ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION 12th Legislative Day Tuesday, February 28, 2023

Representative TERRY of Gorham assumed the Chair. The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker Pro Tem.

Prayer by Reverend Amanda Gerken-Nelson, St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Yarmouth.

National Anthem by the Honorable Caleb Joshua Ness, Fryeburg.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, Kelly Meehan-Coussee, M.D., Freeport. The Journal of Thursday, February 16, 2023 was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 79)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 28, 2023 Honorable Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (H), I appoint Representative Maureen Terry of Gorham to serve as Speaker Pro Tem to convene the House on Tuesday, February 28, 2023. Sincerely.

S/Rachel Talbot Ross Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 80)

SENATE OF MAINE
131ST LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

February 21, 2023 Robert Hunt Clerk of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333 Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 8, Chapter 3, I am pleased to appoint Peter Black to the Clean-up and Response Fund Review Board. With this appointment, he will serve as a member with expertise in oil storage facility design and installation, oil spill remediation or environmental engineering, effective the date of this letter.

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

Sincerely,

S/Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 81)

STATE OF MAINE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SPEAKER'S OFFICE

AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 22, 2023 Honorable Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333 Dear Clerk Hunt,

Pursuant to my authority under MRSA Title 5, Part 30, Chapter 623, §24051, I am pleased to reappoint Representative Rebecca Millett of Cape Elizabeth to the Maine Children's Cabinet Early Childhood Advisory Council, effective immediately.

If you have any questions regarding this reappointment, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Rachel Talbot Ross Speaker of the House

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 82)

STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 16, 2023

Dear Speaker of the House,

Please accept this as my formal resignation effective February 16, 2023.

Respectfully,

S/Clinton Collamore

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 77)
STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE

2 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 28, 2023 Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Talbot Ross:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Marine Resources has approved the request by the sponsor, Representative Eaton of Deer Isle, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw:"

L.D. 61 An Act to Conserve Coastal Habitat by Restricting Rockweed Harvesting on Private Property

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 78)

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

February 28, 2023 Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Speaker Talbot Ross:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the following Joint Standing Committees have voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass:'

Health and Human Services

L.D. 99 An Act to Clarify the Allowable Temperature Range in Certain Long-term Care Facilities

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

L.D. 152 Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Change the Term "Woodsman" to "Woodsperson" in the Junior Maine Guide Program

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

L.D. 274 An Act Regarding Municipal Costs for Water Used for Firefighting

Sincerely. S/Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (S.C. 125)

MAINE SENATE

131st LEGISLATURE

February 16, 2023 Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0002 Dear Speaker Rachel Talbot Ross:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A. §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 131st Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nominations:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry:

- Michael Wiers of St. Albans for reappointment, to the Maine Milk Commission.
- Dr. Richard A. Cook, PhD of Hermon for reappointment, to the Maine Milk Commission,
- Barry W. Norris of Union for reappointment, to the State Harness Racing Commission.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Judiciary:

- The Honorable Maria A. Woodman of Monmouth for reappointment, as a District Court Judge,
- The Honorable Michael P. Roberts of Bangor for reappointment, as a District Court Judge,
- The Honorable Jed J. French of Yarmouth for reappointment, as a District Court Judge,
- Wayne R. Douglas of Ocean Park for appointment, as an Associate Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court,
- Phillip G. Mohlar, Esq. of Readfield for appointment, as a District Court Judge,

- Tracy J. Gorham, Esq. of South Portland for appointment. as a District Court Judge,
- Patrick C. Larson of Bangor for appointment, as a Superior Court Justice.
- Barbara Raimondi of Brunswick for appointment, as an Active Retired Judge of the District Court,
- Paul A. Fritzsche of Kennebunk for reappointment, as an Active Retired Justice of the Superior Court.

Best Regards,

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

Under suspension of the rules, members were allowed to remove their jackets.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Resolve, to Authorize the Conveyance of Real Property to the Capitol Area Recreation Association

(H.P. 486) (L.D. 797)

Sponsored by Representative BRIDGEO of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Representatives: CAMPBELL of Orrington, CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, CROCKETT of Portland, LaROCHELLE of Augusta, PERRY of Bangor, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, STOVER of Boothbay.

Resolve, to Study the Issue of Persons Who Go Missing in State Parks

(H.P. 495) (L.D. 806)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais.

Cosponsored by Representative: MALON of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act to Ensure Transparency in the Labeling of Meat as Grass-fed"

(H.P. 523) (L.D. 834)

Sponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland.

Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and Representatives: BOYLE of Gorham, CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, DILL of Old Town, GUERRETTE of Caribou, JAUCH of Topsham, PLUECKER of Warren, RISEMAN of Harrison, Senator: TIPPING of Penobscot.

Resolve, to Establish a Pilot Project to Support Farm Apprenticeships in Maine

(H.P. 557) (L.D. 901)

Sponsored by Representative OSHER of Orono.

Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and Representatives: JAUCH of Topsham, LANDRY of Farmington, MEYER of Eliot, O'NEIL of Saco, SHAW of Auburn, Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec, INGWERSEN of York.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Restore Historic Community Buildings"

(H.P. 568) (L.D. 912)

Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Waterford.

Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Fund Patrol Positions for the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office"

(H.P. 488) (L.D. 799)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Bangor.

