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TO: Senator Curry, Representative Gere
Joint Standing Committee on Housing and Economic Development
FROM: Becky Smith, Director of Government and Community Relations
RE: Testimony in Support of portions of LD 2230, *An Act to Invest in the Construction of Industrialized Housing*
DATE: March 11, 2026

Senator Curry, Representative Gere and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Housing and Economic Development, I am Becky Smith, Director of Government and Community Relations for the Maine Community College System and I am here to offer our support of Section 4 of LD 2230, *An Act to Invest in the Construction of Industrialized Housing*.

The December 2025 *Report of the Housing Production Innovation Working Group*, prepared for your committee, identified ways Maine could increase innovative construction technologies and thereby increase capacity and reduce the cost of new housing. The Maine Community College System's colleges are already working towards many of the goals set forth in the report.

We are pleased to participate in the construction extension partnership program outlined in Section 4 of the bill.

The Maine Community College System has a long and proud history of meeting industry needs—and industrialized housing would be no exception. Building Construction Technology is taught at four of our colleges and those that may not teach in that specific field, teach HVAC, Plumbing, Heavy Equipment, and Architectural and Engineering Design—all necessary for industrial housing.

Central Maine Community College is currently exploring enhancements to their Building and Construction program to accommodate the unique needs of industrialized housing. As you can imagine, facilities and equipment will need to be upgraded, and we would need to work closely with the vendors who currently provide industrialized housing on the appropriate curriculum. Every MCCS program is required, by policy, to have a program advisory committee which includes industry, this would be no exception.

Our Alford Center for the Advancement of Maine's Workforce also provides the Construction Institute—free of charge—with Southern Maine Community College. I have attached a flier to this testimony as just one small example of what we do every day and how we could partner with the industrialized housing businesses in Maine. I have also attached this year's program matrix for your information.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to our testimony. Thank you.

Associate Degree and Certificate Programs

	CM	EM	KV	NM	SM	WC	YC
Industrial Technology and Transportation							
Air Conditioning & Refrigeration					C		
Applied Electronics & Computer Technology			A/C				
Aquaculture						A	
Architectural & Engineering Design					A		A
• Marine Design					C		
Automotive Collision Repair			A/C				
Automotive Technology	A	A	A/C		A	C	
• Basic Systems		C					
• Chassis Systems					C		
• Ford ASSET	A						
• Powertrain Systems					C		
Building Construction Technology	A/C	A/C		A/C	A/C		
Building Construction Technology – Jobsite Track	A						
Career Studies	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Computer Aided Design Technology							C
Computer Aided Machining				C			
Diesel & Automotive Engine Overhaul						C	
Diesel Hydraulics Technology				A/C			
Diesel, Truck, & Heavy Equipment		A					
• Heavy Truck & Equipment Systems		C					
Electrical Construction	A/C						
Electrical Construction & Maintenance				A/C			
Electrical Engineering Technology					A		
Electrical Lineworker Technology			C				
Electrical/Electricians Technology		C	A/C		C		C
Facilities Maintenance & Management	A						
Fine Woodworking & Cabinet Making		A/C					
Heating			C	C	C	C	
Heating, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration	A/C	A			A		
• Refrigeration		C					
Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning						A	
Heavy Equipment Maintenance						C	
Heavy Equipment Operation						C	
Horticulture					A		
Major Collision Repair & Refinishing				C			
Mechanical Technology						A/C	
• Passenger Vehicle Service						A	
Metal Fabrication	A						
Multi-Axis Machining					C+		
Plumbing		C	C	C	C		
Plumbing & Heating	A/C		A	A	A		
Powersports Equipment/Small Engine Technician						C	
Precision Machining Technology	A/C/C+		C		A		
• CNC Machine Operator					C		
• Operators Certificate			C				
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning						C	
Residential & Commercial Electricity						D	
Trade & Technical Occupations (for Registered Apprenticeship)		A	A	A	A	A	A
Water Treatment Technology				A	A/C ¹		
• Drinking Water				C	C ¹		
• Wastewater				C	C ¹		
Welding Technology		A/C	C	C		C	
Wind Power Technology				C			

