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Advance Journal and Calendar

17th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, February 27, 2024.

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

Prayer by Pastor Nate Speed of Maranatha Riverside Church in Lincoln.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Matthew A. Harrington of York County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, February 22, 2024.

Medical Provider of the Day, Kimberly M Caldwell MPAS, PA-C of Auburn.

Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

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PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-1) Senior Master Sergeant (E-8) Brandon W. Rolerson, of Islesboro, who is retiring after 21 years with the United States Air Force. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 753

(1-2) the York High School Girls Indoor Track Team, which won the Class B State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 754

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

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 956

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

February 23, 2024

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Loring Development Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am pleased to nominate the following individuals to serve on the Loring Development Authority:

- Lee Umphrey of Bangor for reappointment
- Carolyn Dorsey of Caribou for appointment
- Jeffrey M. Pangburn of Bangor for appointment

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13080-B, these nominations are contingent on confirmation by the Maine Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business.

Sincerely

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 957

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

February 23, 2024

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Appointment of Jonathan Crasnick of Scarborough to the Midcoast Regional
Redevelopment Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am pleased to nominate Jonathan Crasnick of Scarborough for appointment to the Midcoast
Regional Redevelopment Authority.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13083-I, this appointment is contingent on confirmation by the
Maine Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development,
Economic Advancement and Business.

Sincerely,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 940

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Beth R. Campbell of Hermon, for appointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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	Rafferty, J. of York, Libby, J. of Cumberland, Pierce, T. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Brennan, M. of Portland, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Rep. Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Rep. Sampson, H. of Alfred

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 Beth R. Campbell of Hermon, for appointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 941

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Barbara Millios of Glenburn, for appointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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	Rafferty, J. of York, Libby, J. of Cumberland, Pierce, T. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Brennan, M. of Portland, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Rep. Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Rep. Sampson, H. of Alfred

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 Barbara Millios of Glenburn, for appointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 942

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Dawna Thorpe of Hartland, for appointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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	Rafferty, J. of York, Libby, J. of Cumberland, Pierce, T. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Brennan, M. of Portland, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Rep. Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Rep. Sampson, H. of Alfred

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 Dawna Thorpe of Hartland, for appointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 943

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Roxanne Baker of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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	Rafferty, J. of York, Libby, J. of Cumberland, Pierce, T. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Brennan, M. of Portland, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Rep. Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Rep. Sampson, H. of Alfred

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 Roxanne Baker of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 944

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Lisette Belanger of Portland, for reappointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Rafferty, J. of York, Pierce, T. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Brennan, M. of Portland, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Libby, J. of Cumberland, Rep. Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Rep. Sampson, H. of Alfred

Ten 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 Lisette Belanger of Portland, for reappointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 945

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Anna Perna of Holden, for reappointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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	1	Rafferty, J. of York
	Representatives	7	Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		5	Sen. Libby, J. of Cumberland, Sen. Pierce, T. of Cumberland, Rep. Brennan, M. of Portland, Rep. Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Rep. Sampson, H. of Alfred

Eight 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 Anna Perna of Holden, for reappointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 946

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Michael Pulsifer of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Rafferty, J. of York, Pierce, T. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Brennan, M. of Portland, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Libby, J. of Cumberland, Rep. Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Rep. Sampson, H. of Alfred

Ten members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Michael Pulsifer of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-10) The Following Communication:

S.C. 947

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Sandra Wood of Portland, for reappointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Rafferty, J. of York, Pierce, T. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Brennan, M. of Portland, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Libby, J. of Cumberland, Rep. Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Rep. Sampson, H. of Alfred

Ten 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 Sandra Wood of Portland, for reappointment to the Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 948

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

February 21, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Environment and Natural Resources has had under consideration the nomination of The Honorable Robert S. Duchesne of Old Town, for reappointment to the Board of Environmental Protection.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Brenner, S. of Cumberland, Lyford, P. of Penobscot
	Representatives	8	Gramlich, L. of Old Orchard Beach, Bell, A. of Yarmouth, Bridgeo, W. of Augusta, Campbell, D. of Orrington, Doudera, V. of Camden, Hobbs, D. of Wells, Soboleski, M. of Phillips, Woodsome, D. of Waterboro
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Carney, A. of Cumberland, Rep. O'Neil, M. of Saco, Rep. Schmearsal-Burgess, T. of Mexico

