

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

**12:45 p.m. TUESDAY June 30, 2020
Room 228 State House**

DRAFT AGENDA

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12:45 p.m. (note the earlier than normal start time)

Committee member introductions followed by disbursement to other locations within the State House

1:00 p.m.

The disparate impact of the current pandemic on the health and economic well-being of Maine’s population.

- Members of Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations

1:45 p.m.

K-12 Education: The impact of the current pandemic on funding needs; use of federal assistance provided to date; and potential applications of the COVID Relief Fund.

- Pender Makin, Commissioner, Department of Education
- Representatives from the Maine School Management Association
- Representatives from the Maine Education Association

2:45 p.m.

Higher Education: The impact of the shutdown on the Higher Education and mitigating actions taken; anticipated funding needs; use of federal assistance to date; and potential applications of the COVID Relief Fund.

- Representatives from Maine Maritime Academy
- Representatives from the Maine Community College System
- Representatives from the University of Maine System
- Representatives from the Higher Ed workforce

3:30 p.m.

Session III of Community Input: The impact of the COVID19 pandemic on consumers of social services in Maine

- Consumers of services for people with disabilities, mental illness, intellectual disabilities

4:15 p.m.

- ***Continued discussion of a plan for the allocation of the COVID Relief Fund (CRF)***