senator Harrington, Representative Faulkingham, and Representative Smith recorded as absent)

LR 3055 **Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 348: Exemption for On-farm Raising, Slaughter, and Processing of Less than 1,000 Ready-to-cook Whole Poultry Carcasses, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.**

Date: February 27, 2026

Vote: 6-1-0-3 Passed (with Representative Smith opposed and Senator Stewart, Representative Faulkingham, and Representative Gramlich recorded as absent)

LR 3085 **Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 10: Significant Wildlife Habitat, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife – which is a major substantive rule submitted by IFW**

Date: February 27, 2026

Vote: 6-0-0-4 Passed (with Senator Stewart, Senator Harrington, Representative Faulkingham, and Representative Smith recorded as absent)

LR 3089 **Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 6: Standards Relating to Prescriptive Authorities and Collaborative Relationship, a Late-filed Major Substantive rule of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation**

Date: February 27, 2026

Vote: 6-0-0-4 Passed (with Senator Duson, Senator Stewart, Senator Harrington, and Representative Faulkingham recorded as absent)

Speaker Fecteau announced his intention to take items out of order, and hearing no objection, moved to Item #2 under New Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Item #2: Provision to Legislators of Personal Information Protection Services

At the request of the chair, Director Gresser informed the Council that the National Conference of State Legislatures (“NSCL”) has established the NCSL Legislator Security Fund intended to help state legislatures address rising threats to legislator’s personal safety. Director Gresser met with representatives of NCSL to acquire details regarding eligible projects and reported that it would qualify as an eligible project for purposes of the NCSL grant for the Maine Legislature to contract with DeleteMe, a digital security and privacy service, and allow every Legislator an opportunity to enroll in the program. Speaker Fecteau voiced his support for accepting the grant from the NCSL Legislator Security Fund, authorizing the additional funding necessary to allow each Legislator the opportunity to enroll in DeleteMe, establishing this as a one-year pilot project whose continuation would be reviewed and decided by the next Legislative Council. Rep. Faulkingham acknowledged the increase in threatening behaviors aimed at Legislators and expressed his support of the initiative.

Motion: That the Legislature accept the grant funds available from the NCSL Legislator Security Fund, authorize the use of available balances to provide additional funding necessary to allow each Legislator the opportunity to enroll in DeleteMe, establish this as a one-year Legislator Security Pilot Project whose continuation will be reviewed and decided by the next Legislative Council. Motion by Representative Faulkingham. Second by President Daughtry. **Motion passed (9-0-0-1, with Senator Stewart recorded as absent).**

Item #1: Consideration of Legislative Study Requests

Speaker Fecteau drew the members attention to the suggested protocol for reviewing and approving legislative studies that was included in the separate Studies Notebook and the Legislative Council voted to approve the protocol. (Motion by Senator Pierce. Second by President Daughtry. Motion passed (6-0-0-4, with Senator Stewart, Senator Harrington, Representative Faulkingham, and Representative Smith recorded as absent).

The Legislative Council considered and voted on the legislative study requests in accordance with the approved protocol. Of the 32 items listed, the council authorized 8 studies, and rejected 24 studies. The Legislative Council’s actions on the legislative studies are included on the attached list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

With no other business to consider or further announcements, the Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

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