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An Act to Ensure Transparent and Accountable Temporary Nurse Agencies. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

L.D. 452, S.P. 206

An Act to Reform the Laws Regarding the Payment of Criminal Fines. (Presented by Senator BEEBE-CENTER of Knox)

L.D. 453, S.P. 207

An Act to Require the Recording of Grand Jury Proceedings. (Presented by Senator BEEBE-CENTER of Knox)

L.D. 454, S.P. 208

An Act to Establish a 180-day State Residency Requirement for Municipal General Assistance. (Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin)

L.D. 455, S.P. 209

An Act Regarding a COVID-19 Memorial. (Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

L.D. 456, S.P. 210

An Act to Support the Use of Bicycles. (Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

L.D. 457, S.P. 211

An Act to Amend Maine's Tax Laws. (Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

L.D. 458, S.P. 212

An Act to Require an Application for a Hunting License to Include a Check-off Box Indicating an Applicant's Wish to Be Entered in the Antlerless Deer Permit Lottery. (Presented by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot)

L.D. 459, S.P. 213

An Act to Update the Procedures for Issuance of Orders Related to Involuntary Hospitalizations. (Presented by Senator KEIM of Oxford)

L.D. 460, S.P. 214

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Improve Student Success and Workforce Readiness Within the University of Maine System. (Presented by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland)

L.D. 461, S.P. 215

An Act Regarding Private Roads. (Presented by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

L.D. 462, H.P. 279

An Act to Assist Persons Experiencing Homelessness in Areas of High Rent by Seeking a Waiver from the Federal Government. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

L.D. 463, H.P. 280

Resolve, to Ensure Continued MaineCare Coverage for Persons Formerly in Foster Care Until They Attain 27 Years of Age. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

L.D. 464, H.P. 281

An Act to Eliminate Waiting Lists for Community-based Services for People with Autism Spectrum Disorder, Intellectual Disability, Brain Injury or Other Related Conditions. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative OSHER of Orono)

L.D. 465, H.P. 282

An Act to Provide for an Electronic Permit for the Disposition of Human Remains. (Presented by Representative THORNE of Carmel)

L.D. 466, H.P. 283

An Act to Develop and Enforce Mandatory Recycling of All Solar and Wind Projects. (Presented by Representative WOODSOME of Waterboro)

L.D. 467, H.P. 284

An Act to Require Accessible Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. (Presented by Representative SACHS of Freeport)

L.D. 468, H.P. 285

An Act Regarding Regional Law Libraries. (Presented by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland)

L.D. 469, H.P. 286

An Act to Provide Funding for a Diabetes Education Program. (Presented by Representative SAYRE of Kennebunk)

L.D. 470, H.P. 287

An Act to Support Lead Abatement in Older Residential Properties. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston)

L.D. 471, H.P. 288

An Act to Make Necessary Changes to State Law. (Presented by Representative TERRY of Gorham)

L.D. 472, H.P. 289

An Act to Support Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Projects. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

L.D. 473, H.P. 290

Resolve, to Expand the Eligibility for and Increase the Number of Hours of Applied Behavior Analysis Services Authorized by the MaineCare Program. (Presented by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston)

L.D. 474, H.P. 291

An Act to Improve Collaboration Between Mandatory Reporters and Law Enforcement in the Investigation of Alleged Child Abuse and Neglect. (Presented by Representative MEYER of Eliot)

L.D. 475, H.P. 292

An Act to Simplify and Clarify the Licensing of Assisted Housing Facilities. (Presented by Representative MEYER of Eliot)

L.D. 476, H.P. 293

An Act to Amend the Law Regarding Court Locations. (Presented by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland)

L.D. 477, H.P. 294

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education, Maine School Safety Center to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Develop Best Practices for Lockdown Drills and Allowing Parents to Opt Out of Lockdown Drills for Their Children. (Presented by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth)

L.D. 478, H.P. 295

An Act to Improve Coastal Sand Dune Restoration Projects. (Presented by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach)

L.D. 479, H.P. 296

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Membership of the Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory Council. (Presented by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston)

L.D. 480, H.P. 297

An Act to Clarify Laws Regarding the Placement of Signs on Public Ways. (Presented by Representative NEWMAN of Belgrade)

L.D. 481, H.P. 298

An Act to Allow the Deferral of a Moose Hunting Permit If More than One Permit Is Awarded Within the Same Household. (Presented by Representative DILL of Old Town)

L.D. 482, H.P. 299

An Act to Extend the Time for Youth Deer Hunting. (Presented by Representative WOODSOME of Waterboro)

L.D. 483, H.P. 300

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Retirement Benefit Reductions for Certain Employees Currently Included in the 1998 Special Plan. (Presented by Representative PLUECKER of Warren)

