## STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

In Senate Chamber Thursday March 28, 2019

Senate called to order by President Troy D. Jackson of Aroostook County.

Prayer by Pastor David Willhoite, The Apostolic Church in Mexico.

**PASTOR WILLHOITE**: Thank you. Lord, first of all we want to thank You for an opportunity to open this Senate in prayer and for this great Body of legislators that is doing the business for the State of Maine. Second of all, Lord, I want to thank You that it's spring and that winter is finally over. I'm asking for Your blessings, Lord, on this Senate that You would lead and guide, that it be done with three things, Lord; righteously, with peace and, finally for the state and the constituents of Maine, joy; that, Lord, we would have Your favor today and our minds would be submitted to You. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Erin D. Herbig of Waldo County.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, March 26, 2019.

Doctor of the day, Patrick Keaney, M.D. of Yarmouth.

**Off Record Remarks** 

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, the following Joint Order: S.P. 438

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 10:00 in the Morning.

READ and PASSED.

Ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

# PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

### **Joint Resolution**

The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1012

### JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 27, 2019 AS MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis is a neurological disease of the central nervous system affecting 2,300,000 people worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society estimates that nearly 1,000,000 people in the United States, more than twice previous estimates, are living with multiple sclerosis, finds that the highest prevalence rates in the United States are found in the New England region and reports that the disease generally strikes people between the ages of 20 and 50 and that the cause and course of the often debilitating symptoms of multiple sclerosis remain unknown with no cure currently existing; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been committed for more than 73 years to a world free of multiple sclerosis, and the society raises public knowledge about and insight into the disease; and

WHEREAS, since 1946 the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force in multiple sclerosis research, pursuing prevention, treatments and a cure, and has invested more than \$1 billion in groundbreaking research; and

WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society include \$34 million in funding for 320 research projects at medical centers, universities and other institutions throughout the United States and abroad, leading to many breakthroughs in the treatment of multiple sclerosis; and

WHEREAS, stopping the progress of multiple sclerosis, restoring what has been lost and ending multiple sclerosis forever is the mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and one that all should support; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize March 27, 2019 as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day and encourage all Maine citizens to learn more about multiple sclerosis and what they can do to support individuals with multiple sclerosis and their families; and be it further

RESOLVED: That we recognize the importance of finding the cause and cure of multiple sclerosis and express our appreciation for the dedication that the Greater New England Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has shown toward creating a world free of multiple sclerosis; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Greater New England Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

**READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

## COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 219

STATE OF MAINE 129<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AUGUSTA, MAINE

March 25, 2019

Darek M. Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to our authority under Title 12, MRSA, Chapter 419, §4652, we are pleased to appoint Senator David Miramant of Knox County to the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission.

Furthermore, we are appointing Representative Jay McCreight of Harpswell as a permanent proxy member of the commission, who may also attend meetings of the commission. Additionally, Representative McCreight may vote in the event of Senator Miramant's absence.

Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate S/Sara Gideon Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 218

## STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

March 22, 2019

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House 129th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Rykerson of Kittery, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

## L.D. 843 An Act To Clarify Parental Consent Regarding the Release of Student Information

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Rebecca Millett Senate Chair

S/Rep. Victoria P. Kornfield House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 221

## STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

March 21, 2019

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House 129th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

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

L.D. 889 An Act To Require the Labeling of Foods Made with Nanotechnology

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Jim Dill Senate Chair S/Rep. Craig V. Hickman House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 220

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

March 20, 2019

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House 129th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

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. 332 An Act To Remove the Statute of Limitations for Certain Sex Crimes

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Susan Deschambault Senate Chair

S/Rep. Charlotte May Warren House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 222

### STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

March 26, 2019

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House 129th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

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

- L.D. 107 An Act To Lower the Maine Individual Income Tax Incrementally to Zero
- L.D. 725 An Act To Provide an Income Tax Credit To Encourage Small Business Hiring

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ben Chipman Senate Chair S/Rep. Ryan Tipping House Chair **READ** and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

# SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Require the State To Fund 50 Percent of Public Preschool Programs"

S.P. 440 L.D. 1428

Presented by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland and Senators: CARSON of Cumberland, DILL of Penobscot, Representatives: KORNFIELD of Bangor, PERRY of Calais.

