### General Fund Miscellaneous Studies

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<td>Joint Order, HR 1307</td>
<td>(on Senate Study Table)</td>
<td>LD 1307</td>
<td>Task Force on Changes to the Maine Indian Claims Settlement Implementing Act</td>
<td>Review both &quot;An Act To Implement the Maine Indian Claims Settlement&quot; and the &quot;Micmac Settlement Act&quot; and make recommendations to the Legislature for legislation regarding any suggested changes to these Acts. Recommendations of the task force must be made by consensus. For the purpose of this order, &quot;consensus&quot; means consensus between representatives on the task force of the tribe or tribes affected by the suggested changes and a majority of the other voting members of the task force.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 17 (10 voting; 3 nonvoting)</td>
<td>Legislative Council (not during regular or special session)</td>
<td>December 4, 2019</td>
<td>Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings</td>
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<td>LD 40, as amended by Committee Amendment &quot;A&quot; (on Senate Study Table)</td>
<td>Emergency</td>
<td>HHS</td>
<td>Commission To Study Children's Mental Health</td>
<td>Study the mental health of children in the State; review federal and state laws, regulations, rules and policies governing the diagnosis and treatment of children with mental health issues in the State.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 11</td>
<td>Department of Health and Human Services</td>
<td>December 4, 2019</td>
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<td>LD 352, as amended by Committee Amendment &quot;A&quot; (on Senate Study Table)</td>
<td>Not an emergency</td>
<td>SLD</td>
<td>Background Check Consolidation Commission</td>
<td>Study consolidating and centralizing as many state-required background checks required for employment as possible, including background checks for teachers, state workers and persons seeking Maine Guide licenses. Commission duties do not include studying background checks to obtain firearms.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 12</td>
<td>Legislative Council (not during regular or special session)</td>
<td>December 20, 2019</td>
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<td>LD 556</td>
<td>Not an emergency</td>
<td>CJPS</td>
<td>Work Group to Study the Use of Body Cameras by Law Enforcement Officers</td>
<td>Study the use of body cameras by law enforcement officers; review current practices in the State and outside of the State; review research on the use of body cameras and consider the following issues with regard to the use of body cameras by law enforcement officers on a voluntary basis and on a mandatory basis as required by law, rule or policy applicable to the law enforcement agency; cost and potential revenue sources; whether to mandate use and operation or adoption of a policy regarding use and operation; collective bargaining issues; ownership, use, storage and chain of custody issues; training for officers and supervisors; recording sensitive or private situations and circumstances; promoting accountability, privacy and transparency; providing access to individuals involved in the criminal justice system, the public and the court; meeting the needs of different communities and populations; and respect for victims of crime and their families and children.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 9 Legisl: 3 Sen: 1 House: 2 Chairs: Attorney General or AG's designee</td>
<td>March 1, 2020</td>
<td>Legislative Council (not during regular or special session)</td>
<td>Nonconforming</td>
<td><em>Membership</em>: majority of legislators and must include members of the 2 parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature for conforming studies per JR 353. <em>Appointments</em>: minority of nonlegislators may be appointed by someone outside the Legislature per JR 353 (AG 5/9 appointments). <em>Chairs</em>: legislative studies with more than 5 members co-chaired by legislators (first-named Senate and Representative) per JR 353. <em>Report date</em>: 12/04/19 for conforming studies per JR 353. <em>LC staff</em>: authorized only for conforming studies per JR 353</td>
<td>Legislative per diem and expenses; 5 meetings</td>
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<td>LD 829</td>
<td>Emergency</td>
<td>CPS</td>
<td>Commission To Improve the Sentencing, Supervision, Management and Incarceration of Prisoners</td>
<td>Conduct research and prepare recommendations addressing: reducing prison populations in state and county facilities; reducing overall costs of the corrections system; implementing improvements to reduce recidivism, preserving community safety, respecting the needs of victims and communities in process of holding offenders accountable; using alternative sentencing, managing county and state correctional facilities; treating prisoners within those facilities.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 20 Legisl: 4 Sen: 2 House: 2 Chairs: Governor appoints chair</td>
<td>December 4, 2019</td>
<td>Department of Corrections</td>
<td>Nonconforming</td>
<td><em>Membership</em>: majority of legislators and must include members of the 2 parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature for conforming studies per JR 353. <em>Chairs</em>: legislative studies with more than 5 members co-chaired by legislators (first-named Senate and Representative) per JR 353. <em>Report date</em>: 12/04/19 for conforming studies per JR 353. <em>LC staff</em>: authorized only for conforming studies per JR 353</td>
<td>Legislative per diem and expenses; up to 6 meetings and may include public hearings</td>
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<td>LD 512</td>
<td>Emergency</td>
<td>EDU</td>
<td>Task Force to Study the Coordination of Services and Expansion of Educational Programs for Young Adults with Disabilities</td>
<td>Study the barriers to efficient and effective services for young adults with disabilities after high school and make recommendations on targeted reforms to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of these services, including but not limited to: the coordination of services provided by different agencies; the benefits, assessments, expansion and availability of continuing educational opportunities for young adults with disabilities after high school.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 14 Legisl: 3 Sen: 1 House: 2 Chairs: Commissioner of Education appoints chair</td>