Bill "An Act to Reimburse the Town of Charleston for Expenses Related to the Mountain View Correctional Facility"

(H.P. 512) (L.D. 823) Sponsored by Representative FOSTER of Dexter.

Cosponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot and Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, DRINKWATER of Milford, RUDNICKI of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act to Ban the Drug Tianeptine" (EMERGENCY)
(H.P. 517) (L.D. 828)

Sponsored by Representative LEMELIN of Chelsea.

Bill "An Act to Support Law Enforcement in Interactions with Individuals with Histories of Trauma"

(H.P. 536) (L.D. 847)

Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARLOW of Buxton, GATTINE of Westbrook, LOOKNER of Portland, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, SALISBURY of Westbrook, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Certain Law Enforcement Interactions and Tools for Determining Residency During Conflict Resolution"

(H.P. 567) (L.D. 911)

Sponsored by Representative HENDERSON of Rumford.
Cosponsored by Representatives: MOONEN of Portland,
POIRIER of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act to Support First Responders"

(H.P. 569) (L.D. 913)

Sponsored by Representative TERRY of Gorham.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend Laws Affecting Tuition at State-approved Schools"

(H.P. 497) (L.D. 808)

Sponsored by Representative DAVIS of East Machias.

Bill "An Act to Allow Regional School Units with School Choice to Opt Out of School Choice"

(H.P. 498) (L.D. 809)

Sponsored by Representative DILL of Old Town.

Bill "An Act to Improve Behavioral Health Support for Students in Public Schools"

(H.P. 518) (L.D. 829)

Sponsored by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COPELAND of Saco, DOUDERA of Camden, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, MURPHY of Scarborough, SARGENT of York, WARREN of Scarborough, WHITE of Waterville, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor.

Resolve, Directing the Maine Community College System to Study Providing On-campus Housing on All Campuses

(H.P. 519) (L.D. 830)

Sponsored by Representative HOBBS of Wells.

Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DODGE of Belfast, LANDRY of Farmington, PERRY of Calais, RUNTE of York, SARGENT of York, SHAW of Auburn, Senator: CURRY of Waldo.

Bill "An Act to Ensure College Credit Classes Taken in Secondary School Are Credited at the University Level"

(H.P. 526) (L.D. 837)

Sponsored by Representative LYMAN of Livermore Falls.
Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Representatives: CROCKETT of Portland, MORRIS of Turner, QUINT of Hodgdon, SAMPSON of Alfred, WHITE of Waterville, Senators: KEIM of Oxford, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

Resolve, Directing the University of Maine System to Study the Development of a Course Regarding the Use of Manufactured Wood Products

(H.P. 547) (L.D. 881)

Sponsored by Representative ZAGER of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator INGWERSEN of York and Representative: QUINT of Hodgdon, Senator: FARRIN of Somerset.

Bill "An Act Regarding the University of Maine System Hiring Practices"

(H.P. 553) (L.D. 897)

Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland.
Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, FREDERICKS of Sanford, GATTINE of Westbrook, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, MADIGAN of Waterville, O'CONNELL of Brewer.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Expand Energy Choice Through Municipal Utilities"

(H.P. 561) (L.D. 905)

Sponsored by Representative GEIGER of Rockland.

Committee on **ENERGY**, **UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Disposal of Certain Solar Panels in the State and to Require Bonds to Cover Disposal Costs"

(H.P. 515) (L.D. 826)

Sponsored by Representative LEMELIN of Chelsea. Cosponsored by Representative: ADAMS of Lebanon.

Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Resolve, to Study Methods to Increase Access to Medication-assisted Treatment for Substance Use Disorder (H.P. 502) (L.D. 813)

Sponsored by Representative EATON of Deer Isle.

Cosponsored by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock and Representatives: CRAFTS of Newcastle, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, MATHIESON of Kittery, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill.

Bill "An Act to Provide Integrated Behavioral Health Services to Sexual Violence Survivors"

(H.P. 505) (L.D. 816)

Sponsored by Representative STOVER of Boothbay. Cosponsored by Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, O'CONNELL of Brewer, O'NEIL of Saco, PRINGLE of Windham, ZAGER of Portland.

Resolve, to Provide Support for an Early Intervention and Preschool Child Care Services Program in Kennebec County (H.P. 509) (L.D. 820)

Sponsored by Representative LEMELIN of Chelsea.

Resolve, to Improve Access to Neurobehavioral Services (H.P. 510) (L.D. 821)

Sponsored by Representative LEMELIN of Chelsea. Cosponsored by Representative: FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Review Reimbursement Rates for Nursing Facilities on Islands

(H.P. 513) (L.D. 824)

Sponsored by Representative EATON of Deer Isle.

Cosponsored by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock and Representatives: MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, RUSSELL of Verona Island, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor.

Bill "An Act Relating to Transportation Services for MaineCare Members with Multiple Disabilities"

(H.P. 514) (L.D. 825)

Sponsored by Representative LEMELIN of Chelsea.

Bill "An Act to Identify the State's Unidentified Human Remains"

(H.P. 527) (L.D. 838)

Sponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland.

Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, GATTINE of Westbrook, JAVNER of Chester, MATLACK of St. George, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Waterford, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act to Support Individuals with Personality Disorder or Emotional Dysregulation by Requiring Reimbursement Under the MaineCare Program"

(H.P. 529) (L.D. 840)

Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and Representatives: BOYLE of Gorham, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MALON of Biddeford, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, SHEEHAN of Biddeford, Senator: CARNEY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Exempt Emergency Medical Services Community Paramedicine Programs from Home Health Care Provider Licensing Requirements"

(H.P. 549) (L.D. 883)

Sponsored by Representative SALISBURY of Westbrook. Cosponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo and Representatives: GERE of Kennebunkport, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: NANGLE of Cumberland.

Resolve, to Increase the Reimbursement Rate for Foster Parents by 20 Percent (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 554) (L.D. 898)

Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland.
Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: CRAFTS of Newcastle, CRAVEN of Lewiston, GATTINE of Westbrook, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, MADIGAN of Waterville, O'CONNELL of Brewer, WHITE of Waterville.

Bill "An Act to Repeal So-called MaineCare Expansion"

(H.P. 558) (L.D. 902)

Sponsored by Representative LEMELIN of Chelsea.

Bill "An Act Supporting the Rural Health Care Workforce in Maine"

(H.P. 560) (L.D. 904)

Sponsored by Representative OSHER of Orono.

Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, PERRY of Calais, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, Senators: BAILEY of York, BENNETT of Oxford, TIPPING of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Ensure Physicians Receive Full Diagnostic Test Data Concerning Tick-borne Diseases"

(H.P. 562) (L.D. 906)

Sponsored by Representative SHAGOURY of Hallowell. Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, FAY of Raymond, JAVNER of Chester, MADIGAN of Waterville, TERRY of Gorham, Senator: MOORE of Washington.

Bill "An Act to Meet the Needs of Individuals with Severe Behavioral Health Diagnoses"

(H.P. 563) (L.D. 907)

Sponsored by Representative STOVER of Boothbay.

Resolve, to Establish a Comprehensive Integrated Cooccurring Behavioral Health Home Model Within the MaineCare Program

(H.P. 564) (L.D. 908)

Sponsored by Representative STOVER of Boothbay.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Resolve, to Study the Creation of a State Employee and Legislative Child Care Center

(H.P. 550) (L.D. 884)

Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland. Cosponsored by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc and Representatives: CRAFTS of Newcastle, CRAVEN of Lewiston, FREDERICKS of Sanford, GATTINE of Westbrook, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, MADIGAN of Waterville, O'CONNELL of Brewer, WHITE of Waterville.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Concerning Prior Authorizations for Health Care Provider Services"

(H.P. 485) (L.D. 796)

Sponsored by Representative PRINGLE of Windham.

Bill "An Act to Protect the Practice of Certain Cardiovascular Professionals"

(H.P. 533) (L.D. 844)

Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth. Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and Representatives: CYRWAY of Albion, MATHIESON of Kittery, PERRY of Calais, ZAGER of Portland, Senator: BAILEY of York.

Bill "An Act to Authorize Vaccine Administration by Pharmacy Technicians and Reduce Vaccine Administration Training Requirements for Pharmacists" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 555) (L.D. 899)

Sponsored by Representative NUTTING of Oakland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CYRWAY of Albion,
MORRIS of Turner, PERRY of Calais, PRINGLE of Windham,
SWALLOW of Houlton.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify Requirements for Moose Hunting Permittees"

(H.P. 484) (L.D. 795)

Sponsored by Representative LANDRY of Farmington. Cosponsored by Representative WOOD of Greene.

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Antlerless Deer Permit Fee for Holders of Senior Complimentary and Senior Lifetime Hunting Licenses"

(H.P. 487) (L.D. 798)

Sponsored by Representative LANDRY of Farmington.
Cosponsored by Senator BLACK of Franklin and
Representatives: CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, DILL of Old Town,
O'CONNELL of Brewer, RUSSELL of Verona Island, SHAW of
Auburn.

Bill "An Act to Restrict the Daytime and Nighttime Killing of Coyotes"

(H.P. 503) (L.D. 814)

Sponsored by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor. Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, COPELAND of Saco, EATON of Deer Isle, GEIGER of Rockland, MATHIESON of Kittery, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, WARREN of Scarborough, Senator: GROHOSKI of Hancock.

Bill "An Act Regarding Low Success Rates for Moose Hunting"

(H.P. 520) (L.D. 831)

Sponsored by Representative WOOD of Greene.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COSTAIN of Plymouth, DUNPHY of Embden, LANDRY of Farmington, MASON of Lisbon, NESS of Fryeburg, THORNE of Carmel, WHITE of Guilford.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Create the Small Communities Tourism Fund"

(H.P. 496) (L.D. 807)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais.

Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: DAVIS of East Machias, MALON of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act to Establish an Emergency Fuel Reserve"

(H.P. 507) (L.D. 818)

Sponsored by Representative HYMES of Waldo.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DUCHARME of Madison, FOSTER of Dexter, Senator: HARRINGTON of York.

Committee on INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Time Period for Notice to Terminate a Tenancy at Will"

(H.P. 493) (L.D. 804)

Sponsored by Representative KESSLER of South Portland. Cosponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland and Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, GATTINE of Westbrook, GERE of Kennebunkport, ROEDER of Bangor, SALISBURY of Westbrook, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act to Codify Forfeiture by Wrongdoing as an Exception to the Rule Against Hearsay"

(H.P. 525) (L.D. 836)

Sponsored by Representative STOVER of Boothbay.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, O'NEIL of Saco, RIELLY of Westbrook, TERRY of Gorham.

