



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

Advance Journal and Calendar

41st Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Thursday, May 18, 2017.

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

Prayer by Pastor Bonnie Higgins, North Livermore Baptist Church.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Benjamin M. Chipman of Cumberland County.

Reading of the Journal of Wednesday, May 17, 2017.

Doctor of the day, Tom Marshall, M.D. of Farmington.

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

S.P. 569

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 10:00 in the morning.

Michael D. Thibodeau
Senate President

Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate

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PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-1) HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Municipal Subdivision Laws"

H.P. 444 L.D. 628

Majority - **Ought Not to Pass** (7 members)

Minority - **Ought to Pass** (6 members)

In Senate, May 16, 2017, on motion by Senator **SAVIELLO** of Franklin, the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Comes from the House, that Body having **INSISTED** on its former action whereby the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-2) HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Allow a Law Enforcement Agency That Treats a Person with Naloxone Hydrochloride To Bill That Person for That Treatment"

H.P. 76 L.D. 108

Majority - **Ought Not to Pass** (7 members)

Minority - **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-131)** (6 members)

In Senate, May 16, 2017, on motion by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin, the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-131)** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Comes from the House, that Body having **INSISTED** on its former action whereby the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-3) SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Expand Substance Abuse Prevention Projects"
S.P. 213 L.D. 651

Majority - **Ought Not to Pass** (7 members)

Minority - **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-81)** (6 members)

In Senate, May 16, 2017, on motion by Senator **ROSEN** of Hancock, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Comes from the House, the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-81)** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-4) SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act Prohibiting Public Entities from Contracting with and Investing in Companies That Boycott the State of Israel"

S.P. 282 L.D. 882
(C "A" S-69)

Majority - **Ought Not to Pass** (8 members)

Minority - **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-69)** (5 members)

In Senate, May 16, 2017, on motion by Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis, the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-69)**.

Comes from the House, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-5) Beverly Ross Johnson, of Chebeague Island, on her retirement from public office. Ms. Johnson has served on the Chebeague School Board and served a term on the Cumberland Town Council, successfully advocating for the preservation of coastal access on Chebeague Island. She also served as one of Chebeague Island's 5 secession representatives and helped to negotiate the terms of separation from the Town of Cumberland and School Administrative District No. 51. She has served on nearly every island organization and was instrumental in bringing broadband access to island residents. She helped found Save Casco Bay, the Chebeague and Cumberland Land Trust and the Chebeague Recreation Center, for which she served as president. We extend to Ms. Johnson our appreciation for her public service and offer her our congratulations on her retirement.

HLS 383

(1-6) Kylan Berry, of Hollis, a 2nd-grade student at Edna Libby Elementary School in Standish, who won the 2017 National Championship in the 40-pound weight class at the Ohio Tournament of Champions. We extend to Kylan our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 393

(1-7) Laurie Warchol, of Buxton, who has won a PEN New England 2017 Susan P. Bloom Children's Book Discovery Award for her nonfiction picture book *Dragonfly: Waiting for Wings*. We extend to Ms. Warchol our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 394

(1-8) the Lisbon High School Unified Basketball Team, of Lisbon, which won the Unified State Basketball Championship. Members of the team include Ryley Austin, Brandon Bartlett, Kristy Coleman, Misty Coleman, Michael Farrington, Tyler Halls, Nathan Havlicek, Nicholas Lerette, Devin Libby, Wesley Lucas, Dawson Martel, Hannah Martel, Amanda Mason, Tanton Mattson, Timber Mattson, Jake Patenaude, Joanna Turner and Noah Williams; manager Mason Jefferies; student coaches Jonah Sautter, Kipri Steele, Jasmine Le and Tyrese Joseph; statistician Tammy York; athlete supervisors Brandon Ward and Lynda Nailor; assistant coach Jody Benson; and head coach Terri Tlumac. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 395

(1-9) the Gray-New Gloucester High School Girls Basketball Team, of Gray, which won the Class B South Championship. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 396

