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MMA's Legislative Policy Committee February 27, 2025

Supplemental Agenda

I. MMA platform bills printed since the distribution of the agenda

- **a.** LD 723 An Act Requiring the Maine Criminal Justice Academy to Develop a Nonresidential Basic Law Enforcement Training Program (Sponsored by Rep. Lajoie of Lewiston)
- II. **Proposed legislation.** The following bills and amendments to bills of municipal interest have been moved into the hopper since the distribution of the agenda for Thursday's LPC meeting. Summary descriptions of these amendments have been provided in the LD List 2025 (**Attachment #S-1**).
 - **A. Amanda Campbell** will provide information for full LPC consideration on the following legislative initiatives.
 - i. Health & Human Services-related legislation.
 - 1. <u>LD 710</u> An Act to Expand Access and Reduce Barriers to Access to Naloxone Hydrochloride and Other Opioid Overdose-reversing Medications
 - 2. <u>LD 755</u> An Act to Prevent Opioid Overdose Deaths by Allowing Municipalities to Approve the Establishment of Overdose Prevention Centers

ii. Taxation-related legislation.

- 1. LD 715 An Act to Provide Property Tax Relief by Increasing the Availability of the Property Tax Fairness Credit Based on a Resident's Age and Income
- 2. <u>LD 744</u> An Act to Remove Certain Wharves and Piers from the Laws Governing the Current Use Valuation of Working Waterfront Land
- 3. <u>LD 745</u> An Act to Allow a Municipality to Sell Tax-acquired Property in Any Manner Authorized by the Municipality's Legislative Body
- 4. <u>LD 746</u> An Act to Authorize a Local Option Sales Tax on Short-term Lodging to Fund Municipalities and Affordable Housing

- **B. Kate Dufour** will provide information for full LPC consideration on the following initiatives.
 - i. Health Coverage, Insurance & Financial Services-related legislation.
 - 1. <u>LD 627</u> An Act to Require Insurance Coverage for Glucagon-like Peptide-1 Receptor Agonist Medication
- **C. Rebecca Lambert** will provide information for full LPC consideration on the following legislative initiatives.
 - i. Education & Cultural Affairs-related legislation.
 - 1. <u>LD 734</u> An Act to Promote Voter Registration for Students in Maine's High Schools
 - ii. Veterans & Legal Affairs-related legislation.
 - 1. LD 718 An Act to Require Municipal Clerks to Issue Absentee Ballots Only to Residents of That Municipality and to Eliminate Ongoing Absentee Voter Status
- **D. Rebecca Graham** will provide information for full LPC consideration on the following legislative initiatives.
 - i. Criminal Justice & Public Safety-related legislation.
 - 1. <u>LD 719</u> An Act to Amend the Share of State Funding for the County Jail Operations Fund
 - 2. <u>LD 726</u> An Act to Protect Municipalities' Investment in Law Enforcement Officers
 - ii. Housing & Economic Development-related legislation.
 - 1. <u>LD 698</u> *An Act to Sustain Emergency Homeless Shelters in Maine* (Sponsored by Sen. Talbot Ross of Cumberland Cty.)
 - iii. State & Local Government-related legislation.
 - 1. <u>LD 731</u> An Act to Prohibit Municipalities from Barring the Creation of Homeless Shelters