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In Senate Chamber Wednesday June 2, 2021

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

Prayer by Senator G. William Diamond of Cumberland County.

SENATOR DIAMOND: Good morning everyone. Each morning I go for a three mile run and at the end of that run I always say the same prayer and I wanted to share that with you.

Say thank You, God, for my health, my family, and my ability to make a living. Please forgive all my sins. Please look out for abused and neglected children and animals. Thank You, God, for Your wisdom when I'm smart enough to ask and thank You for reminding me to stay positive, which is a struggle, and thank You very much for all You've done for all of us, and my Mother, if there are angels you are one. Thank You for everything You've done. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Catherine E. Breen of Cumberland County.

Reading of the Journal of Wednesday, May 19, 2021.

Off Record Remarks

Senator **ROSEN** of Hancock requested and received leave of the Senate that members and staff be allowed to remove their jackets for the remainder of this Legislative Day.

THE PRESIDENT: Before we get started today I wanted to give a couple of brief remarks. First and foremost, I want to make sure that all of you know that we will be using our actual buttons on our desks. I know the I-pads are there buttons for voting purposes, we will be using our normal buttons that we have. Also, the Chair intends to try and run through this calendar, which is obviously very big. We're getting a late start. I understand that. We're ordering pizza, that will be in my office. Members want to step out and get a slice. We're obviously going to have a lot of work to do in a short time and so getting through as much of this calendar we can today I think is an important step on getting us on track to finish on June 16th. So, I definitely would bear your indulgence in that and, like I said, more than happy to share the pizza with you.

Before we get started, I want to thank everyone. You know, good morning, still. Welcome back. It's very nice to see everybody here in the Senate, where, obviously, Legislature normally resides. I really would be remiss if I didn't talk about how much I appreciate everyone, the Senate Chamber, to carry out our work for the people of the state of Maine. You know, from day one of this pandemic, our number one goal is trying to protect the health and safety of Maine people, to save lives. The plan was always to return to the State House when it was safe for everyone, the public, members of the press, Legislative staff, lawmakers. You know, it was March 17th in the 129th Legislature when we came together to finish our work and adjourn last year and we had no idea what would happen on the days, weeks, to come. At that point, COVID-19 virus had already left a trail of devastation and heartbreak across the globe and was in the United States, and all we knew was the uncertainty facing our state, our families, small businesses, and seniors was overwhelming and I definitely remember what it was like standing here that last night, you know, with all of you. The real anxiety, uncertainty, of what we were faced with. You know, 442 days later, which definitely seemed like a long, long time, there is no question that Mainers have been through a lot, an unbelievable lot. Small businesses have been pushed to the brink, definitely in some cases closed. Workers lost their jobs through no fault of their own. Families were all of a sudden trying to figure out how to facilitate remote learning and earn a living, and front-line workers were pushed to the edge. The COVID-19 crisis has claimed the lives. I actually updated this. 827 Mainers. You know. they are our friends, our family members, and our neighbors across the state and, while compared to other states that doesn't seem like a lot, I would say one person is too many. But, for me, I know you all have stories exactly like this, but, you know, whether it was helping a man in Portage with his unemployment after he was laid off or a woman in New Sweden, helped her husband to be laid to rest with whatever the restrictions were about funerals. We all did our best to help where we could. Helped a disabled veteran in St. Agatha replace his furnace so he wouldn't be cold last winter, which we, obviously, try to do regardless of what situation we're in, but it was even more during that time. Made sure that a student could march in their graduation because of a bill that they had for their food. Now folks are finally beginning to feel like they can take a breath. All across the state workers and businesses are gearing up for the tourist season. Schools are preparing to return to in-person learning in the fall and communities are coming together to rebuild. The fact that we've reached this point, as a state, is truly a testament to the strength, commitment, and resilience of Maine people. No matter how difficult things got, Mainers took care of each other, certainly why I'm proud to be one, and did what was needed to get through this pandemic. Looking around at all of you in this room, I'm just so grateful that the Maine Legislature has emerged from this crisis healthy and safe and together while we have difference of opinions. We may not always agree but I truly consider you all part of the Legislative family and we know that state legislatures all across this country have experienced tremendous loss and I'm forever grateful that that hasn't happened here in Maine to any one of you. However, we're not out of the woods yet and, even though the end is in sight, the COVID-19 virus remains a threat, even as cases decline and vaccination rates increase. Right now, 87 Mainers are in the hospital battling this virus. I'd ask you to keep those Mainers, their family members, and loved ones in your prayers today. Nothing, I mean nothing, about this year has been

ideal. Certainly not how I expected to operate as a legislature and, certainly, as a Senate President, figuring out how to operate as the Maine legislature in a global pandemic was no easy feat, and I'm sure I made mistakes. I want to thank Earl Kingsbury and the staff at the Augusta Civic Center for their gracious hospitality and flexibility over the past months. They definitely made it possible, but here is home, and I also want to thank Suzanne Gresser and the incredible non-partisan staff who kept the Maine Legislature running day to day and, clearly, I want to thank our Secretary, Darek Grant, and the extraordinary staff for their heroic work that they've done to insure the Maine Senate could operate smoothly, again not normally but smoothly, at the Augusta Civic Center. But in the end, and looking out at all of you here today, I can't help but I'm a sympathetic type of a guy, I really appreciate everything that you've been through. I appreciate the work that you've put in and I appreciate how hard it's been and I certainly am sorry for any of the disagreements we've had. We have a couple of weeks here to finish the legislation before us, and probably some work after that this summer, but I'm, obviously, very glad to be here with all of you and I know we can get it done for the good of the people of the state of Maine. So, thank you and I look forward to working with you today and throughout this last couple of weeks.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Rafferty.

Senator RAFFERTY: Mr. President, thank you and, being a freshman and rookie in the room, I apologize if I am out of line in any way, but I wanted to take an opportunity, or a moment, to say thank you to you. You know, it takes a special person to lead and a stronger leader to do so under adversity. I want to thank you for all you've done for me and protecting me, as well as all the workers in this building, my fellow legislators, and our families as we extend out throughout Maine. You've stayed true to your word, kept the course. I just want to say thank you for all you've done for us and for your strong leadership throughout. So, I once heard from a friend of mine in the military that rank has its privileges but he followed up with that it also has its problems, and you had a big one but I think that there are times when a person's in the right place at the right time and I think that you were here for a reason. So, I wanted to say thank you and commend you for your leadership.

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

Senator **BREEN**: Thank you, Mr. President. I request permission to address the Senate on the Record. The famous Greek scholar, Socrates, wrote: 'The secret of change is to focus all of your energy not on fighting for the old but on building the new,' and I think, Mr. President, you led this Body in embracing that adage since March of 2020. It was a herculean effort that you didn't sign up for. None of us saw this coming. You had one, well you had two, primary goals. One, keep us safe, and as I look around the Chamber today I am thrilled to see all of us here, well almost all of us, in good health. That's an enormous achievement for all of us. The second was to do our job and because of your leadership, the leadership of the entire Legislative Council, we have been doing our job, we will continue to do our job, we will finish our job for the people of the state of Maine. So, I thank you, personally, for your personal leadership. I thank our Republican leads on all of our committees as we had to change the way we did our work but, in the end, I'm really proud to be a part of this Body and I'm thankful for your leadership, the leadership of Senator Vitelli, Senator Daughtry, our incredible staff, our incredible Senate Secretary, and the Secretary's staff. I'm so thrilled to be here and I'm looking forward to the next three weeks together. Thank you.

Off Record Remarks

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

An Act To Improve Maine's Quality Rating System for Child Care Services

H.P. 59 L.D. 93 (C "A" H-51)

In Senate, March 30, 2021, Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-51)**, in concurrence.

Comes from the House, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, the Senate **RECEDED** and **CONCURRED**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Resolve, Directing the Maine Health Data Organization To Determine the Best Methods and Definitions To Use in Collecting Data To Better Understand Racial and Ethnic Disparities in the Provision of Health Care in Maine

> H.P. 190 L.D. 274 (C "A" H-26)

In Senate, April 28, 2021, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-26) AND HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-57), in concurrence.

Comes from the House, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-57)**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On motion by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc, the Senate **RECEDED** and **CONCURRED**.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.P. 575

STATE OF MAINE 130TH LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

May 25, 2021

Hon. Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 130th Legislature

Hon. Ryan M. Fecteau Speaker of the House 130th Legislature

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

On May 25, 2021, 2 bills were received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on May 25, 2021, as follows:

Health and Human Services

Resolve, To Assess the Feasibility of the Production of Insulin in Maine (S.P. 574) (L.D. 1729) (Sponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook) (Cosponsored by Representative JAVNER of Chester and Senator: MOORE of Washington, Representatives: GRIFFIN of Levant, CONNOR of Lewiston) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Provide Assistance to Law Enforcement Officers To Allow Them To Protect the Residents of the State" (S.P. 573) (L.D. 1728) (Sponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin) (Cosponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner and Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, KEIM of Oxford, DIAMOND of Cumberland, DILL of Penobscot, Representative: LYMAN of Livermore Falls) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.)

Sincerely,

S/Darek M. Grant Secretary of the Senate S/Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.C. 528

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL May 12, 2021

Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 130th Maine Legislature Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson:

I am notifying you that, pursuant to 12 MRSA §683-A, I have forwarded to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry the following nomination made to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission by the Washington County Commissioners on March 11, 2021:

Elizabeth Fitzgerald of Machiasport

The County asks that this nomination be considered to fill the four-year term that begins July 9, 2021 through July 8, 2025 which is scheduled to be filled by Washington County.

Pursuant to 12 MRSA 683-A, this appointment is subject to confirmation by the Maine Senate after review by the committee having jurisdiction over conservation matters.

Sincerely,

S/Suzanne M. Gresser Executive Director

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 536

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Reappointment of Michelle Ames of Portland to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Michelle Ames of Portland for reappointment to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §7406, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 537

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Reappointment of Roxanne Baker of Cape Elizabeth to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Roxanne Baker of Cape Elizabeth for reappointment to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §7406, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 538

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Reappointment of Lisette Belanger of Portland to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Lisette Belanger of Portland for reappointment to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §7406, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 539

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Reappointment of Corda L. Kinzie of Readfield to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Corda L. Kinzie of Readfield for reappointment to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §7406, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 540

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Reappointment of Terry Morrell of Gorham to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Terry Morrell of Gorham for reappointment to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §7406, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 541

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333 RE: Reappointment of Michael Pulsifer of Cape Elizabeth to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Michael Pulsifer of Cape Elizabeth for reappointment to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §7406, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 542

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Sandra K. Wood of Portland to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Sandra K. Wood of Portland for appointment to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §7406, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing C01mnittee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 543

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Jamie Guerrette of Presque Isle to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Jamie Guerrette of Presque Isle for appointment to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §7406, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 544

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Elizabeth A. Seal of Lisbon Falls to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Elizabeth A. Seal of Lisbon Falls for appointment to the School Board of the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §7406, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 545

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Paulette Bonneau of Biddeford to the State Board of Education

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Paulette Bonneau of Biddeford to the State Board of Education.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §401, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 546

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Joshua Tall Leinwand of Yarmouth as a Student Member of the StateBoard of Education

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Joshua Taft Leinwand of Yarmouth as a Student Member of the State Board of Education.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §401, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 547

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Reappointment of Elizabeth Fitzgerald of Machiasport to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission

Dear President Jackson: This is to inform you that I am nominating Elizabeth Fitzgerald of Machiasport for reappointment to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission

Pursuant to Title 5 §283-A, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 548

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Reappointment of Julie A. Sheehan of South Portland to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Julie A. Sheehan of South Portland for reappointment to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission.

Pursuant to Title 5 §283-A, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 549

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of the Honorable Stacey A. Fitts of Pittsfield to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating the Honorable Stacey A. Fitts of Pittsfield to the State Liguor and Lottery Commission.

