

NEWS FROM THE STATE HOUSE

128th Legislature NASW Maine Chapter PRIORITY LEGISLATION:

LD 912 – An Act to Clarify the Scope of Practice of Certain Licensed Professionals Regarding Conversion Therapy – Rep. Fecteau of Biddeford; Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development on Mar 7, 2017. Public Hearing Not yet scheduled.

LD 808 - An Act to Restore Community Support Services for Adults with Mental Illness -Sen. Bellows of Kennebec; Public Hearing Tuesday May 2, 2017 1:00PM HHS Committee Room 209 Cross. Work Session Scheduled for Wednesday May 10th .

LD 1197 - An Act to Support Substance Use Prevention, Treatment and Recovery – Rep. Beebe-Center of Rockland – Referred to Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation on Mar 28, 2017. Public Hearing not scheduled.

LD 1435 - An Act to Ensure Transparency in the Distribution of Federal Block Grant Funds - Rep. Jorgensen of Portland; Public Hhearing Monday May 8, 2017 1:00PM HHS Committee Room 209 Cross. Work session not scheduled.

LD 1517 - An Act to Ensure Access to Behavioral Health Services - Rep. Perry of Calais; Public Hearing Friday May 5, 2017 2:30PM HHS Committee Room 209 Cross. Work session not scheduled.

LD 1376 - An Act to Enhance Workforce Development for Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse Workers - Rep. Grant of Gardiner; Public Hearing not scheduled.

LD 1475 - An Act To Reduce Child Poverty by Leveraging Investments in Families Today – Speaker Gideon; Public Hearing Monday May 8, 2017 1:00PM HHS Committee Room 209 Cross

ADDITIONAL BILLS WE ARE MONITORING:

LD 530 – An Act to Ensure Medical Assessment for Youth in Foster Care – Rep. Hamann; Public Hearing & Work Session HELD March 2017; April 4th VOTED ONTP

LD 582 – An Act to Provide for the Comprehensive Assessment of Children Entering State Custody – Sen. Gratwick; Public Hearing & Work Session HELD March 2017; April 4' 2017 VOTED DIVIDED REPORT

LD 451 - An Act To Continue MaineCare Coverage for Parents during the Rehabilitation and Reunification Process – Sen. Ben Chipman. Public Hearing March 20, 2017. Work Session April 25, 2017 Voted Divided Report.

LD 1231 - An Act Regarding Mental Health Care for Maine Veterans – Rep. Golden; Referred to Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs on Mar 30, 2017. Public Hearing April 19th 1:00PM LVA Room 437. WS Not Scheduled.

LD 1407 - An Act Regarding Prescription Drug Step Therapy - Sen. Rosen; Public Hearing April 25, 2017. Work Session May 2, 2017 1:00PM IFS

LD 1321 - An Act to Promote Social and Emotional Learning and Development in Early Childhood - Sen. Breen of Cumberland; Public Hearing April 24, 2017. Work Session May 4, 2014 3:00PM ECA Room 202.

LD 44 - An Act To Lower the Age Requirement to Carry a Concealed Handgun - Sen. Brakey; Public Hearing March 17, 2017. Work Session April 19, 2017. Voted Divided Report.

LD 1370 - An Act To Enhance Safety on College and University Campuses by Allowing Firearms To Be Carried on the Campuses of Public Colleges and Universities – Sen. Brakey; Public Hearing May 1, 2017. Work Session Not Scheduled

LD 1274 - An Act To Promote Universal Health Care, Including Dental, Vision and Hearing Care – Rep. Brooks; Public Hearing May 4, 2017 1:00PM Work Session May 9th – Committee voted unanimously for a study on universal health care

Other Bills we are following which have not been printed:

LR 1396 - Resolve, To Establish a Moratorium on Rate Changes Related to Certain Community Mental Health Services - Rep. Gattine of Westbrook