Bill "An Act to Expunge Certain Nonviolent Drug Crimes"

(H.P. 537) (L.D. 848)

Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor.

Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, TERRY of Gorham, Senator: VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Committee on $\overline{\mathbf{JUDICIARY}}$ suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Create the Maine Family First Employer Program"

(H.P. 499) (L.D. 810)

Sponsored by Representative JAUCH of Topsham.

Cosponsored by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc and Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, EATON of Deer Isle, GOLEK of Harpswell, HASENFUS of Readfield, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, Senator: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Provide Energy Efficiency Program Outreach and Assistance to Manufactured Housing Residents"

(H.P. 504) (L.D. 815)

Sponsored by Representative GOLEK of Harpswell.

Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, ARFORD of Brunswick, CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, JAUCH of Topsham, MATHIESON of Kittery, SACHS of Freeport, ZAGER of Portland, Senator: BRENNER of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Allow Employees to Request Flexible Work Schedules"

(H.P. 516) (L.D. 827)

Sponsored by Representative ROEDER of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, GATTINE of Westbrook, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, JAUCH of Topsham, SKOLD of Portland, WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act to Permit a Short-term Waiver from the Minimum Wage for Chronically Unemployed Individuals"

(H.P. 530) (L.D. 841)

Sponsored by Representative WALKER of Naples.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, LANDRY of Farmington.

Bill "An Act to Provide That the Minimum Wage Increases by the Rolling Average of the Cost of Living of the Previous 3 Years"

(H.P. 545) (L.D. 855)

Sponsored by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro.

Bill "An Act to Reduce Recurring Workplace Harassment and Provide Consequences for Serial Offenders"

(H.P. 546) (L.D. 856)

Sponsored by Representative OSHER of Orono.

Bill "An Act to Allow Nonmunicipal Emergency Medical Services Providers to Be Considered State Employees for Purposes of Certain Benefits"

(H.P. 548) (L.D. 882)

Sponsored by Representative SALISBURY of Westbrook.

Cosponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo and Representatives: GERE of Kennebunkport, ROEDER of Bangor, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

Bill "An Act to Establish Parity in Tipping Laws for Restaurant Workers"

(H.P. 559) (L.D. 903)

Sponsored by Representative SKOLD of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: LOOKNER of Portland, MALON of Biddeford, ROEDER of Bangor, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Scarborough, Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Create a Restricted Senior Lobster and Crab Fishing License"

(H.P. 500) (L.D. 811)

Sponsored by Representative PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft. (BY REQUEST)

Cosponsored by Representatives: BABIN of Fort Fairfield, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, HENDERSON of Rumford, NESS of Fryeburg, SWALLOW of Houlton, WHITE of Guilford.

Bill "An Act to Allow the Crew Member of a Holder of an Elver Fishing License to Empty an Elver Fyke Net" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 506) (L.D. 817)

Sponsored by Representative STROUT of Harrington.

Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: CYRWAY of Albion, DAVIS of East Machias, DILL of Old Town, EATON of Deer Isle, HEPLER of Woolwich, LANDRY of Farmington, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor.

Bill "An Act to Clarify That Maine Holds Title to Its Intertidal Lands"

(H.P. 541) (L.D. 851)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough. Cosponsored by Representatives: CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, OSHER of Orono, RIELLY of Westbrook, ROEDER of Bangor, Senator: TIPPING of Penobscot.

Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

WHITE of Waterville.

Bill "An Act to Require State Agencies to Complete the Rulemaking Process Within One Year of a Legislative Directive to Adopt Rules"

(H.P. 539) (L.D. 850)

Sponsored by Representative CARLOW of Buxton.
Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and
Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, BOYER of Poland,
LANDRY of Farmington, LIBBY of Auburn, MORRIS of Turner,

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regulating the Operation of the Legislature"

(H.P. 565) (L.D. 909)

Sponsored by Representative TERRY of Gorham.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws of Maine"

(H.P. 566) (L.D. 910)

Sponsored by Representative TERRY of Gorham.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require Municipalities to Obtain Housing Units for Residents Experiencing Homelessness"

(H.P. 490) (L.D. 801)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Bangor.

Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT suggested.

On motion of Representative STOVER of Boothbay, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Maine Exclusion Amount for Estate Tax Exemptions"

(H.P. 491) (L.D. 802)

Sponsored by Representative DUCHARME of Madison.
Cosponsored by Representatives: POLEWARCZYK of
Wiscasset, RUSSELL of Verona Island, THORNE of Carmel,
UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle.

Bill "An Act Regarding Taxation"

(H.P. 492) (L.D. 803)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Bangor.

Bill "An Act to Provide That a Licensed Motor Vehicle Dealer May Claim a Credit for Sales Tax on the Purchase and Installation of Equipment to Be Used for the Charging of Electric Vehicles"

(H.P. 494) (L.D. 805)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Bangor.

Bill "An Act to Phase Out the Income Tax"

(H.P. 524) (L.D. 835)

Sponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland.
Cosponsored by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin and Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, ARDELL of Monticello, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, HYMES of Waldo, LIBBY of Auburn, NEWMAN of Belgrade, QUINT of Hodgdon, SMITH of Palermo.