(1-10) the Gray-New Gloucester High School Girls Varsity Basketball Team, of Gray, which won the 2016-17 Class B State Championship. Members of the team include players Skye Conley, Isabelle DeTroy, Alicia Dumont, Grace Kariotis, Haley Kirby, Chelsea Davis, Brianna Jordan, Mikaela Ryan, Alexa Thayer, Jordan Grant, Eliza Hotham, Abigail Michaud and Madysen West; assistant coach Matthew Andreasen; and head coach Michael Andreasen. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 397

(1-11) the Top Ten students of the 2017 graduating class of Lewiston High School, in Lewiston: Morgan T. Eliassen, Arissa M. Shaw, Russell S. Glann, Jazlyn Elizabeth Dumas, Amanda L. Alberda, Julian A. Marley, Jazmine-Renae A. Fournier, Skylar B. Gaudette, Wyatt C. Miller and Mohamed H. Mohamud. We send them our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 398

(1-12) Charlie Fay, of Falmouth, a student at Bates College and a player on the men's lacrosse team, who has been named the college's first-ever New England Small College Athletic Conference Men's Lacrosse Player of the Year. We extend to Mr. Fay our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 399

(1-13) Daniel Crouse, of Winslow, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 417, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement;

HLS 400

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

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 413

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION & FORESTRY

May 16, 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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of Elizabeth Fitzgerald of Machiasport, for reappointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission.

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	Davis of Piscataquis, Dill of Penobscot, Saviello of Franklin
	Representatives	8	Dunphy of Old Town, Black of Wilton, Chapman of Brooksville, Higgins of Dover-Foxcroft, Martin of Sinclair, McElwee of Caribou, O'Neil of Saco, Skolfield of Weld
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Rep. Ackley of Monmouth, Rep. Kinney of Knox

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 Elizabeth Fitzgerald of Machiasport, for reappointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Paul T. Davis, Sr.
Senate Chair

S/Michelle Ann Dunphy
House Chair



(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 405

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION, AND FORESTRY**

May 12, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau 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":

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| L.D. 151 | Resolve, To Authorize the Transfer of State-owned Property to the Town of St. Agatha |
| L.D. 167 | An Act To Fund Animal Control Officers and Animal Shelters |
| L.D. 1114 | An Act To Amend the Rules Regulating Invasive Terrestrial Plant Species |
| L.D. 1167 | An Act To Deregulate the In-state Extraction and Sale of Raw Honey |
| L.D. 1369 | An Act To Support Local Agricultural Production |

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Paul T. Davis
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michelle Ann Dunphy
House Chair

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 406

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

May 15, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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

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| L.D. 107 | An Act To Increase the Effectiveness of Opioid Addiction Therapy |
| L.D. 464 | Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Facilitate the Scheduling of Transportation for Persons with Disabilities |
| L.D. 504 | An Act To Support Evaluation of Opioid Diversion Efforts |
| L.D. 607 | An Act To Enhance Maine's Coordinated Response to Mental Health Crises |
| L.D. 629 | An Act To Improve Rehabilitation Services for Persons with Mental Illness in Maine |
| L.D. 634 | An Act Regarding the Drug Epidemic in Maine |
| L.D. 1367 | Resolve, To Support Family-directed Housing Initiatives and Alternative Programming for Individuals with Disabilities in Underserved Areas |
| L.D. 1424 | An Act To Amend the Laws Governing MaineCare Eligibility Determination For Applicants To Nursing Homes |
| L.D. 1563 | Resolve, To Establish the Maine Health Advisory Committee (EMERGENCY) |

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Eric L. Brakey
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Patricia Hymanson
House Chair

(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 407

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

May 12, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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

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| L.D. 35 | Resolve, To Allow the Unlicensed Ownership of Hedgehogs as Pets |
| L.D. 1018 | An Act To Prohibit Stocking Fish in or Using Live Fish as Bait on Tributaries to State Heritage Fish Waters |
| L.D. 1179 | An Act To Increase Funding for Programs That Support the Mission of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife |
| L.D. 1582 | An Act To Clarify and Enhance Maine's Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Laws |

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Scott W. Cyrway
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Robert S. Duchesne
House Chair

(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 408

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

May 12, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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

L.D. 1354 An Act Relating to Exempt Equity in a Primary Residence

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Rodney L. Whittemore
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Mark W. Lawrence
House Chair

