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In Senate Chamber
Tuesday
March 14, 2006

Senate called to order by President Beth Edmonds of
Cumberland County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, March 9, 2006.

Off Record Remarks

COMMUNICATIONS

Prayer by Reverend Sally Colegrove, Windham Hill United Church of Christ.

REVEREND COLEGROVE: Good morning, Madame President and all gathered. It is an honor for me to be here as Chaplain this morning and I thank you for asking me. As we enter a time of prayer this morning let's think of our state as one village with many families. Let us turn our hearts and minds toward God in prayer.

Holy One, God of all people and all faiths, today we give thanks for the state of Maine and we hold in prayer all those who share the state with us. We have a unity and an identity which distinguishes us from many of the other states and commonwealths, a unity much like that of a village or small town. While we are diverse in our settings and in our needs we are united in care for one another, as a group of neighbors should be. As we walk down our main street we give You thanks for all that You have given us; for museums and libraries, churches and synagogues, markets and companies. We thank You for all of our friends who work in these places. May our economy grow and continue to support our workers and investors. We are grateful for fire and police stations, hospitals and rehab centers. Bless those who give their time and even their lives in the care of the rest of us. Strengthen them and encourage them. We walk past many homes in our statewide village. We are aware of families who are dealing with illness or accident, those who are struggling with chemical dependency and domestic abuse. You see within their doors and their shut blinds. You alone can heal the hurts of our neighbors. We notice houses which are rundown and in need of repair, as well as houses which are new and bright or just restored to pristine beauty. We pass and greet the citizens of the village; teachers and storekeepers, lawyers and farmers, bankers and nurses. Support each of them with Your love and strong presence. Hold all of our children in the palm of Your hand. We look to the mountains and then we walk on down to the harbor. We give You thanks for the natural beauty which surrounds us. We think back on our history and give thanks for the first residents of the Native tribes who dwell here. We remember the heritage of the seacoast and we ask that You watch over all who earn their livelihood from the sea. Bless the Senators now as they begin their appointed tasks and bless all of the people of Maine as they go about their lives both now and in the days to come. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Elizabeth H. Mitchell of Kennebec County.

STATE OF MAINE
122ND MAINE LEGISLATURE

S.P. 805

March 9, 2006

The Following Communication:

Sen. Lynn Bromley
Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research
and Economic Development
Rep. Nancy E. Smith
House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research
and Economic Development
122nd Legislature
Augusta. ME 04333

Dear Senator Bromley and Representative Smith:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated the following for reappointment to the Maine Rural Development Authority Board of Trustees:

Edward A. Cormier of Minot Alain M. Ouellette of Fort Kent

Pursuant to Title 5 M.R.S.A. §13120-D, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds President of the Senate

S/John Richardson Speaker of the House

Sent down for concurrence.

READ and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS**, **RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**.

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The Following Communication: S.P. 806

STATE OF MAINE 122ND MAINE LEGISLATURE March 7, 2006

Sen. John M. Nutting
Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture,
Conservation and Forestry
Rep. John F. Piotti
House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture,
Conservation and Forestry
122nd Legislature
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Nutting and Representative Piotti:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Seth Bradstreet, III of Newport for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Pursuant to Title 7 M.R.S.A. §1, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds President of the Senate

S/John Richardson Speaker of the House

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.C. 521

STATE OF MAINE
122ND MAINE LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 9, 2006

Joy J. O'Brien Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333 Dear Secretary O'Brien,

Please be advised that I have appointed to the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action between the two branches of the Legislature on Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to Motorized Scooters, Motor-driven Cycles and Mopeds" (H.P. 1027) (L.D. 1464) the following conferees on the part of the Senate:

Senator Damon of Hancock County Senator Bryant of Oxford County Senator Savage of Knox County Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds
President of the Senate

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 524

STATE OF MAINE 122ND MAINE LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

February 28, 2006

Honorable Joy J. O'Brien Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary O'Brien,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 3, §227, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Maine Canadian Legislative Advisory Committee:

