

## **Caverly, Robert**

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**From:** Caverly, Robert  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 26, 2015 2:48 PM  
**To:** Bierman, Earl  
**Subject:** RE: FY15 emergency expenditure bills

Has your office heard from Jennifer Merrow? We have not.

-R

Robert Caverly

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen [<mailto:Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 25, 2015 8:47 AM  
**To:** Fredette, Kenneth; Thibodeau, Michael  
**Cc:** Caverly, Robert; Bierman, Earl; Rosen, Richard; Gott, Melissa L; Merrow, Jennifer  
**Subject:** FY15 emergency expenditure bills

Dear Representative Fredette and Senate President Thibodeau,

At your earliest convenience, we would like to meet to review the details of the package of FY15 emergency expenditure bills with you and any members of your respective caucuses that you'd like to include. We can do these briefings separately or both House and Senate together. Jennifer Merrow of Commissioner Rosen's office will be reaching out to your offices to check into your availability and interest.

Attached please find a list of the initiatives in the package. You will note that the initiatives total \$27.5 million – an additional \$16 million was utilized from the most recent revenue reforecast to cover the cost of conforming with federal tax changes.

We recognize that this briefing would normally have come during the biennial budget briefing held last month and regret that we haven't invited you to learn more about these initiatives sooner. I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you.

Please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss further if you wish.

Kathleen

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 16, 2015 3:54 PM  
**To:** Caverly, Robert; Bierman, Earl  
**Subject:** Meeting

Hi guys,

Following up on last week's meeting with Republican leadership and the Governor, we discussed getting together a small group – maybe one member each representing AFA and TAX and one member of leadership from each body – to meet about the tax reform plan.

I had a brief conversation with President Thibodeau and Representative Fredette today... am hoping we can put something together for Thursday afternoon. I'll try to secure the cabinet room if it works for you all.

Could you check in with your respective folks to see if we can pull this together?

Thanks!

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2015 5:32 PM  
**To:** Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth  
**Cc:** Bierman, Earl; Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** Meeting tomorrow

Dear President Thibodeau and Representative Fredette,

Tomorrow morning at 8:30AM the Governor is meeting with the Republican members of the Taxation Committee. I wanted to extend the invitation to you or your staff to attend if you'd like.

Please let me know – thanks.

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**From:** Caverly, Robert  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 18, 2015 7:53 AM  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen; Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth  
**Cc:** Bierman, Earl; Ploch, Riley  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting tomorrow

Good Morning Kathleen,

Thank you for the invitation. Riley Ploch and myself will be attending on behalf of the Senate.

-Rob

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2015 5:28 PM  
**To:** Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth; Fredette, Kenneth  
**Cc:** Bierman, Earl; Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** Tax Committee discussions

Hi all,

Can we get together tomorrow to talk about the consensus forming in the Taxation Committee around the tax reform proposal. I'll need to start briefing the Governor on their recommendations and wanted to get your input.

Here's a summary provided by Mike Allen from today's discussion:

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The work session began by having everyone give a brief summary of what approach they think the committee should take over the next week. Goode and Tepler both indicated that they are supportive of tax reform, but only if its revenue neutral. Bickford and Skolfield emphasized dealing with areas of agreement first and then working on those parts where there is some disagreement. After the opening statements the committee broke into caucuses for a couple of hours.

When the committee returned they discussed 6 areas where there is common ground. They did not take any formal votes, but there appears to be unanimity around the following:

- (1) Telecommunications Excise Tax: both caucuses agree with the Governor's budget proposal
- (2) Non-Profit Tax: neither caucus accepts the Governor's proposal to tax non-profits. The R's agree that additional discussion should take place around service charges, but those discussions should be separate from the budget. They mentioned some bills that will come before the committee later in the session.
- (3) Homestead Exemption: both caucuses want to keep the Homestead Exemption at \$10K for everyone.
- (4) Revenue Sharing: while both caucuses want to keep revenue sharing, the D's want to flat fund for 16/17 and not make any permanent changes to the program. The R's want to keep revenue sharing, but are willing to make permanent changes that will establish some new level of funding.
- (5) Service Provider Tax: both caucuses agree with the budget proposal's changes to the rate and base.
- (6) Short-term Auto Rental: The caucuses agree that the rate should stay at 10% based on a letter from the Transportation Committee that expressed concern about reduced funding for the Multimodal Transportation Fund.

The committee will be caucusing tomorrow at 1:00 and are planning to convene at 3:30 to discuss additional parts of the budget. It appears that they will leave the sales tax to last and adjust it based on decisions they make on income and estate taxes.

