



# Concerned Women for America of Maine *News Report*

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**Committed to giving you a voice at the State Capitol**

## Maine Legislation Update:

**Education:** Currently, there is a bill under consideration in the legislature that furthers anti-Christian values, [L.D. #49](#), sponsored by Rep. Michael Devin (D-Newcastle), “An Act to Improve Science and Engineering Education for Maine Students.” This bill amends the current education standards to include unscientific theories in the Maine



[January 25 Penny Morrell testified before the Education and Cultural Affairs Committee](#)

public school curriculum and inhibits students from following scientific laws and principles wherever they take them. Maine students should be learning concrete scientific facts, not theories. *Status:* The Education and Cultural Affairs Committee is expected to schedule a work session concerning L.D. #49 sometime within this legislative session and then vote on it soon after. *Take Action:* Encourage each member of the Committee to vote “ought not to pass” on L.D. #49. Click [here](#) for each committee member’s

name and contact information. If one of these members represents your district, make an extra effort to contact them and be sure to let them know that you live within their district. If you don’t know if any of them represent you, then simply click [here](#) to find out who does represent you. *For more information:* Click [here](#).



[December 20 Penny Morrell makes a statement at the “No on 1 Campaign” press conference concerning the legalization of retail marijuana](#)

**Marijuana:** The first of several bills to monitor and control legalized marijuana consumption in Maine, [L.D. #88](#), sponsored by Rep. Louis Luchini (D-Ellsworth), is “An Act To Delay the Implementation of Certain Portions of the Marijuana Legalization Act.” This bill delays the sale of marijuana until February 1, 2018. In addition, it gives authority to the Maine State licensing authority to place some restrictions on the sale and transfer of marijuana. Penny [testified in support of L.D. #88](#) on January 17 before the Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee. *Status:* the bill was signed by Gov. LePage on January 27, 2017.

**Keep Watch, Pray and Act:** In addition, there are several other pieces of legislation that CWA of Maine is monitoring. Watch for e-alerts on bills and other important news from Augusta, Maine, and pray and take action.

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## Scripture of the Month

What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? ... But someone will say, "You have faith, and I have works." Show me your faith without your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. (James 2:14, 18, 19)

## Make a Difference in Your Community, State and Nation

A Prayer/Action Chapter is a group of people who meet usually once a month to pray, learn, take action regarding issues that fall under CWA's Seven Core Issues, and pray. [Contact us](#) to find out if there is a Prayer/Action Chapter in your area or how to start one.

## Looking for a Speaker?

If you would like to have Penny Morrell speak at your church, women's group or gathering, contact her at [director@maine.cwfa.org](mailto:director@maine.cwfa.org) or 207-465-6015. Consider having her speak on one of more of our Seven Core Issues.

## Concerned Women for America's Seven Core Issues

Sanctity of Life - Defense of Family - Education - Religious Liberty - National Sovereignty - Sexual Exploitation - Support for Israel

## Concerned Women for America's New Mission and Vision Statements

**Our Mission:** Concerned Women for America protects and promotes Biblical values and Constitutional principles through prayer, education, and advocacy.

**Our Vision:** Concerned Women for America is leading a movement dedicated to impacting the culture for Christ through education and public policy.

## Thank You in Advance!

- ❑ **Please consistently pray and take action on the e-alerts you receive from us.** Together we will make a difference. And, whenever you call a legislator's office, be sure to let them know that you are a member of Concerned Women for America of Maine. They need to know that CWA of Maine means business.
- ❑ **Please introduce your friends and family to CWA of Maine** by sending them to our website at [me.cwfa.org](http://me.cwfa.org) and forwarding our e-alerts. Ask them to consider signing up for our e-alerts. Have them e-mail Penny at [director@maine.cwfa.org](mailto:director@maine.cwfa.org).
- ❑ **Please contribute to the ministry of CWA of Maine.** We are 100 percent volunteers. Therefore, 100 percent of the donations given to CWA of Maine go towards the state office and transportation expenses. [Donate online](#) or send a check to 864 Manchester Road, Belgrade, ME 04917. Write the check out to "Concerned Women for America" and be sure to put "CWA of Maine" on the memo line. Reminder: If you contribute through one of CWA National's direct mail letters or e-alerts, those funds will be used for national activities, not directly for state activities.



### March 1 - April 9

40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion.

Penny plans to participate throughout the 40 days. Look at your schedule and make plans now to do the same. Watch for an e-alert that will list the dates and times in which she will be present.

### - - Prayer Requests - -

- ◆ For President Donald J. Trump's health, wisdom and family
- ◆ For Penny Morrell's safety and that CWA of Maine's financial needs be met
- ◆ For America to turn back to the ways of God
- ◆ For CWA of Maine volunteers' safety and health
- ◆ For Gov. Paul LePage's health, wisdom and family
- ◆ That LD#49 will not pass
- ◆ That additional comprehensive marijuana laws that protect the public will be enacted