Ten 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 The Honorable Robert S. Duchesne of Old Town, for reappointment to the Board of Environmental Protection be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Stacy Fielding Brenner
Senate Chair

S/Lori K. Gramlich
House Chair



(2-12) The Following Communication:

S.C. 949

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

February 21, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Environment and Natural Resources has had under consideration the nomination of Steven K. Pelletier of Topsham, for reappointment to the Board of Environmental Protection.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Brenner, S. of Cumberland, Lyford, P. of Penobscot
	Representatives	8	Gramlich, L. of Old Orchard Beach, Bell, A. of Yarmouth, Bridgeo, W. of Augusta, Campbell, D. of Orrington, Doudera, V. of Camden, Hobbs, D. of Wells, Soboleski, M. of Phillips, Woodsome, D. of Waterboro
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Carney, A. of Cumberland, Rep. O'Neil, M. of Saco, Rep. Schmursal-Burgess, T. of Mexico

Ten 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 Steven K. Pelletier of Topsham, for reappointment to the Board of Environmental Protection be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Stacy Fielding Brenner
Senate Chair

S/Lori K. Gramlich
House Chair



(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 950

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

February 21, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Environment and Natural Resources has had under consideration the nomination of Robert M. Sanford of Gorham, for reappointment to the Board of Environmental Protection.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Brenner, S. of Cumberland, Lyford, P. of Penobscot
	Representatives	8	Gramlich, L. of Old Orchard Beach, Bell, A. of Yarmouth, Bridgeo, W. of Augusta, Campbell, D. of Orrington, Doudera, V. of Camden, Hobbs, D. of Wells, Soboleski, M. of Phillips, Woodsome, D. of Waterboro
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Carney, A. of Cumberland, Rep. O'Neil, M. of Saco, Rep. Schmursal-Burgess, T. of Mexico

Ten members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Robert M. Sanford of Gorham, for reappointment to the Board of Environmental Protection be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Stacy Fielding Brenner
Senate Chair

S/Lori K. Gramlich
House Chair



(2-14) The Following Communication:

S.C. 951

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st 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 Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services has had under consideration the nomination of Robert L. Carey of East Boothbay, for appointment as the Superintendent of the Maine Bureau of Insurance.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Bailey, D. of York, Brakey, E. of Androscoggin
	Representatives	8	Perry, A. of Calais, Arford, P. of Brunswick, Cyrway, S. of Albion, Mastraccio, A. of Sanford, Mathieson, K. of Kittery, Morris, J. of Turner, Nutting, R. of Oakland, Pringle, J. of Windham
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Reny, C. of Lincoln, Rep. Cluchey, S. of Bowdoinham, Rep. Swallow, G. of Houlton

Ten members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Robert L. Carey of East Boothbay, for appointment as the Superintendent of the Maine Bureau of Insurance be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Donna Bailey
Senate Chair

S/Anne C. Perry
House Chair



(2-15) The Following Communication:

S.C. 952

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
131st Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has had under consideration the nomination of Susan P. Herman, Esquire of Mount Vernon, for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board.

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

YEAS	Senators	1	Nangle, T. of Cumberland
	Representatives	9	Stover, H. of Boothbay, Abdi, M. of Lewiston, Copeland, L. of Saco, Dhalac, D. of South Portland, Greenwood, R. of Wales, Pomerleau, K. of Standish, Riseman, W. of Harrison, Sinclair, D. of Bath, Underwood, J. of Presque Isle
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Baldacci, J. of Penobscot, Sen. Lyford, P. of Penobscot, Rep. Adams, J. of Lebanon

Ten 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 Susan P. Herman, Esquire of Mount Vernon, for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Tim Nangle
Senate Chair

S/Holly B. Stover
House Chair



(2-16) The Following Communication:

S.C. 953

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

February 20, 2024

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

- L.D. 2074 An Act to Prohibit Property and Casualty Insurance Companies from Denying Policyholders in the State Insurance on Their Residences in the State Because of a Loss Sustained to a Home in Another State

- L.D. 2123 An Act Regarding Licensure of Emergency Medical Services Persons

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Donna Bailey
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Anne C. Perry
House Chair