<td>January 15, 2020</td>
<td>Department of Education</td>
<td>Nonconforming</td>
<td><em>Membership</em>: majority of legislators and must include members of the 2 parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature for conforming studies per JR 353. <em>Chairs</em>: legislative studies with more than 5 members co-chaired by legislators (first-named Senate and Representative) per JR 353. <em>Report date</em>: 12/04/19 for conforming studies per JR 353.</td>
<td>Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings minimum</td>
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<td>LD 1001, as amended by Committee Amendment &quot;A&quot;, Sec. BBBBB</td>
<td>Emergency</td>
<td>DEHS</td>
<td>Commission to Study Long-term Care Workforce Issues</td>
<td>Study and make recommendations regarding: measuring current demand for direct care workers and projecting future needs; developing a campaign and statewide recruitment strategies to encourage more people to work in facility-based and home-based long-term care; supporting career ladders throughout various long-term care settings; identifying education needs and methods to fill education needs for direct care workers; identifying barriers to hiring and methods to overcome barriers to hiring; developing strategies to improve the quality of long-term care jobs; increasing opportunities for shared staffing among long-term care providers; identifying public and private funding mechanisms to implement recommendations; establishing a program that will contribute to long-term care direct care workers’ postsecondary education in related fields; and establishing a pilot program to pool part-time home care workers’ hours for purposes of providing greater employment opportunity and obtaining employee benefits.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 18 (Legs: 5 Senate: 2 House: 3 Chairs: First-named Senator and Representative)</td>
<td>Legislative Council (not during regular or special session)</td>
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<td>HHS/JUD</td>
<td>Committee To Study and Develop Recommendations To Address Guardianship Challenges That Delay Patient Discharges from Hospitals</td>
<td>Study and develop recommendations to address guardianship, conservatorship and authorization of transaction challenges that result in extended hospitalization of patients clinically qualified for discharge from a hospital.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 14 (Legs: 4 Senate: 2 House: 2 Chairs: First-named Senator and Representative)</td>
<td>Legislative Council (not during regular or special session)</td>
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<td>LD 1602, as amended by Committee Amendment “A” (On Senate Study Table)</td>
<td>Emergency</td>
<td>DHS/CPS/JUD/AFA</td>
<td>Working Group on Mental Health</td>
<td>Review the State's mental health system and propose a mental health plan for the State by examining information on total state and federal dollars spent on children's and adult behavioral health care as coded by Medicaid and where those dollars are currently spent; access to mental health care in the State; including issues associated with waiting lists, geographic barriers to access and lack of adequate reimbursement to community-based programs that prevents those programs from reaching optimum capacity, quality of outcomes, the costs required to provide mental health services in emergency rooms, inpatient settings, homeless shelters, jails and prisons as compared with the costs required to provide mental health services such as medication management, daily living support, peer support and other therapies provided in community-based settings; an assessment of assets and deficits; and the projected effect of MaineCare expansion on the provision of mental health services.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 16 Legis: 2 Sen: 1 House: 1 Chairs: First-named Senator and Representative</td>
<td>Department of Health and Human Services</td>
<td>Nonconforming *Membership - majority = legislators and must include members of the 2 parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature for conforming studies per JR 353 Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings</td>
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<td>LD 1614, as amended by Committee Amendment &quot;A&quot; on Senate Study Table</td>
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<td>UE/E</td>
<td>Commission To Study the Economic, Environmental and Energy Benefits of Energy Storage to the Maine Electricity Industry</td>
<td>Review and evaluate the economic, environmental and energy benefits of energy storage to the State's electricity industry, as well as proposals to create and maintain a sustainable future for energy storage in the State; consider the challenges of the broad electricity market in the State, including challenges with transmission and stranded renewable energy generation in the northern part of the State; and analyze whether energy storage is part of the transmission solution; consider whether the environmental, economic, resiliency and energy benefits of energy storage support updating the State's energy policy to strengthen and increase the role of energy storage, consider the economic benefits of energy storage systems procurement targets, direct cost savings to ratepayers that deploy energy storage systems; consider an improved ability to integrate renewable resources, improved reliability and power quality, the effect on retail electric rates over the life of a given energy storage system compared to the effect on retail electric rates using a nonenergy storage system alternative, reduced greenhouse gas emissions; and consider bringing your-own-device programs that offer credits for sharing stored energy.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 15 Legislative Council (not during regular or special sessions); may invite DECD, PUC, ORA, Governor's Energy Office and the EMT to provide additional staff support or assistance</td>
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|            | Legis: 5 | Sen: 2 | House: 3 | Chairs: First-named Senator and Representative |

