

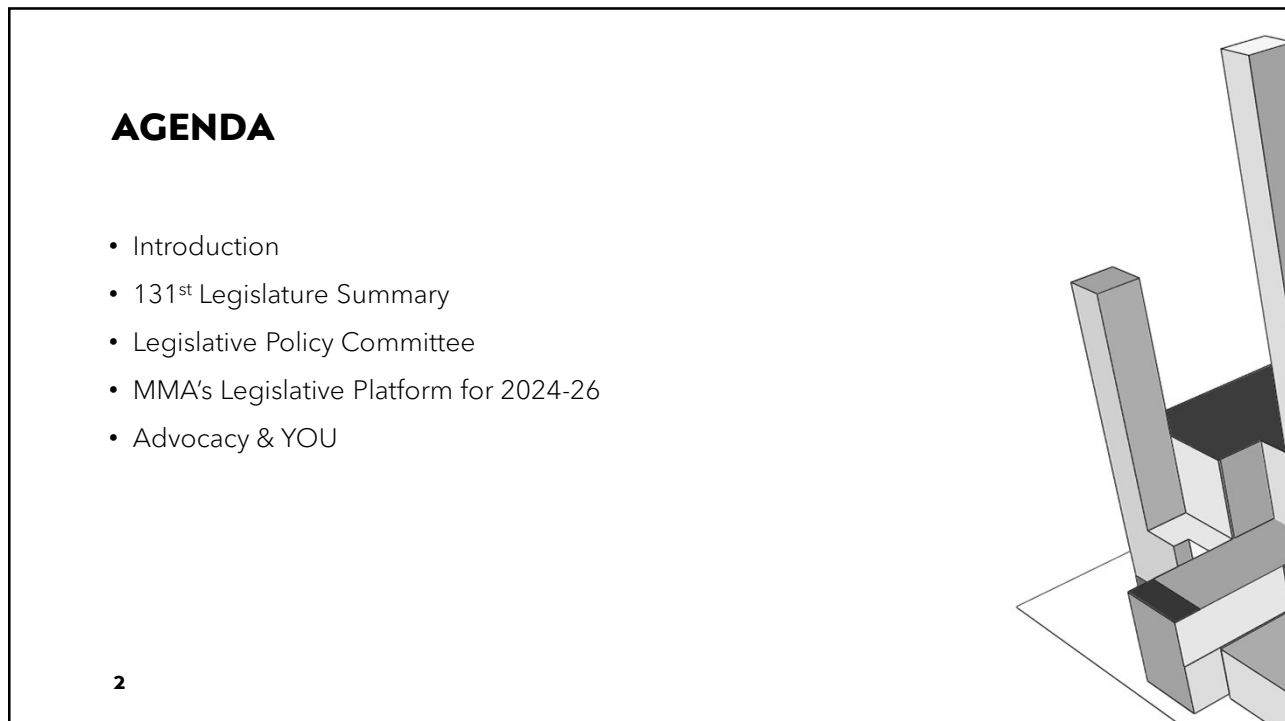
MAINE ASSOCIATION OF ASSESSING OFFICERS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2024

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND
PREVIEW**

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AGENDA

- Introduction
- 131st Legislature Summary
- Legislative Policy Committee
- MMA's Legislative Platform for 2024-26
- Advocacy & YOU

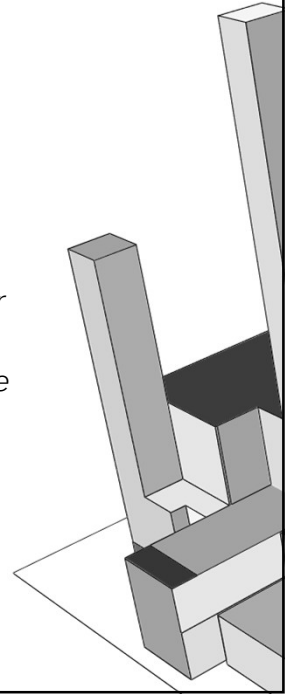
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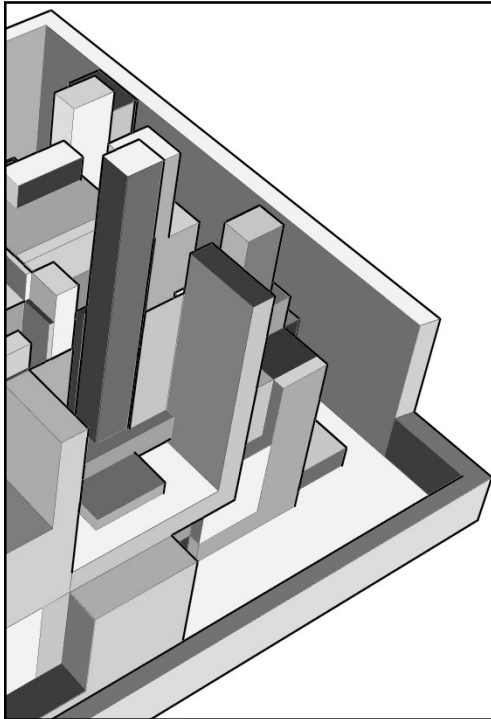
131ST LEGISLATURE – ASSESSING SUMMARY

