



2026 Candidate Survey

Candidate Name: Jason G Litalien

Office Running For: State Senate

District: 32

Campaign Website: jason4maine.com

Please describe your personal and professional experience with nonprofit organizations

My service ethic started in Biddeford. My father taught that you give back to the city that raised you. That is why I coached intramural sports while in the Air Force and participated in youth sports, delivered newspapers to neighborhood seniors, and later served 13 years in the U.S. Air Force as a combat journalist.

At the University of Maine School of Law I received the Maine State Bar Association Pro Bono Student Award. That work put me alongside legal-aid and community nonprofits helping people who could not afford a lawyer.

In private practice at Litalien Law PLLC I still do that kind of work for neighbors who often turn first to a church, food pantry, veterans group, or local service organization before they ever call Augusta. I also create and keep non-for-profits in compliance.

I have not spent my career as a professional nonprofit executive. I have spent it as a veteran, attorney, and small-business owner working with the same people those organizations serve—showing up at local meetings, organizing neighbors around TIF subsidies and downtown issues, and speaking up for seniors squeezed by property taxes.

Please describe your top three policy goals.

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1. Lower taxes by cutting waste and stopping last-minute spending bills. Maine's tax burden stays high because Augusta spends first and asks families later. I will rein in spending, audit waste, and put savings toward tax relief—especially the property-tax pressure on working households and small businesses.

2. Improve education by focusing on results, not more spending. More money has not produced better reading, writing, and math. I will prioritize proficiency, reduce administrative burden on teachers, expand career and technical education aligned with real jobs, and give parents a real voice.

3. Real accountability and DHHS oversight. Tax dollars should serve families, not disappear into fraud, delay, and programs nobody measures. The Senate should check the books before it raises the bill.

Please provide specific ways in which, if elected, you would partner with the nonprofit sector to achieve the goals of your campaign.

Nonprofits often see what Augusta misses first: a senior who cannot keep the house, a family waiting on DHHS, a student who needs a trade instead of another layer of administration. If elected I will treat them as partners in results and oversight—not as a substitute for spending discipline.

Taxes and affordable living: I will ask housing, food, energy-assistance, and community-action groups what is driving cost pressure in Biddeford, Dayton, Hollis, Lyman, and Arundel—and use that testimony to stop last-minute bills that raise property taxes while charities are asked to fill the gap.

Schools: I will work with literacy, mentoring, after-school, and CTE partners to expand what actually moves reading, writing, math, and job-ready skills, instead of funding programs that do not.

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DHHS and accountability: I will hold regular, public check-ins with providers, advocates, veterans groups, faith-based charities, and watchdogs who see fraud, delay, and gaps firsthand—then require the department to answer with data, timelines, and consequences.

The standard is common sense: lower costs, stronger schools, honest books. Organizations that share that standard will have a senator who returns the call and uses their knowledge to keep Augusta honest.

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