Bill "An Act to Improve Income Tax Progressivity by Establishing a New Top Individual Income Tax Rate"

(H.P. 532) (L.D. 843)

Sponsored by Representative OSHER of Orono.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, EATON of Deer Isle, JAUCH of Topsham, LOOKNER of Portland.

Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Working Group to Review the Process for Ongoing Review of Tax Expenditures by the Legislature"

(H.P. 538) (L.D. 849)

Sponsored by Representative TERRY of Gorham.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, MATLACK of St. George, MILLETT of Waterford, SACHS of Freeport, STOVER of Boothbay.

Bill "An Act to Fund the Protection and Restoration of Riparian and Estuarine Ecosystems and to Impose an Excise Tax on Certain Bottled Water Operators"

(H.P. 544) (L.D. 854)

Sponsored by Representative SAYRE of Kennebunk.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, JAUCH of Topsham, PERRY of Bangor, Senators: BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, TIPPING of Penobscot.

Committee on **TAXATION** suggested and ordered printed. **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow Hitchhiking at Night"

(H.P. 489) (L.D. 800)

Sponsored by Representative LaROCHELLE of Augusta. (BY REQUEST)

Bill "An Act to Reduce the Penalty for Operating a Motor Vehicle Under a Suspended License in Certain Situations"

(H.P. 508) (L.D. 819)

Sponsored by Representative ANKELES of Brunswick.
Cosponsored by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock and
Representatives: BOYER of Poland, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill,
PLUECKER of Warren, RISEMAN of Harrison, STOVER of
Boothbay, WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act to Strengthen the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority by Inviting Participation on the Board of Directors by and Negotiating for Funding from the State of New Hampshire and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts"

(H.P. 531) (L.D. 842)

Sponsored by Representative ANKELES of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin and Representatives: DHALAC of South Portland, LAJOIE of Lewiston, LEE of Auburn, LOOKNER of Portland, SUPICA of Bangor.

Bill "An Act to Modernize the State Motor Vehicle Inspection Program"

(H.P. 556) (L.D. 900)

Sponsored by Representative WHITE of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, ARATA of New Gloucester, CRAFTS of Newcastle, MONTELL of Gardiner, NUTTING of Oakland, O'CONNELL of Brewer, THERIAULT of Fort Kent, Senator: CHIPMAN of Cumberland.

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

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{REFERRED}}$ to the Committee on $\ensuremath{\mathsf{TRANSPORTATION}}$ and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow All Corporations to Self-insure Motor Vehicles"

(H.P. 511) (L.D. 822)

Sponsored by Representative FOSTER of Dexter.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, CYRWAY of Albion, DRINKWATER of Milford, LANDRY of Farmington, MASON of Lisbon, MORRIS of Turner, NUTTING of Oakland.

Committee on TRANSPORTATION suggested.

On motion of Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Assist Clerks in Facilitating Elections and to Improve Access to In-person Absentee Voting for Working People by Increasing Time for Absentee Ballot Processing and In-person Voting"

(H.P. 501) (L.D. 812)

Sponsored by Representative SKOLD of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, COLLINGS of Portland, DHALAC of South Portland, KUHN of Falmouth, RANA of Bangor, ROEDER of Bangor, SAYRE of Kennebunk, Senator: DUSON of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Sustain the Medical Use of Cannabis Program"

(H.P. 521) (L.D. 832)

Sponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland. Cosponsored by Senator: BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Persons Who Donate to a Governor's Transition Committee and Inaugural Committee from Registering as Lobbyists"

(H.P. 522) (L.D. 833)

Sponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland.

Cosponsored by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock and Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, CARLOW of Buxton, COLLINGS of Portland, HYMES of Waldo, PLUECKER of Warren, SMITH of Palermo, WARREN of Scarborough, Senator: BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act to Allow On-premises Consumption of Adult Use Cannabis and Adult Use Cannabis Products on the Premises of Cannabis Store Licensees"

(H.P. 528) (L.D. 839) Sponsored by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor.

Cosponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec and Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, BOYER of Poland, COLLINGS of Portland, CRAFTS of Newcastle, WARREN of Scarborough, Senator: GROHOSKI of Hancock.

Bill "An Act to Require Labeling and Signs to Warn Consumers About the Harmful Effects of Cannabis on Animals" (H.P. 534) (L.D. 845)

Sponsored by Representative CARLOW of Buxton.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CYRWAY of Albion, MORRIS of Turner, POIRIER of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act to Require Direct Wine Shippers to Comply with Maine Beverage Container Laws"

(H.P. 535) (L.D. 846)

Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

Cosponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec and Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, COLLINGS of Portland, HEPLER of Woolwich, MONTELL of Gardiner, STOVER of Boothbay, Senator: BRENNER of Cumberland.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Change the Length of Legislators' Terms to 4 Years

(H.P. 542) (L.D. 852)

Sponsored by Representative WHITE of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and Representatives: MASTRACCIO of Sanford, RISEMAN of Harrison, STOVER of Boothbay, ZEIGLER of Montville, Senator: HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act to Allow Clerks to Issue Absentee Ballots After the 3rd Business Day Before Election Day to Voters Who Have a Nonphysical Disability and Voters Who Support a Person with a Disability"

(H.P. 552) (L.D. 886)

Sponsored by Representative OSHER of Orono.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Establish a Right to Housing (H.P. 543) (L.D. 853)

Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland.

