



**One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth Legislature
First Regular Session**

Advance Journal and Calendar

14th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, February 14, 2017.

Senate called to Order by President Michael D. Thibodeau of Waldo County.

Prayer by Bishop Robert Deeley Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Catherine E. Breen of Cumberland County.

Reading of the Journals of Tuesday, February 7, 2017 and Thursday, February 9, 2017

Doctor of the day, Connie Adler, M.D. of Chesterville.

Michael D. Thibodeau
Senate President

Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate

<http://legislature.maine.gov/senate>

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-1) Bill "An Act To Support Workforce Development by Increasing Engineering Capacity"
S.P. 100 L.D. 312

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

In Senate, February 2, 2017, on motion by Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

House Paper

(1-2) Bill "An Act To Ensure the 3 Percent Tax on Incomes over \$200,000 Is Distributed Proportionally Based on Student Counts"

H.P. 288 L.D. 397

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

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-3) Norman Martin, of Fort Kent, who has been named the Greater Fort Kent Area Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year for his significant service to the community. We extend to Mr. Martin our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 49

(1-4) Woodrow Cross, of Brewer, who received the Norbert X. Dowd Award from the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce. We extend to Mr. Cross our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 54

(1-5) Austin Lufkin, of Brewer, a senior and football player at Brewer High School, who has received the Frank J. Gaziano Memorial Defensive Lineman of the Year Award, given for his strong leadership on the field, in the classroom and in the community. We extend to Austin our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 55

(1-6) City Theater, of Biddeford, which received the BroadwayWorld Maine award for Best Ensemble for its 2016 production of *Next to Normal*. We extend to everyone at City Theater our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 56

(1-7) Jim and Pat Henry, of Penobscot, who are retiring after more than 3 decades as owners and operators of Northern Bay Market. We congratulate them on this occasion and send them our best wishes;

HLS 57

(1-8) the Central Aroostook Chamber of Commerce, of Presque Isle, the sponsor of the Maine-Quebec Winter Carnival Caravan, which is celebrating its 60th Anniversary. This month, a caravan of travelers heads from Portage through the logging roads of the North Woods to Quebec City for the Winter Carnival, a tradition that began as an effort to generate interest in cross-border trade and a highway to Quebec. We extend to the Central Aroostook Chamber of Commerce and all the caravanners our congratulations on this anniversary and offer them our best wishes;

HLS 58

(1-9) the Greenville Consolidated School Boys Soccer Team, of Greenville, which won the 2016 Class D State Championship. Members of the team include players Chris Caiazzo, Noah Bilodeau, Drew Worster, Camden Harmon, Jack Morehouse, Aubrey Kronholm, Doug Kane, Ben Baldwin, Alec Oelshlegal, Noah Stolz, Noah Pratt, Nick Foley, Evan Bjork, Parker Richards, Connor DiAngelo, Anthony Mason, Robert Mello, Traj Macfadyen and Matt Mendes; managers Emily Vraux and Tomas Silva-Johnson; and coaches Jeff Richards and Bill Foley. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 59

(1-10) Maine's Charitable Nonprofit Sector and the Maine Association of Nonprofits, which is hosting the 14th Annual Nonprofit Day at the State House on February 7, 2017. The Maine Association of Nonprofits is the only statewide organization that represents the full spectrum of the State's nonprofit organizations. Founded in 1994, the Maine Association of Nonprofits enriches the quality of community and personal life in Maine by strengthening the leadership, voice and organizational effectiveness of nonprofit organizations throughout the State. Its 800 nonprofit members and 140 business and individual supporters work cooperatively to ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of Maine's 3rd sector. We extend our appreciation to the Maine Association of Nonprofits for its excellent work on behalf of nonprofit organizations and for organizing the 14th Annual Nonprofit Day;

HLS 60

Come from the House, **READ** and **PASSED**.

Joint Resolution

Joint Resolution in Memoriam:

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(1-11) the Honorable Robert Lewis Thorpe, a lifelong resident of Auburn. Mr. Thorpe had a 40-year career with Harriman Associates, an architectural and engineering firm based in Auburn, serving as president for 8 years before retiring in 1991. He served the City of Auburn as mayor, city councilor at-large and chair of the school committee. He also served on the board of the Mid-Maine Waste Action Corporation as a representative of the city council, as a trustee of the Auburn Public Library, as president of the Lewiston-Auburn Railroad Corporation and as a board member of the Lewiston Auburn Economic Growth Council and of the Boys & Girls Club in Auburn. Mr. Thorpe will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and colleagues;

HLS 42

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

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 120

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

February 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of David M. MacMahon, Ph.D. of Poland, for reappointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees.