On motion by Senator **MILLETT** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Fund Opioid Use Disorder Prevention and Treatment"

S.P. 441 L.D. 1429

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook. Cosponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell and Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, DILL of Penobscot, GRATWICK of Penobscot, SANBORN, H. of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland, PERRY of Calais.

On motion by Senator **GRATWICK** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Legislative Expense Reimbursement" S.P. 439 L.D. 1427

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox. Cosponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship and Senators: CHENETTE of York, CLAXTON of Androscoggin, CYRWAY of Kennebec, LAWRENCE of York, Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, DODGE of Belfast, HANINGTON of Lincoln.

On motion by Senator **CLAXTON** of Androscoggin, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

# ORDERS

# Joint Order

Sponsored by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 442

WHEREAS, Kendall Chick and Marissa Kennedy died in family custody, and caseworkers at the Department of Health and Human Services have outlined numerous obstacles preventing them from performing their jobs effectively; now, therefore, be it ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Select Committee To Reform Child Protective Services is established as follows.

- 1. Establishment. The Joint Select Committee To Reform Child Protective Services, referred to in this order as "the committee," is established.
- Membership. The committee consists of 13 members of the 2. Legislature: 3 members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate and 10 members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The President of the Senate shall appoint no more than 2 Senators from the party holding the largest number of seats in the Senate and no more than one Senator from the party holding the 2nd largest number of seats in the Senate. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint no more than 6 Representatives from the party holding the largest number of seats in the House of Representatives and no more than 4 Representatives from the party holding the 2nd largest number of seats in the House of Representatives. In making their appointments. both the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall consider including members of the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety, the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary and the Government Oversight Committee. Nothing in this section precludes the appointment of a member who is not a member of the party holding the largest number of seats or the 2nd largest number of seats in the chamber. The firstnamed Senate and House members shall serve as cochairs of the committee.
- 3. Authority. The committee shall hold public hearings and work sessions on any legislation referred to it and shall vote on and report out the legislation to the appropriate chamber in the manner prescribed in Joint Rule 310. In addition to reporting out legislation referred to it, the committee is authorized to submit legislation to the House of Representatives concerning reforms to the laws governing the protection of vulnerable children in state care. The committee may administer oaths, issue subpoenas, compel

the attendance of witnesses and the production of any papers, books, accounts, documents and testimony and to cause the deposition of witnesses pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 165, subsection 7.

- 4. Meetings; staff assistance. The committee may meet on days and at locations jointly authorized by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Legislative Council shall provide staffing to the committee. The cochairs of the committee may request technical assistance from appropriate sources whenever necessary. The committee shall report out all legislation referred to it in accordance with deadlines established by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- 5. Termination. Unless the committee is extended by joint order, the committee terminates with the final adjournment of the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Diamond.

Senator **DIAMOND**: Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, this Order is no longer needed. It's being substituted for a bill, an after deadline bill, which has already been presented, which is the original route. So thank you, Mr. President, we no longer need this.

The Joint Order was not Presented.

Off Record Remarks

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

# ORDERS

# Joint Order

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

Sarah Nelson, of Searsmont, a second-grade teacher at Ames Elementary School, who received a VFW Elementary Teacher of the Year Award for her outstanding commitment to teaching Americanism and patriotism. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 52

Sponsored by Senator HERBIG of Waldo. Cosponsored by Representative: ZEIGLER of Montville.

The Joint Order was **READ**.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Waldo, Senator Herbig.

