

TAX EXPENDITURE REVIEW TASK FORCE

Monday November 25, 2013

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Room 127 State House

Agenda

- 9:00 am Introductions
- 9:15 am Comments from Prof. Orlando Delogu, University of Maine School of Law (invited but unavailable on original public comment day)
- 9:45 Discussion – development of recommendations of task force regarding process for on-going review of tax expenditures
1. Beth Ashcroft, Director of OPEGA
 - Summary of previous discussions – work of Government Oversight Committee
 2. Task Force decision regarding whether to draft legislation for its report to AFA
- 10:15 am Discussion of options for duty to recommend the repeal or reduction of tax expenditures to achieve a savings of at least \$40,000,000
- Review of spreadsheets prepared following 11/4 meeting based on areas of focus identified by the task force
 - Information from Mike Allen regarding expansion of sales tax to service categories
 - Invited from Maine Revenue Service to answer questions:
 - Peter Beaulieu – expansion of sales tax to service categories
 - Dennis Doiron – sheltering of income by international corporations
 - David Ledew – Treatment of retail businesses under BETR/BETE
- 12 noon Break for lunch
- 1:00 pm Further discussion, direction to staff to prepare draft for review at 12/2 meeting