Senator John Martin of Aroostook, for reappointment Senator Bruce Bryant of Oxford for appointment Senator Nancy Sullivan of York for appointment

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds
President of the Senate

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 517

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

March 1, 2006

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable John Richardson, Speaker of the House 122nd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Richardson:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass": L.D. 1781 An Act To Require Mandatory Training for Law

Enforcement Officers and Prosecutors Regarding Interaction with People with Developmental Disabilities, Including Autism

Spectrum Disorders

L.D. 1810 An Act Regarding Criminal History Record

Checks

L.D. 1859 An Act To Inform and Protect the Public

Regarding State Employees with Certain

Criminal Records

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bill Diamond Senate Chair

S/Rep. Patricia A. Blanchette House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 522

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

March 1, 2006

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable John Richardson, Speaker of the House 122nd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Richardson:

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

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the L.D. 1704 Archery Hunting Season

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsors of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bruce Bryant Senate Chair

S/Rep. Thomas R. Watson House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 518

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON LABOR**

March 1, 2006

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable John Richardson, Speaker of the House 122nd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Richardson:

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

L.D. 1794 An Act To Improve the Maine Enterprise Option Program

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsors of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ethan Strimling Senate Chair

S/Rep. William J. Smith House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 520

> STATE OF MAINE **OFFICE OF THE** SECRETARY OF STATE **148 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330**

March 7, 2006

Honorable Joy J. O'Brien Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary O'Brien:

Enclosed please find a certified copy of my official certification to the 122nd Legislature of the citizen initiative petition entitled "An Act to Create the Taxpayer Bill of Rights".

Sincerely,

S/Matthew Dunlap Secretary of State

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 523

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

March 9, 2006

The Honorable John G. Richardson Speaker of the House of Representatives The Honorable Beth G. Edmonds President of the Senate

122nd Legislature State House Augusta, ME 04330

Dear Mr. Speaker and Madam President:

Pursuant to Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35, we are pleased to submit the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation from the review and evaluation of the Maine Turnpike Authority under the State Government Evaluation Act. In its review, the committee found that the Maine Turnpike Authority is operating within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Dennis S. Damon Chair

S/Representative Boyd P. Marley Chair

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{READ}}$ and with accompanying papers $\ensuremath{\mathsf{ORDERED}}$ $\ensuremath{\mathsf{PLACED}}$ $\ensuremath{\mathsf{ON}}$ $\ensuremath{\mathsf{FILE}}.$

OFNIATE DADEDO

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Use of Dedicated Funds for the Preservation of Deeds Records"

S.P. 804 L.D. 2063

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

On motion by Penobscot, Senator Schneider, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

Jobs for Maine's Graduates, Inc. (JMG), a statewide, private, nonprofit educational organization established by the Maine Legislature in 1993 as a pilot school-to-work high school program. JMG, which has gradually expanded to help middle school students, homeless students and those in youth development centers, has been recognized for 11 consecutive years as the best statewide program of its kind in the nation. JMG has matured into a statewide organization serving more than 2,500 students per year. More than 97 percent of JMG students successfully graduate, and more than 86 percent of JMG graduates enroll in continued education and successfully engage in the work force following graduation. JMG provides all students with the opportunity to succeed and reach their fullest potential. We extend our appreciation to the staff at JMG for their commitment to the youth of this State:

SLS 989

Sponsored by Senator BROMLEY of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Senators: MITCHELL of Kennebec, WESTON of Waldo, COWGER of Kennebec, Representatives: CUMMINGS of Portland, PARADIS of Frenchville, TARDY of Newport.

READ.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Bromley.

Senator **BROMLEY**: Thank you, Madame President, men and women of the Senate. I just rise ever so briefly to call your attention to item 4-10 and Maine's Jobs for Maine's Graduates program. There are actually members of the program in the Hall of Flags today. Those of you who may have a program in your school, I hope that you will check them out downstairs. Also, having eleven consecutive years as the best statewide program of this kind in the nation is no small thing. I hope you will join me in congratulating them. They are one of our best kept secrets and our best bang for the buck. Thank you.