Senator HERBIG: Thank you, Mr. President. Women and men of the Senate, it is my extreme privilege to welcome Sarah Nelson and her class from the Ames Elementary School in Searsmont today. Ms. Nelson is a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher and the State of Maine's 2019 Veterans of Foreign Wars Elementary Teacher of the Year. I've had the pleasure of visiting Ms. Nelson and her students this fall at the Ames School. The students actually collected over 375 pounds of Halloween candy - three hundred and seventy-five pounds. Can you believe that? - as part of the Great Candy Challenge where it is delivered to the Bangor International Airport and given to active duty soldiers as they pass through the facility. As have all witnessed this morning, this special class also understands the importance of pledging allegiance to the flag every single morning. I'm happy they were able to do that with us today. It is because of all these reasons that Ms. Nelson has shown extraordinary dedication to teaching these kids what it means to serve Searsmont, Waldo County, the State of Maine, and our country. She has emphasized why it is important to volunteer, to support veteran's programs, and to thank veterans for their service whenever we can. To recognize Ms. Nelson for her good work the Randall Collins VFW Post 3108 in Belfast nominated her for District Elementary Teacher of the Year in 2018. She then progressed to the state competition, which she won earlier this year. On behalf of the Maine Legislature it is my great honor to recognize Sarah Nelson with a legislative sentiment. We extend our congratulations and best wishes and be it ordered that this official expression of sentiment be sent forthwith on behalf of the 129<sup>th</sup> Legislature and the people of the state of Maine. Congratulations.

The Joint Order was **PASSED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair is pleased to once again recognize up in the balcony Sarah Nelson and her class at Ames Elementary School. They're all from Searsmont and they are the guests today of the Senator from Waldo, Senator Herbig. Once again, would you guys all please wave and accept the greetings of the Maine Senate.

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

Aela Mansmann, of Cape Elizabeth, who out of hundreds of nominees from across the Nation has been recognized by the U.S. Cellular The Future of Good 16 Under 16 Program for building a team of student leaders to create an entirely studentled conference focusing on sexual assault prevention in her community and the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

# SLS 156

Sponsored by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representatives: CARNEY of Cape Elizabeth, KESSLER of South Portland.

The Joint Order was **READ**.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Millett.

Senator MILLETT: Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, we are joined today by an extraordinary young woman and her peers. Aela Mansmann is 14 years old and already is an impressive active community member. We are so fortunate to have her contributing to our community and to our state. In addition to the work that she is being recognized for today, she is also the Youth Ambassador for March for Our Lives. She plays field hockey and cello, winning a cello scholarship, I might add. Aela has been recognized nationally by U.S. Cellular's 16 Under16, the Future of good Program which provided a \$10,000 grant for Aela's work with the youth committee of student leaders. This amazing group of 10 high school students has been working with the national nonprofit organization, SafeBAE, Before Anyone Else, whose mission statement is to prevent and educate about sexual assault in middle and high school. They are planning and hosting the regional summit Consent: The Way Life Should Be. The summit is being held on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and will focus on sexual assault prevention, consent, and bystander intervention. According to the committee statement, all 1,500 students coming to the summit will learn how to identify and ask for consent, how to conduct a healthy relationship, how to be a healthy and safe active bystander, and their rights under Title 9. We are dedicated to educating our peers and communities about this cause and we look forward to seeing this new and improved cultural norm emerge in our communities. The other members of the youth committee include: Izabella Rodrigues, Aaron Zeitlin, Harry Bake, Lillian Frame, Eleanor Johnson, Emma Ivy, Mia Filieo, Abbie Brier, and Jack Kingsley, who unfortunately could not be here today. My deepest gratitude to these young leaders for taking on this critical issue which I'm afraid has touched far too many of our lives and our loved ones. Thank you.

The Joint Order was PASSED.

Sent down for concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Aela Mansmann, Izabella Rodriques, Aaron Zeitlin, Harry Bake, Lillian Frame, Eleanor Johnson, Emma Ivy, Mia Filieo, and Abbie Brier. They're all from Cape Elizabeth and South Portland, and they are the guests today of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Millett. Would they please rise and accept the greetings of the Senate.

# Off Record Remarks

The Boothbay Region High School Girls Basketball Team, of Boothbay Harbor, which won the Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; SLS 157

Sponsored by Senator DOW of Lincoln. Cosponsored by Representative: STOVER of Boothbay.

The Joint Order was **READ**.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Dow.

Senator **DOW**: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, today I have the honor of welcoming the Girls Basketball Class C State Champions, the Seahawks from Boothbay Region High School. The team completed their season with a stunning record of 22 win and zero losses, capping it off with a play-off win over Penobscot Valley, just so I could let Senator Dill know. The team was down early in the game, a position in which they rarely found themselves. After rallying, they pulled ahead in the third guarter and never looked back. These girls have realized that basketball is a team sport. Not everyone can always be the leading scorer, best shooter, or top performer all the time. It's not about one individual but about a team. These girls didn't succeed without the realization that they each had to work on and improve their own skills and not just expect a few to carry them to victory. This is the first State Championship for the Lady Seahawks since 1984. I would like to congratulate Coach Brian Blethen and the entire team for their efforts. Join me in congratulating and welcoming them to the Maine Senate. Thank you, Mr. President.