(2-17) The Following Communication:

S.C. 954

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

February 16, 2024

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

L.D. 1550 An Act to Authorize the Expungement of Records of Nonviolent Crimes

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Matt Moonen
House Chair

(2-18) The Following Communication:

S.C. 955

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

February 20, 2024

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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":

L.D. 2116 An Act to Require Flame-retardant Seats on New School Buses

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ben Chipman
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lydia Crafts
House Chair

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Resolve, to Promote Access to Education and Workforce Development by Transferring Ownership of the Hutchinson Center Property in Belfast to the City of Belfast (EMERGENCY)
S.P. 956 L.D. 2231

Presented by Senator CURRY of Waldo.

Cosponsored by Representative DODGE of Belfast and Senators: BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, DUSON of Cumberland, GROHOSKI of Hancock, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, WORTH of Ellsworth.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

(3-2) Bill "An Act to Change Department of Health and Human Services Rules Regarding Youth Camps to Major Substantive Rules"

S.P. 955 L.D. 2230

Presented by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative FAY of Raymond and Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, CURRY of Waldo, HICKMAN of Kennebec, INGWERSEN of York, KEIM of Oxford, NANGLE of Cumberland, Representatives: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, PERRY of Bangor.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) the Portland Symphony Orchestra, which is celebrating its 100th Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1436

Sponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: DUSON of Cumberland, Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, COLLINGS of Portland, CROCKETT of Portland, LOOKNER of Portland, MOONEN of Portland, SARGENT of York, SKOLD of Portland, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, ZAGER of Portland.

(4-2) Steven L. Steward, of Bingham, on his retirement as Bingham's First Selectman after 21 years of service, during which time he also served as Bingham's de facto town manager. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1437

Sponsored by Senator BLACK of Franklin.

Cosponsored by Representative: DUNPHY of Embden.

(4-3) Rachel McMannus, of Old Town, who won the 62nd Annual Schoodic Lake Ice Fishing Derby. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1438

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: DILL of Old Town.

(4-4) Sandra Butler, of Orono, who was named the 2024 Distinguished Maine Professor by the University of Maine. Dr. Butler, a professor in and the director of the School of Social Work, exemplifies the highest qualities in teaching, research and public service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1439

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: OSHER of Orono, PERRY of Bangor.

(4-5) the Thornton Academy Girls Swim Team, of Saco, which placed second overall at the 2024 Class A Girls State Championship and won the 200 Medley and 400 Freestyle Relay Events. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1440

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COPELAND of Saco, GATTINE of Westbrook, O'NEIL of Saco.

(4-6) Mackenzie Shields, of Saco, who won the 200 Freestyle and 500 Freestyle Events at the 2024 Class A Girls State Swimming Championships and was named Swimmer of the Meet. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1441

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COPELAND of Saco, GATTINE of Westbrook, O'NEIL of Saco.

(4-7) Lucy Perry, of Saco, who won the 100 Breaststroke Event at the 2024 Class A Girls State Swimming Championships. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1442

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COPELAND of Saco, GATTINE of Westbrook, O'NEIL of Saco.

(4-8) Layla Hammer, of Brunswick, who won the 100 Freestyle Event at the 2024 Class A Girls State Swimming Championships. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1443

Sponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, ARFORD of Brunswick, GOLEK of Harpswell.

(4-9) Laurel Driscoll, of Scarborough, who placed second in the One-mile Run Event at the Class A State Indoor Track and Field Championships. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1444

Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: CARNEY of Cumberland, Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, MURPHY of Scarborough, WARREN of Scarborough.

(4-10) Kyleigh Record, of Scarborough, who placed second in the 800-meter Run Event at the Class A State Indoor Track and Field Championships. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1445

Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: CARNEY of Cumberland, Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, MURPHY of Scarborough, WARREN of Scarborough.

(4-11) Phillip B. Thomas, of Bangor, who is celebrating his 108th Birthday on March 5, 2024. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1448

Sponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: PERRY of Bangor, RANA of Bangor, ROEDER of Bangor, SUPICA of Bangor.