Pursuant to Title 5 §283-A, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 550

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of the Honorable Kimberly J. Monaghan of Cape Elizabeth to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating the Honorable Kimberly J. Monaghan of Cape Elizabeth to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission.

Pursuant to Title 5 §283-A, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 551

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of the Honorable John C. Schneck of Bangor to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating the Honorable John C. Schneck of Bangor to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission.

Pursuant to Title 5 §283-A, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 552

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Anthony L. Liguori of Kennebunk to the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Anthony L. Liguori of Kennebunk for appointment to the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.

Pursuant to Title 12, MRSA §10151, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 560

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Stephanie A. Dolan of Scarborough to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Stephanie A. Dolan of Scarborough for appointment to the Board of Trustees of Maine School of Science and Mathematics.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §8204, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 561

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333 RE: Appointment of Craig Cunningham of Kennebunk to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Craig Cunningham of Kennebunk for appointment to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §8204, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 562

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Yoosuf Saleem Siddiqui to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Yoosuf Saleem Siddiqui for appointment to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §8204, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 563

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Timothy R. Beaulieu of Hollis to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Timothy R. Beaulieu of Hollis for appointment to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §8204, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 564

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Heather Furth of Old Town to Efficiency Maine Trust Board of Directors

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Heather Furth of Old Town for appointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board of Directors. Pursuant to Title 35-A MR.SA § I 0103, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 576

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 24, 2021

The Honorable Darek Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I am appointing Representative Holly Stover of Boothbay to the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources, replacing Representative Sherman Hutchins of Penobscot, effective May 25, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 577

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 24, 2021

The Honorable Darek Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I am appointing Representative Joyce McCreight of Harpswell to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary, replacing Representative James Thorne of Carmel, effective May 25, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C.

S.C. 578

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 24, 2021

The Honorable Darek Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I am appointing Representative Allison Hepler of Woolwich to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, replacing Representative Heidi Sampson of Alfred, effective May 25, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 579

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 24, 2021

The Honorable Darek Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I am appointing Representative Victoria Doudera of Camden to the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources, replacing Representative James Thorne of Carmel, effective May 25, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 580

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 24, 2021

The Honorable Darek Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I am appointing Representative Barbara Cardone of Bangor to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary, replacing Representative Laurel Libby of Auburn, effective May 25, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 581

> STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 24, 2021

The Honorable Darek Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I am appointing Representative Genevieve McDonald of Stonington to the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business, replacing Representative John Andrews of Paris, effective May 25, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 582

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 24, 2021

The Honorable Darek Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a). I am appointing Representative Gina Melaragno of Auburn to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, replacing Representative Michael Lemelin of Chelsea, effective May 25, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 583

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 24, 2021

The Honorable Darek Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I am appointing Representative Jessica Fay of Raymond to the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources. replacing Representative Christopher Johansen of Monticello, effective May 25, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 565

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 21, 2021

The Honorable Trov D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Christine G. Boone of Stockton Springs to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science. Technology, Transportation and Engineering

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Christine G. Boone of Stockton Springs to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §8234, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 566

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 21, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Stacey S. Keefer of Union to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Stacey S. Keefer of Union to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §8234, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 567

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE May 21, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta. ME 04333

RE: Reappointment of Eric P. Jergenson of Stockton Springs to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Eric P. Jergenson of Stockton Springs for reappointment to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §8234, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 568

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 21, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Appointment of Melissa E. Landon of Portland to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Melissa E. Landon of Portland to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §8234, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 569

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 21, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: Reappointment of Michael S. Flanagan of Thomaston to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Michael S. Flanagan of Thomaston for reappointment to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §8234, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 570

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 21, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333 RE: Reappointment of Almon D. Rivers of Searsport to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Almon D. Rivers of Searsport for reappointment to the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering.

Pursuant to Title 20-A §8234, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 571

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 21, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: University of Maine System Board of Trustees – Reappointment of Emily Ann Cain of Orono

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Emily Ann Cain of Orono for reappointment to the University of Maine System Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §12004-C, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 572

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 21, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

RE: University of Maine System Board of Trustees – Reappointment of Sven Bartholomew of Brewer

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Sven Bartholomew of Brewer for reappointment to the University of Maine System Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §12004-C, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 575

STATE OF MAINE

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

May 24, 2021

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

Re: Appointment of Patrick J. Scully, Esquire to the Maine Public Utilities Commission

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Patrick J. Scully, Esquire of Naples for appointment to the Maine Public Utilities Commission.

Pursuant to Title 35-A, MRSA §105, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 589

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

May 25, 2021

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson President of the Senate of Maine 130th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of Elizabeth Fitzgerald of Machiasport, for reappointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission.

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

YEAS	Senators	3	Dill, J. of Penobscot, Black, R. of Franklin, Maxmin, C. of Lincoln
	Representatives	10	O'Neil, M. of Saco, Bernard, S. of Caribou, Gifford, J. of Lincoln, Hall, R. of Wilton, Landry, S. of Farmington, McCrea, D. of Fort Fairfield, Osher, L. of Orono, Pluecker, B. of Warren, Skolfield, T. of Weld, Underwood, J. of Presque Isle
NAYS		0	
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Thirteen members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Elizabeth Fitzgerald of Machiasport, for reappointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Jim Dill Senate Chair S/Maggie O'Neil House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY be overridden?"

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from York, Senator **LAWRENCE**, and further excused the same Senator from today's Roll Call votes.

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 130^{th} Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#163)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BENNETT, BLACK, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, CYRWAY, DAUGHTRY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, FARRIN, GUERIN, HICKMAN, KEIM, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, ROSEN, SANBORN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Elizabeth Fitzgerald** of Machiasport for reappointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Following Communication: S.C. 592

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

April 29, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Pierce of Falmouth, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 465 An Act To Update the Laws Regarding Private Schools That Serve At-risk Youth

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty, Jr. S/Rep. Michael F. Brennan Senate Chair House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 598

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

May 14, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President Honorable Ryan Michael, Speaker of the House 130th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Martin of Eagle Lake, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 723 An Act To Amend the Laws Establishing Regional School Units

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty, JR. S/Rep. Michael F. Brennan Senate Chair House Chair **READ** and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 559

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, UTLIITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

May 18, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 757 An Act Concerning Large-scale Water Extraction

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Mark W. LawrenceS/Rep. Seth A. BerrySenate ChairHouse Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 591

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

May 22, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Harnett of Gardiner, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 850 An Act Regarding the Employment Status of Assistant District Attorneys Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney Senate Chair S/Rep. Thom Harnett House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 586

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

May 20, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Sen. Breen of Cumberland, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1108 An Act To Promote Legislative Oversight of Federal COVID-19 Relief Funds

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci Senate Chair S/Rep. Ann Matlack House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 590

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

May 13, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Grohoski of Ellsworth, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1396 Resolve, To Ensure Proper Funding for Recreational Trails and Transportation Alternatives

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bill Diamond Senate Chair

S/Rep. Danny Martin House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 587

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

May 20, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 1594 An Act To Suspend the Collection of the Container Fee for Hand Sanitizer and Sanitizing Wipes during the COVID-19 Pandemic (EMERGENCY)

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Jim Dill Senate Chair S/Rep. Maggie O'Neil House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 605

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

May 26, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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 bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 539 An Act To Require Law Enforcement Agencies To Do a Thorough Background Check of Applicant Officers and To Require the Release of Records, Including Sealed Records, to the Requesting Agency

L.D. 1473 An Act To Exempt Land-based Aquaculture Facilities from the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code Requirements (EMERGENCY)

L.D. 1607 An Act To Criminalize Calls Made to Emergency Services Based on Racial Profiling

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Susan Deschambault S/Rep. Charlotte May Warren Senate Chair House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 594

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

May 20, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 238 An Act Concerning Civics Instruction

- L.D. 406 An Act To Study the Costs and Feasibility of Requiring Industrial Arts To Be Offered in All Maine Public High Schools
- L.D. 701 An Act To Require the Education of High School Students in Certain Life Skills

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. RaffertyS/Rep. Michael F. BrennanSenate ChairHouse Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 595

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

May 24, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 84 An Act To Increase the State Share of the Cost of Health Insurance for Retired Teachers (EMERGENCY)

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty Senate Chair S/Rep. Michael F. Brennan House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 558

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, UTLIITIES AND TECHNOLOGY May 20, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 695 An Act To Allow Municipal Utility Expansion under Certain Conditions

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Mark W. Lawrence Senate Chair

S/Rep. Seth A. Berry House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 596

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, UTLIITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

May 24, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

- L.D. 427 An Act Regarding Solar Project Licensing
- L.D. 717 An Act To Allow the Efficiency Maine Trust To Own Electricity Facilities
- L.D. 971 An Act To Require the Public Utilities Commission To Open an Inquiry Regarding Notification of the Sale of an Investor-owned Transmission and Distribution Utility

L.D. 995 An Act To Improve Future Reorganizations of Transmission and Distribution Utilities

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Mark W. Lawrence Senate Chair S/Rep. Seth A. Berry House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 602

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, UTLIITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

May 26, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 744 An Act To Extend the Right-of-way Surrounding Power Lines for the Purpose of Tree Trimming

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Mark W. Lawrence S/Rep. Seth A. Berry Senate Chair House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 553

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

May 14, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 960 An Act To Require Reporting of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances, PFAS, in Products and of Discharges of Firefighting Foam Containing PFAS

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Stacy Fielding Brenner Senate Chair S/Rep. Ralph L. Tucker House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 574

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

May 20, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 1567 An Act To Equitably Fund Maine's Climate Change Mitigation Efforts

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Stacy Fielding Brenner S/Rep. Ralph L. Tucker Senate Chair House Chair **READ** and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 606

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

May 28, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 387 An Act To Reduce the Amount of Waste Going into Landfills L.D. 735 An Act To Establish a Funding Mechanism To Protect Private Roads Endangered by Climate Action Impacts L.D. 890 An Act To Protect Maine Consumers and Decrease Environmental Pollution L.D. 901 An Act To Assist Maine Residents Negatively Affected by Climate Change L.D. 1163 An Act To Reduce Pollution by Prohibiting Metallic Mineral Mining An Act Regarding Greenhouse Gas Emissions L.D. 1545 and Reductions Associated with Significant Development Projects (EMERGENCY) This is notification of the Committee's action. Sincerely,

S/Sen. Stacy Fielding Brenner Senate Chair S/Rep. Ralph L. Tucker House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 584

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

May 21, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 1090 Resolve, To Equitably Fund Legal Fees for Progressive Treatment Programs

L.D. 1437 An Act To Reduce Poisoning from Radon, Arsenic and Other Air or Water Pollutants by Expanding Education, Testing and Mitigation Regarding Those Pollutants

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ned Claxton Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michele Meyer House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 604

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

May 28, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 1717 An Act To Ensure Home Care and Hospice Providers Are Included in Maine's Emergency Response Plans

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ned Claxton S/Rep. Michele Meyer Senate Chair House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 557

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

May 10, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 1614 An Act To Mandate That Certain Health Care Providers Disclose an Estimate of Charges at Time of Service

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Heather B. Sanborn Senate Chair S/Rep. Denise A. Tepler House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 593

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

May 25, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 323	An Act Regarding Insurance Coverage for Telehealth Services				
L.D. 333	An Act Regarding Telehealth				
L.D. 649	An Act To Expand and Promote Telehealth Services				
L.D. 738	An Act To Provide High-quality Health Care for All Maine Residents				
L.D. 849	An Act To Make Permanent the Telehealth Reimbursement Options Passed by Emergency Measures				
L.D. 1007	An Act To Increase Availability of Health Care through Telehealth				
L.D. 1194	An Act To Reduce Health Care Worker Shortages				
L.D. 1361	An Act To Amend Telehealth Laws Regarding Out-of-state Telehealth Provisions				
L.D. 1661	An Act To Protect the Insurable Interest of Homeowners in Multifamily Residences				
L.D. 1681	An Act Regarding Telehealth Services for Certain Licensees of the Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation and Certain Licensees Affiliated with the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation				
This is notification of the Committee's action.					
Sincerely,					
S/Sen. Heather E Senate Chair	3. Sanborn	S/Rep. Denise A. Tepler House Chair			

