



**131<sup>st</sup> Maine Legislature**  
**Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs**

Senator Joe Rafferty  
Senate Chair

Representative Michael Brennan  
House Chair

**\*\*\* AGENDA \*\*\***

Tuesday, September 12, 2023 @ 10:00 a.m.  
Cross Office Building, Room 208 (EDU Committee Room)

*This meeting will also be livestreamed through the Legislature's streaming service*  
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**10:00 a.m. Introductions**

**10:15 a.m. Update on Interim Studies**

- OPLA Staff
- Courtney Belolan, Director of Policy and Government Affairs, Department of Education

**10:30 a.m. Briefing: Essential Programs and Services (EPS) Part I**

*Please note that there will be multiple breaks throughout this briefing*

- Overview of EPS, including history, components, utilization, LD 1160 requirements, and identified current needs
- Presentation: Minimum Receivers, including subsidy report, calculation examples, and definitions
- Wrap-up and questions

**3:00 p.m. Adjourn**

*\*\*Please note that times are approximate and subject to change\*\**