(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 409

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

May 12, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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

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| L.D. 702 | An Act To Restore the Tip Credit to Maine Employees |
| L.D. 774 | An Act To Create a Training Wage |
| L.D. 775 | An Act To Prohibit the Minimum Wage from Exceeding the New England Average |
| L.D. 884 | An Act To Exempt Small Bottlers from the Bottling Plant Requirements (EMERGENCY) |
| L.D. 971 | An Act To Exempt Certain Employees from the Minimum Wage Laws |
| L.D. 1005 | An Act Regarding Minimum Wage Increases |
| L.D. 1152 | An Act To Encourage the Hiring of Skilled Immigrants through Flexible Certification |
| L.D. 1353 | An Act To Establish the Maine Domestic Trade Center |
| L.D. 1393 | Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Create a Statewide Economic Development Plan (EMERGENCY) |
| L.D. 1468 | An Act To Expand Application of the Maine State Housing Authority's Arsenic Abatement Program |

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Amy F. Volk
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Ryan M. Fecteau
House Chair

(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 410

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON MARINE RESOURCES**

May 12, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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

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| L.D. 704 | An Act To Give the Department of Marine Resources Flexibility with Licensing in the Atlantic Herring Fishery |
| L.D. 730 | An Act To Establish Minimum and Maximum Size Limits for Possession of Soft-shelled Clams |
| L.D. 1379 | An Act Regarding Enforcement of Marine Resources Laws and Suspensions of Marine Resources Licenses |
| L.D. 1455 | An Act To Fund Research on and Management and Enforcement of the Eel and Elver Fisheries |

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joyce A. Maker
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Walter A. Kumiega
House Chair

(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 414

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

May 12, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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

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| L.D. 134 | An Act To Allow the Secretary of State To Issue Licenses Pending Receipt of Necessary Paperwork from the Driver Education and Evaluation Program (EMERGENCY) |
| L.D. 315 | Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Apply for Funds for Rail Improvements |
| L.D. 437 | An Act Concerning Maine's Transportation Infrastructure |
| L.D. 752 | An Act To Enhance the Safety of Schoolchildren by Requiring the Posting of the School Zone Speed Limit |
| L.D. 790 | Resolve, To Name the Bridge between Indian Township and the Town of Princeton the Sakom John Stevens Bridge |
| L.D. 1101 | Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State To Review and Recommend Updates to the Maine Motorcycle Driver Education Program |
| L.D. 1226 | An Act To Keep Maine's Transportation Infrastructure Safe by Providing More Sources of Revenue for the Highway Fund |
| L.D. 1310 | An Act To Establish a Driver's License Suspension Amnesty Day |
| L.D. 1328 | An Act To Promote Bicycle Safety by Placing Warning Signs on Certain Public Ways |
| L.D. 1347 | An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Driver's License Fees |
| L.D. 1398 | An Act To Allow Vehicles Registered as Wreckers To Transport 2 Vehicles |
| L.D. 1426 | An Act To Allow the Use of Biotopic or Telescopic Corrective Lenses To Meet the Vision Examination Requirements for a Class C Driver's License (EMERGENCY) |
| L.D. 1439 | Resolve, To Study the Placement of Vehicle Charging Stations on Maine's Highways |
| L.D. 1460 | An Act To Remove the Secretary of State's Authority To Authorize Agents To Issue Noncommercial Driver's License Renewals and Nondriver Identification Card Renewals |
| L.D. 1559 | An Act To Remove the Law Mandating a Front License Plate |

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ronald F. Collins
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Andrew J. McLean
House Chair

(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 415

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

May 15, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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

L.D. 295 An Act To Amend the Requirements for a Political Party To
Retain Qualified Party Status under the Election Laws

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Garrett P. Mason
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Louis J. Luchini
House Chair

(2-10) The Following Communication:

H.C. 173

**STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

May 17, 2017

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
128th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

House Paper 401, Legislative Document 559, "An Act To Standardize the Law Concerning Property Transfers and To Protect Water Quality," having been returned by the Governor, together with objections to the same, pursuant to Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, after reconsideration, the House proceeded to vote on the question: "Shall this Bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

91 voted in favor and 54 against, with 2 being excused, and accordingly it was the vote of the House that the Bill not become a law and the veto was sustained.