The Joint Order was PASSED.

Sent down for concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Boothbay Region High School Girls Basketball Team and their Coach, Brian Blethen. They're all from the town of Boothbay and they're the guests today of the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Dow. Would they please rise and accept the greetings and congratulations of the Maine State Senate.

**THE PRESIDENT**: So, ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I've got a special request today. I thought, you know, it was such a beautiful day with spring in the air that it would be nice to liven up the State Senate a little bit. So I'm very pleased to welcome the members of the Franklin County Fiddlers of Mount Blue High School in Farmington. Today they're going to perform, which I'm very excited to hear, the Volcanic Jig. The reason why I'm excited to hear that is because part of the agreement for them to come in was the Senator from Franklin County, Senator Black, was going to dance the jig. But with that, seriously, very, very glad to have you here today and the Maine State Senate is yours.

Performance by the Franklin County Fiddlers.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair would love to thank the Franklin County Fiddlers for their performance. They are the guests today of the Senator from Franklin, Senator Black, and actually the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Carson, was very adamant about having them come in also. Would you please accept the greetings of the Maine State Senate and certainly we appreciate what a great job you do and how much more lively it makes the Senate. Really do appreciate it. People are smiling and, you know, we need more of that in here. That's all. Thank you. Off Record Remarks

# **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

House

## **Pursuant to Statute**

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Right To Know Advisory Committee Concerning Penalties for Violations of the Freedom of Access Act"

H.P. 1027 L.D. 1414

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 411, subsection 6, paragraph G.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill and accompanying papers **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, in concurrence.

### Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Enhance Participation on the State Board of Education"

H.P. 139 L.D. 176

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-29)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-29)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-29)  $\ensuremath{\text{READ}}$  and  $\ensuremath{\text{ADOPTED}}$ , in concurrence.

# ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Governing the Membership of the Town of York Planning Board and the Town of York Appeals Board"

H.P. 76 L.D. 90

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-36)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-36)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

## Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-36) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

# ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Help Older Adults Age in Place through Comprehensive Planning"

H.P. 225 L.D. 301

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-31)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-31)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-31) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Change the Harassment Prevention Training Required for Legislators, Legislative Staff and Lobbyists" H.P. 599 L.D. 825

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-30)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-30)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-30) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Phase Out the Insurance Premium Tax on Annuities"

H.P. 453 L.D. 625

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-32).

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-32)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-32) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

# **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Protect Water Quality by Standardizing the Law Concerning Septic Inspection in the Shoreland Zone"

H.P. 179 L.D. 216

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

CARSON of Cumberland CHENETTE of York FOLEY of York

Representatives:

TUCKER of Brunswick CAMPBELL of Orrington FAY of Raymond GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach HOBBS of Wells SKOLFIELD of Weld ZEIGLER of Montville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives: JOHANSEN of Monticello LYFORD of Eddington

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **CARSON** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

## **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Protect Public Health through Subsurface Wastewater Disposal System Inspections" H.P. 400 L.D. 543

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-37)**.

Signed:

Senators:

CARSON of Cumberland CHENETTE of York FOLEY of York

Representatives:

TUCKER of Brunswick CAMPBELL of Orrington FAY of Raymond GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach HOBBS of Wells SKOLFIELD of Weld ZEIGLER of Montville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives: JOHANSEN of Monticello LYFORD of Eddington

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-37). Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **CARSON** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-37)  $\ensuremath{\text{READ}}$  and  $\ensuremath{\text{ADOPTED}}$ , in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

# **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Improve Shoreland Zoning Rules and Enforcement To Support Municipalities" H.P. 406 L.D. 562

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-38)**.