	CM	EM	KV	NM	SM	WC	YC
Public Safety							
Advanced Emergency Care			C				
Advanced Emergency Medical Technician				C			
Community Paramedicine				A/C/C+			
Criminal Justice	A*	A			A	A*	A*
Conservation Law Enforcement	A/C					A	
Corrections/Probation			C			A*/C*	
Emergency Medical Services/Paramedicine		A/C	A/C	A/C	A		
Fire Science Technology		A/C			A/C		
Forensic Science	A						
Legal Studies							A
Police Operations	C+						

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Sciences, Engineering, and Mathematics							
Architectural Studies	A						
Architectural & Engineering Design					A		A
Biological/Life Science	A		A				
Biotechnology					A		
Electrical & Automation Technology		A					
Electromechanical Instrumentation Technology						A	
Exercise Science	A						
Liberal Studies - Mathematics					A		
Liberal Studies - Science					A		
Marine Science					A		
Mechanical Drafting & Design							C
Pre-Engineering	A				A		

CM Central Maine Community College

EM Eastern Maine Community College

KV Kennebec Valley Community College

NM Northern Maine Community College

SM Southern Maine Community College

WC Washington County Community College

YC York County Community College

A = Associate Degree

C = Certificate

D = Diploma

C+ = Advanced Certificate

¹ NMCC program offered at SMCC.

* Also available 100% online.

Admissions officers at each of the colleges are available to answer questions and help you figure out your next steps.

Contact information is available at mccs.me.edu/apply or email MCCSinfo@mainecc.edu

You can learn more about MCCS programs of study at mccs.me.edu/programs.

Associate Degree and Certificate Programs

	CM	EM	KV	NM	SM	WC	YC
Arts, Humanities, Digital Media, and Communication							
Communications & New Media	A				A		
Digital Graphic Design		A/C					
Digital Media							A
General Studies	A*		A				
Graphic Design	A						
Liberal Studies	A*	A*	A*	A*	A*	A	A*
• Liberal Studies - Art					A		
• Liberal Studies - Economic & Public Policy	A						
• Liberal Studies - English	A				A		
• Liberal Studies - History	A						
• Liberal Studies - Music					A		
• Liberal Studies - Philosophy	A						
• Liberal Studies - Political Science	A						

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Business and Hospitality							
Accounting	A*		A*	A*			A*
Business Administration/Management	A*/C*	A*	A*/C*	A*	A*	A*	A*
• Banking & Finance	A						
• Career Option		A					
• Entrepreneurship				C*		C*	
• Entrepreneurship & Small Business	A						
• Event Management		A					
• Finance							A*
• Financial Planning							C*
• Human Resources	A						
• International Commerce						A	
• Nonprofit	A						
• Small Business Development/Management		C					C*
• Sports Management					A		
Business Administration Transfer	A	A					
Business Administration Transfer - Sports Management	A		A				
Career Studies - Business				A			
Culinary Arts	A/C	A	A		A		
• Cooking Skills			C				
Food Service Specialist		C					
Hospitality Management					A		
Office Assistant				C*			
Outdoor Leadership						A/C	
Restaurant & Food Service Management		A					
Restaurant Management	A						

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Computer Science and Information Technology							
Computer Science					A		
Computer Technology	A						
• Coding		A/C/C+					
• Networking		A/C					
Cyber Security					A		
Cyber Security - Digital Forensics	A						
Data Science	A						
Information Technology					A		A*
Network Administration & Cybersecurity				A/C			
Networked Systems Technology & Security							C*
Web Development							C