Joint Resolutions

(4-12) On motion by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford, the following Joint Resolution:
S.P. 954

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 3, 2024
AS TOPICAL STEROID WITHDRAWAL SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY**

WHEREAS, Topical Steroid Withdrawal Syndrome, also known as Topical Steroid Addiction or Red Skin Syndrome, is a severe, debilitating condition that can arise from intentional or unintentional exposure to topical steroids; and

WHEREAS, topical steroids are widely prescribed and purchased over the counter to treat acute and chronic skin conditions such as eczema, psoriasis, vitiligo and alopecia areata; and

WHEREAS, Topical Steroid Withdrawal Syndrome is characterized by skin flushing, inflammation, diffuse spreading rashes, profuse skin flaking and a burning and itching worse than the original condition, symptoms that typically appear after the use of topical steroid treatments, between treatments or after discontinuing treatments; and

WHEREAS, symptoms may take several months to several years to subside, leaving some Topical Steroid Withdrawal Syndrome sufferers bedridden and housebound, unable to work, care for children or go to school; and

WHEREAS, a prolonged withdrawal and recovery period can take a significant toll on a person's mental and physical health, and 81% of adults and 56% of children experiencing Topical Steroid Withdrawal Syndrome report feeling anxious or depressed and 47% of adults and 11% of children experiencing Topical Steroid Withdrawal Syndrome report suicidal ideation; and

WHEREAS, the prevalence of topical steroid addiction is unknown due to a scarcity of published research; and

WHEREAS, the scarcity of research on Topical Steroid Withdrawal Syndrome impedes efforts to define diagnostic criteria; understand the causes, mechanics and effects of the syndrome; develop appropriate treatment protocols; and educate providers and patients about the syndrome and steroid stewardship; and

WHEREAS, a lack of awareness of and education about Topical Steroid Withdrawal Syndrome among patients and providers can lead patients to question their providers' medical oversight and providers to suspect their patients of medication noncompliance and occasionally parental neglect; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to designate February 3, 2024 as Topical Steroid Withdrawal Syndrome Awareness Day and to express our support for increased awareness and prevention education on the signs of topical steroid dependence and the risks of Topical Steroid Withdrawal Syndrome.

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(4-13) Ellery "Arms" Labbe, of Fort Kent. Mr. Labbe was a veteran of the National Guard, serving for 23 years. He owned and operated with his sons Nadeau's House of Furniture from 1976 to 2012. He was a member of the Fort Kent Lions Club for 60 years, of which he was a past president. He was a founding member of the Senior Citizens Center and was active with the School Board, Fort Kent Golf Club and Senior College. In 2012, he received an honorary degree from the University of Maine at Fort Kent for his community achievements and was also named Citizen of the Year. He was a parishioner of the Roman Catholic Parish of St. John Vianney and served on the parish council and with various committees. Mr. Labbe will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 69 years, Muriel, his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

SLS 1446

Sponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative: THERIAULT of Fort Kent.

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

(4-14) Paul Vermel, of Scarborough. Mr. Vermel was a music conductor, teacher and mentor known for his skill and passion. Born in Paris in 1924, he came to the United States in 1949 to study at The Juilliard School in New York City as a student of Jean Morel. Over the next decade, he became a United States citizen, served on Juilliard's faculty and was the conductor of a symphony orchestra and orchestral society in New York. He was also the music director of the summer orchestra and musical theater program at Green Mansions in the Berkshires and made his Broadway debut as assistant conductor of Gian-Carlo Menotti's "The Saint of Bleeker Street." His career brought him next to California, where he was both a conductor and college professor. He moved back to the East Coast in 1966 to lead Music in Maine, a Title III program that brought chamber music to elementary and middle schools across the State. A year later, he was tapped to lead the Portland Symphony Orchestra. Founded the same year Mr. Vermel was born, the orchestra had been a mostly volunteer, community orchestra before he became conductor. He helped the orchestra to become more professional and think big. He also had a role in forming what became the Portland String Quartet. He served with the orchestra until 1975, then moved to Illinois to teach music at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and conduct the University Symphony and Champaign-Urbana Symphony. In retirement, he lived in the Chicago area, where he continued to conduct and teach privately before returning to Maine in 2014 and settling in Scarborough. Mr. Vermel will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 48 years, Carolyn Paulin, his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

SLS 1447

Sponsored by Senator DUSON of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senators: BRENNER of Cumberland, CARNEY of Cumberland,
Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, MURPHY of Scarborough, WARREN of Scarborough.