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 603

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

May 28, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

- An Act To Establish a Council on Health L.D. 749 Systems Development
- L.D. 1648 An Act To Ensure Reasonable Access to Laboratory Testing and Imaging Services for State Employee Health Care Plan Participants

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Heather B. Sanborn Senate Chair

S/Rep. Denise A. Tepler House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 573

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS

May 21, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

- L.D. 1655 An Act To Create a Data Broker Registry and Improve Consumer Protections
- L.D. 1720 An Act To Protect the Privacy of Personal Information of Maine Residents

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Chip Curry Senate Chair

S/Rep. Tiffany Danielle Roberts House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 555

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

May 20, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

- L.D. 810 An Act To Allow Remote Notarization of Documents in Limited Circumstances While Preventing Exploitation
- L.D. 904 An Act Concerning the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney Senate Chair

S/Rep. Thom Harnett House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 554

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

May 13, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

- L.D. 1387 An Act To Remove the Provision of Law Allowing a Legislator Who Resigns from Service as a Town Assessor To Continue To Serve Concurrently as a Selectman and as a Legislator
- L.D. 1670 Resolve, To Establish the Commission To Study and Recommend Solutions for Modernizing the Maine Legislature

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci	S/Rep. Ann Matlack
Senate Chair	House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 600

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

May 20, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 646 An Act To Improve the Administration of Elections by Ensuring an Adequate Number of Poll Workers This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci Senate Chair S/Rep. Ann Matlack House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 601

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

May 26, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 974 An Act To Ensure the Continuance of a Citizen Legislature by Tying Future Pay to the State Minimum Wage

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci Senate Chair S/Rep. Ann Matlack House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 585

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

May 24, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

- L.D. 147 An Act To Update References to the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986 Contained in the Maine Revised Statutes and Amend Income Tax Modifications and the Maine Capital Investment Tax Credit (EMERGENCY)
- L.D. 288 An Act To Conform the Maine Income Tax Law with Federal Law To Exempt Paycheck Protection Program Loans from Being Considered Taxable Income
- L.D. 495 An Act To Improve Income Tax Progressivity by Establishing New Top Individual Income Tax Rates
- L.D. 532 An Act To Lower Income Taxes for Middleincome Families in Maine
- L.D. 570 An Act To Provide for Fairness in the Taxation of Extraordinary and Unearned Income by Establishing a 3 Percent Surcharge on Net Capital Gains and Dividends Income over \$250,000 for Taxpayers Filing Single or Married Separate Returns and over \$500,000 for Taxpayers Filing Joint Returns
- L.D. 973 An Act Regarding the Educational Opportunity Tax Credit
- L.D. 977 An Act Regarding the Maine Educational Opportunity Tax Credit
- L.D. 1136 An Act To Promote Fairness in Income Tax Rates by Making Them More Progressive
- L.D. 1145 An Act To Eliminate the State Income Tax on Maine Public Employees Retirement System Pensions
- L.D. 1162 An Act To Dedicate a Percentage of the Sales and Use Tax on Motor Vehicles and Motor Vehicle Parts to the Highway Fund
- L.D. 1243 An Act To Exempt from Taxation Out-of-state Pensions
- L.D. 1355 An Act To Amend the Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Exemption for Veterans Who Are Disabled

- L.D. 1395 An Act To Suspend Meals and Lodging Taxes until 12 Months after the COVID-19 Civil Emergency
- L.D. 1410 An Act To Incentivize the Development of the Labor Force in the Green Jobs Sector through Assistance in Repaying Student Loan Debt
- L.D. 1418 An Act To Allow a Local Option Sales Tax on Meals and Lodging
- L.D. 1443 An Act Regarding Higher Income Tax Levels
- L.D. 1458 An Act To Expand Incentives To Live and Work in Maine through a Partial Tax Credit for Certain Student Loans
- L.D. 1500 An Act To Bring Equity to Maine's Tax Law by Adjusting Certain Individual Income Tax Rates
- L.D. 1516 An Act To Amend the Property Tax Exemption for Persons Who Are Legally Blind
- L.D. 1525 An Act To Exempt from Sales Tax Plastic Bags Required by a Municipal Solid Waste Management Program
- L.D. 1598 An Act To Eliminate Taxpayer Subsidies for Discriminatory Employers
- L.D. 1677 An Act To Support Frontline Workers by Adding a Temporary Tax Bracket Affecting High Earners

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ben Chipman Senate Chair S/Rep. Maureen F. Terry House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 588

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

May 24, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

- L.D. 1456 An Act To Invest in Passenger Rail Expansion
- L.D. 1534 An Act To Preserve and Protect the State's Rail Corridors
- L.D. 1562 An Act To Strengthen the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bill Diamond	S/Rep. Danny Martin
Senate Chair	House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 607

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

May 28, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

- L.D. 382 An Act Regarding the Department of Transportation and Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
- L.D. 388 An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Transportation

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bill Diamond Senate Chair S/Rep. Danny Martin House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 556

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

May 20, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

- L.D. 479 An Act To Ban Foreign Campaign Contributions and Expenditures in Maine Elections
- L.D. 818 An Act To Limit Spam Texting

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Louis J. Luchini Senate Chair S/Rep. Chris Caiazzo House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 597

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

May 24, 2021

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan Michael Fecteau, Speaker of the House 130th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

L.D. 303	An Act To Establish Semi-open Primary Elections To Allow Unenrolled Voters To Participate
L.D. 1121	An Act To Create an Open and Streamlined Primary System

- L.D. 1330 An Act To Join the National Popular Vote Compact
- L.D. 1384 An Act To Adopt the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact
- L.D. 1537 An Act To Restore Funding to the Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Louis J. Luchini	S/Rep. Chris Caiazzo
Senate Chair	House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 599

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL 6 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

May 26, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson, President MAINE STATE SENATE 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

The Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau, Speaker MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

The Honorable Mark Lawrence, Senate Chair The Honorable Seth Berry, House Chair COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY 100 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Re: 2019/2020 Attorney General Report to the Legislature Under the Petroleum Market Share Act

Greetings, President Jackson, Speaker Fecteau, Senator Lawrence, and Representative Berry:

I am pleased to submit this report in accordance with the Petroleum Market Share Act ("PMSA"), 10 M.R.S. § 1677. The PMSA requires the Attorney General to make a report to the Legislature describing the concentration of retail outlets in the State, including a recommendation as to whether additional legislation is needed to further limit or curtail the activity of refiners operating retail outlets.

Enclosed is a report describing concentration of retail outlets in the State. The report, which is based on data collected from wholesalers of both motor fuel oil and home heating oil, includes maps depicting relative concentration in designated markets throughout the State. This report is also available on the Attorney General's website at: https://www.maine.gov/ag/docs/Bi annual%20PMSA %20Report%202019-20.pdf.

Since no refiners of petroleum products operate retail outlets in this State, we recommend no legislation to limit or curtail such operations.

I appreciate this opportunity to provide this information and hope it is useful.

Sincerely,

S/Aaron M. Frey Attorney General

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

The Committee on INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS on Bill "An Act To Ban the Sale of Cosmetics That Have Been Tested on Animals" H.P. 1156 L.D. 1551

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

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

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

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, To Promote the Education of Students Who Participate in Sex Education Classes Regarding Common Cancer Symptoms, the Bone Marrow Registry and Organ Donation H.P. 778 L.D. 1049

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-197)**. Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-197)**.

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

Resolve READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-197) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Resolve, To Require the State Auditor To Report on Corrective Actions Regarding the Administration of Federal Grants H.P. 890 L.D. 1215

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-198)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-198)**.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

Resolve READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-198) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Establish a Right to Food

H.P. 61 L.D. 95

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-124)**.

Signed:

Senators: DILL of Penobscot

MAXMIN of Lincoln

Representatives: O'NEIL of Saco BERNARD of Caribou GIFFORD of Lincoln LANDRY of Farmington McCREA of Fort Fairfield OSHER of Orono PLUECKER of Warren SKOLFIELD of Weld

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

Signed:

Senator: BLACK of Franklin

Representatives: HALL of Wilton UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the RESOLUTION **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-124)**.

Reports READ.

Senator **DILL** of Penobscot moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Cyrway.

Senator **CYRWAY**: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I have concerns with this bill, so does the Farm Bureau, and I'd like just to have a clarity. It kind of pushes having \$500, up to \$500, that you could actually take produce off someone else and if you had ten people come and take \$500 each that's \$5,000. That could buy a bucket on a tractor. I mean, I grew up on a farm, 80 acres of vegetable gardening. My father valued people for not taking his vegetables. That was his life living. So, I have deep concerns about this bill and I'd just like to have clarity on that and I think I would vote Ought Not to Pass if that's the case. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: The Senator from Kennebec, Senator Cyrway, I believe has posed a question through the Chair to anyone that can answer. Would the Senator from Kennebec like to repose his question?

Senator **CYRWAY**: Thank you, Mr. President. I forgot to push my button to speak. The question is: would this bill be pushing towards making it legal for someone to go on someone else's property and take up to \$500 worth of produce legally?

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Dill.

Senator **DILL**: It actually states right in the bill that you cannot do theft or anything illegal in obtaining the food.

THE PRESIDENT: The motion before the Body is Ought to Pass. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

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

Resolution **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-124) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To Study Alternative Cropping Systems for Farmers Affected by Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Contamination H.P. 403 L.D. 558

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-123)**.

Signed:

Senators:

DILL of Penobscot BLACK of Franklin MAXMIN of Lincoln

Representatives:

O'NEIL of Saco BERNARD of Caribou GIFFORD of Lincoln HALL of Wilton LANDRY of Farmington McCREA of Fort Fairfield OSHER of Orono PLUECKER of Warren SKOLFIELD of Weld

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

Signed:

Representative: UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-123).

Reports READ.

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

Resolve READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-123) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act To Establish a Working Farmland Access and Protection Program within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and a Working Farmland Access and Protection Fund within the Land for Maine's Future Program" (EMERGENCY) H.P. 413 L.D. 568

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-121)**.

Signed:

Senators:

DILL of Penobscot BLACK of Franklin MAXMIN of Lincoln

Representatives:

O'NEIL of Saco BERNARD of Caribou GIFFORD of Lincoln HALL of Wilton LANDRY of Farmington McCREA of Fort Fairfield OSHER of Orono PLUECKER of Warren SKOLFIELD of Weld

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

Signed:

Representative: UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

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-121).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-121) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Increase Government Accountability by Removing the Restriction on the Dissemination of Information Regarding Investigations"

H.P. 650 L.D. 894

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

Signed:

Senators: DESCHAMBAULT of York LAWRENCE of York

Representatives:

WARREN of Hallowell COSTAIN of Plymouth LOOKNER of Portland MORALES of South Portland NEWMAN of Belgrade PICKETT of Dixfield PLUECKER of Warren RECKITT of South Portland SHARPE of Durham

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

Signed:

Senator: CYRWAY of Kennebec

Representative: RUDNICKI of Fairfield

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

Reports READ.

Senator **DESCHAMBAULT** of York moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Deschambault.

