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Eid is an important holiday in Islam celebrated twice a year. The holiday is a time when Muslims pray, visit with friends and family, and participate in acts of charity. The State of Maine recognizes Christmas Day as a state holiday, reinforcing the importance of allowing people to have time off from work and other obligations to celebrate important religious holidays. It would be discriminatory for the State to deny the same respect to Islam as it grants to Christianity. Therefore, the State must recognize Eid as state holiday and grant Mainers the same right to observe Eid as they have to observe Christmas.