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

(4-15) Grace Campanella, of Kennebunk. Ms. Campanella, as a student-athlete attending Kennebunk High School, won Maine's singles tennis state championship as a sophomore and a junior and was the overwhelming favorite to win the state title again before the coronavirus pandemic led to the cancellation of the 2020 spring sports season. She accepted an athletic scholarship to play NCAA Division I tennis at the University of Rhode Island, where she planned to get a degree in animal science and become a veterinarian. She volunteered at Safe Haven Animal Rescue in Wells and the Animal Welfare Society in Kennebunk and was an intern at the Kennebunk Veterinary Hospital. Ms. Campanella will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family and friends and all those whose lives she touched;

SLS 1449

Sponsored by Senator RAFFERTY of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GERE of Kennebunkport, SAYRE of Kennebunk.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

(5-1) The Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 270: Uniform Reporting System for Quality Data Sets, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1385 L.D. 2165

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

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

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-2) The Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Increase the State's Share of the Cost of Health Insurance for Retired Teachers" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1136 L.D. 1773

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-762)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-762)**.

Divided Report

(5-3) The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Establish the African American Studies Advisory Council and Require Funding for African American Studies"

H.P. 1279 L.D. 2001

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-763)**.

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
LIBBY of Cumberland
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth
MURPHY of Scarborough
SARGENT of York
WORTH of Ellsworth

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

Signed:

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham
LYMAN of Livermore Falls
POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset
SAMPSON of Alfred

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-763)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-763)**.

Divided Report

(5-4) The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Amend a Notice Provision Regarding Registration of Out-of-state Child Custody Determinations Under the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act"

H.P. 1340 L.D. 2081

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-761)**.

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland
BAILEY of York
BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Representatives:

MOONEN of Portland
KUHNS of Falmouth
LEE of Auburn
MORIARTY of Cumberland
POIRIER of Skowhegan
SHEEHAN of Biddeford

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

Signed:

Representatives:

ANDREWS of Paris
HAGGAN of Hampden
HENDERSON of Rumford

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-761)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-761)**.

Divided Report

(5-5) The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Prohibit Certain Municipalities from Adopting Moratoria on Emergency Shelters"
H.P. 1370 L.D. 2146

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-760)**.

Signed:

Senators:

NANGLE of Cumberland
BALDACCI of Penobscot

Representatives:

STOVER of Boothbay
ABDI of Lewiston
COPELAND of Saco
DHALAC of South Portland
RISEMAN of Harrison
SINCLAIR of Bath

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

Signed:

Senator:

LYFORD of Penobscot

Representatives:

ADAMS of Lebanon
GREENWOOD of Wales
POMERLEAU of Standish
UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-760)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-760)**.

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-6) Senator BAILEY for the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding State-chartered Credit Unions"

S.P. 783 L.D. 1921

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-542)**.

(5-7) Senator CURRY for the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** on Bill "An Act to Provide for the 2024 and 2025 Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 916 L.D. 2160

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-543)**.

(5-8) Senator CARNEY for the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Essential Services for Victims of Crimes"

S.P. 877 L.D. 2084

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-539)**.

(5-9) Senator RENY for the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Authorize Medical Waivers for Menhaden Fishing Licenses"

S.P. 854 L.D. 2026

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-545)**.

(5-10) Senator GROHOSKI for the Committee on **TAXATION** on Resolve, to Authorize the State Tax Assessor to Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory

S.P. 852 L.D. 2024

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-540)**.

(5-11) Senator CHIPMAN for the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Require Industry Training and Certification for Persons Undertaking Corrosion Prevention and Mitigation for Bridges"

S.P. 657 L.D. 1640

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-546)**.

(5-12) Senator CHIPMAN for the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, to Rename the Interstate 295 Interchange in the Town of Freeport the Matthew MacMillan Bridge

S.P. 924 L.D. 2173

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-538)**.