Senator DESCHAMBAULT: Thank you, Mr. President. Again, to my colleagues, I didn't think I'd have to speak on this but I think there's a little bit of confusion. What this bill does is, well it is if vou read the title, it's a little confusing. This is better known as the Glomar Response. Maine was only one of two states that employ the Glomar Response. If you don't know what Glomar is look it up on Google. It's an interesting story. What it allows, or what it did allow, is whenever there was an investigation and newspaper reporters or anyone wanted to ask law enforcement 'are you investigating so and so or this company or what have you?' they could respond with the title 'I can neither confirm nor deny.' End of story. It did not allow for Freedom of Information Act or to go to court. I want to say that this proposal was submitted by, sponsored by, my co-Chair in the House. I have another bill that somewhat changed that and helps with the Department of Public Safety. I will say to you that after the hearing the Department of Public Safety met with the AG and the ACLU and agreed to go along with this bill, Ought to Pass, and withdraw it and Commissioner Sauschuck is in full support.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought to Pass Report. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#164)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BENNETT, BLACK, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, KEIM, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, ROSEN, SANBORN, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: CYRWAY, FARRIN, GUERIN, MOORE, POULIOT, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

27 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 7 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **DESCHAMBAULT** of York to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Discontinue the Use of the SAT in Maine Schools"

H.P. 193 L.D. 277

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-119)**.

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York DAUGHTRY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland CROCKETT of Portland DODGE of Belfast McCREA of Fort Fairfield MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth SALISBURY of Westbrook

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

Signed:

Senator: WOODSOME of York

Representatives: LYMAN of Livermore Falls ROCHE of Wells SAMPSON of Alfred STEARNS of Guilford

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-119).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-119) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Address Student Achievement Gaps" H.P. 197 L.D. 281

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-132)**.

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York DAUGHTRY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland CROCKETT of Portland DODGE of Belfast McCREA of Fort Fairfield MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth SALISBURY of Westbrook

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

Signed:

Senator: WOODSOME of York

Representatives: LYMAN of Livermore Falls ROCHE of Wells SAMPSON of Alfred STEARNS of Guilford

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-132).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-132) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Authorize Lifetime Teaching Certificates"

H.P. 230 L.D. 326

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

Signed:

Senators: RAFFERTY of York DAUGHTRY of Cumberland Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland CROCKETT of Portland DODGE of Belfast McCREA of Fort Fairfield MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth SALISBURY of Westbrook

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-101)**.

Signed:

Representatives: LYMAN of Livermore Falls ROCHE of Wells SAMPSON of Alfred STEARNS of Guilford

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **RAFFERTY** of York, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, To Require the Department of Education To Form a Family Income Data Collection Working Group H.P. 260 L.D. 362

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-159)**.

Signed:

Senators: RAFFERTY of York DAUGHTRY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland CROCKETT of Portland DODGE of Belfast McCREA of Fort Fairfield MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth SALISBURY of Westbrook

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

Signed:

Senator:

WOODSOME of York

Representatives: LYMAN of Livermore Falls ROCHE of Wells SAMPSON of Alfred STEARNS of Guilford

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"** (H-159).

Reports READ.

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

Resolve READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-159) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Create New Models of Maine Manufacturing Employment and Education" H.P. 378 L.D. 515

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-122)**.

Signed:

Senators: RAFFERTY of York DAUGHTRY of Cumberland WOODSOME of York

Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland CROCKETT of Portland DODGE of Belfast McCREA of Fort Fairfield MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth ROCHE of Wells SALISBURY of Westbrook

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

Signed:

Representatives: LYMAN of Livermore Falls SAMPSON of Alfred STEARNS of Guilford

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-122).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-122) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Review Career and Technical Education Courses and Provide Guidance on High School Credit Equivalencies H.P. 379 L.D. 516

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

Signed:

Senators: RAFFERTY of York WOODSOME of York

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland CROCKETT of Portland DODGE of Belfast LYMAN of Livermore Falls McCREA of Fort Fairfield MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth SALISBURY of Westbrook SAMPSON of Alfred STEARNS of Guilford

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-158)**.

Signed:

Representative: ROCHE of Wells

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **RAFFERTY** of York, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Promote Accountability in Maine's Charter Schools"

H.P. 440 L.D. 604

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-111)**.

Signed:

Senators: RAFFERTY of York DAUGHTRY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland CROCKETT of Portland DODGE of Belfast McCREA of Fort Fairfield MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth SALISBURY of Westbrook

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

Signed:

Senator: WOODSOME of York

Representatives: LYMAN of Livermore Falls ROCHE of Wells SAMPSON of Alfred STEARNS of Guilford

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-111).

Reports READ.

Senator **RAFFERTY** of York moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#165)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DILL, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MAXMIN, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

19 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 15 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **RAFFERTY** of York to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-111) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Direct the Department of Education To Establish a Working Group To Determine Best Practices and Accountability Standards for School Boards To Manage the Performance of Superintendents"

H.P. 474 L.D. 643

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-116)**.

Signed:

Senators: RAFFERTY of York DAUGHTRY of Cumberland WOODSOME of York

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland CROCKETT of Portland DODGE of Belfast LYMAN of Livermore Falls McCREA of Fort Fairfield MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth SALISBURY of Westbrook STEARNS of Guilford The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives: ROCHE of Wells SAMPSON of Alfred

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-116)**.

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-116) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Require at Least a 30-minute Lunch Period for Students"

H.P. 482 L.D. 655

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-120)**.

Signed:

Senator: RAFFERTY of York

Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland CROCKETT of Portland DODGE of Belfast McCREA of Fort Fairfield MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth SALISBURY of Westbrook

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

Signed:

Senator: WOODSOME of York Representatives:

LYMAN of Livermore Falls ROCHE of Wells STEARNS of Guilford

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-120).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-120) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Duties of School Boards Pursuant to the Laws Governing Attendance at Elementary and Secondary Schools"

H.P. 779 L.D. 1050

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-115).

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York DAUGHTRY of Cumberland WOODSOME of York

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland CROCKETT of Portland DODGE of Belfast LYMAN of Livermore Falls McCREA of Fort Fairfield MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth ROCHE of Wells SALISBURY of Westbrook STEARNS of Guilford

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

Signed:

Representative: SAMPSON of Alfred 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-115).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-115) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act To Create Synergy between Maine Industry and Maine's Energy Goals in the Use of Certain Funds by the Efficiency Maine Trust"

H.P. 494 L.D. 667

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

Signed:

Senator: VITELLI of Sagadahoc

Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham CUDDY of Winterport GROHOSKI of Ellsworth WOOD of Portland ZEIGLER of Montville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-142)**.

Signed:

Senator: STEWART of Aroostook

Representatives: CARLOW of Buxton FOSTER of Dexter KESSLER of South Portland WADSWORTH of Hiram

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act To Require Joint Use Entities To Establish Permanent Liaisons with All County Emergency Management Agencies"

H.P. 746 L.D. 1008

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-133)**.

Signed:

Senators:

LAWRENCE of York STEWART of Aroostook VITELLI of Sagadahoc

Representatives:

BERRY of Bowdoinham CARLOW of Buxton CUDDY of Winterport GROHOSKI of Ellsworth KESSLER of South Portland WADSWORTH of Hiram WOOD of Portland ZEIGLER of Montville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Representative: FOSTER of Dexter

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-133).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-133) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Define Intentional Balloon Releases as Litter"

H.P. 761 L.D. 1023

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-137)**.

Signed:

Senators: BRENNER of Cumberland BENNETT of Oxford CARNEY of Cumberland

Representatives: TUCKER of Brunswick BELL of Yarmouth BLUME of York DOUDERA of Camden GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach ZEIGLER of Montville

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

Signed:

Representatives: HANLEY of Pittston JOHANSEN of Monticello O'CONNOR of Berwick TUELL of East Machias

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-137).

Reports READ.

Senator **BRENNER** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Keim.

Senator **KEIM**: Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to draw attention to the fact that the penalty on this bill is really stiff, and I am in favor of banning the intentional release of balloons because I think it is littering but current law is that if you dispose of 15 pounds of litter you get the same fine that is in this bill. This bill is a really steep penalty. If you release one balloon intentionally you get a fine of \$100. If you release ten balloons intentionally you get a fine of \$500. That just doesn't seem in line with the other penalties that we have in current statute because it's nowhere near 15 pounds. So, I agree with this bill. I do disagree with what we - how we are penalizing people for doing it.

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

Senator **BRENNER**: Thank you, Mr. President. My understanding of the bill is that the fine doesn't kick in until you have an intentional balloon release of, I believe, 25 balloons.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-137) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Tobacco Specialty Stores"

H.P. 460 L.D. 624

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

CLAXTON of Androscoggin BALDACCI of Penobscot

Representatives:

MEYER of Eliot CRAVEN of Lewiston MADIGAN of Waterville PERRY of Calais STOVER of Boothbay ZAGER 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" (H-108)**.

Signed:

Senator: MOORE of Washington

Representatives: CONNOR of Lewiston GRIFFIN of Levant JAVNER of Chester LEMELIN of Chelsea

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

Senator **CLAXTON** of Androscoggin moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Washington, Senator Moore.

Senator MOORE: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate. I just kind of wanted to talk just a minute. The definition of a tobacco specialty store is one of a retail business under 2,000 square feet in which at least 60% of the business' gross revenue for the last calendar year was derived from the sale of tobacco or tobacco related products. Part of that, it does get - when they have the high-end cigars, they do have an opportunity to taste them or to try it out because they are very expensive. This bill that came before us was actually modifying the statute to allow the consumption of food and drink that they are licensed for within this tobacco specialty shop, which we understand that that expands it way beyond what was desired for that. The sponsor of the bill, basically, was just asking for the opportunity to drink a bottle of water while they're trying out a cigar, one of the high-end cigars. Just simply water, and there was a couple of places that were actually offered water and they were fined for that. So, the Minority Report on this was just adding - removing the consumption of food and drink and allowing for at least the consumption of water within the premises of the tobacco specialty store. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#166)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, HICKMAN, KEIM, MAXMIN, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

19 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 15 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **CLAXTON** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Allow Lemonade Stands and Other Food and Nonalcoholic Beverage Sales by Minors" H.P. 905 L.D. 1234

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

CLAXTON of Androscoggin MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

MEYER of Eliot CRAVEN of Lewiston GRIFFIN of Levant LEMELIN of Chelsea MADIGAN of Waterville PERRY of Calais STOVER of Boothbay ZAGER of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot

Representatives: CONNOR of Lewiston JAVNER of Chester

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **CLAXTON** of Androscoggin, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Increase Hospital Bed Capacity by Eliminating the Certificate of Need for Outside Hospital Beds"

H.P. 687 L.D. 931

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

Signed:

Senators:

SANBORN of Cumberland BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives: TEPLER of Topsham ARFORD of Brunswick BROOKS of Lewiston EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft MATHIESON of Kittery MELARAGNO of Auburn

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-180)**.

Signed:

Senator: STEWART of Aroostook

Representatives: BLIER of Buxton CONNOR of Lewiston MORRIS of Turner QUINT of Hodgdon

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

Reports READ.

Senator **SANBORN** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Stewart.

Senator STEWART: Thank you very much, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I rise today in opposition to the pending motion. This bill, along with a couple others and I'll spare you the speech on the others, we'll just roll it into one here because they all deal with the same thing and that thing is called the Certificate of Need. It is a requirement we have in Maine that says that you must demonstrate that there is a need and file an application with the State that cost up to as much as one-quarter million dollars in order to expand healthcare services in an area of Maine. There are a number of states that have done away with this sort of program, this CON, and have actually done - and when they have done so they actually found that the costs in those areas, particularly in some vulnerable populations such as ethnic minorities, has gone down and there's evidence to that effect. The proponents of the program will submit that the program is intended to not have a duplication of services in areas and try to keep healthcare costs low, but there is, again, evidence to the contrary of that exact scenario playing out. Therefore, I see that, you know, what the reports are, and whatnot, and probably how this is going to go, but I would encourage you all to think about that before you register your vote today. We could follow some other states that have had success in repealing this unnecessary law that's really just protectionism for some current healthcare providers rather than doing what's in the best interests of all of Maine people in terms of providing healthcare access, particularly in needed parts of our state and the rural areas. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#167)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

20 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 14 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **SANBORN** of Cumberland to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Increase Hospital Capacity by Eliminating the Certificate of Need for Hospital Beds"

H.P. 688 L.D. 932

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: SANBORN of Cumberland BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

TEPLER of Topsham ARFORD of Brunswick BROOKS of Lewiston EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft MATHIESON of Kittery MELARAGNO of Auburn

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator: STEWART of Aroostook

Representatives: BLIER of Buxton CONNOR of Lewiston MORRIS of Turner QUINT of Hodgdon

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **SANBORN** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Increase the Ability of Health Care Facilities To Respond to Health Needs by Eliminating the Certificate of Need for Health Care Facilities"

H.P. 691 L.D. 935

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: SANBORN of Cumberland BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

TEPLER of Topsham ARFORD of Brunswick BROOKS of Lewiston EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft MATHIESON of Kittery MELARAGNO of Auburn

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-179)**.