Legal staff: authorized only for conforming studies per JR 353 |

Legislative per diem and expenses; at least 4 meetings | $ 2,750 | MS |
### General Fund Appropriation

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<td>LD 1742, as amended by Committee Amendment “A” on Senate Study Table</td>
<td>Emergency: creates ongoing Title 5 council with steering committee, subcommittee and 6 working groups</td>
<td>EDRA</td>
<td>Maine Workforce, Research, Development and Student Achievement Institute Steering Committee</td>
<td>Advise the Legislature and the University of Maine System on all matters related to the Maine Workforce, Research, Development and Student Achievement Institute.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 18 members appointed by IDEA, except ex officio members</td>
<td>January 15, 2021 and annually thereafter</td>
<td>Governor's Office of Policy and Management</td>
<td>No report required</td>
<td>Appointed by University of Maine System in consultation with the IDEA Committee</td>
<td>Exception to JR 353 - committee codified in Title 5 is exempt from JR 353, except that use of new legislative financial resources must be referred to Council for approval of those resources.</td>
<td>Legislative per diem and expenses; at least 4 meetings/year</td>
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<td>LD 1679, as amended by Committee Amendment “A” on Senate Study Table</td>
<td>Emergency: creates an ongoing Title 5 council</td>
<td>ENR</td>
<td>Maine Climate Council</td>
<td>Advise the Governor and Legislature on ways to mitigate the causes of, prepare for and adapt to the consequences of climate change.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 59 Legis: 4 Sen: 2 Chrs: Governor appoints two co-chairs</td>
<td>January 15, 2021 and annually thereafter</td>
<td>Governor's Office of Policy and Management</td>
<td>No reporting requirement; must establish an annual work plan</td>
<td>Exception to JR 353 - council codified in Title 5 is exempt from JR 353, except that use of new legislative financial resources must be referred to Council for approval of those resources.</td>
<td>Legislative per diem and expenses; public members may receive reimbursement for travel and expenses; 4 meetings/year (2 during session)</td>
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<td>Emergency: created in ongoing Title 5 council</td>
<td>ENR</td>
<td>Scientific and Technical Subcommittee</td>
<td>Identify, monitor, study and report out to the Climate Council and the working groups relevant data related to climate change in the State and its effects on the State's climate, species, marine and coastal environments and natural landscape and on the oceans and other bodies of water.</td>
<td>TOTAL: Not specified Legis: 2 or more Sen: 1 Chrs: Co-chairs of Climate Council to designate</td>
<td>Governor's Office of Policy and Management</td>
<td>No reporting requirement; must establish an annual work plan</td>
<td>Exception to JR 353 - council codified in Title 5 is exempt from JR 353, except that use of new legislative financial resources must be referred to Council for approval of those resources.</td>
<td>Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings/year</td>
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<td>ENR</td>
<td>Maine Climate Council Working Groups</td>
<td>Six working groups in the areas of transportation, coastal and marine, buildings, infrastructure and housing; working lands and ecosystems; energy; and others as needed to assist the Maine Climate Council in its work.</td>
<td>TOTAL: Not specified Legis: 12 or more Sen: 6 Chrs: Co-chairs of Climate Council to designate</td>
<td>Governor's Office of Policy and Management</td>
<td>No reporting requirement; each working group is required to establish an annual work plan</td>
