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David Bernhardt
Commissioner of Transportation

David B. Bernhardt was appointed to be Maine's Commissioner of Transportation by Governor Paul R. LePage, and was sworn into office in February 2011.

Commissioner Bernhardt joined the Maine Department of Transportation in 1984 and has held several positions at the department over the years. Immediately prior to his becoming Commissioner, he was MaineDOT's Director of Engineering and Operations. His duties in that role included tackling difficult or recurring engineering, technical and operational challenges, and recommending solutions based on engineering and operational experience, and transportation-system performance measures. As Director of Engineering and Operations, he also managed MaineDOT's line units—the Bureau of Project Development, the Bureau of Maintenance and Operations, and the Environmental Office.

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