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**From:** Kenneth Fredette <fredlaw@myfairpoint.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2015 11:00 PM  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen  
**Cc:** Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth; Bierman, Earl; Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** Re: Tax Committee discussions

Sounds good, Ken

The House has an off site caucus at 5:00 tomorrow night as well,

Ken

On Mar 24, 2015, at 5:28 PM, Newman, Kathleen wrote:

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2015 1:19 PM  
**To:** Hamper, James; Winsor, Tom; Timberlake, Jeffrey; Katz, Roger  
**Cc:** Fredette, Kenneth; Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth; Bierman, Earl; Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** Fiscal notes  
**Attachments:** TaxReform\_TAX\_REP.xlsx; TaxReform\_DEM.xlsx

Hi all,

As requested, here are the (rough) draft fiscal notes prepared by MRS for two proposals: Taxation Committee Rs and Democratic leadership. We were not able to determine the fiscal note for the Taxation Committee Ds proposal.

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## Sampson, Ashley

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**From:** StPierre, Jeanne <Jeanne.StPierre@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 04, 2015 9:20 AM  
**To:** Sampson, Ashley; Willette, Melissa  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request

Ashley and Melissa,

Thank you again for all of your assistance. This email serves as a final confirmation of the Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> noon time luncheon meeting at the Blaine House.

Best,

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**From:** StPierre, Jeanne  
**Sent:** Friday, May 01, 2015 2:57 PM  
**To:** Sampson, Ashley; Willette, Melissa  
**Subject:** Meeting Request

Good afternoon Ashley and Melissa,

We would like to schedule a luncheon meeting on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 1:00pm at the Blaine House in order to discuss the drug agent positions that are part of the Governor's budget. Attendees would include:

Governor LePage  
Deputy Chief of Staff Kathleen Newman  
Deputy Legal Counsel Hank Fenton  
President Mike Thibodeau  
Senator Kim Rosen  
Senator David Burns  
Rep. Ken Fredette  
Rep. Stacey Guerin  
Rep. Ricky Long

Ashley, I will need your assistance in confirming the availability of President Thibodeau and Senators Rosen and Burns. And Melissa, your assistance with confirming Representatives Fredette, Guerin and Long. Also, if President Thibodeau or Representative Fredette need their staff to attend as well, please let me know. Happy to add them.

I sincerely appreciate your help!

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 11, 2015 4:03 PM  
**To:** Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth  
**Cc:** Bierman, Earl; Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** Meeting

Gentlemen,

We should have a document ready to review with you that provides additional cuts for your consideration. Would like to go through it with Commissioner Rosen, Director LaBonte, leadership and AFA Republicans. Could you propose a time that works for the majority of you?

Thanks - Kathleen

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2015 8:27 AM  
**To:** Sampson, Ashley  
**Subject:** RE: additional cuts meeting

We can use the Cabinet Room.

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**From:** Sampson, Ashley [<mailto:Ashley.Sampson@legislature.maine.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2015 8:15 AM  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen  
**Subject:** RE: additional cuts meeting

Senator Hamper said they could do 2:30. Let me know if for some reason that doesn't work. Where will the meeting be taking place?

**From:** Newman, Kathleen [<mailto:Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 11, 2015 7:18 PM  
**To:** Sampson, Ashley  
**Subject:** Re: additional cuts meeting

Hey Ashley - we're good for 2pm. We can get a room if you want...

**From:** Sampson, Ashley [<mailto:Ashley.Sampson@legislature.maine.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 11, 2015 04:18 PM Eastern Standard Time  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen  
**Subject:** additional cuts meeting

Hi Kathleen,

Just touching base about this meeting with Commissioner Rosen, Director LaBonte, leadership and AFA Republicans... The President and Rep. Fredette are available at 2:00 p.m. tomorrow. Will that work for you guys?

Thanks,  
Ashley

## Caverly, Robert

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**From:** Caverly, Robert  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2015 10:52 AM  
**To:** Rosen, Richard  
**Subject:** RE: visit

I am in the Senate President's office. Come on by.

-Rob

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**From:** Rosen, Richard [<mailto:Richard.Rosen@maine.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2015 10:51 AM  
**To:** Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: visit

I can run over now.

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**From:** Caverly, Robert [<mailto:Robert.Caverly@legislature.maine.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2015 10:50 AM  
**To:** Rosen, Richard  
**Subject:** RE: visit

Absolutely.

Let me know what works for you.