L.D. 484, H.P. 301

An Act to Prevent a Conflict of Interest in State Elections by Requiring the Secretary of State to Resign Before Running for Elected Office. (Presented by Representative ANDREWS of Paris)

L.D. 485, H.P. 302

Resolve, to Amend the Rules Regarding Athletic Director Qualifications. (Presented by Representative NEWMAN of Belgrade)

L.D. 486, H.P. 303

An Act to Encourage Economic Development Through the Manufacture and Use of Marine Nuclear Power Modules. (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington)

L.D. 487, H.P. 304

An Act to Establish Coastal Waters and Submerged Lands Regional Planning Commissions. (Presented by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor)

L.D. 488, H.P. 305

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Supplemental Guide Signs on Highways for Colleges and Universities. (Presented by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor)

L.D. 489, H.P. 306

An Act to Provide Equal Educational Opportunity by Adopting Rules Ensuring Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Protected Class Status in Educational Institutions. (Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

L.D. 490, H.P. 307

An Act to Designate the Department of Health and Human Services as the Implementing Department of the Lead-safe Housing Registry. (Presented by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston)

L.D. 491, H.P. 308

Resolve, to Require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Develop a Plan for Communication Regarding Certain Municipal Regulation. (Presented by Representative WOOD of Greene)

L.D. 492, H.P. 309

An Act to Repurpose Vacant Shopping Mall and Retail Space to Mixed-use Housing and Retail. (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington)

L.D. 493, H.P. 310

An Act to Establish a Statewide Relinquished Firearms Inventory. (Presented by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle)

L.D. 494, H.P. 311

An Act to Conform State Funding to the Federal Hyde Amendment, Limiting Funding for Some Abortion Services. (Presented by Representative JAVNER of Chester)

L.D. 495, H.P. 312

An Act Regarding Investigations of Out-of-home Child Abuse and Neglect. (Presented by Representative MEYER of Eliot)

L.D. 496, H.P. 313

An Act to Address Solar Energy Development Decommissioning. (Presented by Representative BOYLE of Gorham)

L.D. 497, H.P. 314

An Act to Prohibit the Use of Personal Watercraft on Keyes Pond and Stearns Pond in the Town of Sweden. (Presented by Representative MILLETT of Waterford)

L.D. 498, S.P. 216

An Act to Prohibit the Use of the Electronic Benefits Transfer System Outside of Maine, Massachusetts or New Hampshire to Obtain Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program Benefits. (Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin)

L.D. 499, S.P. 217

An Act to Change Maine's Tax Laws. (Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

L.D. 500, S.P. 218

An Act to Improve the Office of the Child Welfare Services Ombudsman. (Presented by Senator KEIM of Oxford)

L.D. 501, H.P. 316

Resolve, Authorizing the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to Convey the Interests of the State in Certain Real Property Located in Machiasport. (Presented by Representative STOVER of Boothbay)

L.D. 502, S.P. 219

Resolve, Designating the Desert of Maine Overpass the Matthew MacMillan Overpass. (Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

L.D. 503, S.P. 220

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Fund the Maine Community College System. (Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

L.D. 504, S.P. 221

An Act Regarding Licensing Fees for Small Slot Machine Distributors. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

L.D. 505, S.P. 222

An Act to Update Reimbursement Rates for Transportation of Deceased Persons by Funeral Homes. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

L.D. 506, S.P. 223

An Act to Improve the Child and Family Court Process by Increasing the Number and Duties of Family Law Magistrates. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

L.D. 507, S.P. 224

An Act to Improve Outcomes for Youth Transitioning from State Care by Reducing Barriers to Maintaining Health Care Coverage. (Presented by Senator CURRY of Waldo)

L.D. 508, S.P. 225

Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection to Review Its Environmental Permitting Laws. (Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock)

L.D. 509, S.P. 226

An Act to Amend the Net Energy Billing Laws to Require Net Energy Billing Credits to be Nonlapsing. (Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec)

L.D. 510, S.P. 227

An Act to Protect the Public Health by Allowing the Appointment of Associate Health Officers. (Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec)

L.D. 511, S.P. 228

An Act to Clarify That Haulers Are Under the Jurisdiction of the Logging Dispute Resolution Board. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

L.D. 512, S.P. 229

An Act to Promote Student Enrollment and Degree Completion in the University of Maine System by Providing Tuition Waivers to Eligible Students. (Presented by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot)

L.D. 513, S.P. 230

An Act Regarding Overtime Protections for Certain Maine Workers. (Presented by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot)

L.D. 514, H.P. 319

Resolve, Directing the Office of the State Auditor to Report on Taxpayer Money Funding Maine Nonprofits. (Presented by Representative ANDREWS of Paris)