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Education, Human Services, and Social and Behavioral Sciences							
Alcohol & Drug Counselor							C
Behavioral Health Studies							A*
Community Mental Health							C*
Early Childhood Education	A	A	A*	A/C	A/C	A/C	
Education	A				A/C+	A*	A
• Career and Technical Education		C					
• Elementary Education		A					
• Secondary Education		A					
Forensic Social Work							A*
Human Services	A*/C*	A/C			A/C	A*	
• Substance Use and Recovery						C*	
Justice Studies	A*						
Leadership							C*
Liberal Studies - History						A	
Liberal Studies - Political Science						A	
Liberal Studies - Psychology						A	
Liberal Studies - Social Work						A	
Mental Health			A*/C*				
Outdoor Leadership - Adventure Therapy						A	
Psychology		A*		A*			
Social Science		A*/C*					
Special Education		A					
Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Technician		C					

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Health Sciences							
Advanced Emergency Care			C				
Advanced Emergency Medical Technician				C			
Allied Health				C*			
Animal Care and Management							A
Cardiovascular Technology					A/C+		
Career Studies - Health Science Pathway		A					
Community Paramedicine				A/C/C+			
Emergency Medical Services/Paramedicine		A/C	A/C	A/C	A		
Health Information Management			A*				
Health Occupations						C	
Health Sciences	C		C		A		
Health Studies							A/C
Licensed Practical Nursing				C	C		
Medical Assisting		A/C	A/C	A/C	A/C	A	
Medical Coding/Electronic Health Records	A*/C*	C	C*	C*			
Medical Office Technology						C	
• Health Care Secretary		C					
Nursing	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Nutrition and Dietetics					A		
Phlebotomy			C			C	
Physical Fitness Specialist	A						
Physical Therapist Assistant			A				
Radiologic Technology/Medical Radiography		A/C+	A		A		
Respiratory Therapy Technology			A		A		
Surgical Technology		A			A		
Veterinary Assistant							C
Veterinary Technology							A

Short-term Workforce Training Programs

	CM	EM	KV	MA	SM	WC	YC
Arts, Humanities, Digital Media, and Communication							
Google UX Design
Google Digital Marketing & E-Commerce

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Business and Hospitality							
Amazon Web Services					.		
Certified Bookkeeper & MOUS Certificate				.			
Certified Social Media Manager				.			
Creating Exceptional Customer Experience						.	
Culinary / New Cook Boot Camp		.	.			.	
Entrepreneurship Training			.				
Excel Associate Microsoft Certification		.					
Google Project Management
Google Business Intelligence
Hospitality Badges						.	
Intermediate Supervisor Training						.	
Leadership Development				.			
Logistics and SCM						.	
Maine Guide Skills		.					
Metrix Professional Development				.			
Microsoft Sharepoint Training			.				
MOUS Certification for Excel			.				
Paralegal				.			
Peer to Supervisor						.	
Quickbooks				.			
Raft Guide						.	
Real Estate Agent	.						
Remote Work						.	
ServSafe		.					.
Virtual Assistant			.				

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Computer Science and Information Technology							
Amazon Web Services					.		
CompTIA Security+	.						
Computer/Data Analyst Foundations			.				
Google Cybersecurity
Google Data Analytics
Google UX Design
Google IT Support
Google Pathways in IT						.	
IBM Pathways in IT						.	

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Education, Human Services, and Social and Behavioral Sciences							
Alternative Pathways to Teaching						.	
Digital Literacy Badge						.	
Drug and Alcohol Supervisor				.			
Early Childhood Conference				.			
Early Childhood Education			.		.	.	
Ed Tech				.		.	
Education Technician II Apprenticeship							.
Educational Trip Leader		.					
Educator Apprentice					.		
Educator Pathway	.						
Employment and Disability Badge						.	
Intro to Substance Use Disorders						.	
Learning Facilitator		.					
Mental Health Career Academy							.
Mental Health and Rehabilitation: MHRT/C						.	
Substance Use Recovery CAD/C Apprenticeship						.	
Wellness and Compassion Fatigue						.	

