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## MEREDA Legislative Database

LD	Short Title	Sponsor	Notes
<a href="#">1</a>	Resiliency Climate	Gov Bill/ Daughtry	\$15 million grant program; State Resilience Office
<a href="#">50</a>	Towns first right of refusal on state lands	Dodge	Would give towns the first right of refusal to purchase land being sold by the UMaine System or quasi-independent agencies.
<a href="#">65</a>	Coastal Wetlands definition	Doudera (DEP)	Changes standard to highest astronomical tide, rather than highest tide in year in which activity proposed.
<a href="#">128</a>	SLODA Multifamily	Pierce/DEP	Amend subdivision to allow lots that include detached residential housing designed to accommodate up to 4 families, including single-family.
<a href="#">Budget Part D</a>	MOCA		MOCA and Climate Resilience Partnership program, and municipal planning assistance; floodplain management; also shifts growth management and comp plan review to MOCA, establishes Housing Assistance Program; Development Ready Advisory Council (under growth management); volunteer Maine; Building Codes jurisdiction
Budget Part QQ	MSHA Cut		\$10 mill from HOME Fund (pg. 88)
Budget Part LL	Maine State Housing Authority membership		Adds a commissioner with expertise in sustainability requirements, but subtracts a member who is an expert in housing, general economic development, labor standards, etc., and affordable housing
Budget Part PP	Manufactured Housing		\$3 million to support a manufactured home and mobile

			park preservation and assistance program.
<a href="#">140</a>	Homestead Property Tax Increase	Baldacci	Effective April 1, 2026, increases homestead by \$10,000 annually until it reaches \$95,000; then adjusts for inflation.
<a href="#">146</a>	MHRTC Claim Amount	Rotundo	MHRTC increased claim schedule only
<a href="#">161</a>	Subdivision Stakeholder	Ducharme	Subdivision study bill to look at comprehensive review of statutes.
<a href="#">183</a>	Public Land Cap	Faulkingham	Limit publicly owned land to 50% of any county and report biannually on percentage of federal state, etc., owned by county.
<a href="#">184</a>	Foreclosure Process Study	Ducharme	Study Commission to review Maine foreclosure process. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moving to power of sale foreclosure could make a difference in the speed of foreclosure as other states do (recommended change from MEREDA). Take Greenleaf article from S. Buck to sponsors - from Bar Journal Spring '24.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">185</a>	TIF for municipal facilities	Mastraccio	Amend TIF to allow any costs associated with municipal facilities
<a href="#">225</a>	Lodging Tax increase to fund schools	Brennan	Would apply a 3% surcharge on any rental of a hotel or "lodging place or quarters" to fund schools.
<a href="#">255</a>	Mobile Home Purchasing	Baldacci	Would provide a one-time allocation in the amount of \$3.5 million to support mobile home park purchasing <i>See Budget Part PP</i> for budgetary pickup of initiative.
<a href="#">269</a>	Ch. 375 Rules Review	Doudera (DEP)	Major substantive review of no adverse environmental standard of Site location of development act; major substantive rule revision.

			<a href="#">Ch 375 Reposting Fact Sheet (pdf)</a> :: <a href="#">Ch 375 Reposting Draft Rule (pdf)</a> :: <a href="#">Ch 375 Reposting Changes (pdf)</a> :: <a href="#">Ch 375 Provisionally Adopted Draft (pdf)</a>
<a href="#">353</a>	Deed Fraud Study	Ingwersen	To put together a study commission on deed fraud.
358	Deed Fees	Bennett	Increase fees paid to register of deeds from a \$19+ format to a flat fee of \$45, increases plans to \$45, and 50 cents per image on downloads of 1,000 or more consecutive images or abstracts; ten dollars per page for paper copies of plans; reduced no-charge from first 500 to first 100 electronic images; \$5 surcharge from \$3.
<a href="#">365</a>	Concept Draft Housing	Curry	"Housing affordability and accessibility"
<a href="#">381</a>	Mortgage Portability	Martin	Restricted to single family home with not more than 3 units that is the principal residence of the mortgagor. Mortgager must meet certain standards.
<a href="#">383</a>	DEP/LUPC Combine	Martin	Combine DEP and LUPC
<a href="#">401</a>	Overboard discharge	Hepler (DEP)	Overhaul of overboard discharge statutes
<a href="#">403</a>	Mortgage Fraud	Ankeles	Would prohibit foreclosure if the notice of acceleration is more than 90 days old.
<a href="#">413</a>	Disclosure of real estate Shoreland zoning violations	Ducharme	Require any notice of violation of shoreland zone in real estate disclosure form.
<a href="#">427</a>	Mandatory parking space prohibition	Roeder	Modifications to law to ensure that no minimum parking requirement may be imposed but allows municipal "recommendation."
<a href="#">432</a>	Property tax apportionment	Mastraccio	Would allow property tax apportionment on the basis of property classification.
<a href="#">435</a>	MEREDA HTC	Hasenfus	MEREDA's expansion of HTC

<a href="#">445</a>	MUBEC Threshold	Ducharme	Raise the threshold to 10,000 residents
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