L.D. 515, H.P. 320

An Act to Require School Board Approval of Superintendent Rules and Administrative Procedures. (Presented by Representative ANDREWS of Paris)

L.D. 516, H.P. 321

An Act to Reduce Cancer Among Firefighters by Providing Grants for Safety Equipment. (Presented by Representative LANDRY of Farmington)

L.D. 517, H.P. 322

An Act to Allow Maine Families to Deduct Vehicle Excise Taxes on State Income Tax Returns. (Presented by Representative ANDREWS of Paris)

L.D. 518, H.P. 323

An Act to Allow Armed Security in Schools. (Presented by Representative ANDREWS of Paris)

L.D. 519, H.P. 324

Resolve, to Conduct a Vehicle-to-grid Pilot Project Using Electric School Buses. (Presented by Representative RUNTE of York)

L.D. 520, H.P. 325

An Act to Retain Home and Community-based Workers by Increasing MaineCare Reimbursement for Certain Essential Support Workers. (Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

L.D. 521, H.P. 326

An Act to Prevent Political Patronage with Regard to State Legislators. (Presented by Representative ANDREWS of Paris)

L.D. 522, H.P. 327

An Act to Require That Motor Vehicles Be Clear of Snow When Operated on Public Ways. (Presented by Representative WHITE of Waterville)

L.D. 523, H.P. 328

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 5, Section 63: Home Based Supports and Services for Older and Disabled Adults and Chapter 11: Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Services, Major Substantive Rules of the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Aging and Disability Services. (EMERGENCY) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Aging and Disability Services pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.)

L.D. 524, H.P. 329

An Act Requiring the Installation of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in New Commercial and Multifamily Parking Lot Construction. (Presented by Representative RUNTE of York)

L.D. 525, H.P. 330

An Act to Protect Farm Workers by Allowing Them to Organize for the Purposes of Collective Bargaining. (Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

L.D. 526, H.P. 331

An Act to Provide Funding to Emergency Medical Services Organizations. (Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

L.D. 527, H.P. 332

An Act to Allow Municipalities to Create Bicycle and Pedestrian Zones with Reduced Speed Limits. (Presented by Representative ANKELES of Brunswick)

L.D. 528, H.P. 333

An Act to Improve Road Safety for Waste and Recycling Collection Employees. (Presented by Representative WHITE of Waterville)

L.D. 529, H.P. 334

An Act to Remove the Annual Filing Requirement in the Property Tax Stabilization Laws. (Presented by Representative POIRIER of Skowhegan)

L.D. 530, H.P. 335

An Act to Facilitate the Installation of Safe Haven Baby Boxes at Hospitals, Law Enforcement Facilities and Fire Departments. (Presented by Representative WHITE of Waterville)

L.D. 531, H.P. 336

An Act to Add Gray Squirrels to the Species List for the Open Training Season for Hunting Dogs. (Presented by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro)

L.D. 532, H.P. 337

An Act to Simplify the Plumbing and Heating Licensing Process. (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington)

L.D. 533, H.P. 338

An Act to Exempt Overtime Pay from Individual Income Tax. (Presented by Representative LANIGAN of Sanford)

L.D. 534, H.P. 339

An Act to Allow Commercial Driver's License Holders Who Are 18 to 20 Years of Age to Haul Hazardous Materials Intrastate. (Presented by Representative WHITE of Guilford)

L.D. 535, H.P. 340

An Act to Increase Access to Necessary Medical Care for Certain Minors. (Presented by Representative SHEEHAN of Biddeford)

L.D. 536, H.P. 341

An Act to Provide Natural Organic Reduction Facilities for Maine Residents for the Conversion of Human Remains to Soil. (Presented by Representative DOUDERA of Camden)

L.D. 537, H.P. 342

An Act to Remove the Limits on Bass Fishing in Washington County Rivers. (Presented by Representative DAVIS of East Machias)

L.D. 538, H.P. 343

An Act Regarding the Qualification of Expert Witnesses in Certain Family Court Actions. (Presented by Representative DOUDERA of Camden)

L.D. 539, H.P. 344

An Act to Provide Substance Use Disorder Counseling for MaineCare Members with an Acquired Brain Injury. (Presented by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich)

L.D. 540, H.P. 345

An Act to Establish Peer Respite Centers for Adults with Mental Health Challenges in Maine. (Presented by Representative RANA of Bangor)

L.D. 541, H.P. 346

An Act to Create Parity in the Taxation of Medicine. (Presented by Representative FREDERICKS of Sanford)

L.D. 542, H.P. 347

An Act to Comprehensively and Equitably Reform Electricity Rates. (Presented by Representative RUNTE of York)