Bill "An Act to Help First-time Home Buyers in Maine" (H.P. 551) (L.D. 885)

Sponsored by Representative SKOLD of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Representatives: LOOKNER of Portland, RANA of Bangor, STOVER of Boothbay, THERIAULT of Fort Kent.

Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

ORDERS

On motion of Representative BELL of Yarmouth, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 540)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 2023 AS TURNER SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Turner syndrome is a chromosomal disorder that involves the lack of all or part of a second X chromosome and that affects one in 2,500 live female births and is characterized by a cluster of symptoms ranging from mild to lifethreatening; and

WHEREAS, the cause of Turner syndrome is not presently known but appears to be the result of random error during the formation of either the sperm or the egg; and

WHEREAS, Turner syndrome can be diagnosed early during pregnancy through prenatal testing methods such as amniocentesis; and

WHEREAS, early diagnosis facilitates prevention or remediation of growth failure, hearing problems and learning difficulties; and

WHEREAS, there is presently no cure for Turner syndrome but there are treatment options and support groups available that can help a woman with Turner syndrome to live a happy and healthy life; and

WHEREAS, women with Turner syndrome have a high risk of aortic dissection: and

WHEREAS, Turner syndrome carries an increased risk of nonverbal learning disorders and these impairments can cause problems with math, visual-spatial skills, executive function skills and job retention; and

WHEREAS, a disproportionately small amount of funding is available for Turner syndrome research and support; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness of Turner syndrome among health care professionals and the public will help to encourage affected girls and women to seek treatment and utilize support groups, to promote early diagnosis and to raise support for organizations that are dedicated to improving the lives of people with Turner syndrome; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of Turner Syndrome Awareness Month will provide the opportunity to share experiences and information with the public and the media and raise public awareness about Turner syndrome; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize February 2023 as Turner Syndrome Awareness Month.

READ and **ADOPTED**.

Sent for concurrence.

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

In accordance with House Rule 519 and Joint Rule 213, the following items:

Recognizing:

Scott Graffam, of Norway, Coach of the Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School Boys Basketball Team, who has been inducted into the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Presented by Representative MILLETT of Waterford. Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford, Representative ANDREWS of Paris.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative MILLETT of Waterford, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

On motion of the same Representative, TABLED pending PASSAGE and later today assigned.

In Memory of:

Jacqueline M. Labbe, of Minot. Mrs. Labbe worked at the family store, L and C Cash Market, in Lewiston and later at Blackie's Farm Fresh Produce in Auburn. She also worked at Bath Iron Works for about 20 years. After retiring, she sold corn and pumpkins on the front lawn at The Farm in Minot. For many years, she attended Sacred Heart Church. Mrs. Labbe will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family and friends and all those whose lives she touched;

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Presented by Representative LIBBY of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford, Representative JACKSON of Oxford.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative LIBBY of Auburn, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

On motion of the same Representative, TABLED pending **ADOPTION** and later today assigned.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Refer to the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services **Pursuant to Resolve**

Representative MEYER for the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services on Bill "An Act to Amend the Duties of the Office of Affordable Health Care"

(H.P. 570) (L.D. 914)

Reporting that it be REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES pursuant to Resolve 2021, chapter 177, section 8.

Report was READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH COVERAGE, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES.**

Sent for concurrence.

Change of Committee

Report of the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act to Align Maine's Lead Abatement Law with Federal Definitions and to Clarify Lead Abatement Licensing and Certification Requirements"

(S.P. 19) (L.D. 27)

Reporting that it be REFERRED to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES.**

Came from the Senate with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill REFERRED to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES.**

Report was READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill REFERRED to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES in concurrence.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT reporting Ought to Pass on Bill "An Act to Provide Revenue for Property Tax Relief and Capital Infrastructure Projects"

(H.P. 107) (L.D. 166)

Signed:

Senators:

NANGLE of Cumberland **BALDACCI** of Penobscot

Representatives:

STOVER of Boothbay ABDI of Lewiston COPELAND of Saco **DHALAC** of South Portland

PAULHUS of Bath

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting Ought Not to Pass on same Bill.

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Senator:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Representatives:

ADAMS of Lebanon **GREENWOOD** of Wales POMERLEAU of Standish RISEMAN of Harrison UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

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On motion of Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston, TABLED pending ACCEPTANCE of either Report and later today assigned.

CONSENT CALENDAR First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 137) (L.D. 216) Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Storm Water Management to Provide an Exemption for Trails for Hiking and Other Similar Activities" Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 155) (L.D. 234) Bill "An Act to Raise from 12 to 24 the Annual Limit on the Number of Public Events and Meals Nonprofit Organizations May Have That Are Exempt from Certain Rules and Regulations" Committee on HEALTH AND **HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass**

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the House Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

ENACTOR Acts

An Act to Clarify the Boundary Between Waldo and Knox Counties in Penobscot Bay

(S.P. 58) (L.D. 119)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker Pro Tem and sent to the Senate.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Support Statewide Economic Opportunities Through Strategic Investments of Property and Funds, Including Emergency Relief Funds"

(S.P. 341) (L.D. 782)

Bill "An Act to Support the Maintenance of Historic Fort George in Castine"

(S.P. 350) (L.D. 791)

Came from the Senate, REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify Provisions of the Maine Good Samaritan Law"

(S.P. 361) (L.D. 864)

