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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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Race for the Blaine House

As you may have noticed from all the lawn signs and political TV ads, campaign season is here. We are in the beginning of a new election cycle for Maine's next governor and the race for the Blaine House has a very crowded field of candidates. The field currently stands at 11; four Democrats and seven Republican candidates.

The Democratic gubernatorial ballot will include Patrick McGowan of Hallowell, Sen. Elizabeth "Libby" Mitchell of Vassalboro, Steven Rowe of Lewiston and Rosa Scarcelli of Portland.

The Republican gubernatorial ballot will include Steven Abbott of Portland, William Beardsley of Bangor, Matthew Jacobson of Portland, Paul LePage of Waterville, Sen. Peter Mills of Cornville, Les Otten of Bethel and Bruce Poliquin of Georgetown.

The November ballot will have at least one Independent as well as the party finalists. The winner will begin a four year term to replace Governor Baldacci, who is prevented by term limits from serving another consecutive term.

In addition to the gubernatorial candidates, there is a People's Veto question, #1 on the ballot as well as four bond issues; which we highlighted during our last legislative update. (http://mainebeerandwine.com/downloads/LegislativeUpdate_4_10.pdf)

Please get out and vote Tuesday, June 8th is primary election day – your voice is important!

— Cheryl Timberlake
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