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:

Table with 4 columns: Category, Senators, Representatives, and Names. Rows include YEAS (Senators: 3, Representatives: 9), NAYS (0), and ABSENT (1).

Twelve 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 David M. MacMahon, Ph.D. of Poland, for reappointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley
Senate Chair

S/Tori P. Kornfield
House Chair

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 121

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Laurence R. Grondin of Scarborough, for reappointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees.

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	3	Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington, Millett of Cumberland
	Representatives	9	Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, Ginzler of Bridgton, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Pierce of Falmouth, Sampson of Alfred, Turner of Burlington
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		1	Rep. Stewart of Presque Isle

Twelve 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 Laurence R. Grondin of Scarborough, for reappointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley
Senate Chair

S/Tori P. Kornfield
House Chair



(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 122

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Honorable W. Thomas Sawyer, Jr. of Richmond Hill, GA, for reappointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees.

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	3	Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington, Millett of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Fuller of Lewiston, Ginzler of Bridgton, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Pierce of Falmouth, Sampson of Alfred, Turner of Burlington
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Rep. Farnsworth of Portland, Rep. Stewart of Presque Isle

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 Honorable W. Thomas Sawyer, Jr. of Richmond Hill, GA, for reappointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley
Senate Chair

S/Tori P. Kornfield
House Chair



(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 123

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Earle A. Cianchette of Saco, for reappointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees.

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	3	Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington, Millett of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Fuller of Lewiston, Ginzler of Bridgton, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Pierce of Falmouth, Sampson of Alfred, Turner of Burlington
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Rep. Farnsworth of Portland, Rep. Stewart of Presque Isle

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 Earle A. Cianchette of Saco, for reappointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley
Senate Chair

S/Tori P. Kornfield
House Chair



(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 124

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 6, 2017

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

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 17-A MRSA, §1353, I am pleased to appoint Senator Kimberley Rosen of Hancock to the Criminal Law Advisory Commission, as a member of the Senate. With this appointment Senator Rosen will be continuing her role on the committee.

Please contact my office if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate

(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 126

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR
66 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0066**

February 8, 2017

Honorable Paul R. LePage
Governor of Maine

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate

Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

I am pleased to submit the State Auditor's Fraud Hotline Semiannual Report for the period July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

A summary of the complaints is attached.

Sincerely,

S/Pola A. Buckley, CPA, CISA
State Auditor

(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 127

**STATE OF MAINE
TASK FORCE ON PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS
TO SUPPORT PUBLIC EDUCATION**

February 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau, President
Maine State Senate

The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker
Maine House of Representatives
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Resolve 2015, chapter 89, Resolve to Create the Task Force on Public-private Partnerships to Support Public Education is pleased to submit its final report. Copies of the full report have been distributed to committees or individuals as directed by law and copies have been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library. Others may access the full report on-line through the website of the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis at www.maine.gov/legis/opla.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Kimberley C. Rosen, Chair

S/Rep. Teresa S. Pierce, Chair

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Bill "An Act Regarding Restrictions on the Purchase of Certain Animals"

S.P. 169 L.D. 508

Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis. (BY REQUEST)

Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-2) Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Support Biological Research in Maine"

S.P. 181 L.D. 546

Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Speaker GIDEON of Freeport and Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, KATZ of Kennebec, LANGLEY of Hancock, LIBBY of Androscoggin, MIRAMANT of Knox, Representative: HUBBELL of Bar Harbor.

Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-3) Bill "An Act To Increase Firearm Safety"

S.P. 162 L.D. 501

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.

Cosponsored by Representative RYKERSON of Kittery and Representatives: BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland, BLUME of York, COOPER of Yarmouth, DEVIN of Newcastle, GRANT of Gardiner, WARREN of Hallowell.

(3-4) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Domestic Violence and Setting Preconviction Bail"

S.P. 172 L.D. 511

Presented by Senator DILL of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town and Senators: CYRWAY of Kennebec, DAVIS of Piscataquis, DIAMOND of Cumberland, DION of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representative: PICKETT of Dixfield.