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Health Sciences							
Adv. Cardiac Life / Pediatric Adv. Life Support			.				
Advanced Cardiac Life Support							.
Advanced Emergency Medical Technician			.				.
Basic Life Support	.					.	
Certified Nursing Assistant	.	.			.		
Clinical Assisting		.					
CPR First Aid					.		
Dental Assisting					.		.
Emergency Medical Technician	
Expanded Function Dental Aux							.
Medical Assisting					.		.
Medical Billing and Coding							.
Medical Coding		.					
Medical Interpreting					.		
Mobile Technology Lab 2526 (Health Science Skills)						.	
Nursing TEAS Prep							.
Pediatric Advanced Life Support							.
Patient Services Rep						.	
Pharmacy Technician
Phlebotomy
Radiation Health & Safety Exam Review							.

You want a good job, right now

Fast track your future with low- or no-cost short-term training programs offered through our Harold Alfond Center for the Advancement of Maine's Workforce. Most of our 200+ programs are grant funded, so there's no cost to you!

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Take advantage of hybrid, night, and on-demand schedules; stackable badges and certificates; and scholarships for future degree and certificate programs.

Short-term Workforce Training Programs

	CM	EM	KV	NM	SM	WC	YC
Industrial Technology and Transportation							
608 Certification (Heat Pump/HVAC)				*			
Aboriculture					*		
Advanced Construction Institute					*		
Advanced Manufacturing					*		
Automotive Technology			*				
Broadband Technician	*						
CNC Machining						*	
Commercial Driving License	*	*	*	*		*	
Commercial Driving Academy				*			*
Construction			*				
Construction Institute					*		
Dent Repair Certification				*			
Electric Boat Motor						*	
Electrical Technology	*	*	*				*
Entry Level Machine Operation			*				
Fiber Optic Technician	*						
Gas and Propane Large Equipment					*		
Gas and Propane Construction					*		
Heat Pump Installer	*			*		*	
Heavy Equipment Operator Training			*				
High Pressure Boiler	*				*		
Home Inspection	*						
Industrial Instrumentation				*			
Mechatronics				*			
National Code Update		*					
National Electrical Code Course				*			
Oil Burner Technician		*			*		
Plasma Table				*			
Propane Technician		*					
St. Croix Tissue -- Electro-Mechanical Instrumentation						*	
Water Treatment Certificates				*			
Welding	*		*	*	*		*
Yamaha Boat Motor Repair					*		

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Public Safety							
Adv. Cardiac Life /Pediatric Adv. Life Support			*				
Advanced Cardiac Life Support							*
Advanced EMT			*				*
Basic Life Support	*			*			
CPR First Aid					*		
Emergency First Responder		*					
Emergency Telecommunications		*					
Emergency Medical Technician		*		*	*	*	*
Emergency Vehicle Operator Course							*
Fire Officer I, II, and III		*					
Heavy Vehicle Extrication		*					
HYEV Safety for Forest Responders						*	
Pediatric Advanced Life Support							*
Prehospital Trauma Life Support							*
Radiation Health & Safety Exam Review							*
Water Treatment Certificates			*				
Wilderness First Responder		*					

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Sciences, Engineering, and Mathematics							
Advanced Construction Institute					*		
AutoCAD				*			
Construction Academy			*				
Electrician Technology	*	*	*				*
Land Surveying	*						
Welding	*		*	*	*		*

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Contact us at 207-629-4013; mccsalfondtraining@mainecc.edu; MCCSworks.com

Short-term workforce training programs are offered at our colleges on a rolling basis throughout the year, for different lengths of time depending on the subject. Some classes are offered multiple times a year.

For more information, contact the community college directly or go to alfondcenter.mccs.me.edu/short-term-training

Pre-Hire Training

Start a new career in a matter of months! These programs fill high-demand positions, take less than one year to complete, and are offered at low- or no-cost for students. Graduates have the skills needed to go directly into the workforce while earning credit for a future degree.