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House

(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 412

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

16 May 2017

The 128th Legislature of the State of Maine
State House
Augusta, ME

Dear Honorable Members of the 128th Legislature:

Under the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am hereby vetoing LD 1025, "An Act To Allow Stepparents To Sign the Application for a Driver's License for a Minor."

This bill would allow stepparents to sign applications for driver's licenses. Unless the stepparent has adopted the minor, I do not believe they should be able to sign off on the minor applying for a driver's license. It is not hard to think of instances whereby biological parents could be totally unaware that a stepparent had signed off on the child's driver's license application. It is also not hard to imagine a scenario whereby that child would get in a serious accident without the child's biological parents knowing they could legally drive.

Because young drivers are easily distracted and more apt to get into accidents, it is very important that only biological parents be given the authority to sign off on driver's license applications.

For this reason, I return LD 1025 unsigned and vetoed. I strongly urge the Legislature to sustain it.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-12) The accompanying Bill "An Act To Allow Stepparents To Sign the Application for a Driver's License for a Minor"

S.P. 332 L.D. 1025

(2-13) The Following Communication:

H.C. 170

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0001**

May 16, 2017

The 128th Legislature of the State of Maine
State House
Augusta, Maine

Dear Honorable Members of the 128th Legislature:

Under the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am hereby vetoing LD 905, "An Act To Authorize the Construction of a Maine Turnpike Connector to Gorham."

This bill would allow the Maine Turnpike Authority to construct and operate a connector in Cumberland County from Route 114 in South Gorham to an interchange on the turnpike in order to address congestion issues. The Maine Turnpike Authority and the Maine Department of Transportation have been studying this issue since 2007, and I agree that this area has a traffic problem that needs to be resolved.

Recently, I stated publically that I support a connector in this area, but I don't think that it should be a toll highway with the Maine Turnpike Authority. Maine citizens already pay enough in tolls when they travel in certain areas of the state, and we should not add additional toll costs to Maine citizens and businesses. I would support this project being done by the Maine Department of Transportation through general obligation bonds, as long as it can be done without the need for tolls.

For this reason, I return LD 905 unsigned and vetoed. I strongly urge the Legislature to sustain it.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-14) The accompanying Bill "An Act To Authorize the Construction of a Maine Turnpike Connector to Gorham"

H.P. 633 L.D. 905

Comes from the House with the **VETO OVERRIDDEN** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Fund the Maine Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Loan Program"

S.P. 570 L.D. 1614

Presented by Senator VOLK of Cumberland. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)
Cosponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Biddeford and Senators: LANGLEY of Hancock, MAKER of Washington, Representative: KORNFIELD of Bangor.

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

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) Kristin Malin, of Georgetown, for her 23 years of service on the Georgetown School Committee. Ms. Malin served as Chair of the School Union 47 Joint Board from 1995 to 2002; on the Maine School Boards Association Board of Directors from 2004 to 2017, serving as President in 2007 and 2012; and on the National School Boards Association Board of Directors as Northeast Region Director from 2009 to 2015. We extend to Ms. Malin our appreciation for her service and offer her our best wishes;

SLS 271

Sponsored by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc.
Cosponsored by Representative: PIERCE of Dresden.

(4-2) the Honorable Rodney Whittemore and Coralee Whittemore, of Skowhegan, who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend to Senator and Mrs. Whittemore our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 272

Sponsored by President THIBODEAU of Waldo.