(3-5) Bill "An Act To Prohibit a Person under 18 Years of Age from Being Charged with the Crime of Engaging in Prostitution"

S.P. 173 L.D. 512

Presented by Senator VOLK of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senators: DIAMOND of Cumberland, ROSEN of Hancock, Representatives: GERRISH of Lebanon, GUERIN of Glenburn, HERRICK of Paris, TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

(3-6) Bill "An Act To Authorize the Expungement of Records of Nonviolent Crimes"
S.P. 175 L.D. 514

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative WARREN of Hallowell and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, JACKSON of Aroostook, KATZ of Kennebec, MASON of Androscoggin, VOLK of Cumberland, Representatives: MONAGHAN of Cape Elizabeth, SIROCKI of Scarborough, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

(3-7) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws on Gross Sexual Assault"
S.P. 176 L.D. 515

Presented by Senator MAKER of Washington.
Cosponsored by Representative TURNER of Burlington and Representatives: PERRY of Calais, TUELL of East Machias.

(3-8) Bill "An Act To Reduce the Cost of Pretrial Detention"
S.P. 177 L.D. 516

Presented by Senator DION of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative WARREN of Hallowell and Senators: BRAKEY of Androscoggin, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, Representative: HARRINGTON of Sanford.

Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-9) Bill "An Act To Establish Regional School Leadership Academies"
S.P. 168 L.D. 507

Presented by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor and Senator: MAKER of Washington, Representatives: FULLER of Lewiston, GINZLER of Bridgton, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, PIERCE of Falmouth.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-10) Bill "An Act To Support Evaluation of Opioid Diversion Efforts"

S.P. 165 L.D. 504

Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative STEWART of Presque Isle and Senators: KATZ of Kennebec, MAKER of Washington, MASON of Androscoggin, ROSEN of Hancock, VOLK of Cumberland, Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, DILLINGHAM of Oxford, HANINGTON of Lincoln.

(3-11) Bill "An Act To Amend Principles of Reimbursement for Nursing Facilities and for Residential Care Facilities"

S.P. 178 L.D. 517

Presented by Senator MAKER of Washington.

Cosponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias and Senators: CYRWAY of Kennebec, DIAMOND of Cumberland, LANGLEY of Hancock, ROSEN of Hancock, Representatives: HAMANN of South Portland, HICKMAN of Winthrop, PIERCE of Falmouth, TURNER of Burlington.

(3-12) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Burial or Cremation of Certain Persons"

S.P. 179 L.D. 518

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin.

(3-13) Bill "An Act To Address Maine's Opiate Addiction Crisis"

S.P. 183 L.D. 565

Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland.

(3-14) Bill "An Act To Improve Access to High-quality Child Care by Increasing Child Care Rates"

S.P. 184 L.D. 566

Presented by Senator KATZ of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative POULIOT of Augusta and Senators: LANGLEY of Hancock, MILLETT of Cumberland, Representatives: FREY of Bangor, HAMANN of South Portland, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PARKER of South Berwick.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-15) Bill "An Act To Allow Reciprocal Recognition of New Hampshire and Maine Snowmobile Registrations"

S.P. 167 L.D. 506

Presented by Senator WOODSOME of York.

Cosponsored by Representative WADSWORTH of Hiram and Senator: COLLINS of York, Representatives: GERRISH of Lebanon, GINZLER of Bridgton, HARRINGTON of Sanford, HEAD of Bethel, O'CONNOR of Berwick, SAMPSON of Alfred, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

(3-16) Bill "An Act To Allocate at Least 10 Percent of Antlerless Deer Permits Available in Each Wildlife Management District to Hunters 70 Years of Age and Older"

S.P. 170 L.D. 509

Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.

Cosponsored by Representative BLACK of Wilton and Senators: CYRWAY of Kennebec, SAVIELLO of Franklin, President THIBODEAU of Waldo.

(3-17) Bill "An Act To Update Maine's Fishing Laws"

S.P. 182 L.D. 547

Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative DUCHESNE of Hudson and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, HARLOW of Portland, LYFORD of Eddington, MASON of Lisbon, REED of Carmel, STEARNS of Guilford, THERIAULT of China, WOOD of Greene.

Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-18) Bill "An Act Regarding Hospital Charges and Statements"

S.P. 163 L.D. 502

Presented by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset.

Cosponsored by Representative FOLEY of Wells and Senators: KATZ of Kennebec, LANGLEY of Hancock, Representatives: PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, PRESCOTT of Waterboro, WALLACE of Dexter.

Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-19) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Issuance of Birth Certificates for Adopted Persons Born in Maine"

S.P. 166 L.D. 505

Presented by Senator DOW of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop and Senator: DESCHAMBAULT of York, Representatives: BATTLE of South Portland, SIMMONS of Waldoboro.

Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-20) Bill "An Act To Protect Employees from Abusive Work Environments"

S.P. 159 L.D. 466

Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook.

(3-21) Bill "An Act To Continue the Doctors for Maine's Future Scholarship Program"

S.P. 164 L.D. 503

Presented by Senator KATZ of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative HYMANSON of York and Senators: CHENETTE of York, JACKSON of Aroostook, ROSEN of Hancock, WOODSOME of York, Representatives: DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, DENNO of Cumberland, FOLEY of Wells.

Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-22) Bill "An Act To Eliminate the State Income Tax for Maine Public Employees Retirement System Pensions"

S.P. 174 L.D. 513

Presented by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Senator VOLK of Cumberland, Representative DOORE of Augusta and Senators: CHENETTE of York, WOODSOME of York, Representatives: GRANT of Gardiner, HANDY of Lewiston, POULIOT of Augusta, SYLVESTER of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell.

Committee on **TAXATION** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-23) Bill "An Act To Allow the Formation of Transportation Corridor Districts"
S.P. 161 L.D. 500

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.

Cosponsored by Representative BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland and Senators: GRATWICK of Penobscot, JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: COOPER of Yarmouth, DEVIN of Newcastle, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle, RYKERSON of Kittery, WARREN of Hallowell.

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-24) Bill "An Act To Assist Veterans in Their Applications for Service-related Benefits"
S.P. 160 L.D. 465

Presented by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative GOLDEN of Lewiston.

(3-25) Bill "An Act To Create Fairness in Gaming License Fees for Small Nonprofit Organizations"

S.P. 171 L.D. 510

Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook.

Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) Southern Maine Health Care's Pediatrics practice, of Biddeford, which has been recognized by the National Committee for Quality Assurance for providing outstanding Level 3 Patient-Centered Medical Home care to its patients. We congratulate everyone at Southern Maine Health Care's Pediatrics practice on this occasion;

SLS 56

Sponsored by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FECTION of Biddeford, GROHMAN of Biddeford, SEAVEY of Kennebunkport.

(4-2) Paul M. LeClair, of Lewiston, Chief of the Lewiston Fire Department, on his retirement. Chief LeClair joined the department in 1981 as a firefighter and was promoted to lieutenant in 1993 and to assistant chief in 1994 before becoming chief in 2006. We extend to Chief LeClair our appreciation for his service and offer him our congratulations on his retirement;

SLS 57

Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, FULLER of Lewiston, GOLDEN of Lewiston, HANDY of Lewiston.

(4-3) the Reverend Dr. Elbert R. Brewster, of Oakland, who is retiring as pastor of the Smithfield Baptist Church. Dr. Brewster served as pastor of United Baptist Church in Oakland for 10 years before serving at Smithfield Baptist Church for 39 years. He also was a hospital chaplain for 39 years at Maine General Hospital in Augusta and Seton Hospital and Thayer Hospital in Waterville. We extend to Dr. Brewster our appreciation for his long service and offer him our congratulations on his retirement;

SLS 58

Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Senators: KATZ of Kennebec, SAVIELLO of Franklin, WHITTEMORE of Somerset, Representatives: MADIGAN of Waterville, PERKINS of Oakland, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield.

(4-4) Nicholas Bartholomew, of Saco, a senior and football player at Thornton Academy, who has received the Frank J. Gaziano Memorial Offensive Lineman of the Year Award, given for his strong leadership on the field, in the classroom and in the community. We extend to Nicholas our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 59

Sponsored by Senator CHENETTE of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BAILEY of Saco, MAREAN of Hollis, O'NEIL of Saco.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

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

1.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act To Change the Name of Captain Ambrose Bear Stream"

S.P. 89 L.D. 303

Tabled - January 31, 2017, by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin

Pending - motion by Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis to **REFER** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

(Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested and ordered printed.)

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act To Fund and Enhance the Maine Diversion Alert Program" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 182 L.D. 249

Tabled - January 31, 2017, by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.)

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Working Group To Study Background Checks for Child Care Facilities and Providers"

H.P. 207 L.D. 274

Tabled - January 31, 2017, by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.)

(In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.)

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Hermon High School Girls Cheerleading Team, of Hermon

SLS 49

Tabled - February 7, 2017, by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot

Pending - **PASSAGE**

5.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT RESOLUTION - Memorializing Phil Bernaiche, of Houlton

SLS 50

Tabled - February 7, 2017, by Senator **CARPENTER** of Aroostook

Pending - **ADOPTION**
