



Legislative Updates 5.9.21



LD 1652

AN ACT TO BUILD A CHILD CARE SYSTEM BY RECRUITING AND RETAINING MAINE'S EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS WORKFORCE

Hearing: Tuesday, May 11th @9:30am
in front of the Committee for Innovation, Development, Economic
Advancement and Business

https://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bills/display_ps.asp?PID=1456&snum=130&paper=&paperId=I&ld=1652

To testify (written or oral)

<https://www.mainelegislature.org/testimony/>

To Listen

<https://legislature.maine.gov/Audio/#202>

For more information (hearing guide, social media graphics,
messaging, and testimony plan)

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1nyc89rWoTJO-zWx_PWm313085HZoRsAG?usp=sharing



MAINE'S FINAL ARP CHILD CARE PLAN

Federal Guidance have still yet to come out

<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/sites/maine.gov.dhhs/files/inline-files/FINAL%20Child%20Care%20Plan%20for%20Maine.pdf>

GOV. MILLS' JOBS AND RECOVERY PLAN

Where can child care fit in? There are many opportunities to support child care investments within this plan.

<https://www.maine.gov/covid19/maine-jobs-and-recovery-plan>



Thanks for all your efforts!

LD 1559

Resolve, To Create the Commission To Develop a Paid Family and Medical Leave Benefits Program

Hearing took place on Friday, May 7th.

https://legislature.maine.gov/legis/bills/display_ps.asp?PID=1456&snum=130&paper=&paperId=l&ld=1559#

LD 1678

An Act To Support Child Care Providers and School Readiness through Tax Credits

No hearing scheduled yet.

https://legislature.maine.gov/legis/bills/display_ps.asp?PID=1456&snum=130&paper=&paperId=l&ld=1678

Municipal and County Conversations:

Are you or any groups involved in conversations on how municipal and county relief money can be spent to support child care?

Please let Kim, Tara, or Rita know so we can track some of this planning and keep the Coalition apprised of efforts going on. Also, don't hesitate to reach out for support.

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File attached.