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Already have a job, but want to keep growing in your position? Employers who join the Maine Workforce Development Compact can get up to \$1,200 in matching funds for employees to get professional development! Gain skills that lead to career advancement, job security, and retainment.

Scholarships

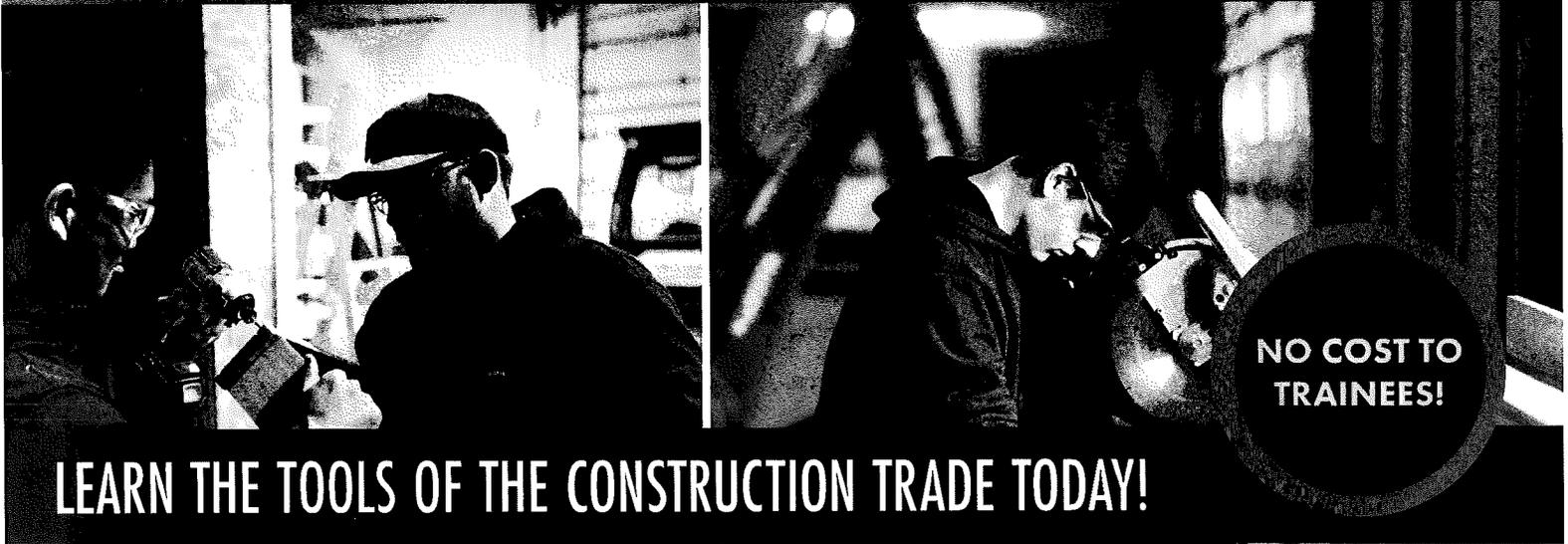
Want to keep going? We have scholarships available to help you complete a certificate or degree program. Students who have received pre-hire or Compact training are eligible for 50% off two courses each semester.

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WHEN

January 20 - May 12, 2026
Tuesdays & Thursdays
4:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Building Concepts, Leveling,
& Technical Math
(20 hours)

OSHA 10 & Tool Safety
(20 hours)

Print Reading
(16 hours)

Floor, Wall, & Roof Framing
Shingles, Siding, & Exterior
Finish Work
(72 hours)



WHERE

SMCC South Portland Campus
Construction Technology Building
65 Fort Road

PREREQUISITES:

- At least 18 years of age
- High School diploma, GED or HiSet
- Resident of Maine
- Proof of authorization to work in the U.S.

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