

Legislative Update – 123rd Legislature
First Regular Session
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Statutory Adjournment Date June 20, 2007*

The 123rd First Regular Session of the Legislature Adjourned on Thursday, June 21, 2007 at approximately 10:30 p.m. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, all NONEMERGENCY LAWS passed in the first Regular Session will become law effective on Thursday, September 20, 2007. We have attached all recent legislation that has been Enacted for your review. Also below I have prepared a review of the University Sponsored Legislation and also a listing of all the bills to be Carried Over to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature which is due to convene on Wednesday, January 2, 2008.

Just a Reminder: L.D. #1796 Bond will be out to the voters on November 6, 2007 on the following question: “Do you favor a \$43,500,000 bond issue for interior and exterior building renovations, improvements and additions at all campuses of the Maine Community College System, the Maine Maritime Academy and the University of Maine System; to replenish the School Revolving Renovation Fund for school repairs and renovations; and to support capital improvements for cultural and educational assets such as museums, historical facilities and libraries?”

123rd Legislature
Special Appropriations Table
June 15, 2007

Carry Over Bills

L.D. #123 – An Act To Establish a Labor Center within the University of Maine System –
Rep. Tuttle of Sanford

L.D. #646 – An Act To Support and Expand Regional Teacher Development Centers and Early College Readiness Programs – Rep. Mills of Farmington

L.D. # 744 – An Act To Stabilize and Expand Funding for the Graduate School of Biomedical Science at the University of Maine – Rep. Cain of Orono

L.D. #833 – An Act To Support he Maine Patent Program – Rep. Jeremy Fischer

**Appropriations Table
Bills Passed**

L.D. #253 – An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Joint Select Committee on Research, Economic Development and the Innovation Economy

L.D. #1040 – An Act To Increase College Attainment – Speaker Cummings of Portland

L.D. #1564 – Resolve, To Encourage Financial Education of Children from Kindergarten to Grade 12 – Rep. Priest of Brunswick

**Appropriations Table
Bills Voted Out Ought-Not-To-Pass
Died on Adjournment**

L.D. #670 – An Act To Promote Economic Growth through Entrepreneurship, the Creative Economy and Rural Economic Development – Sen. Martin of Aroostook - **No Action Yet**

L.D. #898 – An Act To Increase Educational Opportunities in Kennebec Valley Region – Sen. Mitchell of Kennebec

L.D. #1020 – An Act To Renew the Promise of Higher Education – Sen. Bartlett of Cumberland - No Action Yet from AFA

L.D. #1064 – An Act To Increase Funding To Support Research & Development in the University of Maine System – Rep. Faircloth of Bangor

If you have any questions regarding any legislation that was enacted or any relevant legislation you have an interest in, please contact John Lisnik or Diane Gilmour at 621-3344.

The University of Maine System received a positive response in this legislative session from the governor and legislature and for this we are grateful for their support. Thank you to the Board of Trustees and Presidents for their support during this session. I especially want to thank the members of the Chancellor's Senior Staff for the assistance they gave this office throughout this legislative session. Our accomplishments would not be possible without their efforts. And finally,