Bill "An Act to Establish Culturally Informed Reentry or Reintegration Halfway Houses"

(S.P. 387) (L.D. 895)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Undesignated Ready-to-use Glucagon Rescue Therapies in Schools"

(S.P. 364) (L.D. 867)

Bill "An Act to Protect Education Access by Prohibiting a Mandate for Schoolchildren for a COVID-19 Vaccine or a Vaccine Under an Emergency Use Authorization"

(S.P. 366) (L.D. 869)

Bill "An Act to Provide Support for the Maine Discovery Museum's Informal Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Education Programs Throughout the State"

(S.P. 368) (L.D. 871)

Bill "An Act to Continue the Department of Education Diploma Program Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 370) (L.D. 873)

Bill "An Act to Better Support the Educational Attainment of Low and Moderate-income Communities by Providing Additional Funding to Certain School Administrative Units"

(S.P. 381) (L.D. 889)

Bill "An Act to Improve School Safety and Preparedness Through Comprehensive Health and Safety and Emergency Management Planning"

(S.P. 384) (L.D. 892)

Came from the Senate, REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed. REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Roles and Responsibilities of the Board of Environmental Protection by Adjusting the Requirements for Certain Hearings and for Certain Agencies by Adjusting the Requirements for Cost-Benefit Analysis"

(S.P. 362) (L.D. 865)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require and Standardize Labeling of Water Treatment Equipment"

(S.P. 334) (L.D. 775)

Bill "An Act Regarding Work Requirements for Able-bodied Adults Without Dependents Under the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program"

(S.P. 337) (L.D. 778)

Bill "An Act to Create a Separate Department of Child and Family Services"

(S.P. 338) (L.D. 779)

Bill "An Act to Protect Nursing Home Residents by Requiring Nursing Homes to Provide Silent Bed Alarms for Residents with Dementia"

(S.P. 340) (L.D. 781)

Bill "An Act to Establish Welfare Work Requirements for Able-bodied Adults Without Dependents"

(S.P. 343) (L.D. 784)

Bill "An Act to Create Accountability Within the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services"

(S.P. 344) (L.D. 785)

Bill "An Act to Improve Family Team Meetings in Child Welfare Cases to Ensure Better Outcomes for Children by Providing Adequate Funding"

(S.P. 354) (L.D. 857)

Bill "An Act to Require the State to Invest in Federal Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics"

(S.P. 355) (L.D. 858)

Bill "An Act to Assess, Develop, Implement and Fund the Reuse of Existing Facilities at Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center to Provide Mental Health, Substance Use Disorder and Homelessness Services"

(S.P. 356) (L.D. 859)

Bill "An Act to Ensure That Adequate State Resources Are Available to Provide In-person Response to Calls Received on the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline"

(S.P. 369) (L.D. 872)

Bill "An Act to Address the Shortage of Direct Care Workers for Children with Disabilities in Maine" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 371) (L.D. 874)

Bill "An Act to Improve Child Welfare"

(S.P. 375) (L.D. 878)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Dental Licensure for Charitable Care"

(S.P. 348) (L.D. 789)

Bill "An Act to Exempt Nonprofit Agricultural Membership Organizations from Insurance Requirements"

(S.P. 388) (L.D. 896)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES in concurrence.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation to Study Financial Incentives for Plumbing and Electrical Contractor Services

(S.P. 345) (L.D. 786)

Bill "An Act to Create the New Maine Resident Service Coordination Program in the Department of Economic and Community Development"

(S.P. 346) (L.D. 787)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INNOVATION**, **DEVELOPMENT**, **ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Permit Recordings of a Protected Person to Be Admissible in Evidence"

(S.P. 324) (L.D. 765)

Bill "An Act to Protect a Woman's Right to Withdraw Consent for an Abortion"

(S.P. 330) (L.D. 771)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Establish the Right to Bodily Autonomy (S.P. 335) (L.D. 776)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Protect Personal Reproductive Autonomy

(S.P. 339) (L.D. 780)

Bill "An Act to Protect Certain Private Emergency Services Personnel from Liability Under the Maine Tort Claims Act"

(S.P. 342) (L.D. 783)

Bill "An Act to Extend the Protections of the Maine Civil Rights Act to Actions That Cause Emotional Distress or Fear of Violence"

(S.P. 365) (L.D. 868)

Bill "An Act to Strengthen Freedom of Speech Protections by Extending Laws Against Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation"

(S.P. 367) (L.D. 870)

Bill "An Act to Allow Use of Courthouse Facility Dogs by Criminal Justice Agencies for Criminal Justice Purposes"

(S.P. 379) (L.D. 888)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide Uniform Protections from Retaliation for Maine Workers in Connection with the Exercise of Rights Protected Under the Laws Governing Employment Practices"

(S.P. 326) (L.D. 767)

Bill "An Act to Protect Due Process for Certain Public Sector Employees"

(S.P. 383) (L.D. 891)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Expand the Membership of the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women"

(S.P. 353) (L.D. 794)

Bill "An Act to Require an Analysis Prior to the Start of State-funded Building Construction over \$1,000,000"

(S.P. 360) (L.D. 863)

Bill "An Act to Prohibit State Contracts with Companies Owned or Operated by the Government of the People's Republic of China"

(S.P. 374) (L.D. 877)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Legislative Membership of the Hancock County Budget Advisory Committee" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 385) (L.D. 893)