Signed:

Senators: CARSON of Cumberland CHENETTE of York FOLEY of York

Representatives: TUCKER of Brunswick CAMPBELL of Orrington FAY of Raymond GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach HOBBS of Wells SKOLFIELD of Weld ZEIGLER of Montville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives: JOHANSEN of Monticello LYFORD of Eddington

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-38).

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **CARSON** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

# Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-38) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

# **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Provide Funding to the Department of Health and Human Services To Support Free Health Clinics in the State"

H.P. 144 L.D. 181

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senator: MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

HYMANSON of York GRIFFIN of Levant JAVNER of Chester MADIGAN of Waterville MEYER of Eliot O'CONNOR of Berwick STOVER of Boothbay

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-11)**.

Signed:

Senators: GRATWICK of Penobscot CLAXTON of Androscoggin

Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston PERRY of Calais TALBOT ROSS of Portland

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

# Reports READ.

Senator **GRATWICK** of Penobscot moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On further motion by same Senator, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered. **THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Gratwick.

Senator **GRATWICK**: Thank you, Mr. President. This bill, which is 'An Act To Provide Funding to the Department of Health and Human Services To Support Free Health Clinics in the State', is important for those people who have fallen out of our healthcare system, fallen through the holes in our heathcare. There are nine free clinics in Maine which serve anywhere from 30 to 1,000 people. The major one is in Portland. It's been going on for the last 25 years. Those people have fallen through the cracks. They're often fishermen. They are wait staff. They are taxi drivers. They are people who work or they are people with mental illness often who do not feel comfortable going to hospitals or clinics, people in white coats, etcetera. It's much easier for them to drop in to an informal clinic and get their healthcare there. These clinics have been around for a long time. They are serving a very vulnerable population. They basically exist because of fundraising that they do with golf tournaments, local fundraising. This is going to allow them to continue for another year. It's a one-time funding from the State and many of these people will be served by MaineCare and other programs in the future but at this time they are still falling through the cracks. These clinics are having very hard financial times. This will keep them going, serving this very vulnerable population. I urge people here, my colleagues, to follow my light. Thank you, Mr. President.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Washington, Senator Moore.

Senator **MOORE**: Thank you, Mr. President. I appreciate that. While I appreciate all that the free clinics are providing in the nine locations in the state, I'm a little concerned about allocating \$100,000, even if it is a one-time fee. That \$100,000 could actually serve way more people than just for the nine free clinics that this is covered by. So I would encourage that we would have gone with the Majority Report of Ought Not to Pass. I wanted to speak to that motion.

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator **LIBBY**, and further excused the same Senator from today's Roll Call votes.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

# ROLL CALL (#30)

YEAS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARPENTER, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DIAMOND, DILL, GRATWICK, LAWRENCE, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON NAYS: Senators: BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GUERIN, HAMPER, HERBIG, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LIBBY

18 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 16 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by by Senator **GRATWICK** of Penobscot to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**, **PREVAILED**.

# Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-11) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Bellows.

Senator BELLOWS: Thank you, Mr. President. I wish to recognize the Winthrop High School Class C Boys Basketball State Champions. March 2<sup>nd</sup> was their second State Championship game in three years and this time they did it. Cam Wood scored 16 points, Cam Hachey added 12, and the Ramblers won, defeating Houlton -with all due respect to the good Senator Carpenter - 61-49. Sam Figueroa added 9 points. Jared McLaughlin had 7 for the Ramblers. After three quarters it was 38-36. So this was a tightly fought game but then there were two big 3-pointers from Nate LeBlanc and one from Hachey to extend their lead. This is the 15<sup>th</sup> consecutive win for Coach Todd MacArthur's Ramblers this season, ending 21-1, and it's the program's 5<sup>th</sup> State Championship. So please join me in honoring Gavin Perkins; Gavin Brill; Bradley Bourne; Cam Hachey; Ryan Baird; Jevin Smith, who is a Captain; Andrew Frost; Sam Lattin; Jackson Ladd, Captain; Beau Brooks; Nate LeBlanc; Sam Figueroa; Jared McLaughlin; Cam Wood, also a Captain; Hanna Caprara; Rowen Gobel-Bein; Head Coach Todd MacArthur; Coach John Beahr; and Coach Lonney Steeves; their parents, including our Commissioner, Kirstin Figueroa; friends and family members. Such a well-deserved victory. We are so proud of the teamwork, the persistence, the passion that they showed. They truly made Winthrop and Senate District 14 very proud and helped me win a small private bet with Senator Carpenter. So please join me in a round of applause. They have their trophy there and the net. I hope that they will be recognized and that we will recognize them.