PASSED.

Sent down for concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Craig Larrabee, new President of Maine's Jobs for Maine's Graduates. Would he please rise and accept the greetings of the Maine Senate.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act To Make Revisions to the Maine Revised Statutes Relating to Agriculture"

H.P. 1227 L.D. 1720

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-805)**.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-805).

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-805) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act To Permit Supplemental
Environmental Projects for Forest Practices Violations"
H.P. 1303 L.D. 1863

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-804)**.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-804).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-804) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Provide for the Issuance of a Bench Warrant upon Failure To Appear for a Hearing on Nonpayment of a County Jail Reimbursement Fee"

H.P. 1216 L.D. 1709

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-792).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-792).

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-792) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Eliminate Administrative Preliminary Hearings for Probationers"

H.P. 1308 L.D. 1868

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-796).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-796).

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-796) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Improve the Prisoner Telephone System" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1324 L.D. 1884

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-793).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-793).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-793) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act Concerning Energy Conservation in Schools" H.P. 1343 L.D. 1902

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-791).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-791).**

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-791) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Require That the Costs Associated with Enacting a Direct Initiative Appear on the Ballot"

H.P. 1357 L.D. 1916

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-797).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-797).**

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-797) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Bill "An Act To Promote Recycling of Cellular Telephones"

H.P. 1280 L.D. 1840

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-800).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-800).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-800) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Laws Administered by the Department of **Environmental Protection**"

H.P. 1328 L.D. 1888

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-801).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-801).**

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-801) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY on Bill "An Act To Provide Forest Certification Cost-share Incentives to Forest Landowners and Licensed Foresters"

H.P. 1312 L.D. 1872

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-798).

Signed:

Senators:

NUTTING of Androscoggin **BRYANT** of Oxford **RAYE** of Washington

Representatives:

PIOTTI of Unity
CARR of Lincoln
JODREY of Bethel
JENNINGS of Leeds
MAREAN of Hollis
LUNDEEN of Mars Hill
FLOOD of Winthrop
SHERMAN of Hodgdon
EDGECOMB of Caribou

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-799)**.

Signed:

Representative:

TWOMEY of Biddeford

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-798) Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-798).

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **NUTTING** of Androscoggin, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-798)** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-798) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Create a Tiered Wholesale Seafood Dealer's License" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1373 L.D. 1961

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-802).

Signed:

Senator:

DAMON of Hancock

Representatives:

PERCY of Phippsburg FLETCHER of Winslow EMERY of Cutler DUGAY of Cherryfield CRESSEY of Cornish ASH of Belfast EDER of Portland KAELIN of Winterport ADAMS of Portland

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

Signed:

Senators:

SULLIVAN of York ANDREWS of York

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-802).

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-802) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator MAYO for the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act Providing Procedures To Protect
Members upon Redesign of the MaineCare Program"

S.P. 142 L.D. 444

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-486)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-486) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator GAGNON for the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Make Technical Changes to the Gambling Laws"

S.P. 665 L.D. 1748

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-488).

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-488) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES on Bill "An Act to Improve Dirigo Health"

S.P. 625 L.D. 1680

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

SULLIVAN of York MAYO of Sagadahoc

Representatives:

PERRY of Calais **BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth** PILON of Saco MARRACHÉ of Waterville HARLOW of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-491).

Signed:

Senator:

MILLS of Somerset

Representatives:

McKANE of Newcastle LINDELL of Frankfort VAUGHAN of Durham **GLYNN** of South Portland RICHARDSON of Warren

Reports READ.

Senator SULLIVAN of York moved the Senate ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report.

On further motion by same Senator, TABLED until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report.

SECOND READERS

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

House

Bill "An Act To Allow the Buckfield Village Corporation To Be Dissolved and Combined with the Town of Buckfield" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1215 L.D. 1708

Bill "An Act To Raise the Debt Limit of the City of Brewer High School District"

H.P. 1393 L.D. 1988

READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, in concurrence.