Divided Report

(5-13) The Majority of the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act to Authorize the Efficiency Maine Trust to Establish a Program to Support the Uptake of Medium-duty and Heavy-duty Zero-emission Vehicles by Maine Businesses and to Establish a Medium-duty and Heavy-duty Zero-emission Vehicle-to-grid Pilot Project"

S.P. 61 L.D. 122

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-541)**.

Signed:

Senators:

LAWRENCE of York
GROHOSKI of Hancock

Representatives:

ZEIGLER of Montville
GEIGER of Rockland
KESSLER of South Portland
RUNTE of York
WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator:

HARRINGTON of York

Representatives:

BABIN of Fort Fairfield
DUNPHY of Embden
FOSTER of Dexter
PAUL of Winterport

Divided Report

(5-14) The Majority of the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** on Bill "An Act to Extend and Expand the Loring Job Increment Financing Fund"

S.P. 810 L.D. 1981

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-544)**.

Signed:

Senators:

CURRY of Waldo
RAFFERTY of York

Representatives:

ROBERTS of South Berwick
COLLAMORE of Pittsfield
CROCKETT of Portland
LANIGAN of Sanford
LaROCHELLE of Augusta
NESS of Fryeburg
SAYRE of Kennebunk
WHITE of Waterville

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

Signed:

Senator:

GUERIN of Penobscot

Representative:

SMITH of Palermo

Divided Report

(5-15) The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act to Improve Maine's Labor Laws by Changing the Laws Governing Elections of Collective Bargaining Agents for Certain Public Employees"

S.P. 860 L.D. 2032

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

Signed:

Senator:

TIPPING of Penobscot

Representatives:

ROEDER of Bangor

GERE of Kennebunkport

MALON of Biddeford

RUSSELL of Verona Island

SKOLD of Portland

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

Signed:

Senator:

POULIOT of Kennebec

Representatives:

BRADSTREET of Vassalboro

DRINKWATER of Milford

Divided Report

(5-16) The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Resolve, to Adopt Conceptual Elements of the 2023 Augusta State Facilities Master Plan
S.P. 869 L.D. 2068

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

Signed:

Senators:

NANGLE of Cumberland
BALDACCI of Penobscot
LYFORD of Penobscot

Representatives:

STOVER of Boothbay
ABDI of Lewiston
COPELAND of Saco
RISEMAN of Harrison
SINCLAIR of Bath

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

Signed:

Representatives:

ADAMS of Lebanon
GREENWOOD of Wales
POMERLEAU of Standish
UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

SECOND READERS

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

House

(6-1) Resolve, Directing the State Board of Education to Amend Chapter 115: The Credentialing of Education Personnel, a Major Substantive Rule of the State Board of Education
H.P. 1424 L.D. 2221

House As Amended

(6-2) Bill "An Act to Provide Appropriations and Allocations for the Operations of State Government" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 423 L.D. 646
(C "A" H-755)

(6-3) Bill "An Act to Provide Funds to the Maine Indian Education School District"
H.P. 917 L.D. 1421
(C "A" H-756)

(6-4) Bill "An Act to Prohibit Unauthorized Paramilitary Training"
H.P. 1354 L.D. 2130
(C "A" H-757)

Senate As Amended

(6-5) Bill "An Act to Update the Sex Education and Consent Curriculum"
S.P. 120 L.D. 254
(C "A" S-537)

(6-6) Bill "An Act to Make Changes to Certain Laws Governing Renewable Energy Projects"
S.P. 892 L.D. 2099
(C "A" S-530)

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

(7-1) An Act to Transfer the Monhegan Water Company to Monhegan Plantation and to Repeal the Monhegan Water Company Charter

H.P. 231 L.D. 380
(C "A" H-744)

Emergency Resolve

(7-2) Resolve, to Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission to Make Recommendations on the Continuum of Long-term Care Options

S.P. 743 L.D. 1827
(C "A" S-521)

Emergency Resolve

(7-3) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 355: Coastal Sand Dune Rules, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection

H.P. 1389 L.D. 2168

Emergency Resolve

(7-4) Resolve, to Correct the Designation of a Bridge in Canaan to Be Named After Staff Sergeant Richard Gerald Salsbury

S.P. 928 L.D. 2183

Acts

(7-5) An Act to Increase the Expenditure Limit for Informal Bidding Processes and Update References to the Office of Procurement Services

