

Agenda Legislative Action Committee

Maine State Board of Education Thursday, January 6, 2022 Zoom Meeting

1:00 PM

- I. Call to Order Wilson Hess
- II. Ongoing Rule-making Monitoring
 - Chapter 115: The Credentialing of Education Personnel
 - Chapter 60: New School Siting Approval
 - Chapter 61: Rules for Major Capital School Construction Projects
 - Chapter 125: Basic Approval Standards Public Schools and School Administrative Units
- III. Carry-over Legislation from the First Session of the 130th Watch List
 - LD 705: Resolve, To Improve Air Quality and Ventilation in Maine's Public Schools
 - LD 313: An Act To Advance Career and Technical Education Opportunities in Maine

- LD 144: An Act To Fund Capital Improvements to Career and Technical Education Centers and Regions to Bolster Maine's Future Workforce
- LD 298: An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Fund Capital Improvements and Equipment for Career and Technical Education Centers and Regions To Prepare Students To Join Maine's Workforce
- LD 604: Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Report on Charter School Funding Methods and Reporting Protocols
- LD 680: Resolve, To Reestablish the Task Force To Study the Creation of a Comprehensive Career and Technical Education System (EMERGENCY)
- LD 702: An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Recapitalize the School Revolving Renovation Fund
- LD 1107: An Act To Create Needed Broadband Infrastructure in Rural Maine through the Establishment of a Satellite-based Broadband Grant Program

IV. SBE Planning Items to Watch

- Advocate for legislation that upgrades EPS funding formula and funding levels (especially LD 313).
- Advocacy for legislation that supports equitable funding for CTE Centers and Regions.
- 3. Advocacy with the Legislature and DOE to establish state capital equipment funding for CTE (beyond ARPA short term ARPA sources).
- 4. Advocacy for legislation that supports capital funding for CTE facility construction.
- 5. Advocacy for CTE capital renovation funding.
- Advocate for legislation that supports renewal/expansion of middle school exploratory funding.
- 7. Advocacy for Chapter 115 to the Education Committee.
- 8. Advocacy for Chapters 60, 61, and 125 to require standards governing air quality and ventilation for all public schools.
- 9. Advocacy for legislation that impacts school construction, including the debt limit.
- 10. Advocacy for legislation that impacts increased funding for the School Revolving Renovation Fund.
- 11. Advocacy for legislation that supports additional funds to support school systems working toward an Integrated, Consolidated 9-16 Educational Facility.
- 12. Advocacy for legislation that supports additional funding to increase CTE physical space and equipment.
- 13. Monitor Charter School Commission legislation
- 14. Monitor legislation that supports expanded internet access
- V. Upcoming Hearings & Works Sessions of Interest
 - 1/6/22 -- DOE Repts. & Presentations 1/06/21
 - 1/11/22 -- LD 1789: An Act To Create Needed Broadband Infrastructure in Rural Maine through the Establishment of a Satellite-based Broadband Grant Program

- VI. Testimony Planned
 - LD 705
 - •LD 313
 - Chapt 115
 - Chapts. 60, 61, & 125
- VII. Watchlist Items (TBD)
- VIII. Adjourn