Signed:

Senator: STEWART of Aroostook Representatives:

BLIER of Buxton CONNOR of Lewiston MORRIS of Turner QUINT of Hodgdon

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **SANBORN** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Ensure Access to Health Care Equipment by Eliminating the Certificate of Need for Major Medical Equipment" H.P. 742 L.D. 1004

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

Signed:

Senators: SANBORN of Cumberland BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

TEPLER of Topsham ARFORD of Brunswick BROOKS of Lewiston EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft MATHIESON of Kittery MELARAGNO of Auburn

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-183)**.

Signed:

Senator: STEWART of Aroostook

Representatives: BLIER of Buxton CONNOR of Lewiston MORRIS of Turner QUINT of Hodgdon

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **SANBORN** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Improve Fairness in Auto Insurance Claims" H.P. 854 L.D. 1176

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-178)**.

Signed:

Senators: SANBORN of Cumberland BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives: TEPLER of Topsham ARFORD of Brunswick BLIER of Buxton BROOKS of Lewiston EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft MATHIESON of Kittery MELARAGNO of Auburn QUINT of Hodgdon

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

Signed:

Senator: STEWART of Aroostook

Representatives: CONNOR of Lewiston MORRIS of Turner

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-178).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-178) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE on Bill "An Act To Allow Deer Baiting by Hunters" H.P. 321 L.D. 445

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

Signed:

Senators: DILL of Penobscot BLACK of Franklin

BLACK of Franklin CURRY of Waldo

Representatives:

LANDRY of Farmington HEPLER of Woolwich MARTIN of Eagle Lake MARTIN of Sinclair NADEAU of Winslow ORDWAY of Standish

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-113)**.

Signed:

Representatives: ALLEY of Beals LYFORD of Eddington MASON of Lisbon THERIAULT of China

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DILL** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE on Bill "An Act To Lower the Youth Hunting Age" H.P. 493 L.D. 666

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

Signed:

Senators: DILL of Penobscot BLACK of Franklin CURRY of Waldo Representatives: LANDRY of Farmington ALLEY of Beals HEPLER of Woolwich MARTIN of Sinclair MASON of Lisbon NADEAU of Winslow THERIAULT of China

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives: MARTIN of Eagle Lake ORDWAY of Standish

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DILL** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act To Promote Hunting by Persons with Disabilities"

H.P. 777 L.D. 1048

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

Signed:

Senators: DILL of Penobscot BLACK of Franklin

Representatives:

LANDRY of Farmington HEPLER of Woolwich LYFORD of Eddington MARTIN of Eagle Lake MARTIN of Sinclair MASON of Lisbon NADEAU of Winslow ORDWAY of Standish THERIAULT of China

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-145)**.

Signed:

Representative: ALLEY of Beals Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DILL** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS on Bill "An Act To Allow Reciprocity for Licensed Workers from Out of State" (EMERGENCY) H.P. 809 L.D. 1131

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

Signed:

Senators: CURRY of Waldo CYRWAY of Kennebec LUCHINI of Hancock

Representatives:

ROBERTS of South Berwick AUSTIN of Gray BAILEY of Gorham BERNARD of Caribou COLLAMORE of Pittsfield DUCHARME of Madison GEIGER of Rockland HASENFUS of Readfield PEBWORTH of Blue Hill

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-143)**.

Signed:

Representative: ANDREWS of Paris

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **CURRY** of Waldo, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Extend Time Limits for Placing Land in Trust Status under the Maine Indian Claims Settlement"

H.P. 115 L.D. 159

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-176)**.

Signed:

Senators: CARNEY of Cumberland KEIM of Oxford SANBORN of Cumberland

Representatives:

HARNETT of Gardiner EVANGELOS of Friendship LIBBY of Auburn MORIARTY of Cumberland POIRIER of Skowhegan RECKITT of South Portland SHEEHAN of Biddeford THORNE of Carmel

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-177)**.

Signed:

Representative: BABBIDGE of Kennebunk

(Representative NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe - of the House - supports the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-176)** Report.)

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-176) Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-176).

Reports READ.

Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-176)** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#168)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BENNETT, BLACK, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, CYRWAY, DAUGHTRY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, FARRIN, GUERIN, HICKMAN, KEIM, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, ROSEN, SANBORN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: None

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

34 Senators having voted in the affirmative and no Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-176)** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-176) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-176)**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Update the Maine Parentage Act"

H.P. 157 L.D. 222

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-149)**.

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland KEIM of Oxford SANBORN of Cumberland

Representatives:

HARNETT of Gardiner BABBIDGE of Kennebunk EVANGELOS of Friendship HAGGAN of Hampden MORIARTY of Cumberland POIRIER of Skowhegan RECKITT of South Portland SHEEHAN of Biddeford THORNE of Carmel

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

Signed:

Representative: LIBBY of Auburn

(Representative NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe - of the House - supports the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report.)

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-149).

Reports READ.

Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Keim.

Senator **KEIM**: Thank you. Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, when this bill came in front of the Judiciary Committee I was very torn about the process and, after a lot of questions and didn't really get enough answers to some of my concerns, but voted for the bill and at the time in committee actually stated to my committee that I would be doing further research and may likely change my vote on the floor, and today I am changing my vote on this bill. My concern with this bill is that there are not enough safeguards in place. So, this is a acknowledgment of - this bill creates an acknowledgment of parentage form. Right now we have an acknowledgment of paternity, which means that a birth mother can walk with a man who is presumed to be the dad and the dad can sign the form because the mom is there on the birth certificate and then there's one unknown person that walks in and can sign the form, and that was a federal law and there's nothing we can do about that. But I do not thank that, even, is a good process for becoming a parent and having the state recognize parentage. However, since we have changed - since the enactment of the Maine Parentage Act, now parents are made in any number of fashions and the expansion of what it means and how parents are defined has greatly expanded and so this bill would seek to expand the acknowledgement form as well. So, what it would do is, basically, one person will walk in and say 'I am the parent of this child and this other person with me. I would like to have them acknowledged as being the other parent of the child.' So, it can be that some man has adopted a child at whatever age, ten, and can walk into a town clerk with another person and say 'this person has been part of my life since I adopted this child two years ago and I want them to be signed onto this form,' and there is no proof required. There's no verification. The town clerk simply has to take their word for it and they have a form that they, you know, they get and they fill out and then it gets sent to Vital Records and they're supposed to read the form to these people

and this child then gets signed away. This has been reported to us as a no stress, no barrier method of being able to create families and to acknowledge parentage. I don't believe that there should be an easy button for becoming a parent.

Right now, in the state of Maine, if you want to adopt an animal, a cat or a dog, you very likely are going to have a home inspection. Many places require that the whole family come and meet the animal in the presence of the shelter personnel. There's actually quite a process to adopting an animal in Maine. But with this passage, it will be easier to adopt a child than a kitten, with less safeguards. Child trafficking is a huge problem in Maine. I see this also as another way for, unbeknownst to a town clerk who has this type of responsibility put on their shoulders, that they're supposed to say 'go ahead and walk out of here and you are a legal parent now of this child unknown to me, you're unknown to me.' We don't do that to our abandoned animals. We should not do that to the children of Maine. Maine children deserve more safeguards than this form. I encourage you all to vote against the pending motion.

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

Senator **CARNEY**: Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to speak in favor of this bill. This bill passed in committee with only one vote against it. This bill does create a process that is efficient and inexpensive for families to use when those families are living together as a family and have both - and the parents have assumed the roles of parents of the child. It is an alternative to a costly court process that takes a significant amount of time and remember my colleagues that the purpose of this voluntary acknowledgement of parenthood is simply to establish the parentage in an undisputed case where the parties are living together as a family and parenting the child. It's a cost-free, I mean a low cost, low barrier way to acknowledge a relationship that does, in fact, exist within a home. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought to Pass as Amended Report. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#169)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-149) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Ensure the Safety of Certain State Employees by Allowing Disclosure of Certain Confidential Information in Limited Circumstances"

H.P. 571 L.D. 766

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: CARNEY of Cumberland SANBORN of Cumberland

Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner BABBIDGE of Kennebunk EVANGELOS of Friendship MORIARTY of Cumberland RECKITT of South Portland SHEEHAN of Biddeford

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

Signed:

Senator: KEIM of Oxford

Representatives: HAGGAN of Hampden LIBBY of Auburn POIRIER of Skowhegan THORNE of Carmel

(Representative NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe - of the House - supports the Majority **Ought to Pass** Report.)

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

Reports READ.

Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Keim.

Senator KEIM: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I would encourage you to vote against the pending motion. This bill seeks to amend the Child and Family Services and Child Protection Act as it relates to the release of confidential information and it would allow DHHS to release, in certain circumstances, confidential records to social media companies. Trying to protect child protective workers, judges, guardians, and officers of the court is important. These individuals deal with some of the worst aspects of society and protect the lives of children. Working to protect those individuals is honorable and well-intentioned. However, there are problems with the way this bill is trying to do that. To start with, threats against an individual or against the terms of use of every single social media platform I am aware of, these are regularly flagged and reported. Group's pages and posts are deleted. If these companies are somehow failing to remove threatening posts directed at OCFS workers, that is in direct violation of their terms of service. So, if they cannot do that I fail to see why we should trust them with confidential records. Who use these records, how they are stored, and managed is not addressed in this bill and yet we would hand over to them essentially nothing more these records with a note saying 'please do not disclose.' We have seen numerous data leaks from social media companies in recent years but the punishment they might face for intentionally or unintentionally releasing these records is not addressed. It also fails to fundamentally understand how social media works and any action by the Department, under the provisions of this bill, would likely take days to initiate and complete, and there is no guarantee the entity will even agree to remove the material. Meanwhile, new accounts are deleted and created, posts shared, and screenshots taken. So, what happens when a different profile posts the same information next week, feeling all the more sure of their dubious claims against DHHS because of their attempts to silence them, nothing. We start the process over and over again. In short, this bill will take time and social media is instant. It is already in - it is already against the policies in social media companies and I don't think we should be allowing state government to get social media companies private information of Maine workers. Thank you.

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

Senator **CARNEY**: Thank you, Mr. President. My colleagues of the Senate, I urge you to support - to vote in support of the pending motion. This legislation was presented to the Judiciary Committee by the Department of Health and Human Services. The circumstances that require the legislation are threats that are made to State employees on social media sites. The information that is permitted to be released by this legislation provides the context and factual basis for those social media sites to apply their policies and conclude that the information that has been posted, that is threatening to a State employee, actually violates those policies. It's very important that we step up and support our State employees who are working in very difficult circumstances and receive threats because of the good work that they do on behalf of our state. I urge you to support the pending motion.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought to Pass Report. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#170)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Facilitate Compliance with Federal Immigration Law by State and Local Government Entities"

H.P. 1012 L.D. 1378

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

Signed:

Senators: CARNEY of Cumberland KEIM of Oxford SANBORN of Cumberland Representatives:

HARNETT of Gardiner BABBIDGE of Kennebunk HAGGAN of Hampden LIBBY of Auburn MORIARTY of Cumberland POIRIER of Skowhegan RECKITT of South Portland SHEEHAN of Biddeford THORNE of Carmel

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

Signed:

Representative: EVANGELOS of Friendship

(Representative NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe - of the House - supports the Majority **Ought to Pass** Report.)