Bill "An Act to Preserve Heating and Energy Choice by Prohibiting a Municipality from Prohibiting a Particular Energy System or Energy Distributor"

(S.P. 386) (L.D. 894)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide a Turnpike Gasoline Fairness Credit for Maine Turnpike Drivers"

(S.P. 351) (L.D. 792)

Bill "An Act to Support Municipal Services with Revenue Sharing"

(S.P. 352) (L.D. 793)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

 $\mbox{\bf REFERRED}$ to the Committee on $\mbox{\bf TAXATION}$ in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Identify the Railroad Lines from Portland to Bangor as a Major Corridor and to Fund a Feasibility Study"

(S.P. 357) (L.D. 860)

Bill "An Act to Identify the Canadian Pacific Railway Railroad Lines from Hermon Station Through Brownville and Jackman to Quebec and Montreal as a Major Corridor and to Fund a Feasibility Study"

(S.P. 358) (L.D. 861)

Bill "An Act to Move Jurisdiction over Railroad Lines from the Department of Transportation to an Independent Rail Authority"

(S.P. 359) (L.D. 862)

Bill "An Act to Improve Visibility and Restore the Beauty of Maine's Roadways by Limiting Signs in the Public Right-of-way" (S.P. 363) (L.D. 866)

Bill "An Act to Allow Mini-trucks to Be Operated on Roads in the State"

(S.P. 372) (L.D. 875)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation to Initiate a Service Development Plan for Commuter and Passenger Train Service Between Portland and the Lewiston and Auburn Area

(S.P. 377) (L.D. 880)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Residence of Incarcerated Persons for Voting Purposes"

(S.P. 325) (L.D. 766)

Bill "An Act to Authorize State Political Parties to Opt Out of Ranked-choice Voting for Primary Elections"

(S.P. 327) (L.D. 768)

Bill "An Act to Reduce the Enrollment Requirement for Minor Political Parties That Seek Official Party Status"

(S.P. 328) (L.D. 769)

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Ballot Harvesting by Preventing a 3rd Person from Returning More than 2 Absentee Ballots per Day"

(S.P. 329) (L.D. 770)

Bill "An Act to Require Disclosure for Communications Paid for Using Maine Clean Election Act Funding"

(S.P. 349) (L.D. 790)

Bill "An Act to Place Restrictions on Candidate Speech and Clothing, Buttons and Other Items at Voting Places"

(S.P. 376) (L.D. 879)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Invest in Construction Industry Workforce Development"

(S.P. 163) (L.D. 356)

REFERRED to the Committee on INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS in the House on February 16, 2023.

Came from the Senate with that Body having INSISTED on its former action whereby the Bill was REFERRED to the Joint Select Committee on HOUSING in NON-CONCURRENCE.

The House voted to RECEDE AND CONCUR.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

Resolve, Directing the Treasurer of State to Review and Develop Options for Meeting the Banking Needs of the Cannabis Industry

(S.P. 347) (L.D. 788)

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

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

REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Expand Access to Oral Health Care in Rural Maine by Allowing Certain Out-of-state Dentists to Practice in Dental Clinics in the State"

(S.P. 373) (L.D. 876)

Committee on INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS suggested and ordered printed.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Establish a Process to Vest Rights for Land Use Permit Applicants"

(S.P. 331) (L.D. 772)

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

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require the Maine State Housing Authority to Report to the Legislature on the Housing Opportunities for Maine Fund"

(S.P. 333) (L.D. 774)

Committee on LABOR AND HOUSING suggested and ordered printed.

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Create the Child Care Provider Student Loan Repayment Fund"

(S.P. 382) (L.D. 890)

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

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INNOVATION**, **DEVELOPMENT**, **ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Ensure Access by Parties and Attorneys to Records in Child and Adult Protection Proceedings"

(S.P. 332) (L.D. 773)

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

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

 $\mbox{\bf REFERRED}$ to the Committee on $\mbox{\bf JUDICIARY}$ in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Regulation of Mobile Home Parks"

(S.P. 378) (L.D. 887)

Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** suggested and ordered printed.

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

 $\mbox{\bf REFERRED}$ to the Committee on $\mbox{\bf JUDICIARY}$ in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Align the Minimum Rate of Pay for Manufacturers of Maine License Plates at the Maine State Prison with Maine's Minimum Wage Laws"

(S.P. 336) (L.D. 777)

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

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

 $\mbox{\bf REFERRED}$ to the Committee on $\mbox{\bf TRANSPORTATION}$ in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Ensure That Effective Dates of First Regular Session Direct Initiatives of Legislation Will Occur After the November 2023 Election" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 323) (L.D. 764)

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

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Resolve, Naming a Pond in the Town of New Gloucester as MacDonald Pond

(H.P. 429) (L.D. 660)

REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY in the House on February 16, 2023.

Came from the Senate **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The House voted to RECEDE AND CONCUR.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Resolve, Naming a Pond in Elm Stream Township as Plummer Pond

(H.P. 430) (L.D. 661)

REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY in the House on February 16, 2023.

Came from the Senate **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

On motion of Representative LIBBY of Auburn, the House adjourned at 12:51 p.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 2, 2023, in honor and lasting tribute to Jacqueline M. Labbe of Minot, Robert Leigh Turner of Windham and Jason Smith of Saco.