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COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Richard W. Rosen, Senate Chair
Representative Patrick S. A. Flood, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

FROM: Senator Garrett Paul Mason, Senate Chair *GPM*
Representative Gary E. Plummer, House Chair *GEP mhb*
Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

DATE: June 15, 2011

RE: **Priorities for bills on Appropriations Table**

Pursuant to Joint Rule 314(7), we are reporting our committee's priorities for final passage of bills reported out of our committee that are now on the Appropriations Table.

Attached are communications from committee members indicating how they voted on the priority recommendations. Also attached is a chart indicating the number of votes each bill received and each vote's rank from #1 - #5, #1 being the top priority.

We hope that this information is useful in your deliberations. Thank you for your attention and please let us know if you have any questions.

Attachments

c: Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs
Members, Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

**** Criminal Justice & Public Safety – Appropriations Table Priorities 125th Legislature – June 15, 2011 ****

LD and status	Fiscal Impact	Priority #1	Priority #2	Priority #3	Priority #4	Priority #5
LD 82 An Act To Amend the Laws Governing County Jail Budgeting for York County (1 Vote)	Future biennium GF cost increase					X
LD 83 An Act To Legalize the Sale, Possession and Use of Fireworks (6 Votes)	GF Cost \$187,574 FY12 \$145,718 FY13	X X X X X	X			
LD 624 An Act To Require a Person Who Commits a Sex Offense against a Dependent or Incapacitated Adult To Register under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act of 1999 (6 Votes)	Current biennium GF cost increase (new Class C and D crimes; # of cases cannot be estimated)	X X X		X X		X
LD 773 An Act To Further Restrict the Availability of Methamphetamine and Amphetamine Pills (6 Votes)	Future biennium GF cost increase (increase Class B to Class A crimes; increased correctional costs)		X X X	X X		X
LD 914 An Act To Make Certain Synthetic Cannabinoids Illegal (6 Votes)	GF Cost \$4,687 FY12 \$6,242 FY13 Also increased judicial, indigent defense and correctional costs		X X	X X X		X
LD 966 An Act Regarding the Use of Methadone by Operators of Commercial Motor Vehicles (4 Votes)	GF Cost \$3,132 FY12 \$3,132 FY13 Also increased judicial, indigent defense and correctional costs			X	X X	X
LD 1143 An Act To Require That Law Enforcement Officials Collect DNA Samples from Persons Arrested for Certain Crimes (5 Votes)	GF Cost \$165,473 FY13 Highway Cost \$158,984 FY13	X X		X	X	X
LD 1182 An Act To Protect Young Children from Sex Offenses (2 Votes)	Current GF biennium cost; future GF biennium cost GF Cost		X		X	

	\$12,231 FY12 \$16,308 FY13 Also increased judicial, indigent defense and correctional costs					
LD 1392 An Act To Increase the Penalty for Sexual Abuse by Certain Offenders (1 Vote)	GF Cost \$14,800 FY12 \$19,734 FY13 Also increased judicial, indigent defense and correctional costs			X		
LD 1399 An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Criminal Law Advisory Commission Relative to the Maine Criminal Code and Related Statutes (4 Votes)	GF Cost \$5,710 FY12 \$7,614 FY13 Also increased judicial, indigent defense and correctional costs.		X X X		X	
LD 1562 An Act To Prohibit the Sale or Possession of So-called Bath Salts Containing Dangerous Synthetic Drugs (8 Votes)	Current GF biennium cost (Establishes new Class A, B and Class C crimes; increases correctional, indigent legal services and judicial costs. Estimate of 10-24 new convictions per year; large number of offenders are likely to be juveniles. Exact amount of GF appropriations by FY needed to support these costs cannot be estimated at this time.)	X	X	X	X X X X	X