Comes from the House with the Majority **REFER TO COMMITTEE** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland, the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Give the State the Sole Authority To Establish a Minimum Wage and Hazard Pay with Certain Exceptions" H.P. 331 L.D. 455

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives:

SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

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

Reports READ.

Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#171)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Support E-9-1-1 Dispatchers and Corrections Officers Diagnosed with Post-traumatic Stress Disorder" H.P. 343 L.D. 467

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-118)**. Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives:

SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

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-118)**.

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-118) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on LABOR AND HOUSING on Bill "An Act To Ensure Safety across Maine's Construction Industry" H.P. 345 L.D. 469

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-104)**.

Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec

MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives: SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

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-104).

Reports READ.

Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#172)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-104) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Provide That the Minimum Wage Increases by the Cost of Living Every 3 Years"

H.P. 388 L.D. 543

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives: SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill PRESCOTT of Waterboro ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-174)**.

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Resolve, To Expedite Processing of Applications for Certification under the Federal Work Opportunity Tax Credit H.P. 424 L.D. 581

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-127)**.

Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives: SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"** (H-127).

Reports READ.

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

Resolve READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-127) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Resolve, To Develop a Plan for Teachers To Collect Social Security

H.P. 456 L.D. 620

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-173)**.

Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives:

SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"** (H-173).

Reports READ.

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

Resolve READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-173) \mbox{READ} and $\mbox{ADOPTED},$ in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Set a Minimum Wage for School Support Staff" H.P. 539 L.D. 734

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-135)**.

Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives: SYLVESTER of Portland GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill PRESCOTT of Waterboro ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro CUDDY of Winterport DRINKWATER of Milford

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-135).

Reports READ.

Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Assist Public School Students and Families Who Are Homeless"

H.P. 578 L.D. 773

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-172)**.

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives:

SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

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-172).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-172) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on LABOR AND HOUSING on Bill "An Act To Promote Minimum Wage Consistency" H.P. 579 L.D. 774

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

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec

MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives: SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

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

Reports **READ**.

Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#173)

YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BENNETT, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

NAYS: Senators: BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

22 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 12 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Exempt Substitutes, Coaches and Temporary Employees in the Education System from Paid Sick Leave Requirements"

H.P. 606 L.D. 838

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives:

SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives:

BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Create an Alternate Minimum Wage Applicable to Student Employees Who Are under 20 Years of Age and to Employees Who Are under 18 Years of Age" H.P. 775 L.D. 1047

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives:

SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-169)**.

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Resolve, Directing the Maine State Housing Authority To Engage Stakeholders in an Examination of Fair Chance Housing Policy Options

H.P. 879 L.D. 1201

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives: SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

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

Reports READ.

Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On further motion by same Senator, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#174)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on LABOR AND HOUSING on Bill "An Act To Increase the Minimum Wage" H.P. 939 L.D. 1279 Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives:

BRADSTREET of Vassalboro CUDDY of Winterport DRINKWATER of Milford GERE of Kennebunkport MORRIS of Turner PEBWORTH of Blue Hill PRESCOTT of Waterboro ROEDER of Bangor

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-171)**.

Signed:

Senator: MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives: SYLVESTER of Portland WARREN of Scarborough

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

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Clarify That Municipal Firefighters, Volunteer First Responders and Substitute Teachers Are Excluded from Maine Earned Paid Leave"

H.P. 990 L.D. 1339

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox Representatives:

SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives:

BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Protect Businesses and Civic and Religious Organizations from Actions Taken Pursuant to an Emergency Proclamation"

H.P. 464 L.D. 628

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

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot CLAXTON of Androscoggin

Representatives:

MATLACK of St. George BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta PAULHUS of Bath RISEMAN of Harrison

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-181)**.

Signed:

Senator: ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives: DOWNES of Bucksport GREENWOOD of Wales HEAD of Bethel TUELL of East Machias

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Increase Transparency in Certain Expenditures of the Governor" H.P. 532 L.D. 721

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

Signed:

Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot CLAXTON of Androscoggin ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives: MATLACK of St. George BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta DOWNES of Bucksport GREENWOOD of Wales HEAD of Bethel PAULHUS of Bath

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Representative: TUELL of East Machias

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Establish the Maine Service Fellows Program"

H.P. 748 L.D. 1010

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-144)**.

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot CLAXTON of Androscoggin ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:

MATLACK of St. George BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta DOWNES of Bucksport PAULHUS of Bath RISEMAN of Harrison

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

Signed:

Representatives: GREENWOOD of Wales HEAD of Bethel TUELL of East Machias

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-144).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-144) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act Regarding Municipal Valuation and State-owned Property" H.P. 249 L.D. 351

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

Signed:

Senators: CHIPMAN of Cumberland LIBBY of Androscoggin POULIOT of Kennebec

Representatives:

TERRY of Gorham BICKFORD of Auburn COLLINGS of Portland GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach HANLEY of Pittston KRYZAK of Acton MATLACK of St. George PERRY of Bangor SACHS of Freeport

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-114)**.

Signed:

Representative: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin, the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Exempt Long-term Lodging from the 9 Percent Sales Tax on Lodging"

H.P. 447 L.D. 611

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senator:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland

Representatives:

TERRY of Gorham COLLINGS of Portland HANLEY of Pittston MATLACK of St. George SACHS of Freeport

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-134)**.

Signed:

Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn KRYZAK of Acton

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

Reports READ.

Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin moved the Senate ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **TIMBERLAKE** of Androscoggin, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#175)

- YEAS: Senators: BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

20 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 14 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **LIBBY** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Phase Out the Insurance Premium Tax on Annuities" H.P. 791 L.D. 1062 Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-117)**.

Signed:

Senators: LIBBY of Androscoggin POULIOT of Kennebec

Representatives: TERRY of Gorham CARMICHAEL of Greenbush GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach HANLEY of Pittston KRYZAK of Acton MATLACK of St. George SACHS of Freeport

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

Signed:

Senator:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland

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-117).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-117) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, To Create an Electronic Titling Work Group H.P. 476 L.D. 645

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

Signed:

Senators: DIAMOND of Cumberland FARRIN of Somerset Representatives: MARTIN of Sinclair BRYANT of Windham MARTIN of Greene O'CONNELL of Brewer PARRY of Arundel PERKINS of Oakland WHITE of Waterville WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor

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

Signed:

Representatives: CEBRA of Naples WHITE of Mars Hill

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"** (H-160).

Reports READ.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-160) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Joint Resolution "JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING APPLICATION TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES CALLING AN ARTICLE V CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO IMPOSE CONGRESSIONAL TERM LIMITS"

H.P. 438

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

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot ROSEN of Hancock CLAXTON of Androscoggin Representatives: BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta DOWNES of Bucksport HEAD of Bethel PAULHUS of Bath RISEMAN of Harrison TUELL of East Machias

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Representative: GREENWOOD of Wales

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

Reports READ.

Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#176)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, RAFFERTY, ROSEN, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Joint Resolution "JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING APPLICATION TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES CALLING AN ARTICLE V CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO IMPOSE FISCAL RESTRAINTS ON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, LIMIT THE POWER AND JURISDICTION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND LIMIT THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS"

H.P. 467

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

Signed:

Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:

MATLACK of St. George BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta DOWNES of Bucksport HEAD of Bethel PAULHUS of Bath RISEMAN of Harrison TUELL of East Machias

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Representative: GREENWOOD of Wales

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Senate

Ought to Pass

Senator DILL for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Resolve, To Modify the Deed for a Parcel of Property in the Town of Carrabassett Valley S.P. 546 L.D. 1690

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

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

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator BALDACCI for the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Improve the Law Regarding Abandoned Roads"

S.P. 234 L.D. 596

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

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

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator BALDACCI for the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Terminate the Augusta Downtown Parking District"

S.P. 494 L.D. 1520

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

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

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator DILL for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act To Improve the Laws Governing Hemp by Bringing Them into Compliance with Federal Law"

S.P. 41 L.D. 33

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-130)**.

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-130) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator RAFFERTY for the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Advance Career and Technical Education Opportunities in Maine" S.P. 140 L.D. 313

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-118)**.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-118) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator BRENNER for the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Ensure Decommissioning of Solar Energy Developments" S.P. 113 L.D. 802

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-111)**.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-111) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator CLAXTON for the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Support the Operations of Youth Shelters in Maine"

S.P. 344 L.D. 1076

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-112)**.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-112) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator SANBORN for the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Allow a Dentist To Administer Botulinum Toxin and Dermal Fillers" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 34 L.D. 26

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-124)**.

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-124) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator SANBORN for the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Amend Credit and Debit Card Surcharges Imposed by Governmental Entities"

S.P. 87 L.D. 800

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-110)**.

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-110) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator DIAMOND for the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2022"

S.P. 54 L.D. 123

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-129)**.

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-129) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Ban the Surveillance of Firearm Purchases"

S.P. 299 L.D. 884

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-120)**.

Signed:

Senators:

DESCHAMBAULT of York CYRWAY of Kennebec

Representatives:

COSTAIN of Plymouth NEWMAN of Belgrade PICKETT of Dixfield PLUECKER of Warren RUDNICKI of Fairfield

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

Signed:

Senator:

LAWRENCE of York

Representatives:

WARREN of Hallowell LOOKNER of Portland MORALES of South Portland RECKITT of South Portland SHARPE of Durham

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DESCHAMBAULT** of York, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Require Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Training or Implicit Bias Training for School Resource Officers"

S.P. 330 L.D. 1040

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-115)**.

Signed:

Senators: DESCHAMBAULT of York LAWRENCE of York

Representatives: WARREN of Hallowell LOOKNER of Portland MORALES of South Portland RECKITT of South Portland SHARPE of Durham

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

Signed:

Senator: CYRWAY of Kennebec

Representatives: COSTAIN of Plymouth NEWMAN of Belgrade PICKETT of Dixfield PLUECKER of Warren RUDNICKI of Fairfield

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DESCHAMBAULT** of York, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-115) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act To Reduce Fire Response Time by Eliminating Standardized Dispatch Protocols for Fire 9-1-1 Calls"

S.P. 399 L.D. 1291

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

Signed:

Senators: LAWRENCE of York VITELLI of Sagadahoc Representatives:

BERRY of Bowdoinham CUDDY of Winterport GROHOSKI of Ellsworth KESSLER of South Portland WOOD of Portland ZEIGLER of Montville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-126)**.

Signed:

Senator: STEWART of Aroostook

Representatives:

CARLOW of Buxton FOSTER of Dexter WADSWORTH of Hiram

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc, the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report ACCEPTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Increase Economic Development by Expanding the Special Fee Application Review Process of the Department of Environmental Protection" S.P. 319 L.D. 988

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

Signed:

Senators:

BRENNER of Cumberland CARNEY of Cumberland

Representatives:

TUCKER of Brunswick BELL of Yarmouth BLUME of York DOUDERA of Camden GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach ZEIGLER of Montville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-104)**. Signed:

Senator:

BENNETT of Oxford

Representatives: JOHANSEN of Monticello O'CONNOR of Berwick TUELL of East Machias

Reports READ.

Senator **BRENNER** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#177)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **BRENNER** of Cumberland to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO NOT PASS** Report, **PREVAILED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Provide Maine Children Access to Affordable Health Care"

S.P. 158 L.D. 372

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-97)**.

Signed:

Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin BALDACCI of Penobscot Representatives: MEYER of Eliot CRAVEN of Lewiston MADIGAN of Waterville PERRY of Calais STOVER of Boothbay

ZAGER of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-98)**.

Signed:

Senator: MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

CONNOR of Lewiston GRIFFIN of Levant JAVNER of Chester LEMELIN of Chelsea

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **CLAXTON** of Androscoggin, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Resolve, To Direct the Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations To Study and Propose Solutions to Disparities in Access to Prenatal Care in the State (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 376 L.D. 1113

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-116)**.