**THE PRESIDENT**: Seeing no announcements from Senator Carpenter, the Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber the Winthrop High School Class C Basketball Champions. They're all from the town of Winthrop and they are the guests today of the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Bellows. Will you please rise with family and friends and accept the greeting of the Maine State Senate.

## **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Provide Architects, Engineers and Certain Other Professionals Immunity from Civil Liability When Volunteering for Evaluating Damage from Disasters"

H.P. 363 L.D. 506

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-34).

Signed:

Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook BELLOWS of Kennebec

Representatives:

BAILEY of Saco BABBIDGE of Kennebunk CARDONE of Bangor EVANGELOS of Friendship HARNETT of Gardiner TALBOT ROSS of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator: KEIM of Oxford

Representatives: CURTIS of Madison DeVEAU of Caribou HAGGAN of Hampden RECKITT of South Portland

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-34)**.

Reports READ.

Senator **CARPENTER** of Aroostook moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **TIMBERLAKE** of Androscoggin, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Keim.

Senator **KEIM**: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I rise just to briefly describe the position on this bill that I'm hoping that you'll all consider and that is that this is a broad description of giving immunity to a lot of different occupations that don't actually have a legal definition in the law and a lot of them don't really seem to be necessary to the immediate issue at hand, which is dealing with a natural disaster or catastrophe. Also, in the public hearing only one architect came in support of this bill and the professional engineers, who this bill includes, do not want to be included in this bill, and yet we have included them anyway, because they feel that they stand by their work and they do not need to have this extra immunity. Additionally, under the NEMA statute volunteers are protected when they do volunteer their services for a catastrophe when they're called out. Thank you.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Carpenter.

Senator **CARPENTER**: Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, very briefly. The Majority Report here does offer to a certain class of professionals some immunity during a period of natural disaster which is defined as a natural disaster declared by either the President of the United States or by the Governor. It would give them limited immunity for personal injury or wrongful death if they came in as volunteers to help after some natural disaster. You might have structural issues. It's always helpful to have these professionals. It doesn't mean that they operate outside of their code of conduct that governs their profession. It simply gives them a little bit of help if they come in and help, again, on a volunteer basis. I'd ask you to support the Ought to Pass as Amended Report. Thank you.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought to Pass as Amended Report. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

# ROLL CALL (#31)

- YEAS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARPENTER, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, GRATWICK, HERBIG, LAWRENCE, LUCHINI, MILLETT, , MIRAMANT, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GUERIN, HAMPER, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LIBBY

20 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 14 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **CARPENTER** of Aroostook to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-34) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

## **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Resolve, To Establish a Background Check Consolidation Commission (EMERGENCY) H.P. 436 L.D. 592

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-35)**.

Signed:

Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin

Representatives: MARTIN of Sinclair BRYANT of Windham EVANGELOS of Friendship PEBWORTH of Blue Hill RISEMAN of Harrison TUELL of East Machias VEROW of Brewer

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator: DAVIS of Piscataguis

Representatives: HEAD of Bethel KINNEY of Knox REED of Carmel

## Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-35)**.

# Reports READ.

Senator **CLAXTON** of Androscoggin moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **TIMBERLAKE** of Androscoggin, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

# ROLL CALL (#32)

- YEAS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARPENTER, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, GRATWICK, HERBIG, LAWRENCE, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GUERIN, HAMPER, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LIBBY

20 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 14 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **CLAXTON** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**..

# Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-35) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

# **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Enhance the Senior Volunteer Benefit Program" H.P. 59 L.D. 62

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland SANBORN, H. of Cumberland

**Representatives:** 

TIPPING of Orono BICKFORD of Auburn CLOUTIER of Lewiston DENK of Kennebunk KRYZAK of Acton MAREAN of Hollis MATLACK of St. George STANLEY of Medway TERRY of Gorham

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-33)**.

