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CH. 87/LD 1135, "Resolve, to Convene a Working Group to Study the Use of Oral Fluid Testing in Determining Intoxication of Drivers, Aircraft Operators and Hunters"

Meeting #8

December 17, 2025, 1:00PM-2:30PM

**Fallen Heroes Room, Department of Public Safety, 45 Commerce Drive, Suite 1,
Augusta, ME**

Zoom: <https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/89454040276>

Minutes

1. Welcome– Lauren Stewart, Director Bureau of Highway Safety and Joshua Saucier, Asst. TSRP

Director Stewart and Joshua Saucier welcomed everyone and took attendance.

2. Discussion of Proposed Report

Member Saucier led a discussion on the Proposed Report. Prior discussion with Game Warden Nick Johnson resulted in Title 12 language being fine and accepted. Prior discussion with MSP Chief Pilot Greg Tirado reviewed the changes related to aircraft operators and this resulted in those changes being accepted. Member Saucier directed everyone to the Work Group's draft recommendations and read those recommendations. He asked if there was any discussion on such recommendations.

Member Saucier then called for a motion relating to the recommendations. He suggested that they all be handled at once but informed everyone that they could object to disagree with any single recommendation by simply mentioning it. Director Stewart moved to accept the recommendations set out in the report. The motion was seconded by Sheriff Polky. A roll call

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vote was held, Member Andrus (MACDL) voted against the recommendation, stating that MACDL opposed oral fluid testing in general. All other members voted in favor of all recommendations.

Roll call-

Lauren Stewart = y

Sheriff Polky representing Maine Sheriff Association = y

Scot Mattox = y

Anne Schools= y

Pat Mador on behalf of Maine Prosecutors Association = y

Justin Andrus on behalf of Maine Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers = n

Ellen Fraser on behalf of DHHS HETL= y

Chief Benjamin on behalf of the Maine Chiefs of Police Association – absent written vote =y

Don Finnegan = y

3. Vote on Proposed Report

Member Saucier led a discussion on the proposed report. He asked if there were any comments or discussion.

Member Saucier called for a motion to approve the final report with the caveats that the voting information be filled in, the objection portions be deleted, and the addendums be attached. Pat Mador moved the aforementioned suggested motion with noted changes regarding deleting minority view point report sections. Ellen Fraser seconded. Justin Andrus will abstain from voting on the report. A roll call vote was held and

Roll call-

Lauren Stewart = yes

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Sheriff Polky = y
Scot Mattox = y
Don Finnegan = y
Justin Andrus = abstain
Anne Schools = y
Pat Mador = y
Ellen Fraser = y
Chief Eddie Benjamin = y

4. Public Comment – Senator Cyrway asked about final vote (8-1). Thanked everyone for their work on this and appreciates the support for the law enforcement community.
5. Review and Approve Minutes:

- a. Minutes of Seventh Meeting were discussed and Member Saucier mentioned that the word Agenda should be replaced with the word Minutes on the Meeting Minutes (voting members then present: Lauren Stewart (BHS), Joshua Saucier and Scot Mattox (TSRP), Lynne Gardner (BMV), Don Finnegan (MCJA), Eddie Benjamin (MCOPA), and Patricia Mador (MPA).

Member Saucier Called for a vote to approve the minutes of the Seventh Meeting of the OFT Working Group. Lauren moved to approve said minutes. The motion was seconded by Pat Mador. All members present at the prior meeting voted in favor of the motion.

Roll call-

Lauren Stewart = y
Scot Mattox = y
Don Finnegan = y

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Pat Mador = y
Chief Eddie Benjamin = y

b. Review and approve minutes of this Eight Meeting.

Member Saucier reviewed the drafted minutes of this eight meeting. Member Saucier then called for a motion to approve these minutes with the caveat that all final votes be updated. Pat Mador moved to approve these minutes, and Sheriff Polky seconded the motion. All present members voted in favor of the motion, and these minutes were updated accordingly.

Roll call-

Lauren Stewart = y
Scot Mattox = y
Don Finnegan = y
Ellen Fraser = y
Anne Schools = y
Pat Mador = y
Sheriff Polky = y
Justin Andrus = y

6. Adjourn

Member Saucier called for a motion to adjourn finally and that the now finalized report be sent to the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee. Sheriff Polky moved to adjourn finally. The motion was seconded by Justin Andrus. All members were in favor of the motion. The report is to be sent forthwith.

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Attendance:

Working Group Roster – Voting Members

Name	Organization	Representing	Present	In Person/Remote
Lauren Stewart	MeBHS	Director BHS	Yes	In Person
Joshua Saucier	Dirigo Safety	TSRP	Yes	In Person
Scot Mattox	Dirigo Safety	TSRP	Yes	Remote
Anne Schools	SOS-BMV	Legal/Hearings	Yes	Remote
Don Finnegan	MCJA	MCJA Designee	Yes	Remote
Ellen Fraser	DHHS-HETL	Forensic Chemistry	Yes	Remote
Chief Benjamin	Holden PD	MCOPA	No	Voting Abstention
Sheriff Polky	Knox County SO	MSA	Yes	In Person
Patricia Mador	Maine Prosecutors	MPA	Yes	Remote
Justin Andrus	Andrus Law	MACDL	Yes	Remote

Working Group Roster – Non-Voting Members

Name	Organization	Representing	Present	In Person/Remote
Jeremy Morin	MeBHS	Add'l Member	Yes	Remote
John Roma	MeBHS	Add'l Member	Yes	Remote
Haley Fleming	MeBHS	Add'l Member	Yes	Remote
Jim Willis	MeBHS	Add'l Member	Yes	Remote
Nicholas Johnson	Maine Warden Service	Add'l Member	Yes	Remote
Christopher Ireland	SOS-BMV	Add'l Member	No	

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Guests –

Name	Organization	Representing	Present	In Person/Remote
Senator Cyrway	Legislature	CJ Committee	Yes	Remote
Marina Mozak	Senate Presidents Office		Yes	Remote

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