H.P. 1309 L.D. 2047

(7-6) An Act to Require the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists and the Board of Examiners in Physical Therapy to Obtain Fingerprint-based Federal Bureau of Investigation Criminal Background Checks for Applicants for Licensure

H.P. 1319 L.D. 2057
(C "A" H-747)

(7-7) An Act to Clarify Liability Under the Uncontrolled Hazardous Substance Site Law and to Waive a Fee Regarding Voluntary Response Action Plans

H.P. 1328 L.D. 2066
(C "A" H-748)

(7-8) An Act Regarding Responsibility for Activities Intended to Increase the Use of Refillable and Reusable Beverage Containers

H.P. 1358 L.D. 2134
(C "A" H-745)

(7-9) An Act Removing the Lobster Advisory Council from the State Government Evaluation Act Review Requirements

H.P. 1415 L.D. 2208

Resolve

(7-10) Resolve, Designating Route 127 in Arrowsic the Private Merwin A. Delano, Jr. Memorial Highway

H.P. 1318 L.D. 2056
(C "A" H-742)

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

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act to Address Unsafe Staffing of Nurses and Improve Patient Care"

S.P. 656 L.D. 1639

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-391) (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (3 members)

Tabled - June 22, 2023 by Senator **TIPPING** of Penobscot

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

(**CARRIED OVER**, pursuant to Joint Order SP 847.)

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Requiring Suggested Committee Amendments to Concept Drafts to Be Filed Before Their Committee Hearings

S.P. 937

Tabled - February 1, 2024 by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford

Pending - **PASSAGE**

SPECIAL STUDY TABLE

1.

Emergency

Resolve, to Establish the Task Force to Study Barriers to Achieving Behavioral Health Integration and Parity

H.P. 829 L.D. 1304
(C "A" H-220)

Tabled - June 6, 2023 by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**

(**CARRIED OVER**, pursuant to Joint Order SP 847.)

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| L.D. 426 - H.P. 259 (C "A" H-507) | L.D. 840 - H.P. 529 (C "A" H-344) |
| L.D. 445 - S.P. 200 (C "A" S-94) | L.D. 871 - S.P. 368 (C "A" S-172) |
| L.D. 447 - S.P. 202 (C "A" S-58) | L.D. 904 - H.P. 560 (C "A" H-343) |
| L.D. 472 - H.P. 289 (C "A" H-302) | L.D. 907 - H.P. 563 (C "A" H-496) |
| L.D. 473 - H.P. 290 (C "A" H-501) | L.D. 936 - H.P. 583 (C "A" H-255) |
| L.D. 504 - S.P. 221 (C "A" S-96) | L.D. 938 - H.P. 585 (C "A" H-181) |
| L.D. 505 - S.P. 222 (C "A" S-22) | L.D. 949 - H.P. 596 (C "A" H-173; H "A" H-575 to C "A" H-173) |