Signed:

Senator: POULIOT of Kennebec

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **CHIPMAN** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

# **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Require Presidential and Vice-Presidential Candidates To Disclose Their Federal Income Tax Returns"

H.P. 527 L.D. 722

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: LUCHINI of Hancock CYRWAY of Kennebec HERBIG of Waldo

Representatives: SCHNECK of Bangor

ANDREWS of Paris DOLLOFF of Rumford HANINGTON of Lincoln HUBBELL of Bar Harbor STROM of Pittsfield

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

Signed:

Representatives: ACKLEY of Monmouth COOPER of Yarmouth HICKMAN of Winthrop McCREIGHT of Harpswell

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock, the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

## Senate

## Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator LUCHINI for the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Allow Flexible Business Hours for Certain Agency Liquor Stores" S.P. 106 L.D. 365

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-22)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-22) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

## **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Raise Juror Pay to \$50 per Day"

S.P. 91 L.D. 279

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-24).

Signed:

Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook BELLOWS of Kennebec

Representatives: BAILEY of Saco BABBIDGE of Kennebunk EVANGELOS of Friendship HARNETT of Gardiner RECKITT of South Portland TALBOT ROSS of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-25)**.

Signed:

Senator: KEIM of Oxford Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro CARDONE of Bangor HAGGAN of Hampden

## Reports READ.

On motion by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-24) Report ACCEPTED.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-24) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

# **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Prohibit New or Increased Fees or Taxes by Means of Direct Initiatives of Legislation S.P. 64 L.D. 252

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators: LUCHINI of Hancock HERBIG of Waldo

Representatives: SCHNECK of Bangor ACKLEY of Monmouth COOPER of Yarmouth HICKMAN of Winthrop HUBBELL of Bar Harbor McCREIGHT of Harpswell

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-23)**.

Signed:

Senator: CYRWAY of Kennebec

Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris DOLLOFF of Rumford HANINGTON of Lincoln STROM of Pittsfield

Reports READ.

Senator **LUCHINI** of Hancock moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

On motion by Senator **TIMBERLAKE** of Androscoggin, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

## ROLL CALL (#33)

- YEAS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARPENTER, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, GRATWICK, HERBIG, LAWRENCE, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GUERIN, HAMPER, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LIBBY

20 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 14 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report PREVAILED.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Change Municipal Campaign Contribution Limits"

S.P. 224 L.D. 780

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-21)**.

Signed:

Senators:

LUCHINI of Hancock CYRWAY of Kennebec HERBIG of Waldo

Representatives:

SCHNECK of Bangor ACKLEY of Monmouth COOPER of Yarmouth DOLLOFF of Rumford HANINGTON of Lincoln HICKMAN of Winthrop HUBBELL of Bar Harbor McCREIGHT of Harpswell The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris STROM of Pittsfield

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report ACCEPTED.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-21) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

# SECOND READERS

The Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading** reported the following:

# **House As Amended**

Resolve, To Increase Certain Chiropractic Reimbursement Rates under the MaineCare Program

H.P. 197 L.D. 234 (C "A" H-22)

**READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

# Senate As Amended

Bill "An Act To Increase Funding for the St. Croix International Waterway Commission"

S.P. 128 L.D. 450 (C "A" S-19)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Providing of Human Food Waste to Swine Producers"

S.P. 162 L.D. 497 (C "A" S-17)

# READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

# ENACTORS

The Committee on **Engrossed Bills** reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following:

## **Emergency Measure**

An Act To Permit Plantations To Fill Vacancies of Town Officials H.P. 56 L.D. 59 (C "A" H-8)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senator having voted in the negative, and 34 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and, having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

# **Emergency Measure**

An Act To Permit Disability Insurance To Be Offered through the Surplus Lines Market

S.P. 72 L.D. 260 (C "A" S-7)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senator having voted in the negative, and 34 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and, having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

#### **Emergency Measure**

An Act To Provide for the 2019 and 2020 Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds

S.P. 113 L.D. 435 (C "A" S-8)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senator having voted in the negative, and 34 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and, having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

Acts

An Act To Prohibit Questions Regarding Criminal History on Certain State Employment Applications

H.P. 133 L.D. 170

An Act To Give the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife the Authority To Extend Any Trapping Season Based on Weather Conditions or Other Factors

