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I oppose LD 1118 "An Act to Establish a Permanent Free Community College Program for Maine" and it "ought not to pass".

This program is going to cost us taxpayers \$12,500,000 per year! Students get a free education, and there's nothing to stop them from escaping this insanely taxed state!

We are still trying to recover from high inflation, the cost of literally all goods and services is still through the roof, housing is unaffordable, per WalletHub Maine has the highest property tax per percentage of income in the United States and we have the fourth highest overall total tax burden in the nation right now. Is the Legislature and Governor trying to drive us to the number one highest taxed state? When does this continuing to tax us to the breaking point end?

Why isn't the State Legislature and Governor working to keep Maine citizens in the state, vs driving them out? These high taxes will be unsustainable for many. We have the oldest median age population of all the 50 states. It appears as though we will soon be an old state of the "haves" and the "have nots". Many Maine citizens barely getting by financially is not a good look for the state, and it's infuriating that we've gotten to this point!

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