STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

In Senate Chamber Thursday February 4, 2016

Waldo County.				
Prayer by Pastor Tom DuBois, Western Mountains Baptist Church in New Portland.				
PASTOR DUBOIS: Let us pray. Our God in Heaven, it is with hopefulness and optimism that we come to You this morning. There is hope that when we hear Your voice and follow after it we'll find ourselves on the right side of things. There is optimism in knowing that You want what's best for us. As I consider the men and women here in this Chamber this morning, I pray for them that they would share in this hope and in this optimism; that this Body could work together for the common good of the citizens of each district represented here and for the citizens of this great state of Maine. Lord, I pray that You would fill each one here with Your strength of character and Your wisdom. I pray that You would fill each one here with Your discernment and Your perseverance. I pray that You would fill each one here with Your compassion, grace, and mercy so that we would treat one another with kindness and with gentleness and respect. May each Senator here demonstrate the selflessness that was demonstrated best by Jesus Christ, Your Son, giving fully and freely of himself, not for his own gain but for the benefit of all mankind. It is in his name that I pray. Amen.				
Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator James F. Dill of Penobscot County.				
Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, February 2, 2016.				
Doctor of the day, Richard Swett, MD of Dover-Foxcroft.				
Off Record Remarks				

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, the following Joint Order: S.P. 632

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 10:00 in the morning.

READ and **PASSED**.

Ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 710

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

February 2, 2016

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate of Maine 127th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

YEAS Senators

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Carol S. Bell of Presque Isle, for reappointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

Volk of Cumberland, Patrick

		of Oxford
Representatives	5	Austin of Gray, Gilbert of Jay, Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkis of Canaan
NAYS	0	
ABSENT	6	Sen. Cushing of Penobscot, Rep. Herbig of Belfast, Rep. Bates of Westbrook, Rep. Campbell of Newfield, Rep. Fecteau of Biddeford, Rep. Ward of Dedham

Seven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Carol S. Bell of Presque Isle, for reappointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk S/Erin D. Herbig Senate Chair House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 127th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#480)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: ALFOND, BAKER, BRAKEY, BREEN,

BURNS, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DIAMOND, DILL, EDGECOMB, GERZOFSKY, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HASKELL, HILL, JOHNSON, KATZ, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MASON, MCCORMICK, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, PATRICK, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VALENTINO, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WILLETTE, WOODSOME, THE PRESIDENT - MICHAEL D. THIBODEAU

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Carol S. Bell** of Presque Isle for reappointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Following Communication: S.C. 711

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

February 2, 2016

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate of Maine 127th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003 Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Mark L. Wilcox of Mapleton, for reappointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS Senators 2 Volk of Cumberland, Patrick

of Oxford

Representatives 5 Austin of Gray, Gilbert of Jay,

Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkis of Canaan

NAYS 0

ABSENT 6 Sen. Cushing of Penobscot,

Rep. Herbig of Belfast, Rep. Bates of Westbrook, Rep. Campbell of Newfield, Rep. Fecteau of Biddeford, Rep.

Ward of Dedham

Seven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Mark L. Wilcox of Mapleton, for reappointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk S/Erin D. Herbig Senate Chair House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 127th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#481)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS:

Senators: ALFOND, BAKER, BRAKEY, BREEN, BURNS, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DIAMOND, DILL, EDGECOMB, GERZOFSKY, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HASKELL, HILL, JOHNSON, KATZ, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MASON, MCCORMICK, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, PATRICK, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VALENTINO, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WILLETTE, WOODSOME, THE PRESIDENT - MICHAEL D. THIBODEAU

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Mark L. Wilcox** of Mapleton for reappointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Following Communication: S.C. 712

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

February 2, 2016

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate of Maine 127th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Michael L. Edgecomb of Spruce Head, for appointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS Senators 2 Volk of Cumberland, Patrick of Oxford

Representatives 5 Austin of Gray, Gilbert of Jay,

Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkis of Canaan

NAYS 0

ABSENT

Sen. Cushing of Penobscot, Rep. Herbig of Belfast, Rep. Bates of Westbrook, Rep. Campbell of Newfield, Rep. Fecteau of Biddeford, Rep.

Ward of Dedham

Seven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Michael L. Edgecomb of Spruce Head, for appointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine be confirmed.

