

## 30-Day Limited Analysis Projects Guide

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### Newly enacted OPEGA work product for the Taxation Committee under PL 2023, Ch. 417

**3 MRS §998(6) Limited Analysis Project.** “Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, the policy committee may request the committee to approve up to 2 limited analysis projects related to legislation before the policy committee to be completed by the office during each regular legislative session. For the purposes of this section, ‘limited analysis project’ means a limited review of a tax expenditure based on information readily available to the office that is intended to be completed and submitted to the committee and the policy committee within 30 days of approval by the committee.”

#### Quick Facts

- Up to 2 projects per regular session, related to bills before the TAX Committee
- Scoped to be completed based on readily-available information within 30 days
- Subject to request by TAX and approval by GOC
- Work to be completed by OPEGA staff
- Results to be provided to TAX and GOC

#### Checklist for 30-Day Projects

In determining whether a 30-day limited analysis project is the best tool for meeting the Taxation Committee’s needs timely, the Committee might consider:

- Is there time for the request to be completed before the Committee needs the results? (Beyond the 30 days for OPEGA’s work, allowing time for the TAX request and GOC approval)
- Are the questions the 30-day project seeks to address articulated clearly and specifically to ensure the Committee gets the information it needs?
- Have the questions the 30-day project seeks to address already been answered in existing documents that could be provided to the Committee immediately?
- Is the information needed for the 30-day project readily available? Or is the project itself focused on identifying readily available information sources if they exist?
- Is the request best suited to OPEGA’s expertise versus that of other legislative or executive branch staff?
- Is the request consistent with OPEGA’s non-partisan role?

#### Support Available from OPEGA Staff

OPEGA staff are available, upon request, to answer questions with regard to proposed 30-day projects and to present the results of 30-day projects once they are completed.