> S.P. 155 L.D. 490 (C "A" S-9)

**PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and, having been signed by the President, were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

An Act To Provide Occupants of Motor Vehicles with Gold Star Family Registration Plates Free Entry to State Parks and Historic Sites

> H.P. 132 L.D. 169 (C "A" H-13)

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act To Fund the School Revolving Renovation Fund H.P. 313 L.D. 404 (C "A" H-9)

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act To Provide Meals to Homebound Individuals H.P. 357 L.D. 472 (C "A" H-12)

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

# ORDERS OF THE DAY

## **Unfinished Business**

The following matter in the consideration of which the Senate was engaged at the time of Adjournment had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by Senate Rule 516.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (3/26/19) matter:

JOINT ORDER - To Require the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business To Report Out a Bill Regarding Professional Licensing S.P. 435

Tabled - March 26, 2019 by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc

Pending - motion by Senator HERBIG of Waldo to PASS

On motion by Senator **HERBIG** of Waldo, the Joint Order was **PASSED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

# PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

## **House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Bail Code" H.P. 1034 L.D. 1421

Bill "An Act Regarding Conditions in Correctional Facilities for Female Prisoners"

H.P. 1035 L.D. 1422

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc, REFERRED to the Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Maintain the Integrity of the Department of Education by Prohibiting Its Promotion of Policies and Practices That Are Not Based on Rigorous Peer Review and Analysis, Limiting Acceptance of Private Funding in Implementing and Influencing State Policy and Retaining the Home Rule Powers to School Administrative Units"

H.P. 1038 L.D. 1425

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **MILLETT** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Resolve, To Support Municipal Recycling Programs (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1041 L.D. 1431

Bill "An Act To Protect the Environment and Public Health by Further Reducing Toxic Chemicals in Packaging" H.P. 1043 L.D. 1433

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **CARSON** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Expand Access to Head Start To Assist Opioidaffected and Other At-risk Families"

H.P. 1030 L.D. 1417

Bill "An Act To Address Maine's Shortage of Behavioral Health Services for Minors"

H.P. 1031 L.D. 1418

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **GRATWICK** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Allow Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists To Bill for Their Services"

H.P. 1044 L.D. 1434

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc, REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require Corporate Transparency When Taxpayer Funding Is Provided"

H.P. 1036 L.D. 1423

Bill "An Act To Increase Protections for Land Installment Contracts"

H.P. 1039 L.D. 1426

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **CARPENTER** of Aroostook, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Improve Commercial Production of Shellfish by Allowing Municipalities To Establish Active Municipal Shellfish Management Areas"

H.P. 1032 L.D. 1419

Resolve, To Establish a Task Force To Study the Current Status and Future Sustainability of Aquaculture in the State (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1033 L.D. 1420

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **MIRAMANT** of Knox, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Create an Access to Justice Income Tax Credit" H.P. 1037 L.D. 1424

Bill "An Act To Create Tax Equity among Renewable Energy Investments"

H.P. 1040 L.D. 1430

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **CHIPMAN** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Resolve, Directing the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation To Study Transportation Funding Reform (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1045 L.D. 1435

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Improve the Adult Use Marijuana Laws" H.P. 1042 L.D. 1432

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **LUCHINI** of Hancock, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

# **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

# House

# **Pursuant to Statute**

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Right To Know Advisory Committee Concerning Freedom of Access Training for Public Officials" H.P. 1029 L.D. 1416

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 411, subsection 6, paragraph G.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill and accompanying papers **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, in concurrence.

# Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

# **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

House

# Ought to Pass

The Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 132: Learning Results: Parameters for Essential Instruction, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 207 L.D. 283

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

# Resolve READ ONCE.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

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

## Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act To Extend Internet Availability in Rural Maine" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 129 L.D. 147

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-43)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-43)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-43)  $\ensuremath{\text{READ}}$  and  $\ensuremath{\text{ADOPTED}}$ , in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Increase the Safety of Home Buyers Concerning Chimney Inspections" H.P. 192 L.D. 229

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-44)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-44)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

# Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-44) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

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

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, **ADJOURNED**, pursuant to the Joint Order, until Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 10:00 in the morning.