

NOTICE of Public Hearing
Maine Regulatory Fairness Board
Monday, December 14th, 2009, 1:00pm
BRED Committee Hearing Room
Room 208 Cross Office Building, Augusta

The Maine Regulatory Fairness Board is established to hear testimony and to report to the Legislature and the Governor on regulatory and statutory changes necessary to enhance the State's business climate.

The Board seeks public comment from Maine businesses about problems that businesses have encountered in complying with Maine laws and regulations. The purpose of the afternoon hearing session is to hear testimony from the public business community and state regulators concerning: interactions or roles between businesses and government agencies; specific state regulations which seriously impact business; kinds of assistance, subsidies, grants, or other forms of aid that could be improved or better marketed; and other specific suggestions that could improve communications, programs, or policies between Maine's businesses state agencies.

Persons wishing to testify are encouraged to notify the board regarding the subject matter of testimony in advance of the hearing to be included on the agenda. Persons unable to attend the hearing may provide formal written comments to the board. For more information or to submit comments to the board, please contact: **Thomas Merrill, Maine State Planning Office, 38 SHS, Augusta, Maine 04333** or via e-mail at thomas.merrill@maine.gov.

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) applies to the proceedings of the board. Any document or testimony it receives (either orally or in writing) becomes public record. Persons are advised to avoid providing sensitive business information they may not wish to publicly disclose.