Cosponsored by Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, BRAKEY of Androscoggin, BREEN of Cumberland, CARPENTER of Aroostook, CARSON of Cumberland, CHENETTE of York, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, COLLINS of York, CUSHING of Penobscot, CYRWAY of Kennebec, DAVIS of Piscataquis, DESCHAMBAULT of York, DIAMOND of Cumberland, DILL of Penobscot, DION of Cumberland, DOW of Lincoln, GRATWICK of Penobscot, HAMPER of Oxford, HILL of York, JACKSON of Aroostook, KATZ of Kennebec, KEIM of Oxford, LANGLEY of Hancock, LIBBY of Androscoggin, MAKER of Washington, MASON of Androscoggin, MILLETT of Cumberland, MIRAMANT of Knox, ROSEN of Hancock, SAVIELLO of Franklin, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, VOLK of Cumberland, WOODSOME of York, Representatives: AUSTIN of Skowhegan, FARRIN of Norridgewock, GRIGNON of Athens, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, SKOLFIELD of Weld, STETKIS of Canaan, STROM of Pittsfield.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

(5-1) The Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Make Minor Changes and Corrections to Statutes Administered by the Department of Environmental Protection"

H.P. 1012 L.D. 1473

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

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

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-2) The Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, To Require a Review of the State Employee and Teacher Retirement Plan

H.P. 645 L.D. 917

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-184)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-184)**.

(5-3) The Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, To Establish the Commission To Streamline Veterans' Licensing and Certification (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 170 L.D. 214

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-187)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-187)**.

Divided Report

(5-4) The Majority of the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Expand the 1998 Special Retirement Plan To Include Detectives in the Office of the Attorney General"

H.P. 68 L.D. 100

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-174)**.

Signed:

Senator:

BREEN of Cumberland

Representatives:

GATTINE of Westbrook

FREY of Bangor

HUBBELL of Bar Harbor

JORGENSEN of Portland

MARTIN of Eagle Lake

TEPLER of Topsham

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

Signed:

Senators:

HAMPER of Oxford

KATZ of Kennebec

Representatives:

SEAVEY of Kennebunkport

SIROCKI of Scarborough

TIMBERLAKE of Turner

WINSOR of Norway

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-174)**.

Divided Report

(5-5) The Majority of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Make Creating a Police Standoff a Class E Crime"

H.P. 135 L.D. 179

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-163)**.

Signed:

Senators:

ROSEN of Hancock
CYRWAY of Kennebec
DIAMOND of Cumberland

Representatives:

COREY of Windham
GERRISH of Lebanon
GROHMAN of Biddeford
HERRICK of Paris
LONGSTAFF of Waterville
MAREAN of Hollis
NADEAU of Winslow

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

Signed:

Representatives:

WARREN of Hallowell
RECKITT of South Portland
TALBOT ROSS of 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-163)**.

Divided Report

(5-6) The Majority of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Exempt from Criminal Liability Persons Reporting a Drug-related Medical Emergency"

H.P. 757 L.D. 1079

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-164)**.

Signed:

Senators:

ROSEN of Hancock
DIAMOND of Cumberland

Representatives:

WARREN of Hallowell
COREY of Windham
GERRISH of Lebanon
GROHMAN of Biddeford
HERRICK of Paris
LONGSTAFF of Waterville
MAREAN of Hollis
NADEAU of Winslow
RECKITT of South Portland
TALBOT ROSS of Portland

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

Signed:

Senator:

CYRWAY of Kennebec

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-164)**.

Divided Report

(5-7) The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Construction or Placement of Decks within the Shoreland Zone" H.P. 291 L.D. 400

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

Signed:

Senator:

GRATWICK of Penobscot

Representatives:

TUCKER of Brunswick

DUCHESNE of Hudson

FAY of Raymond

HARLOW of Portland

MARTIN of Eagle Lake

ZEIGLER of Montville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-165)**.

Signed:

Senators:

SAVIELLO of Franklin

VOLK of Cumberland

Representatives:

CAMPBELL of Orrington

KINNEY of Limington

PIERCE of Dresden

STROM of Pittsfield

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

Divided Report

(5-8) The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act Concerning Pavement Sealing Products"

H.P. 858 L.D. 1235

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

Signed:

Senators:

SAVIELLO of Franklin
VOLK of Cumberland

Representatives:

CAMPBELL of Orrington
KINNEY of Limington
MARTIN of Eagle Lake
PIERCE of Dresden
STROM of Pittsfield

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-166)**.

Signed:

Senator:

GRATWICK of Penobscot

Representatives:

TUCKER of Brunswick
DUCHESNE of Hudson
FAY of Raymond
HARLOW of Portland
ZEIGLER of Montville

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

Divided Report

(5-9) The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Promote Testing of Drinking Water for Maine Families"

H.P. 702 L.D. 1001

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-162)**.