House As Amended

Bill "An Act To Protect Military Families" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1207 L.D. 1700

(C "A" H-775)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Business Equity in Commercial Vehicle

Registration"

H.P. 1238 L.D. 1730 (C "A" H-782)

Bill "An Act To Establish the Penobscot Language Preservation Fund in the Department of Education" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1247 L.D. 1807 (C "A" H-780)

Bill "An Act To Protect Volunteer-earned Funds of the Maine

Wildlife Park"

H.P. 1259 L.D. 1819 (C "A" H-778)

Bill "An Act To Clarify Provisions of the Alcoholic Beverage Laws

Regarding Promotions"

H.P. 1270 L.D. 1830 (C "A" H-776)

Bill "An Act To Create Fairness in Liquor Licensing Fees"

H.P. 1278 L.D. 1838

(C "A" H-789)

Bill "An Act To Streamline Criteria for Municipal General

Assistance for Heating and Utility Assistance"

H.P. 1286 L.D. 1846 (C "A" H-790)

Bill "An Act To Protect Small Payroll Processors"

H.P. 1318 L.D. 1878

(C "A" H-787)

Bill "An Act To Make License Requirements and Rules Consistent The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly for Young Anglers" engrossed the following: H.P. 1337 L.D. 1896 (C "A" H-781) **Emergency Measure** Bill "An Act To Assist Visually Impaired Persons and Persons with An Act To Establish the Administrative Operating Budget for the Maine State Retirement System for the Fiscal Year Ending June Disabilities in Obtaining Information Regarding Current Events" H.P. 1376 L.D. 1964 30, 2007 (C "A" H-788) H.P. 1226 L.D. 1719 (C "A" H-762) Bill "An Act To Amend the Charter of the Lisbon Water Department" (EMERGENCY) This being an Emergency Measure and having received the H.P. 1380 L.D. 1970 affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 34 being more than two-thirds (C "A" H-779) of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was PASSED TO READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval. AMENDED, in concurrence. Senate **Emergency Measure** Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Licensure of Workers An Act To Increase Accessibility to Health Insurance in the Field of Radiologic Technology" (EMERGENCY) H.P. 1242 L.D. 1734 S.P. 687 L.D. 1770 (C "A" H-758) READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED. This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senators Sent down for concurrence. having voted in the negative, and 34 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval. **Senate As Amended** Bill "An Act To Regulate the Use of Batteries Containing Mercury" S.P. 375 L.D. 1058 Acts (C "A" S-483) An Act Regarding the Appointment of Harbor Masters Bill "An Act To Improve the Water Quality and Safety of Phillips S.P. 651 L.D. 1697 Lake" (C "A" S-447) S.P. 691 L.D. 1774 (C "A" S-484) An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Employees of the Workers' Compensation Board Bill "An Act To Ensure the Ability of Municipalities To Provide H.P. 1222 L.D. 1715 Assistance to Their Citizens" (EMERGENCY) (C "A" H-761) S.P. 755 L.D. 1965 An Act To Accommodate Victims of Identity Theft (C "A" S-481) H.P. 1274 L.D. 1834 READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS (C "A" H-759) AMENDED. An Act To Expand Notification Requirements for Internal Control Sent down for concurrence. Inquiries Made by Nonstate Organizations H.P. 1302 L.D. 1862 (C "A" H-760) PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the

ENACTORS

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for

concurrence.

approval.

President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his

Resolve

Resolve, Directing the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation To Study Prescription Drug Labeling Requirements
H.P. 1267 L.D. 1827
(C "A" H-763)

FINALLY PASSED and having been signed by the President was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Senator **BRENNAN** of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

On motion by Senator **BRENNAN** of Cumberland, **RECESSED** until the sound of the bell.

