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3 4	INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS			
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6	STATE OF MAINE			
7	SENATE			
8	130TH LEGISLATURE			
9	FIRST SPECIAL SESSION			
10 11	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "" to S.P. 490, L.D. 1517, "An Act To Establish the Maine Workforce, Research, Development and Student Achievement Institute"			
12 13	Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 6-I by inserting at the end a new blocked paragraph to read:			
14	'This subsection is repealed September 1, 2024.'			
15	Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting the following:			
16	'Sec. 2. 5 MRSA c. 383, sub-c. 10 is enacted to read:			
17	SUBCHAPTER 10			
18 19	MAINE WORKFORCE, RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND STUDENT <u>ACHIEVEMENT INSTITUTE</u>			
20 21	<u>§13120-T. Maine Workforce, Research, Development and Student Achievement</u> <u>Institute</u>			
22 23 24 25 26 27	1. Institute established. The Maine Workforce, Research, Development and Student Achievement Institute, as established in Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 6-I and referred to in this subchapter as "the institute," is established to collect and analyze information related to workforce training and cost drivers for training, research and development, student debt and economic advancement in the State, to make policy recommendations to the Legislature and to conduct targeted research for the Legislature.			
28 29 30 31 32	2. Legislature to contract with university. The Legislature, through the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over innovation, development, economic advancement and business matters, shall contract with the University of Maine System to establish and maintain the institute. Personnel coordinating the work of the institute must be appointed by the University of Maine System in consultation with the			

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joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over innovation,
 development, economic advancement and business matters, and those personnel shall
 consult with and act on behalf of the Legislature, performing such data collection, analysis
 and research as the Legislature may require.

5 3. State economic plan. The institute shall align its work with the priorities of the
 State's economic development strategy developed by the department pursuant to this
 7 chapter.

8 4. Steering committee. The Maine Workforce, Research, Development and Student Achievement Institute Steering Committee, referred to in this section as "the steering 9 10 committee," is established to advise the Legislature and the University of Maine System on all matters related to the institute. With the exception of ex officio members, steering 11 12 committee members must be appointed by the joint standing committee of the Legislature 13 having jurisdiction over innovation, development, economic advancement and business 14 matters for a term of 2 years. The steering committee shall meet at least 4 times each year 15 and must include the following:

- 16 A. One member from the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation;
- 17 <u>B. One member from the department;</u>
- 18 <u>C. One member from the Department of Labor or the State Workforce Board,</u>
 19 <u>established under Title 26, section 2006;</u>
- 20 D. One member from the University of Maine System;
- 21 E. One member from the Maine Community College System;
- F. One member from a statewide organization representing business interests in the
 State;
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 G. One member from a statewide organization responsible for promotion of individual

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 economic opportunities;
- H. One member from a regional development organization serving one or more of the
 following: Aroostook County, Franklin County, Oxford County, Piscataquis County,
 Somerset County and Washington County;
- 29 I. One member who is involved in career and technical education;
- 30 J. One member who is employed in the public sector;
- 31 K. One member who is employed in the private sector;
- 32 L. The State Economist, who serves ex officio; and
- 33M. The chief executive officer of the Finance Authority of Maine or the chief executive34officer's designee, who serves ex officio.
- 35 The steering committee shall elect a chair from among its members to serve a term of 2
 36 years.
- 5. Location and access. The analysis, recommendations and research results gathered
 pursuant to this subchapter must be maintained by the institute at the University of Maine
 System and must be available for use by any interested group or individual.
- 40 **6. Sunset.** This section is repealed September 1, 2024.

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1 Sec. 3. Sunset review. During the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over innovation, 2 development, economic advancement and business matters shall examine and review the 3 work of the Maine Workforce, Research, Development and Student Achievement Institute 4 5 established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 13120-T in order to make a decision regarding the continuation of the institute. The joint standing committee of the 6 Legislature having jurisdiction over innovation, development, economic advancement and 7 business matters may report out a bill based on that review to the 131st Legislature. 8

- 9 Sec. 4. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.
- 11 **LEGISLATURE**

12 Legislature 0081

Initiative: Appropriates funds for the costs to the Legislature to contract with the University
 of Maine System to establish and maintain, for its duration, the Maine Workforce,
 Research, Development and Student Achievement Institute.

16	GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
17	All Other	\$100,000	\$100,000
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19	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$100,000	\$100,000
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Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
 number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY 23 24 This amendment does the following: 25 1. It changes the membership of the Maine Workforce, Research, Development and Student Achievement Institute Steering Committee; 26 27 2. It adds a requirement that the Legislature contract with the University of Maine 28 System; 29 3. It adds a requirement that the institute align its work with the priorities established by the State's economic development strategy developed by the Department of Economic 30 and Community Development; 31 32 4. It adds a repeal date of September 1, 2024; 5. It adds a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction 33

5. It adds a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over innovation, development, economic advancement and business matters with the option for the committee to report out a bill in the 131st Legislature; and

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 6. It adds an appropriation of \$100,000 for the Legislature to contract with the
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 University of Maine System in order to establish and maintain the institute for its duration.

- 38 FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
- 39 (See attached)

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