<td>Exception to JR 353 - council codified in Title 5 is exempt from JR 353, except that use of new legislative financial resources must be referred to Council for approval of those resources.</td>
<td>Legislative per diem and expenses; 2 meetings/year (1 working group)</td>
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<td>LD 1778, as amended by Committee Amendment “A” (Engrossed in Senate and House)</td>
<td>Not an emergency; amends an ongoing Title 5 council</td>
<td>EDU</td>
<td>Maine Children's Cabinet Early Childhood Advisory Council</td>
<td>Review and address recommendations of the Children's Cabinet regarding young children; advise the Department of Health and Human Services regarding the coordination of child care services to the State and the preparation of any application, amendment, waiver request, plan or other document submitted by the department to the Federal Government regarding child care funding or other early childhood services grants; review and comment on initiatives and plans of the cabinet related to early childhood; and submit annually to the cabinet recommendations for changes to laws and rules to reduce barriers to collaboration and coordination among federally funded and state-funded programs and services for young children and the children's families and to improve the quality of programs and services for young children statewide.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 21 &lt;br&gt; Leg: 4 &lt;br&gt; Sen: 2 &lt;br&gt; House: 2</td>
<td>Chairs: Governor appoints chair</td>
<td>Annually</td>
<td>Council may hire staff as resources permit</td>
<td>Exception to JR 353 - council codified in Title 5 is exempted from JR 353</td>
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<td>Joint Order, JRP 1277 (on Senate Study Table)</td>
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<td>CIPS</td>
<td>Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety Study of the Stabilization of Funding for the County Jails and the Regional Jail</td>
<td>Conduct a study of funding of Maine’s county jails and the regional jail; review sources and amounts of funding for the county jails and the regional jail and categories and amounts of expenses; may request financial information from the counties through the county sheriffs and from the Department of Corrections and the Department of Administrative and Financial Services and the participation of interested parties.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 15 &lt;br&gt; Leg: 15 &lt;br&gt; Sen: 15 &lt;br&gt; House: 15</td>
<td>Chairs: CIPS Committee</td>
<td>Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature</td>
<td>Legislative Council</td>
<td>Interim legislative committee meetings requiring legislative resources (JSC interim meeting budget)</td>
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<td>LD 512, as amended by Committee Amendment “A” (on the Special Appropriations Table; see also LD 1001, as amended by Committee Amendment “A”, Part VVVV)</td>
<td>Emergency</td>
<td>EDU</td>
<td>Legislature to Contract for an Independent Review to Evaluate and Plan for the Implementation of Maine's Early Childhood Special Education Services</td>
<td>Education and Cultural Affairs Committee meetings to direct the Executive Director of the Legislative Council to develop a request for proposal to award a contract to a research and technical entity to conduct an independent review to evaluate and plan for the implementation of Maine's early childhood special education services.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 15 &lt;br&gt; Leg: 15 &lt;br&gt; Sen: 15 &lt;br&gt; House: 15</td>
<td>Chairs: Members of the EDU Committee</td>
<td>Preliminary report due April 1, 2020; final report due December 1, 2020</td>
<td>Legislative Council</td>
<td>Interim legislative committee meetings requiring legislative resources (JSC interim meeting budget)</td>
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**General Fund Legislative - Interim JSC Meeting Budget**

