LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY – FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE 127TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

MAINE CENTER FOR ECONOMIC POLICY

FAIR	TAXES	
Bill/Purpose	MECEP Position	Outcome
LD 1019: Governor's Biennial Budget Proposal	Oppose	Negotiated tax reform/budget Vetoed/Overridden
LD 1019: Income and Estate Tax Cuts (Governor's Biennial Budget Proposal)	Oppose	Negotiated tax reform/budget Vetoed/Overridden
LD 138: An Act To Update References to the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 Contained in the Maine Revised Statutes, Decouple Federal Bonus Depreciation Deductions, and Create a Maine Capital Investment Credit (Gov. LePage's Federal Tax Conformity Proposal)	Oppose	Enacted, signed into law
LD 341: An Act To Prevent Tax Haven Abuse	Support	Died between houses
LD 575: An Act to Provide Property Tax Relief to Maine's Working Families (increase Homestead exemption)	Support	ONTP/Dead Provision included in budget
LD 501: An Act to Amend the Estate Tax Laws (to reduce the exclusion)	Support	ONTP/Dead
LD 1287: An Act To Ensure That Tax Expenditures Create High-quality Jobs	Support	Indefinitely Postponed/Dead
LD 835: An Act to Amend the Individual Income Tax Laws (change to brackets)	Support	ONTP/Dead Provisions included in budget
LD 96: An Act To Increase the State Earned Income Credit	Support	Indefinitely Postponed/Dead
LD 648: An Act To Increase the Earned Income Tax Credit for Maine Residents		ONTP/Dead
LD 963: An Act To Strengthen the Benefits of the State Earned Income Tax Credit for Childless Workers		ONTP/Dead Provision in budget to make EITC refundable
LD 1367: Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Eliminate the Income Tax	Oppose	Died between Houses
HP 804: Resolution Making Application To The Congress Of The United States Calling A Constitutional Convention To Propose An Amendment To The United States Constitution To Require A Balanced Federal Budget And Further Fiscal Restraints	Oppose	Nonconcurrence/Dead
LD 297: An Act To Increase Allowed Investments under the Maine New Markets Capital Investment Program	Oppose	Died Between Houses

PROMOTING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY				
LD 455: An Act To Prohibit Deceptive Practices Regarding Unsolicited Loans	Support	Vetoed/Sustained		
LD 1019: Proposed Cuts to Early Child Care and Education (Governor's Biennial Budget Proposal)	Oppose	Vetoed/Overridden Funding included in budget		
LD 843: An Act to Raise the Minimum Wage and Index It to the National Average Wage	Support	ONTP/Dead		
LD 627: An Act to Make College More Affordable for Maine Residents (State of Maine Grant program)	Support	Died between Houses Funding included in budget		
LD 1092: An Act To Prevent Abusive Debt Collection Practices by Debt Buyers	Support	Vetoed/Overridden		
LD 1220: An Act To Increase Funding for the Maine Community College System	Support	Placed on Appropriations Table		
LD 1217: An Act to Require at Least 2 Weeks' Advance Notice of the Work Schedule for Hourly Employees at Certain Businesses	Support	ONTP/Dead		
LD 1141: An Act To Increase the Affordability of College Tuition and Attract Professionals to Maine (navigators and work study)	NFNA	Placed on Appropriations Table		
LD 1343: An Act to Increase Access to Postsecondary Education for Maine National Guard Members	NFNA	Carry Over		
LD 489: An Act To Ensure the Right To Work without Payment of Dues or Fees to a Labor Union as a Condition of Employment	Oppose	ONTP/Dead		
LD 1353: An Act To Prohibit Mandatory Membership in a Union or Payment of Agency Fees as a Condition of Employment		ONTP/Dead		
LD 1318: An Act To Promote Individual Private Savings Accounts through a Public-private Partnership	Support	Carry Over		
LD 1373: An Act to Create the Put ME to Work Program	Support	Indefinitely Postponed/Dead		
LD 1406: An Act to Make College More Affordable for Maine Residents	Support	Placed on Special Study Table		

MEETING BASIC NEEDS				
LD 380: Resolve, To Establish a Working Group to Aid	Support	ONTP/Dead		
with the End of Student Hunger				
LD 813: An Act to Ensure that Hospitals Comply with	Support	ONTP/Dead/Committee will send letter		
the Laws Governing Transparency of Medical Billing		to hospitals encouraging compliance		
LD 633: An Act To Improve the Health of Maine	Support	Carry Over		
Citizens and the Economy of Maine by Providing				
Affordable Market-based Coverage Options to Low-				
income Uninsured Citizens				
LD 808: An Act To Decrease Uncompensated Care,		ONTP/Dead		

Reduce Medical Debt and Improve Health Outcomes		
LD 854: An Act To Increase Access to Health Security		Nonconcurrence/Dead
by Expanding Federally Funded Health Care for Maine		
People		
LD 933: An Act to Implement the Recommendations	Support	Placed on Appropriations Table
of the Task Force To End Student Hunger in Maine		
LD 1344: An Act to Protect Maine Consumers in the	Support	Indefinitely Postponed/Dead
Individual Health Insurance Market and Support		
Maine's Economy		
LD 1268: An Act to Reform Welfare by Establishing	Support	Carry Over
Bridges to Sustainable Employment		
LD 1375: An Act To Increase Accountability in Maine's	Oppose	Died Between Houses
Welfare Programs (Governor's Bill)		
LD 1402: An Act To Reward Work Performed by	NFNA	Died Between Houses
Welfare Recipients (Governor's Bill)		