Signed:

Senator:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland

Representatives:

HYMANSON of York

DENNO of Cumberland

HAMANN of South Portland

MADIGAN of Waterville

PARKER of South Berwick

PERRY of Calais

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

Signed:

Senators:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin

HAMPER of Oxford

Representatives:

CHACE of Durham

HEAD of Bethel

MALABY of Hancock

SANDERSON of Chelsea

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-162)**.

Divided Report

(5-10) The Majority of the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Allow Certain Municipal Shellfish Conservation Wardens To Seize and Sell Marine Organisms Taken in Violation of a Shellfish Conservation Ordinance"

H.P. 156 L.D. 200

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

Signed:

Senators:

MAKER of Washington
VITELLI of Sagadahoc

Representatives:

KUMIEGA of Deer Isle
ALLEY of Beals
BATTLE of South Portland
BLUME of York
DEVIN of Newcastle
HAWKE of Boothbay Harbor
SUTTON of Warren
TUELL of East Machias

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-172)**.

Signed:

Representative:

SIMMONS of Waldoboro

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

Divided Report

(5-11) The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Exempt from Taxation Certain Out-of-state Pensions"

H.P. 663 L.D. 935

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

Signed:

Senators:

DOW of Lincoln
CHENETTE of York
CUSHING of Penobscot

Representatives:

TIPPING of Orono
BICKFORD of Auburn
COOPER of Yarmouth
GRANT of Gardiner
HILLIARD of Belgrade
POULIOT of Augusta
STANLEY of Medway
TERRY of Gorham
WARD of Dedham

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-170)**.

Signed:

Representative:

McCREIGHT of Harpswell

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

Divided Report

(5-12) The Majority of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Include the Vehicles of Emergency Medical Services Persons in the Firefighter Registration Plate Program"

H.P. 872 L.D. 1249

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-160)**.

Signed:

Senators:

MIRAMANT of Knox

ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:

McLEAN of Gorham

AUSTIN of Skowhegan

BRYANT of Windham

CEBRA of Naples

GILLWAY of Searsport

GRANT of Gardiner

PARRY of Arundel

PERKINS of Oakland

SCHNECK of Bangor

SHEATS of Auburn

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

Signed:

Senator:

COLLINS of York

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-160)**.

Divided Report

(5-13) Six members of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Prohibit a Person from Providing False Testimony to a Committee of the Legislature"

H.P. 599 L.D. 850

Reported in Report "A" that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

DESCHAMBAULT of York

Representatives:

MARTIN of Sinclair

BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland

BRYANT of Windham

HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach

MADIGAN of Rumford

Five members of the same Committee on the same subject reported in Report "B" that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-181)**.

Signed:

Senator:

DAVIS of Piscataquis

Representatives:

GRIGNON of Athens

HARRINGTON of Sanford

ORDWAY of Standish

PICKETT of Dixfield

Two members of the same Committee on the same subject reported in Report "C" that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-182)**.

Signed:

Senator:

KEIM of Oxford

Representative:

SPEAR of South Thomaston

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

Senate

Ought to Pass

(5-14) Senator DOW for the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Taxation of Certain Nonprofit Organizations"

S.P. 334 L.D. 1027

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

(5-15) Senator DOW for the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Provide a Definition of 'Primary Residence' for Purposes of Property Tax Abatements Based on Hardship or Poverty"

S.P. 401 L.D. 1180

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

Divided Report

(5-16) The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Adjust the Lifetime Limit for the Receipt of TANF Benefits"

S.P. 12 L.D. 33

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

Signed:

Senator:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland

Representatives:

HYMANSON of York

DENNO of Cumberland

HAMANN of South Portland

MADIGAN of Waterville

PARKER of South Berwick

PERRY of Calais

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-103)**.