L.D. 543, H.P. 348

An Act to Reimburse Counties for Judicial Costs. (Presented by Representative LANDRY of Farmington)

L.D. 544, H.P. 349

An Act to Increase the Chance of Receiving a Moose Permit for Maine Service Members and Veterans. (Presented by Representative BOYER of Poland)

L.D. 545, H.P. 350

An Act to Establish a Cabinet-level Position to Ensure a Continuum of Care to Support Children and Their Families. (Presented by Representative STOVER of Boothbay)

L.D. 546, H.P. 351

An Act Regarding Child Abuse and Endangerment. (Presented by Representative ARATA of New Gloucester)

L.D. 547, H.P. 352

An Act to Amend the Hunting Laws as They Pertain to the Training of Dogs. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor)

L.D. 548, H.P. 353

An Act to Amend the Duties of County Sheriffs. (Presented by Representative COSTAIN of Plymouth)

L.D. 549, H.P. 354

An Act Regarding a Discovery Rule for the Statute of Limitations for Cases of Medical Negligence. (Presented by Representative MOONEN of Portland)

L.D. 550, H.P. 355

An Act to Increase Correctional Officer Salary and Benefits. (Presented by Representative LANIGAN of Sanford)

L.D. 551, H.P. 356

An Act to Strengthen Maine Citizens' Second Amendment Rights by Allowing the Discharge of Firearms on Private Property That Is Within 500 Feet of School Property in Certain Circumstances. (Presented by Representative MORRIS of Turner)

L.D. 552, H.P. 357

An Act Regarding the Definition of "Reportable Accident". (Presented by Representative SUPICA of Bangor)

L.D. 553, H.P. 358

An Act to Require Mortgage Holders to Notify a Homeowner's Insurance Company on the Sale or Transfer of a Mortgage. (Presented by Representative MORRIS of Turner)

L.D. 554, H.P. 359

An Act to Continue the Rural Affordable Rental Housing Program. (Presented by Representative SHAGOURY of Hallowell)

L.D. 555, H.P. 360

An Act to Increase the Number of Mature Plants Allowed for the Home Cultivation of Cannabis. (Presented by Representative BOYER of Poland)

L.D. 556, H.P. 361

An Act Concerning Bureau of Motor Vehicles Fees, Fines and Driver's License Reinstatement. (Presented by Representative RANA of Bangor)

L.D. 557, H.P. 362

An Act to Decrease Discrimination Based on Evictions in Housing Applications. (Presented by Representative RANA of Bangor)

L.D. 558, H.P. 363

An Act Regarding Rental Housing Applications. (Presented by Representative COSTAIN of Plymouth)

L.D. 559, H.P. 364

An Act to Increase the Number of Hours Certain Minor Students May Work Under Certain Circumstances. (Presented by Representative COSTAIN of Plymouth)

L.D. 560, H.P. 365

An Act Regarding County Sheriff Vehicle Registration Plates. (Presented by Representative COSTAIN of Plymouth)

L.D. 561, S.P. 232

An Act to Require a Military Service Member's Agent with Power of Attorney to Be Legally Responsible for Paying Bills During the Member's Deployment. (Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin)

L.D. 562, S.P. 233

An Act to Ensure Maine Residents Have Priority Access to State Park Campsites. (Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin)

L.D. 563, S.P. 234

An Act to Assert State Sovereignty over Ocean Waters up to 12 Nautical Miles off the State's Coast. (Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin)

L.D. 564, S.P. 235

An Act to Improve Access to Civil Legal Services. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland)

L.D. 565, S.P. 236

An Act to Improve Maine's System for Protecting Sixth Amendment Rights. (Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland)

L.D. 566, S.P. 237

An Act to Provide Funding for Sexual Assault Services. (Presented by Senator DUSON of Cumberland)

L.D. 567, S.P. 238

An Act to Provide for the Ethical Election of Constitutional Officers by Restricting Certain Campaign Contributions. (Presented by Senator HARRINGTON of York)

L.D. 568, S.P. 239

An Act to Provide Funding for the Fund to Address Food Insecurity and Provide Nutrition Incentives. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec)

L.D. 569, S.P. 240

An Act to Allow the Adjutant General to Sell the Houlton Armory. (Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

L.D. 570, S.P. 241

Resolve, to Provide Information to Maine's School Administrators and Maine Communities About the Financial Advantages of Modern Wood Heating. (Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

(Copies of the Bills may be obtained from the Document Room, First Floor, State House, Augusta, Maine 04333-0002 - Ph: 207-287-1408. Bill text, bill status and roll call information are available on the Internet at <http://legislature.maine.gov/LawMakerWeb/search.asp>. The Weekly Legislative Report is also available on the Internet at the House home page at <http://legislature.maine.gov/house/house/> under the "Documents" tab.)

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