L.D. 988 - S.P. 407 (C "A" S-62)
L.D. 993 - H.P. 628 (C "A" H-143)
L.D. 997 - H.P. 633 (C "A" H-342)
L.D. 999 - H.P. 635 (C "A" H-481)
L.D. 1006 - H.P. 642 (C "A" H-358)
L.D. 1021 - H.P. 657 (C "A" H-74)
L.D. 1028 - H.P. 664 (C "A" H-269)
L.D. 1064 - S.P. 433 (C "A" S-176)
L.D. 1096 - H.P. 691 (C "A" H-313)
L.D. 1100 - H.P. 695 (C "A" H-448; S "A" S-337 to C "A" H-448)
L.D. 1107 - H.P. 703 (C "A" H-134)
L.D. 1128 - S.P. 465 (C "A" S-236)
L.D. 1139 - S.P. 466 (C "A" S-406)
L.D. 1161 - H.P. 733 (C "A" H-440)
L.D. 1162 - H.P. 734 (C "A" H-78)
L.D. 1177 - H.P. 749 (C "A" H-472)
L.D. 1178 - H.P. 750 (C "A" H-136)
L.D. 1190 - S.P. 486 (C "A" S-377)
L.D. 1227 - H.P. 775 (C "A" H-437)
L.D. 1234 - H.P. 782 (C "A" H-454)
L.D. 1236 - H.P. 784 (C "A" H-495)
L.D. 1258 - H.P. 806 (C "A" H-215)
L.D. 1263 - H.P. 811 (C "A" H-645)
L.D. 1276 - S.P. 513 (C "A" S-370)
L.D. 1285 - S.P. 522 (C "A" S-141)
L.D. 1301 - H.P. 826 (C "A" H-551)
L.D. 1303 - H.P. 828 (C "A" H-524; S "A" S-334 to C "A" H-524)
L.D. 1305 - H.P. 830 (C "A" H-457)
L.D. 1333 - H.P. 847 (C "A" H-325)
L.D. 1375 - H.P. 889 (C "A" H-308)
L.D. 1376 - H.P. 890 (C "A" H-178)
L.D. 1384 - S.P. 549 (C "A" S-402)
L.D. 1412 - H.P. 908 (C "A" H-560)
L.D. 1422 - H.P. 918 (C "A" H-239)
L.D. 1441 - H.P. 937 (C "A" H-175)
L.D. 1442 - H.P. 938 (C "A" H-662)
L.D. 1450 - S.P. 568 (C "A" S-289)
L.D. 1475 - S.P. 595 (C "A" S-401)
L.D. 1478 - S.P. 598 (C "A" S-122)
L.D. 1488 - H.P. 943 (C "A" H-583)
L.D. 1491 - H.P. 946 (C "A" H-351)
L.D. 1492 - H.P. 947 (C "A" H-587)
L.D. 1493 - H.P. 948 (C "A" H-646)
L.D. 1506 - H.P. 961 (C "A" H-209)
L.D. 1510 - H.P. 965 (C "A" H-413)
L.D. 1520 - H.P. 975 (C "A" H-330)
L.D. 1527 - H.P. 982 (C "A" H-268)
L.D. 1529 - H.P. 984 (C "A" H-569)
L.D. 1535 - H.P. 990 (C "A" H-600)
L.D. 1540 - H.P. 992 (C "A" H-579)
L.D. 1558 - H.P. 1003 (C "A" H-425)
L.D. 1573 - H.P. 1018 (C "A" H-584)
L.D. 1584 - H.P. 1029 (C "A" H-649)
L.D. 1621 - H.P. 1046 (C "A" H-318)
L.D. 1664 - S.P. 669 (C "A" S-209; H "A" H-535 to C "A" S-209)
L.D. 1666 - S.P. 671 (C "A" S-363)
L.D. 1668 - H.P. 1066 (C "A" H-361)
L.D. 1682 - H.P. 1081 (C "A" H-314)
L.D. 1684 - H.P. 1083 (C "A" H-206)
L.D. 1691 - S.P. 678 (C "A" S-422)
L.D. 1712 - H.P. 1101 (C "A" H-619)
L.D. 1714 - H.P. 1103 (C "A" H-620)
L.D. 1718 - H.P. 1107 (C "A" H-450)
L.D. 1720 - S.P. 683 (C "A" S-316)
L.D. 1755 - S.P. 701 (C "A" S-315)
L.D. 1760 - S.P. 707 (C "A" S-199)
L.D. 1761 - S.P. 708 (C "A" S-198)
L.D. 1769 - H.P. 1133 (C "A" H-332)
L.D. 1792 - S.P. 717 (C "A" S-364)
L.D. 1797 - S.P. 722 (C "A" S-417)
L.D. 1817 - S.P. 732 (C "A" S-192; S "A" S-261 to C "A" S-192)
L.D. 1837 - H.P. 1169 (C "A" H-486)
L.D. 1857 - H.P. 1187 (C "A" H-539; H "A" H-571 to C "A" H-539)
L.D. 1858 - H.P. 1188 (C "A" H-405)
L.D. 1863 - H.P. 1193 (C "A" H-621)
L.D. 1886 - S.P. 759 (C "A" S-517)
L.D. 1935 - H.P. 1243 (C "A" H-375)
L.D. 1942 - S.P. 791 (C "A" S-393)
L.D. 1958 - H.P. 1260 (C "A" H-610)
L.D. 2061 - H.P. 1323 (C "A" H-733)
L.D. 2093 - S.P. 886 (C "A" S-516)