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Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk S/Erin D. Herbig Senate Chair House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 127th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#482)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: ALFOND, BAKER, BRAKEY, BREEN,

BURNS, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DIAMOND, DILL, EDGECOMB, GERZOFSKY, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HASKELL, HILL, JOHNSON, KATZ, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MASON, MCCORMICK, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, PATRICK, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VALENTINO, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WILLETTE, WOODSOME, THE

PRESIDENT - MICHAEL D. THIBODEAU

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Michael L**. **Edgecomb** of Spruce Head for appointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Following Communication: S.C. 713

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

February 2, 2016

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate of Maine 127th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Janet A. McGillan of Fort Fairfield, for reappointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS Senators 2 Volk of Cumberland, Patrick

of Oxford

Representatives 5 Austin of Gray, Gilbert of Jay,

Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkis of Canaan

NAYS 0

ABSENT Sen. Cushing of Penobscot, 6

Rep. Herbig of Belfast, Rep. Bates of Westbrook, Rep. Campbell of Newfield, Rep. Fecteau of Biddeford, Rep. Ward of Dedham

Seven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Janet A. McGillan of Fort Fairfield, for reappointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk S/Erin D. Herbig Senate Chair House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT be overridden?" In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 127th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#483)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: ALFOND, BAKER, BRAKEY, BREEN,

BURNS, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DIAMOND, DILL, EDGECOMB, GERZOFSKY, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HASKELL, HILL, JOHNSON, KATZ, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MASON, MCCORMICK, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, PATRICK, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VALENTINO, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WILLETTE, WOODSOME, THE PRESIDENT - MICHAEL D. THIBODEAU

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be ACCEPTED and the nomination of Janet A. McGillan of Fort Fairfield for reappointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine was CONFIRMED.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Following Communication: S.C. 716

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

February 3, 2016

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate of Maine 127th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has had under consideration the nomination of Timothy L. Thompson of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment to the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS Senators 2 Whittemore of Somerset, Willette of Aroostook

Representatives 9 Martin of Sinclair, Babbidge

of Kennebunk, Beebe-Center of Rockland, Bryant of Windham, Doore of Augusta, Evangelos of Friendship, Greenwood of Wales, Harrington Sanford, Ordway

Standish

NAYS 0

ABSENT 2 Sen. Libby of Androscoggin,

Rep. Pickett of Dixfield

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Timothy L. Thompson of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment to the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Rodney L. Whittemore S/Roland Danny Martin

Senate Chair House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 127th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#484)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: ALFOND, BAKER, BRAKEY, BREEN,

BURNS, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DIAMOND, DILL, EDGECOMB, GERZOFSKY, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HASKELL, HILL, JOHNSON, KATZ, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MASON, MCCORMICK, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, PATRICK, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VALENTINO, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WILLETTE, WOODSOME, THE

PRESIDENT - MICHAEL D. THIBODEAU

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Timothy L**. **Thompson** of Cape Elizabeth for reappointment to the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Following Communication: S.C. 715

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

February 3, 2016

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate of Maine 127th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has had under consideration the nomination of Robert W. Bower Jr., Esq. of Cumberland, for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS Senators 2 Whittemore of Somerset,

Willette of Aroostook

Representatives 9 Martin of Sinclair, Babbidge

of Kennebunk, Beebe-Center of Rockland, Bryant of Windham, Doore of Augusta, Evangelos of Friendship, Greenwood of Wales, Harrington Sanford, Ordway

Standish

NAYS 0

ABSENT 2 Sen. Libby of Androscoggin,

Rep. Pickett of Dixfield

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Robert W. Bower Jr., Esq. of Cumberland, for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Rodney L. Whittemore Senate Chair

S/Roland Danny Martin

House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 127th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#485)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: ALFOND, BAKER, BRAKEY, BREEN,

BURNS, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DIAMOND, DILL, EDGECOMB, GERZOFSKY, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HASKELL, HILL, JOHNSON, KATZ, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MASON, MCCORMICK, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, PATRICK, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VALENTINO, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WILLETTE, WOODSOME, THE PRESIDENT - MICHAEL D. THIBODEAU

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Robert W. Bower Jr.** of Cumberland for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Following Communication: S.C. 708

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

January 28, 2016

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1387 An Act Regarding the State Board of Corrections

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Kimberley C. Rosen S/Rep. Lori A. Fowle Senate Chair House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 709

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

January 29, 2016

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 267 An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. David C. Burns S/Rep. Barry J. Hobbins Senate Chair House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 705

EFFICIENCY MAINE 168 CAPITOL STREET, SUITE 1 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330 February 1, 2016

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate 2 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0003

Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section §12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from Efficiency Maine Trust due by February 1, 2016.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Stoddard Executive Director

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 706

CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES STATE IEU 146 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

February 1, 2016

To: The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the

Senate

3 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0003

From: Cindy Husson Brown, State CDS Director

State Intermediate Educational Unit-Child Development

Services

146 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Report Back on P.L. 2011, c 616: An Act to Implement

the Recommendations of the Office of Program

Evaluation and Government Accountability and the

Government Oversight Committee Regarding Quasi-

Independent State Entities.

Enclosed please find this year's report back on P.L. 2011, c 616 from Child Development Services (CDS). CDS continues making progress towards full implementation of this law and would be happy to discuss further the contents of our master work plan, which will continue to increase accountability, efficiencies, and

effective interventions for children birth through five in Maine. I can be reached directly at 592-5349 or through my Administrative Assistant, Sue Kendall at 624-6662 as well as by email at Cindy.Brown@Maine.gov.

Thank you for allowing me to report on the continuing efforts to improve our Early Intervention and Early Childhood Special Education System for Maine children.