After Recess

Senate called to order by the President.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act To Allow an Insured To Terminate Life Insurance Coverage under a Policy Owned by Another"

H.P. 1455 L.D. 2059

H.P. 1455 L.D. 2059

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **SULLIVAN** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act Regarding the Maine Insurance Guaranty Association"

H.P. 1463 L.D. 2068

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **STRIMLING** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act To Allow Heavy Equipment To Be Moved during Nighttime"

H.P. 1454 L.D. 2058

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Pursuant to Resolve Secretary of State

The **Secretary of State**, pursuant to Resolve 2005, chapter 103 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Issue Certificates of Title for Single-unit Mobile Homes"

H.P. 1457 L.D. 2061

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **HOBBINS** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

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PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Pursuant to Statute Department of Education

The **Department of Education**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of the Final Repeal of Portions of Chapter 130: Rules for Equivalent Instruction Programs, a Major Substantive Rule That Has Been Provisionally Repealed by the Department of Education (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1464 L.D. 2069

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **MITCHELL** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Pursuant to Statute Department of Health and Human Services

The **Department of Health and Human Services**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter III, Section 50: Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1458 L.D. 2062

Be REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **MAYO** of Sagadahoc, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Pursuant to Statute Department of Health and Human Services

The **Department of Health and Human Services**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 33: Home Day Care Provider Rules, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1459 L.D. 2064

Be REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **MAYO** of Sagadahoc, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Pursuant to Statute Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

The **Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 1.03: Waters of Special Significance, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1461 L.D. 2066

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve REFERRED to the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **BRYANT** of Oxford, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Pursuant to Statute
Department of the Secretary of State, Bureau of
Corporations, Elections and Commissions

The Department of the Secretary of State, Bureau of Corporations, Elections and Commissions, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 520: Rules Regarding Publication of Public Comments on Statewide Referenda, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of the Secretary of State, Bureau of Corporations, Elections and Commissions (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1462 L.D. 2067

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve REFERRED to the Committee on LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Pursuant to Statute Public Utilities Commission

The **Public Utilities Commission**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 895: Underground Facility Damage Prevention Requirements, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1456 L.D. 2060

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve REFERRED to the Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **BARTLETT** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Pursuant to Statute

The Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act To Implement Recommendations of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Regarding Pesticide Registration"

H.P. 1460 L.D. 2065

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 955, subsection 4.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **NUTTING** of Androscoggin, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**, in concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

An Act Relating to the Flanders Bay Community School District H.P. 1291 L.D. 1851

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 35 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 35 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

An Act To Prevent Motor Fuel Spills from Aboveground Storage Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate Tanks That Have Underground Piping S.P. 685 L.D. 1768 considered the following: (C "A" S-462) **ENACTORS** An Act Concerning Members of School Administrative Districts' The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly **Finance Committees** engrossed the following: S.P. 697 L.D. 1780 **Emergency Measure** An Act To Clarify the Time Period in Which Municipalities Must File Notices of Intent with the State for Purposes of Issuing An Act To Restore the Cost-sharing Agreement Established by **Building Permits** the Voters of Maine School Administrative District No. 40 H.P. 1305 L.D. 1865 H.P. 1344 L.D. 1903 (C "A" H-767) (C "A" H-771) An Act To Make Allocations from the Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 35 Members of the Senate, with no Senators Ending December 31, 2007 having voted in the negative, and 35 being more than two-thirds S.P. 756 L.D. 1966 of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, was PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval. President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval. Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following: An Act To Increase Funding for the Intergovernmental Advisory Commission **ENACTORS** H.P. 1221 L.D. 1714 (C "A" H-769) The Committee on **Engrossed Bills** reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following: On motion by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, placed on the SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE, pending ENACTMENT, **Emergency Measure** in concurrence. An Act To Support Fishing Derbies S.P. 757 L.D. 1967 An Act To Increase Certain Fees Paid for Service of Writs and (C "A" S-463) Complaints This being an Emergency Measure and having received the S.P. 696 L.D. 1779 affirmative vote of 33 Members of the Senate, with 2 Senators (C "A" S-461) having voted in the negative, and 33 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was PASSED TO On motion by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, placed on the BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, was SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE, pending ENACTMENT, presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval. in concurrence. Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate An Act To Promote Youth Involvement in County and Local considered the following: Government H.P. 1320 L.D. 1880 **ENACTORS** (C "A" H-768)