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# Highway Fund Miscellaneous Studies account (new account)

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<td>LD 945</td>
<td>Blue Ribbon Commission To Study and Recommend Funding Solutions for the State's Transportation Systems</td>
<td>TOTAL: 15 Legislative Council (not during regular or special sessions)</td>
<td>January 3, 2020</td>
<td>Legislative per diem and expenses; up to six meetings and may hold at least 3 public hearings in different locations throughout the State</td>
<td>$3,750</td>
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<td>LD 764</td>
<td>Criminal Records Review Committee Review activities in other states that address the expungement, sealing and otherwise limiting of public access to criminal records; consider whether convictions for the following conduct should be subject to different treatment: convictions for conduct that has been decriminalized in this State over the last 10 years and conduct that is currently under consideration for decriminalization and convictions for conduct that was committed by victims and survivors of sexual exploitation and sex trafficking; consider whether there is a time limit after which some or all criminal records should not be publicly available; invite comments and suggestions from the public, including but not limited to victim advocates and crime victims, and from organizations that provide services to crime victims; and consider who, if anyone, should continue to have access to nonpublicly available criminal records.</td>
<td>TOTAL: 15 Legislative Council (not during regular or special sessions)</td>
<td>December 4, 2019</td>
<td>Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings; shall seek outside funding</td>
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# 129th Maine State Legislature

## Legislative Council Review of Proposed Studies

### First Regular Session

## Proposed Studies Summary

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**LD 1036, as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (on Senate Study Table)**

Emergency: EDU

**Task Force To Study the Creation of a Comprehensive Career and Technical Education System.**

Examine the feasibility of establishing a comprehensive 4-year high school career and technical education program to provide a technical high school setting for middle school students to attend at the completion of the 8th grade and examine increasing crosswalk and interactions between technical and occupational knowledge and curricula and academic standards in order to promote multiple pathways for awarding content area credit to students enrolled in career and technical education programs.

TOTAL: 14

Leg: 2

Sen: 1

House: 1

Chairs: First-named Senator and Representative

December 4, 2019

Legislative Council (not during regular or special sessions)

Nonconforming

*Membership - majority = legislators and must include members of the 2 parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature for conforming studies per JR 353

*LC staff - authorized only for conforming studies per JR 353

Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings

$1,250

OSR

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**LD 1324, as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (on Senate Study Table)**

Not an emergency: BHS

**Committee To Study the Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security**

Examine and make recommendations on the feasibility of providing basic economic security through a direct cash payment system and other programs that are designed to help individuals and families become more economically secure, including, but not limited to: tax rebates and credits, including strengthening the earned income tax credit and a negative income tax; universal basic income and unconditional cash transfers to residents of the State; and other direct cash benefit programs; investigate the effectiveness of existing safety net programs, such as tax credits, child care and food supplement programs, and compare those programs to any recommended direct cash payment programs.