Signed:

Senators:

CLAXTON of Androscoggin BALDACCI of Penobscot

Representatives: MEYER of Eliot CRAVEN of Lewiston MADIGAN of Waterville PERRY of Calais STOVER of Boothbay ZAGER of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-117)**. Signed:

Senator:

MOORE of Washington

Representatives: GRIFFIN of Levant JAVNER of Chester LEMELIN of Chelsea

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **CLAXTON** of Androscoggin, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Ensure the Provision of Housing Coordinator Services to Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities"

S.P. 499 L.D. 1557

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

Signed:

Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

MEYER of Eliot CONNOR of Lewiston CRAVEN of Lewiston GRIFFIN of Levant LEMELIN of Chelsea MADIGAN of Waterville PERRY of Calais STOVER of Boothbay ZAGER 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-127)**.

Signed:

Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin, the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report ACCEPTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act To Allow Sunday Hunting on Private Property with the Written Permission of the Landowner" S.P. 325 L.D. 1033

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-123)**.

Signed:

Senators:

DILL of Penobscot BLACK of Franklin CURRY of Waldo

Representatives:

LANDRY of Farmington ALLEY of Beals HEPLER of Woolwich MARTIN of Eagle Lake MASON of Lisbon NADEAU of Winslow ORDWAY of Standish

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

Signed:

Representative: LYFORD of Eddington

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DILL** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-123) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **INNOVATION**, **DEVELOPMENT**, **ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** on Bill "An Act To Require Notice for Orthopedic Medical Device Recalls"

S.P. 119 L.D. 804

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

Signed:

Senators:

CURRY of Waldo CYRWAY of Kennebec LUCHINI of Hancock

Representatives: ROBERTS of South Berwick AUSTIN of Gray BERNARD of Caribou COLLAMORE of Pittsfield DUCHARME of Madison HASENFUS of Readfield PEBWORTH of Blue Hill

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-128)**.

Signed:

Representatives: BAILEY of Gorham GEIGER of Rockland

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **CURRY** of Waldo, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Extend the Protections Provided to State Employees upon the Expiration of Labor Contracts to Other Public Sector Employees"

S.P. 235 L.D. 824

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-121)**.

Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives: SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator:

GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner PRESCOTT of Waterboro

Reports READ.

Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#178)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **PREVAILED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-121) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Include Certain Mental Health Workers under the 1998 Special Plan for Retirement"

S.P. 331 L.D. 1041

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-114)**.

Signed:

Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives: SYLVESTER of Portland CUDDY of Winterport GERE of Kennebunkport PEBWORTH of Blue Hill PRESCOTT of Waterboro ROEDER of Bangor WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro DRINKWATER of Milford MORRIS of Turner

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-114) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Require a Two-thirds Vote To Extend a State of Emergency"

S.P. 21 L.D. 14

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

Signed:

Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot CLAXTON of Androscoggin Representatives:

MATLACK of St. George BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta PAULHUS of Bath RISEMAN of Harrison

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-113)**.

Signed:

Senator: ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:

DOWNES of Bucksport GREENWOOD of Wales HEAD of Bethel TUELL of East Machias

Reports READ.

Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#179)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

20 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 14 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **PREVAILED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Provide Transparency Regarding State Contracts during a State of Emergency" S.P. 280 L.D. 729

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot CLAXTON of Androscoggin

Representatives: MATLACK of St. George BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta PAULHUS of Bath RISEMAN of Harrison

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator: ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives: DOWNES of Bucksport GREENWOOD of Wales HEAD of Bethel TUELL of East Machias

Reports READ.

Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Bennett.

Senator **BENNETT**: Thank you, Mr. President. Fellow members of the Senate, this bill before you requires the Governor to publish and make publicly available within 72 hours the complete terms and text of a contract that does not follow the competitive bidding or other procedures required by the statutes because the Governor entered into the contract pursuant to the powers granted during an emergency. Allow me to share with you one such contract. Over the past year, Maine's Department of Labor paid \$6.44 million in a no-bid contract with McKinsev & Company for advice on how to fix our broken unemployment system. They started the work on June 15, 2020. The contract was not disclosed until late August, just as what turned out to be the first phase of the project was wrapping up. In December 2020, DOL extended the work, at something like \$27,000 a week, to the end of this past March. McKinsey is a global management consulting firm based in Washington D.C. Now consider this, our state government will receive \$3.14 million in settlement from McKinsey & Company for their role in advising Purdue Pharma and the

Sackler family on how to make billions killing Americans on opioids.

As we sadly know, hundreds of Mainers die each year from opioid dependence and drug overdose. In fact, Maine is on track to surpass a record 500 overdose deaths in 2020. This is the second straight year, state record year. In late 2019, Maine Attorney General Aaron Frey joined 47 states, 5 U.S. territories, and the District of Columbia to sue McKinsey & Company. Earlier this year, the Attorney General announced McKinsey has agreed to pay \$573 million and turn over documents that incriminate its former pharma clients. The Attorney General's Office said 'McKinsey contributed to the opioid crisis by promoting marketing schemes and consulting services to opioid manufacturers. including Oxycontin maker Purdue Pharma, for over a decade. The complaint, filed with the settlement, details how McKinsev advised Purdue on how to maximize profits from its opioid products, including targeting high-volume opioid prescribers, using specific messaging to get physicians to prescribe more Oxycontin to more patients, and circumventing pharmacy restrictions in order to deliver high-dose prescriptions.'

According to the Bangor Daily News, 'When states began to sue Purdue Pharma's directors for their implementation of McKinsey's marketing schemes, McKinsey partners began emailing each other about deleting documents and emails related to their work for Purdue.' McKinsey has about 2,000 partners worldwide. They each make up to \$1.3 million per year. These are the people to whom Maine DOL has paid \$6.44 million in a no-bid contract.

If you think our Labor Department is McKinsey's only easy mark for peddling their exorbitant advice for CARES Act funding, for better or worse, Maine is not alone. According to the Wall Street Journal, New York Governor, Andrew Cuomo, awarded McKinsey a \$9.9 million contract last March to advise the state on issues related to COVID-19, the illness caused by the new coronavirus. That included 18 weeks of 'leadership counseling' at \$42,500 a week. McKinsey also did work for Massachusetts, some of which appeared to involve little more than forwarding other's materials along, one state office to another. Researchers at Harvard University prepared reports for the state's health department, tracking population movements. Consultants at McKinsey used the reports, verbatim, in material for the Governor, according to a person familiar with the work.'

This Legislature and the people of Maine deserve to know about no-bid contracts as soon as possible, particularly in times when the Executive Branch is granted extraordinary powers. We deserve to know who we are doing business with and why. The people of Maine deserve transparency and accountability. Please vote against the pending motion so we can pass this bill. I request the yeas and nays, Mr. President.

On motion by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#180)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, LIBBY, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, HICKMAN, KEIM, LIBBY, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

17 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 17 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **FAILED**.

On motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ACCEPTANCE** of the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Require Constitutional Officers To Be Elected by Statewide Election

S.P. 285 L.D. 733

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

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot CLAXTON of Androscoggin ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:

MATLACK of St. George BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta DOWNES of Bucksport HEAD of Bethel PAULHUS of Bath RISEMAN of Harrison TUELL of East Machias

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-109)**.

Signed:

Representative: GREENWOOD of Wales

Reports READ.

Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Baldacci.

Senator **BALDACCI**: Thank you, Mr. President. I would note that 5-82 and 5-83 are identical bills and the vote of the committee Ought Not to Pass on 5-82 is no reflection on the bill. It's just that we chose 5-83 as the vehicle to use and I can speak more on the merits on 5-83 but I just wanted others to know the reason for our decision. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Timberlake.

Senator **TIMBERLAKE**: And, Mr. President, I think that 5-82 would have been a better bill because it was mine. But thank you, Senator Baldacci.

On motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Require the Popular Election of Maine Constitutional Officers

S.P. 288 L.D. 874

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-108).

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot CLAXTON of Androscoggin ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:

DOWNES of Bucksport GREENWOOD of Wales HEAD of Bethel RISEMAN of Harrison TUELL of East Machias

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

Signed:

Representatives: MATLACK of St. George BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta PAULHUS of Bath

Reports READ.

Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** 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 TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Narrowly Tailor Emergency Powers of the Governor and Other Public Officials" S.P. 307 L.D. 955

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot CLAXTON of Androscoggin

Representatives: MATLACK of St. George BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta PAULHUS of Bath RISEMAN of Harrison

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-122)**.

Signed:

Senator: ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives: DOWNES of Bucksport GREENWOOD of Wales HEAD of Bethel TUELL of East Machias

Reports READ.

Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Keim.

Senator **KEIM**: Thank you, Mr. President. I rise briefly to speak against the pending motion. This bill requires that emergency powers exercised by the Governor that fine, curtail, or infringe the rights of private parties to be narrowly tailored. Narrowly tailored is legal language that we use any time we create a law that would take away people's God given, natural, and Constitutional rights. We recognize these, that they should not be infringed upon unless there is a compelling reason and that it's also very narrowly tailored to address a very specific need. This bill is allowing us to recognize the importance of people's rights in every situation. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Baldacci.

Senator BALDACCI: Thank you, Mr. President. I just rise to speak about these bills as we spoke previously about some other similar bills. With all due respect, the fact is that the current law already provides this. This is not going to add or change anything that is current law. The judges have total power to rein in if they feel it's not in compliance with the law or narrowly tailored to meet a substantial objective. I think the bottom line of all these acts, to be honest with you, is an attempt to restrain the Governor, who has done an excellent job handling this emergency because I still haven't heard a single major thing that she needs to correct. She's handled this emergency well. The state is safe. The state is number one in vaccinations. The state is recovering economically. With all due respect to some of the other matters that have been raised, none of those would be addressed by these bills. The fact of the matter is that these bills would make the state of Maine defenseless in an emergency and subject to two-thirds of the Legislature. That is not how you handle an emergency. That is not how you beat an emergency. That's not how this state can move forward. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#181)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **PREVAILED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Require Legislative Approval for the State's Participation in Compacts, Programs and Agreements Regarding Transportation and Climate Change" S.P. 475 L.D. 1472

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot CLAXTON of Androscoggin

Representatives:

MATLACK of St. George BRYANT of Windham COPELAND of Saco DOORE of Augusta PAULHUS of Bath RISEMAN of Harrison

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-119)**.

Signed:

Senator: ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives: DOWNES of Bucksport GREENWOOD of Wales HEAD of Bethel TUELL of East Machias

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Prohibit Contributions, Expenditures and Participation by Foreign Government-owned Entities To Influence Referenda" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 82 L.D. 194

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-125)**.

Signed:

Senators:

LUCHINI of Hancock FARRIN of Somerset HICKMAN of Kennebec

Representatives:

COREY of Windham DOLLOFF of Milton Township KINNEY of Knox McCREIGHT of Harpswell RIELLY of Westbrook SUPICA of Bangor TUTTLE of Sanford WOOD of Portland

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

Signed:

Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough HARRINGTON of Sanford

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report ACCEPTED.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-125) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

ENACTORS

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

Constitutional Amendment

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Regarding Early Voting

> H.P. 423 L.D. 580 (C "A" H-95)

Comes from the House, FAILED FINAL PASSAGE.

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Fully Fund and Restore State-Municipal Revenue Sharing

H.P. 232 L.D. 328 (C "A" H-80)

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Allow Certain Employees To Return to Participation in the Maine Public Employees Retirement System S.P. 276 L.D. 711

(S "A" S-62 to C "A" S-51)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senators 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 approval.