Sincerely,

S/Cindy L. Husson Brown, M. Ed. State Director of Early Childhood Special Education State Part C and Part B 619 Coordinator Child Development Services

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 707

MAINE TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE 8 VENTURE AVENUE BRUNSWICK LANDING BRUNSWICK, ME 04011

February 1, 2016

The Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Eves and President Thibodeau:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Technology Institute (MTI) due by February 1, 2016.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information. Thank you. Sincerely,

S/Brian Whitney President

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 714

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE BUREAU OF CORPORATIONS, ELECTIONS AND COMMISSIONS 101 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0101

February 2, 2016

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0003

Dear Secretary Priest:

Governor LePage has set Tuesday, March 29, 2016, as the date for the Special Election to be held in District 32.

Please find enclosed a certified copy of the Governor's Proclamation. Please contact the Division of Elections at 624-7650 if you have any questions regarding this election.

Sincerely,

S/Julie L. Flynn Deputy Secretary of State

ON

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED OF FILE.				
-	Senate at Ease.			
	Senate called to order by the President.			
All matters the concurrence	hus acted upon were ordered sent down fo	orthwith for		
	Senate at Ease. Senate called to order by the President.			
	RECESSED until the sound of the bell.			
	After Recess			
	Senate called to order by the President.			
•	Off Record Remarks			

ORDERS

Joint Order

On motion by Senator ROSEN of Hancock, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 631

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety shall report out, to the Senate, a Bill, "An Act To Strengthen the Laws on Operating a Motor Vehicle under the Influence of Intoxicants."

READ and PASSED.

Sent down for concurrence.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator CYRWAY for the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Allow All Manufacturers Licensed by the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations To Provide Samples of Products to Retail Licensees" S.P. 562 L.D. 1461

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-353).

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-353) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator CYRWAY for the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act Regarding the Election Laws"

(EMERGENCY)

S.P. 582 L.D. 1484

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-350).

Report **READ**.

On motion by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec, TABLED until Later in Today's Session, pending ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Reestablish
Recreational Use of a Historic Trolley Line in the Town of Gray"
(EMERGENCY)

S.P. 576 L.D. 1478

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Representatives:

WELSH of Rockport BUCKLAND of Farmington CAMPBELL of Orrington CHIPMAN of Portland DUCHESNE of Hudson HARLOW of Portland MARTIN of Eagle Lake TUCKER of Brunswick WHITE of Washburn

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

SAVIELLO of Franklin BRAKEY of Androscoggin BREEN of Cumberland

Representative:

HANLEY of Pittston

Reports **READ**.

Senator **SAVIELLO** of Franklin moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Brakey.

Senator **BRAKEY**: Thank you, Mr. President. I thought I might have something to say, but as I chewed it over a little bit I've decided not to. Thank you very much.

On motion by Senator **SAVIELLO** of Franklin, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Update References to the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986 Contained in the Maine Revised Statutes" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 616 L.D. 1564

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (S-351).

Signed:

Senators:

McCORMICK of Kennebec DAVIS of Piscataquis

Representatives:

BICKFORD of Auburn CHACE of Durham SEAVEY of Kennebunkport SKOLFIELD of Weld SUKEFORTH of Appleton

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-352)**.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Androscoggin

Representatives:

GOODE of Bangor MOONEN of Portland RUSSELL of Portland STANLEY of Medway TEPLER of Topsham

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator MCCORMICK of Kennebec, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-351) Report ACCEPTED.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-351) READ and ADOPTED.

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

Under suspension of the Rules, READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-351).

Sent down for concurrence.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

SECOND READERS The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following: House Bill "An Act Regarding the Maine Arts Commission" H.P. 1013 L.D. 1490 Bill "An Act To Provide a Private Support Organization for the Maine Arts Commission" H.P. 1016 L.D. 1493 Bill "An Act To Allow the Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District To Establish and Maintain a Capital Reserve Fund" H.P. 1018 L.D. 1495	Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following: PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE House Paper Resolve, To Name the Naples Bay Bridge on U.S. Route 302 in the Town of Naples the Robert Neault Memorial Bridge H.P. 1074 L.D. 1582 Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION and ordered printed. On motion by Senator COLLINS of York, REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION and ordered printed, in concurrence.	
READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, in concurrence.	Off Record Remarks	
Senate Bill "An Act To Promote Private Fund-raising for the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the	All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence. On motion by Senator MASON of Androscoggin, ADJOURNED,	
Governor Baxter School for the Deat" S.P. 567 L.D. 1469 READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED. Sent down for concurrence.	pursuant to the Joint Order, until Tuesday, February 9, 2016, at 10:00 in the morning.	
Senate As Amended Bill "An Act To Revise the Charter of the Rumford Water District" S.P. 580 L.D. 1482 (C "A" S-347)		
READ A SECOND TIME.		
On motion by Senator WOODSOME of York, Senate Amendment "A" (S-349) READ and ADOPTED .		
PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-347) AND SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-349).		
Sent down for concurrence.		
All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.		