TOTAL: 11

Leg: 6

Sen: 3

House: 3

Chairs: First-named Senator and Representative

December 4, 2020

Legislative Council (not during regular or special sessions)

Nonconforming

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Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings

$3,250

OSR

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**Resolve 2019, chapter 15 & interim subcommittee meetings request for this purpose to POs**

**Not an emergency & request pending approval from POs**

**VLA**

**VLA Subcommittee for Revision of Title 28-A**

Review report prepared by OPLA regarding inconsistencies, duplications and anachronisms in Title 28-A and prepare a proposed revision for the VLA Committee’s review in the Second Regular Session of the 129th.

TOTAL: 5 VLA members

January 1, 2020

OPLA and ROS

Legislative per diem and expenses; 8 meetings

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**Letter from SLG Committee requesting interim subcommittee meetings**

**Pending request for approval from POs**

**SLG**

**SLG Subcommittee on Abandoned and Discontinued Roads**

Review issues related to abandoned and discontinued roads and develop proposed legislation for the Second Regular Session.

TOTAL: 5 SLG members

Beginning of Second Regular of 129th

OPLA

Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings

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### Additional Legislative Resources for Interim Work

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### Notes

- Future budgets will be adjusted to include the cost of studies authorized on an ongoing basis.
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REVIEW OF PROPOSED STUDIES
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

PROPOSED STUDIES SUMMARY

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Letter from SLG Committee requesting interim subcommittee meetings
Funding request for approval from POs. SLG SLG Subcommittee on Ancient and Family Burial Grounds Review issues related to ancient and family burial grounds and develop proposed legislation for the Second Regular Session. TOTAL: 5 SLG members Beginning of Second Regular of 129th SPLA Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings

Letter from JUD Committee requesting interim subcommittee meetings
Funding request for approval from POs. JUD JUD Subcommittee on Reorganization of the Probate Court Develop recommendations for reorganization of the Probate Court for the Second Regular Session. TOTAL: 5 JUD members Beginning of Second Regular of 129th SPLA Legislative per diem and expenses; 8 meetings

Letter from EUT Committee requesting interim committee meetings
Funding request for approval from POs. EUT EUT Committee meetings to regarding Energy and Utility Policy Issues Receive briefings from PUC, OPA and Governor’s Office of Energy on studies and regulatory proceedings relating to significant proposed energy and utility policies; and work on carry over bills. TOTAL: 13 EUT members Beginning of Second Regular of 129th SPLA Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings

Letter from HCIFS Committee requesting interim committee meetings
Funding request for approval from POs. HCIFS HCIFS Committee meetings regarding Health Care Reform Consider carry-over bills regarding health care reform and develop recommendations for the Second Regular Session. TOTAL: 13 HCIFS members Beginning of Second Regular of 129th SPLA Legislative per diem and expenses; 4 meetings

Additional Legislative Resources for Ongoing Interim Work (previously approved - for reference only)

1 MRSA, Sec. 411 JUD Right to Know Advisory Committee and subcommittees Serve as a resource for ensuring compliance with FOAA. TOTAL: 17 (2 legislators; 1 Senate and 1 House member) January 15th annually SPLA Legislative per diem and expenses

28-B MRSA, Sec. 901 VLA Marijuana Advisory Commission Advise laws and rules pertaining to adult use marijuana. TOTAL: 17 (2 legislators; 2 Senate and 2 House members) January 15, 2020 and annually thereafter SPLA Legislative per diem and expenses

20-A MRSA, Chapter 437 EDU State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force Develop procedures to maintain and disseminate information and data from the Department of Labor’s educational outcomes database. TOTAL: 15 (2 legislators; 2 Senate and 2 House members) November 1st annually SPLA Legislative per diem and expenses

10 MRSA, Chapter 1-A IDEA Citizen Trade Policy Commission Assess and monitor legal and economic impacts of trade agreements on state and local laws, working conditions and the business environment. TOTAL: 17 (6 legislators; 3 Senate and 3 House members) Annually Contract staff and administrative support Legislative per diem and expenses (separate account)