Signed:

Senators:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin

HAMPER of Oxford

Representatives:

CHACE of Durham

HEAD of Bethel

MALABY of Hancock

SANDERSON of Chelsea

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

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Increase the State Share of the Cost of Health Insurance for Retired Teachers" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 370 L.D. 526

Report "A" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-41) (7 members)

Report "B" - Ought Not to Pass (4 members)

Report "C" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-42) (2 members)

Tabled - April 20, 2017, by Senator **LANGLEY** of Hancock

Pending - motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** Report "C" **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" (H-42)** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**

(In House, Report "A", **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-41)**, **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-41)**.)

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act To Continue the Doctors for Maine's Future Scholarship Program"
S.P. 164 L.D. 503
(C "A" S-31)

Tabled - April 20, 2017, by Senator **KATZ** of Kennebec

Pending - **PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE
AMENDMENT "A" (S-31)**

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORT - from the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Provide
Consistency among Medical Professionals with Regard to Jury Duty Exemption"
S.P. 26 L.D. 46

Report - **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-46)**

Tabled - April 27, 2017, by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT**

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY**
on Bill "An Act To Amend the Charter of the Rumford Water District" (EMERGENCY)
S.P. 38 L.D. 90

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-54) (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (6 members)

Tabled - May 2, 2017, by Senator **WOODSOME** of York

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

5.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on
Bill "An Act To Recognize Local Control Regarding Food and Water Systems"
S.P. 242 L.D. 725

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-74) (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (4 members)

Tabled - May 9, 2017, by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin

Pending - motion by same Senator to RECONSIDER whereby the Senate Failed To Accept the
Minority Ought Not To Pass Report.

6.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Limit the Influence of Lobbyists by Expanding the Prohibition on Accepting Political Contributions"

S.P. 140 L.D. 413

Report "A" - Ought Not to Pass (11 members)

Report "B" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-77) (1 member)

Report "C" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-78) (1 member)

Tabled - May 11, 2017, by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF ANY REPORT**

7.

Tabled and Later Assigned

HOUSE REPORT - from the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Temporary Sign Usage"

H.P. 165 L.D. 209

Report - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-111)

Tabled - May 11, 2017, by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot

Pending - **PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-111)**

(In House, Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-111).**)

8.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill
"An Act To Support Death with Dignity"

S.P. 113 L.D. 347

Majority - Ought Not to Pass (8 members)

Minority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-90) (5 members)

Tabled - May 16, 2017, by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin

Pending - motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report

9.

Tabled and Later Assigned

An Act To Opt Out of Federal Daylight Saving Time and To Ask the United States Secretary of
Transportation To Place the State in the Atlantic Time Zone

H.P. 159 L.D. 203

Tabled - May 16, 2017, by Senator **HAMPER** of Oxford

Pending - **ENACTMENT**

(In House, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED.**)

10.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act To Promote Keeping Workers in Maine"

H.P. 350 L.D. 487

Tabled - May 17, 2017, by Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland

Pending - **FURTHER CONSIDERATION**

(In Senate, May 11, 2017, Report "B", **OUGHT NOT TO PASS, READ** and **ACCEPTED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.)

(In House, House **INSISTED** on its former action whereby Report "A", **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED**, was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-49)**.)

SPECIAL STUDY TABLE

1.

Emergency

Resolve, To Establish the Study Committee To Develop a Disposition Plan for Future Surplus State Property in York County

H.P. 723 L.D. 1021
(C "A" H-67)

Tabled - May 9, 2017, by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE**

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE

L.D. 20 - H.P. 21 (C "A" H-39)
L.D. 27 - H.P. 28 (C "A" H-100)
L.D. 79 - S.P. 28 (C "A" S-27)
L.D. 85 - S.P. 34 (C "A" S-11)
L.D. 130 - S.P. 49 (C "A" S-9)
L.D. 267 - H.P. 200 (C "A" H-21)

L.D. 423 - H.P. 303 (C "A" H-17; H "A" H-19)
L.D. 491 - H.P. 354 (C "A" H-65)
L.D. 601 - H.P. 417 (C "A" H-73)
L.D. 648 - H.P. 462
L.D. 656 - S.P. 218 (C "A" S-43)
L.D. 792 - H.P. 572 (C "A" H-58)

SPECIAL HIGHWAY TABLE

L.D. 1318 - H.P. 915 (C "A" H-112)