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

Acts

An Act To Clarify the Charitable Solicitations Act S.P. 684 L.D. 1767 (C "A" S-469)

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE, pending ENACTMENT, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, placed on the

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

ENACTORS

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

Resolves

Resolve, Directing the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation To Conduct a Sunrise Review Regarding the Regulation of Fire Alarm Contractors

S.P. 524 L.D. 1508 (C "A" S-468)

Resolve, Regarding Source Water Protection Recommendations S.P. 785 L.D. 2037

FINALLY PASSED and having been signed by the President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

ORDERS

Joint Order

On motion by Senator **PERRY** of Penobscot, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 808

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation shall report out, to the Senate, a bill to clarify the sales tax exemption as it relates to ambulance services.

READ and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION**.

Sent down for concurrence.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

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

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (1/04/06) Assigned matter:

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **BUSINESS**, **RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** on Resolve, To Require the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation To Suspend Recently Enacted Rules Pertaining to the Office of Licensing and Registration, Board of Boilers and Pressure Vessels (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 611 L.D. 1653

Majority - Ought Not to Pass (10 members)

Minority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-427) (3 members)

Tabled - January 4, 2006, by Senator BROMLEY of Cumberland

Pending - motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report

(In Senate, January 4, 2006, Reports READ.)

On motion by Senator **MARTIN** of Aroostook, Bill and accompanying papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/02/06) Assigned matter:

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** on Bill "An Act To Allow Qualified Health Centers To
Obtain Telecommunications Education Access Funding"
H.P. 470 L.D. 637

Majority - Ought Not to Pass (8 members)

Minority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-740) (5 members)

Tabled - March 2, 2006, by Senator COWGER of Kennebec

Pending - motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence

(In House, February 28, 2006, the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-740).)

(In Senate, March 2, 2006, Reports READ.)

On motion by Senator **COWGER** of Kennebec, the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-740) $\mbox{\bf READ}$ and $\mbox{\bf ADOPTED},$ in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.	(In House, February 28, 2006, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-770).)				
The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/07/06) Assigned matter:	(In Senate, March 9, 2006, Reports READ .)				
HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on AGRICULTURE , CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY on Bill "An Act Amending the Animal Welfare Laws"	On motion by Senator DAMON of Hancock, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report ACCEPTED , in concurrence.				
H.P. 1321 L.D. 1881	READ ONCE.				
Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-774) (12 members)	Committee Amendment "A" (H-770) READ and ADOPTED , in concurrence.				
Minority - Ought Not to Pass (1 member)	ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.				
Tabled - March 7, 2006, by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin					
Pending - motion by same Senator to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report, in concurrence	All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.				
(In House, March 2, 2006, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-774).)	Senate at Ease.				
(In Senate, March 7, 2006, Reports READ .)	Senate called to order by the President.				
On motion by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report ACCEPTED , in concurrence.	Senator PERRY of Penobscot was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.				
READ ONCE.	address the Senate on the Necold.				
Committee Amendment "A" (H-774) READ and ADOPTED , in concurrence.	Senator HOBBINS of York was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.				
ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.	address the Senate on the Record.				
	Senator RAYE of Washington was granted unanimous consent to				
The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/09/06) Assigned matter:	address the Senate off the Record.				
HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION on Bill "An Act To Prevent Dangerous Commercial Drivers on Maine's Highways" H.P. 1367 L.D. 1950	Senator GAGNON of Kennebec was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.				
Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-770) (7 members)	The President appointed the Senator from Piscataquis, Senator DAVIS , to serve as President Pro Tem for the session on Thursday, March 16, 2006.				
Minority - Ought Not to Pass (6 members)					
Tabled - March 9, 2006, by Senator WESTON of Waldo					
Pending - motion by Senator DAMON of Hancock to ACCEPT the	On motion by Senator BRENNAN of Cumberland, ADJOURNED , to Thursday, March 16, 2006, at 10:00 in the morning.				

Pending - motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in

concurrence