**§302. Maine Aeronautical Advisory Board**

**1. Board established.**

A. The Maine Aeronautical Advisory Board, established by Title 5, section 12004‑I, subsection 81, and in this section called "the board," is a board within the Department of Transportation. [PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (AMD).]

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**2. Membership.**

A. The membership of the board consists of at least 7 voting members appointed by the Commissioner of Transportation. All members shall serve a term of office of 2 years consistent with the state fiscal year. Terms must be staggered so that approximately half of the board is renewed each year. The commissioner shall endeavor to appoint a balance of public and private sector members holding diverse knowledge and perspectives of the aeronautics industry. Vacancies may be filled to serve out the remainder of a term if a member resigns or is terminated for cause or a vacancy is created in any other manner. [PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (AMD).]

B. The commissioner or the commissioner's designee shall serve as a nonvoting secretary and clerk of the board and be responsible for board records and filings. All other members are voting members. [PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (NEW).]

C. The board shall annually elect a chair and vice-chair from among its membership to serve a one-year term. If a vacancy occurs in the office of chair or vice-chair, the board shall endeavor to fill that office for the remainder of the term. [PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (NEW).]

D. Members are not entitled to compensation. [PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (NEW).]

[PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (AMD).]

**3. Meetings.**

A. The board shall meet at the call of the chair, or at the call of at least 3 members of the board, and there must be at least one meeting held a year at which time officers are elected for the ensuing year. [PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (AMD).]

B. [PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (RP).]

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**4. Duties.**

A. The board shall advise the department on matters relating to aeronautics. [PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (AMD).]

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**4-A. Powers.**  The board is authorized to adopt bylaws and other appropriate policies to effectively govern its proceedings.

[PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (NEW).]

**5. Staff support.**

A. The department shall supply reasonable staff support requested by the board. [PL 1977, c. 678, §48 (NEW).]

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**6. Transition.**

A. Of the initial members appointed to the board, 3 shall serve for a term of one year and 2 shall serve for a term of 2 years. After expiration of the initial term of any member of the board, any appointment to the membership is for a term of 2 years. [PL 2019, c. 211, §1 (AMD).]

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SECTION HISTORY

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