Emergency Resolve

Resolve, To Establish a Commission To Increase Housing Opportunities in Maine by Studying Zoning and Land Use Restrictions

H.P. 445 L.D. 609 (C "A" H-75)

On motion by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL STUDY TABLE** pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

Acts

An Act To Conform the Maine Apprenticeship Program to the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972 S.P. 37 L.D. 29 (C "A" S-48)

An Act To Improve the Animal Welfare Laws H.P. 69 L.D. 103 (C "A" H-65)

An Act To Establish Juneteenth as a Paid State Holiday H.P. 136 L.D. 183

An Act To Establish a Permanent Appointment of a Member of the Wabanaki Tribes to the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System

> H.P. 329 L.D. 453 (C "A" H-89)

An Act To Improve Regulation of Door-to-door Marketing of Retail Energy Supply

> H.P. 371 L.D. 508 (C "A" H-106)

An Act Regarding Services Designed To Reduce the Number of So-called Robocalls and Automatically Dialed Telephone Calls H.P. 374 L.D. 511 (C "A" H-107)

An Act To Provide Funding for Maine's Health Insurance Consumer Assistance Program

> S.P. 245 L.D. 631 (C "A" S-41)

An Act To Enable Electronic Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect for Certain Mandated Reporters H.P. 583 L.D. 778

An Act Regarding the Membership of the Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner Advisory Board

H.P. 588 L.D. 783

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and, having been signed by the President, were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

An Act To Require a Background Check for High-risk Health Care Providers under the MaineCare Program

> S.P. 51 L.D. 121 (C "A" S-61)

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act To Support Emergency Shelter Access for Persons Experiencing Homelessness

H.P. 146 L.D. 211 (C "A" H-74) On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act To Conserve the Frances Perkins Homestead National Historic Landmark

S.P. 183 L.D. 440 (C "A" S-55)

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act To Change the Compensation Structure of the Maine Labor Relations Board and the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation

H.P. 357 L.D. 494 (C "A" H-98)

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act To Promote Economic Development and Outdoor Recreation through Investment in State Parks H.P. 512 L.D. 700 (C "A" H-100)

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

Resolves

Resolve, Directing the Advisory Committee on Truancy, Dropouts and Alternative Education To Study Truancy and Attendance in the State and Develop Recommendations To Improve Student Attendance

> H.P. 182 L.D. 261 (C "A" H-73)

Resolve, To Study the Establishment of the Maine Climate Corps H.P. 533 L.D. 722 (C "A" H-97)

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

Resolve, To Establish a Pilot Project To Provide Support Services for Military Members Transitioning to Civilian Life in Maine H.P. 387 L.D. 542 (C "A" H-102)

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Off Record Remarks

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

The following matter 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 Assigned (5/19/21) matter:

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **INNOVATION**, **DEVELOPMENT**, **ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** on Bill "An Act To Allow a Journeyman Electrician To Supervise Three Helper Electricians"

S.P. 59 L.D. 126

Majority - Ought Not to Pass (7 members)

Minority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-79) (6 members)

Tabled - May 19, 2021 by Senator CURRY of Waldo

Pending - ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT

Senator **CURRY** of Waldo moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Pouliot.

Senator **POULIOT**: Thank you, Mr. President. This bill is really pretty straight forward. You know, it would allow for a master electrician or journeyman electrician to have additional helpers with them on the job site and we have a severe problem with

access to affordable housing in this state and one of the reasons why we have this problem is because there's just not enough inventory and there's not enough inventory because there's not enough people to do the work. So, this is a really straight forward and simple bill that would allow for more people to enter into the trade and to help complete some of these jobs. To me, it's unfortunate that the unions felt that the only way to advance in this state, as a people, was as part of their specific apprenticeship programs and you know it's just really - we're cutting ourselves off at the knees by not supporting basic commonsense legislation like this that would help get more men and women out into the field to help complete some of these jobs and move on to the next one, and it's sad when these horror stories are shared of people getting vaporized in industrial electrical jobs and so forth. I mean, these are not the kind of positions that we're talking about. We're talking about trying to wire up people's homes or get these, you know, projects done. It just really, to me, when we all campaign on more jobs in the state, growing the state, providing access to affordable housing, and we have a way to allow for people to be on the jobsite to help complete these jobs and move on to the next one and we don't support it. To me, it just seems hypocritical, Mr. President, and I hope that we can vote against this motion and support the legislation. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Waldo, Senator Curry.

Senator CURRY: Mr. President, thank you. In 2011, the Maine Legislature voted to permit electricians to supervise two helpers -I'm sorry, supervise two helpers provided they were either apprentices or engaged in approved educational endeavor leading to becoming electricians through our community college programs. Prior to 2011, electricians could supervise only one. That person didn't have to be a helper. The reasoning, as I understand it, was that we needed more electricians and by allowing an electrician to supervise two apprentices or students we would jumpstart the field, a field that was badly damaged, badly weakened, by the recession. There was concern expressed back then, as I understand, that this expansion was simply the camel's nose for those who wanted to do away with any limits. The concern was that this was simply the first step for those who did not see the significant public safety concerns at hand. I stand in opposition to L.D. 126, a bill that seeks to allow licensed electricians to supervise up to three helpers, regardless of the involvement - or their involvement in apprenticeship or educational program. I believe the concerns expressed back in 2011 were well-founded. L.D. 126 weakens our public safety and weakens the long-term health of this workforce. I believe there is bi-partisan support to promote the trades and specifically to increase the number of licensed electricians here in Maine. The Bureau of Labor Statistics currently estimates we need 290 new electricians each year through 2028. We need these electricians to meet our housing demands and to transform our electrical grid for the next century. I will be thrilled to work with my colleagues to better expand apprenticeships, increase access to our community college programs, and generally promote these highwage, in demand jobs. L.D. 126, however, is not the answer. It does nothing to strengthen the field and unnecessarily risks public safety. I ask you to join me and vote L.D. 126 Ought Not to Pass. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Pouliot.

Senator POULIOT: Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to be clear with the members of this Body in that the original bill did ask for three helpers but, through the committee process, it became clear, and also in talking with the Department of Professional Regulation. They had asked for this bill in the previous legislative session. It was actually Senator Herbig, from the good Senator's district before, who had put this bill forward for the Department, asking to go to two helpers, from one to two. So, I mean, I don't think that there's widespread access to programs for people to go through, which was - this was a really just basic piece of legislation put forward to try to help achieve these goals. It's clear to me the unions had a really strong influence in this bill and were twisting a lot of arms. That's unfortunate because it's really not advancing the goals of what we're talking about doing. So, there is an opportunity, if folks wanted to, to go from one to two. I think, you know, it's a really simple, basic move to make to help support the trades in this state and not having to say to them 'well, you're going to have to go through this specific program here or that specific program there.' Some folks aren't interested in advancing their education. You know, we can try to pigeonhole people into that, force them to do it, but not everybody has the financial means or the time to do that. They just want a job to provide for their family. So, this is really straightforward, like I said. The Department was in support of going from one to two and, hopefully, we'll vote against this and support the opportunity to go from one to two. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Cyrway.

Senator **CYRWAY**: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I sat in the IDEA Committee on the Leads Chair. I just wanted to say that we had testimony from electricians from up north and they are begging for helpers. They are begging. They said it's very hard to get help right now and they are so shorthanded it's amazing. So, this would actually help and so we're just trying to help Maine. So I am for Senator Pouliot's motion. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Timberlake.

Senator **TIMBERLAKE**: Thank you, Mr. President. I guess I'd like to pose a question through the Chair about the way I understood something. I think the good Senator from Waldo had said they was already at two and then I heard the Senator from Kennebec says we're trying to go from one to two. I think that any electrician could handle two helpers very easily. I've hired a lot of them in my day. I employ a lot of them. I've had to learn how to be an electrician to be a farmer on my own and I don't carry a license but, you know, we have to learn to do things and it's because we can ever hire them. So, I guess that my question I pose is: are we at one or are we at two, because if this bill goes from one to two I think the good Senator agreed that we should be there because that was what I understood his comments to be. So, that being the case, we should vote this motion down and vote up the next one.

THE PRESIDENT: The Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Timberlake, has posed a question through the Chair if anyone can answer. The Chair recognizes the Senator from Waldo, Senator Curry.

Senator CURRY: Thank you, Mr. President. Let me clarify where we currently stand. We currently allow - electricians are allowed to supervise one helper or two if they're both apprentices or engaged in an approved educational program, one of our community college programs. So, that's our current structure and it incentivizes people to go further into the program, further into pursuing an electrician certification, a license. So that's the proposal that - that's our current state of affairs. The original bill proposed three, that licensed electricians of any type, are limited to journeyman or master, could supervise three helpers and they didn't have to be apprentices. That was the original bill. You see that there is a Committee Amendment in the Minority report. The Minority report had five different standards. I was going to try not to get into all of those, but they have five different ways in which it depends on the structure. There is three in some cases and some combinations but it's a fairly complicated set of numbers.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Timberlake.

Senator TIMBERLAKE: Thank you, Mr. President. With that description, I guess I really have a hard time understanding how we couldn't support a bill that put more people to work, making better wages, bettering themselves in life, just because they maybe don't want to go into a certain program but they can go work for an electrician as an apprentice, learn how to do a job, eventually, maybe after they've done it for a year or so, they would go, you know, get their degree and do whatever. But the more important thing I think that I heard here is that we don't want to compromise in any way and this bill first come forward, let's face it, were one with one and was asking for three. Kind of the Minority report compromised at two and it seems to be that the professional think that they can handle two just fine, so I don't understand why we, as a Body, don't compromise to get more young people into the trades, making a better income, improving their families, and improving their lives. We've got to do something, folks. You can't drive up and down the street without seeing a hiring sign up. Electricians who are working for me and other companies are begging for people to come work for them and they need to have these people come in or we're just going to keep falling further and further and further behind in our construction projects. This is a compromise. I thought we were here as a Body. We talk about it when we're out on the campaign trail. We talk about what we do and how we're going to work together and compromise. This is a compromise. This is a fair, commonsense compromise. At some point in life we have to come to that. We need to help these people. I really ask that you vote this down and we move forward with this compromise and prove that we can do it. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#182)

- YEAS: Senators: BAILEY, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON
- NAYS: Senators: BALDACCI, BENNETT, BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: LAWRENCE

20 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 14 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **CURRY** of Waldo to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **PREVAILED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Hickman.

Senator HICKMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, women and men of the Senate, as the great American author, James Baldwin, wrote: 'One must say yes to life and embrace it wherever it is found and it is found in terrible places.' One hundred years ago this past weekend the Tulsa race massacre, the single most deadly event of racial violence waged against Black American citizens in history, was visited upon the residents of a thriving community, free people who had settled, along with the Southeastern tribal nations that had once enslaved them, in what was then called Indian Territory in Oklahoma. White mobs invaded and seized the neighborhood and mercilessly meaded out destruction all over the place. Homes and businesses, churches and hospitals were bombed and burned to the ground. Some residents were executed by firing squad, shot in the back of the head at point-blank range. Others were tied, hands behind their backs, to the backs of carriages and dragged through the streets, their faces raked across the ground. At least 300 Black bodies were dumped in mass, unmarked graves. At least 6,000 Black people were interned, yes interned, in large internment camps facilities for several days and could only be released if vouched for by a white man. Thus, Black families were torn asunder, intergenerational wealth gone up in smoke, their histories buried beneath the ruins. It was a vicious war of terror, waged against freedom loving Black people living under a doctrine of self-determination and self-sufficiency in a thriving place known as Black Wall Street in the segregated neighborhood called Greenwood. It was a massacre and to this day, reprehensively, there has not been enough remorse or remembrance, reconciliation or recompense, and so as we go

away this afternoon, Mr. President, women and men of the Senate, let us go away more committed to embracing all of the terrible places life can be found. May we learn the lesson of this history, our history, a history that we must never forget. Thank you, Mr. President.

Off Record Remarks

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

On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, **ADJOURNED** until Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 10:00 in the morning in lasting remembrance of the Tulsa Race Massacre of 1921.