-Rob

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**From:** Rosen, Richard [<mailto:Richard.Rosen@maine.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2015 9:04 AM  
**To:** Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** visit

Rob,  
Are you available to see me sometime this morning?  
Richard

Richard Rosen  
Commissioner  
Department Of Administrative And Financial Services

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 26, 2015 11:44 AM  
**To:** Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth  
**Cc:** Bierman, Earl; Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** meeting

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**From:** Caverly, Robert  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 26, 2015 1:34 PM  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen; Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth  
**Cc:** Bierman, Earl  
**Subject:** RE: meeting

Looking like 2 or 2:30.

-Rob

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen [<mailto:Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 26, 2015 1:12 PM  
**To:** Caverly, Robert; Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth  
**Cc:** Bierman, Earl  
**Subject:** Re: meeting

Ok - I'm available when you all are ready.

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**From:** Caverly, Robert [<mailto:Robert.Caverly@legislature.maine.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 26, 2015 01:00 PM Eastern Standard Time  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen; Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth  
**Cc:** Bierman, Earl  
**Subject:** RE: meeting

Sen Pres is presenting a bill at 1:00 and we are scheduled to have a budget sub-committee at 1:30 (not sure that particular item is going to happen or not). He is interested in getting together in his office with the new proposal.

-Rob

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**Cc:** Bierman, Earl; Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** meeting

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 27, 2015 11:04 AM  
**To:** Thibodeau, Michael; Fredette, Kenneth; Mason, Garrett; Espling, Eleanor; Cushing, Andre; Hamper, James; Winsor, Tom; Katz, Roger; Nutting, Robert; Sirocki, Heather; Timberlake, Jeffrey  
**Cc:** Bierman, Earl; Caverly, Robert; Mullen, Micki; McGough, John  
**Subject:** Meeting


Good morning,

The Governor is hoping you all could come by at 4:00 PM this afternoon for an update on where we are with the budget and his tax reform proposal in particular.

Please advise [Micki Mullen](#) of your availability.

Thank you - Kathleen

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**From:** Michael LeVert <mjlevert@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 09, 2015 5:22 PM  
**To:** Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** Fwd: FW: Option 1: Adjust Rates in TY16 and TY17  
**Attachments:** TaxReform\_June6th\_6.75%\_FINAL\_Option1.xlsx; June 8 Plan 5.8-6.85 Incidence 2017.xlsx

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**From:** "Newman, Kathleen" <kathleen.newman@maine.gov>  
**Date:** Jun 9, 2015 5:02 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Option 1: Adjust Rates in TY16 and TY17  
**To:** "LeVert, Michael" <Michael.LeVert@legislature.maine.gov>  
**Cc:**

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**From:** Allen, Michael J.  
**Sent:** Monday, June 08, 2015 6:02 PM  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen  
**Cc:** Rosen, Richard  
**Subject:** Option 1: Adjust Rates in TY16 and TY17  
**Importance:** High

Attached is the fiscal note and incidence analysis for Option 1: tax rates of 5.8% and 6.95% in TY16 and 5.8% and 6.85% in TY17; 5.7% and 6.75% thereafter.

Let me know if you have any questions. Option 2 is on the way.

## Caverly, Robert

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**From:** Michael LeVert <mjlevert@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 09, 2015 5:46 PM  
**To:** Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** Fwd: Alternative plan  
**Attachments:** Copy of TaxReform\_June8th\_6.75%\_FINAL.xlsx; Copy of June 8 Plan 5.7-6.75 CURRENT LAW BRACKETS Incidence 2017.xlsx

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**From:** "Newman, Kathleen" <[kathleen.newman@maine.gov](mailto:kathleen.newman@maine.gov)>  
**Date:** Jun 8, 2015 10:05 PM  
**Subject:** Alternative plan  
**To:** "LeVert, Michael" <[Michael.LeVert@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:Michael.LeVert@legislature.maine.gov)>  
**Cc:** "Allen, Michael J." <[michael.j.allen@maine.gov](mailto:michael.j.allen@maine.gov)>

Hi Mike,

Attached please find the incidence report and fiscal note for an alternative tax reform proposal that achieves @\$45m in savings over the plan that was agreed upon on Saturday...

Kathleen

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 09, 2015 6:30 PM  
**To:** LeVert, Michael; Bierman, Earl; Hicks, Ana; Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** June 9 Description\_Option1 (2).docx - CORRECTED  
**Attachments:** June 9 Description\_Option1 (2).docx

With corrected reference to effective rate... Dr. Allen believes it will be approximately 8% but they haven't run that number.

## Caverly, Robert

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**From:** Caverly, Robert  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 13, 2015 10:10 AM  
**To:** rkatz@lipmankatz.com  
**Subject:** DemPlan  
**Attachments:** June 12 Description\_DemLeadership.docx; DemLeadershipTax\_June12.xlsx; DemLeadership\_Incidence 2017\_Jun12.xlsx

**Importance:** High

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**From:** Allen, Michael J. <[Michael.J.Allen@maine.gov](mailto:Michael.J.Allen@maine.gov)>

**Sent:** Friday, June 12, 2015 4:39 PM  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen  
**Cc:** Rosen, Richard  
**Subject:** DemPlan

Here are all the Dem documents.