- LD 1153 - *An Act Regarding Municipal Taxation of Certain Solar Energy Equipment*
- LD 1345 - *An Act to Permit Municipalities to Establish by Ordinance, a Program for Partial Deferral of Property Taxes for Seniors*
- LD 2076 - *An Act to Exempt from Excise Tax Vehicles of Active Duty Service Members Stationed Out-of-State*
- LD 2162 - *An Act Regarding the Current Use Valuation of Working Waterfront Property*
- LD 2262 - *An Act to Amend the Process for the Sale of Foreclosed Properties Due to Nonpayment of Taxes*

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**“FIND SOMEONE WHO
VALUES YOU AS MUCH
AS THE ASSESSOR
VALUES YOUR HOME...”**

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MMA'S LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE (LPC)

The 70-member Legislative Policy Committee (LPC), is represented by two municipal officials elected by the boards and councils in each of the State's 35 Senate Districts.

The LPC meets monthly when the legislature is in session to establish the Association's position on bills of municipal significance.

Additionally, during the fall of an even numbered year, the LPC also established MMA's two-year legislative platform, seeking changes to existing statutes.

The newly elected LPC met in August in preparation for the 132nd Legislature which will convene in January 2025.

Your packet includes a listing of the current LPC members - find yours and connect over issues that are important to your community.

This LPC has two assessors!!

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MMA'S 2024-26 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

At their first meeting on August 29th, the LPC voted to not only protect our core municipal issues, like revenue sharing and education funding, but to also put forward a slate of bills to improve, clarify or amend current statutes that impact local government.

The LPC also voted to set up several focus groups to fine tune the platform - one group is focused on property tax reforms. These topics are some of those that will be discussed:

- Increased Homestead Reimbursements
- Split Taxation (for commercial and/or second homes)
- Tree Growth Current Use Program
- Foreclosure Process
- And many, many more.....

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ADVOCACY & YOU FACILITATE – COMMUNICATE – ADVOCATE

- Connect
 - with you local LPC member
 - with MMA's Advocacy staff
 - with your state legislators
 - with each other

MMA's Advocacy Staff is the voice of the LPC. We need YOUR voices telling stories, too. Legislators need to know how their decisions are impacting your community.

JOIN US!

A Forum for Local Government will be in your area this fall!

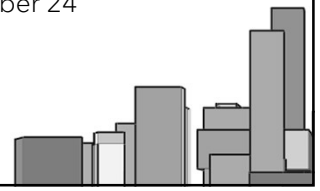
Aroostook County - Oct. 7-8

Lewiston - October 10

Farmington - TBD

Bangor - October 24

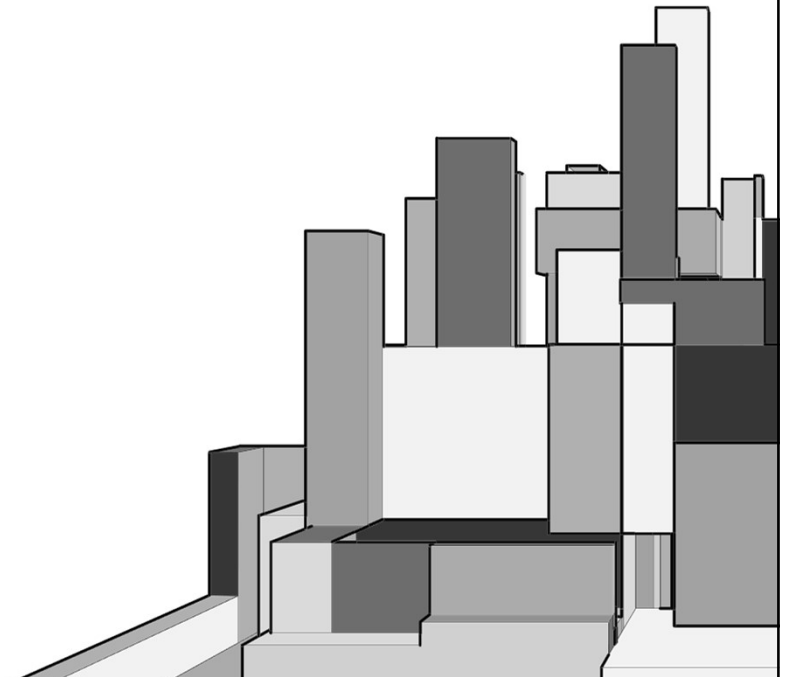
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