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**From:** Caverly, Robert  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 13, 2015 10:11 AM  
**To:** rkatz@lipmankatz.com  
**Subject:** Rep Plan 6.75%  
**Attachments:** June 12 Description\_RepLeadership.docx; RepLeadershipTax\_June12.xlsx; June 12 Plan 5.8-6.75 and reduce stfc Incidence 2017.xlsx

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**Sent:** Friday, June 12, 2015 4:43 PM  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen  
**Cc:** Rosen, Richard  
**Subject:** Rep Plan 6.75%

Here's the R plan @ 6.75% top rate in 2017

**Caverly, Robert**

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 13, 2015 11:08 AM  
**To:** Caverly, Robert  
**Subject:** Re: Latest Tax Info

You're welcome! Will copy you in future (unless we've hit the sweet spot with one of these!)

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

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**From:** Caverly, Robert  
**Sent:** Friday, June 12, 2015 6:23 PM  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen  
**Subject:** Latest Tax Info

Kathleen,

Can you send along the latest tax plans prepared by MRS?

Thanks!  
-Rob

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 14, 2015 11:56 AM  
**To:** LeVert, Michael; Caverly, Robert; Bierman, Earl  
**Subject:** Fw: Rep Plan  
**Attachments:** June 12 Plan 5.8-6.75-6.95 and 7.5 ref eitc Incidence 2017.xlsx; June 12 Plan 5.8-6.75-6.95 and 10 ref eitc Incidence 2017.xlsx; RepLeadershipTax\_June14\_6.95%\_10EITC.xlsx; RepLeadershipTax\_June14\_6.95%\_7.5EITC.xlsx

**Importance:** High

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

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**From:** Allen, Michael J. <Michael.J.Allen@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 13, 2015 9:44 PM  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen  
**Cc:** Rosen, Richard  
**Subject:** FW: Rep Plan

Attached are the fiscal notes and incidence tables for the two requests from today's meeting. It's the R plan from yesterday with a 6.95% rate and in one case a 7.5% EITC in 2017 (5% EITC in 2016) and in the second case a 10% EITC in 2017.

Note the 10% EITC raises \$5 million more than is needed, so there is still a little room to do a little more, and the incidence shows 32.4% going to the top 10%. The Speaker was looking for something in the 15-20% range for the percentage of the tax cut going to the top 10%. Not sure this will do it, but this is a vast improvement. Seems to me both sides get a decent amount out of this. It would be a shame to have the D's walk away over this.

Let me know if you have any questions or need anything else.

Mike  
**From:** David Gunter [mailto:dlgunter@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 13, 2015 8:25 PM  
**To:** Allen, Michael J.  
**Subject:** Re: Rep Plan

changes made to 6.95 plan:

increased eitc percentage  
indexed the start of the 6.95 bracket after the first year  
20k homestead

note: due to a mistake, the 2018 and 2019 fiscal notes from yesterday had a 20k homestead---only makes a small difference due to interaction effect with PTFC

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**From:** Allen, Michael J. <Michael.J.Allen@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2015 2:10 PM  
**To:** Newman, Kathleen; LeVert, Michael; Caverly, Robert; Bierman, Earl; Hicks, Ana  
**Cc:** Rosen, Richard; Jones, Julie  
**Subject:** Tax Package  
**Attachments:** June 15 Description\_TAX.docx; TAXFINAL\_June15\_7.15%\_5%EITC.xlsx; June 15 Final Plan Incidence 2017.xlsx

**Importance:** High

Here is the tax package that includes the agreement last evening and changes made this morning to get a final change in GF resources of \$205 million. Hopefully this works for everyone. The first attachment is a brief explanation, the second the fiscal note and the last the distributional analysis for CY17 when the package is fully phased-in.

We are working with Julie to get language done as quickly as possible and also working on a better description of the changes for the caucuses to use in their meetings this evening.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Mike

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**From:** Newman, Kathleen <Kathleen.Newman@maine.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2015 4:55 PM  
**To:** LeVert, Michael; Bierman, Earl; Caverly, Robert; Hicks, Ana  
**Attachments:** TAXFINAL\_June15\_7.15%\_5%EITC.XLSX; June 15 Final Plan Incidence 2017.xlsx; June 15 Description\_TAX.DOCX

Cleaned up versions of this morning's plan.

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