

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE
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In Senate Chamber
Wednesday
February 16, 2022

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

Prayer by Senator David C. Woodsome of York County.

SENATOR WOODSOME: Good morning. As I was driving up this morning, which is an hour and a half ride, I was thinking of what it would be like to be able to drive for an hour and a half, or twenty minutes or whatever, if I didn't have to think about what the hell was going on. It's such a busy time and I'm not a religious person in an organized way, I'm spiritual, and so I am going to go on those lines this morning by being quiet and trying to connect with myself and my higher power as I know it. So, I ask you to join me in a silent prayer and connect with yourself if you will. Amen and thank you.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Heather B. Sanborn of Cumberland County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, February 10, 2022.

Off Record Remarks

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, the following Joint Order:
S.P. 714

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until the call of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, respectively.

READ and PASSED.

Ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Orders

The following Joint Order:

H.P. 1462

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs may report out, to the House, a bill updating the designation of Vietnam War Remembrance Day under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 150-G.

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

The Joint Order was **READ**.

On motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 1005

**THE STATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

February 14, 2022

Major General Douglas A. Farnham
Adjutant General, Maine National Guard
33 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Major General Farnham:

On behalf of the 130th Maine Legislature, we would like to invite you to deliver your State of the National Guard Address. Whereas the coronavirus has led the Legislature to continue to take necessary safety precautions, we would ask you to deliver your Address in writing accompanied by a video stream to be shared with the Legislature and the public.

We look forward to coordinating any details necessary to see that your Address is received by the Legislature. Thank you.

S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1006

**THE STATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

February 14, 2022

Chief Justice Valerie Stanfill
Maine Supreme Judicial Court
Capital Judicial Center
163 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Chief Justice Stanfill:

On behalf of the 130th Maine Legislature, we would like to invite you to deliver your State of the Judiciary Address. Whereas the coronavirus has led the Legislature to continue to take necessary safety precautions, we would ask you to deliver your Address in writing accompanied by a video stream to be shared with the Legislature and the public.

We look forward to coordinating any details necessary to see that your Address is received by the Legislature. Thank you.
Sincerely,

S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1043

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HOUSING**

February 9, 2022

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

The Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

130th Legislature
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

Please accept this letter as the report from the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing regarding its review and evaluation of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3, Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

The Committee wrote to MainePERS on June 30, 2021 to notify MainePERS of the Committee's intent to review the agency as part of the Government Evaluation Act. In a subsequent letter on September 29, 2021, the Committee wrote to request more information related to the MainePERS disability program, specifically MainePERS' disability team's policies and procedures.

The Committee received the report from MainePERS on November 1, 2021, as required by statute. MainePERS presented the report to the Committee on January 12, 2022. At this presentation, as well as through a variety of testimony presented to the Committee on bills effecting MainePERS' disability law, the Committee heard concerns about the manner in which MainePERS' disability division operates and processes claims.

The Committee was pleased to hear from the newly hired Chief Executive Officer Dr. Rebecca M. Wyke that one of her priorities is spearheading and implementing a culture change within MainePERS, including in its disability division, and that Dr. Wyke intends to incorporate this in a strategic planning process.

The Committee requests that MainePERS documents the changes made within MainePERS and actions taken to effectuate this culture change. The Committee requests updates on the progress made toward this goal at the Committee's biennial agency orientation and as further requested by the Committee. Specifically, the Committee is interested in employee feedback on culture change initiatives and the systems and processes in place to measure real experiences of MainePERS' members.

At this time, the Committee finds that MainePERS is operating within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Matthea Daughtry
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michael A. Sylvester
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1004

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

February 10, 2022

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. 476 An Act To Provide Licensed Assisted Living and Nursing Facilities Levels of Care for Incarcerated Persons

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Susan Deschambault
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Charlotte May Warren
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 1000

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HOUSING**

February 9, 2022

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 Labor and Housing has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 1753 An Act Regarding the Retirement of Law Enforcement Officers under the Participating Local District Retirement Program

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Mike A. Sylvester
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 1001

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

February 10, 2022

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. 1067 An Act To Institute a State Tax Amnesty Program To Increase General Revenue Collections
- L.D. 1289 An Act To Cut Property Taxes for Maine Residential Homeowners

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. 1003

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

February 11, 2022

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. 1726 An Act To Increase Transparency in Political Communications

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Chris Caiazzo
House Chair

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

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

SENATE PAPERS

Resolve, Authorizing the Bureau of Parks and Lands To Authorize Additional Construction and Installations Related to a Telecommunications Tower on Bald Mountain in the Town of Rangeley

S.P. 712 L.D. 1981

Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin.
Cosponsored by Representative HALL of Wilton and Senator: KEIM of Oxford, Representatives: LANDRY of Farmington, SKOLFIELD of Weld.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Resolve, To Authorize the Bureau of Parks and Lands To Enter into a Lease with Christian Camps and Conferences for a Parcel of Land Located in Somerset County

S.P. 715 L.D. 1983

Presented by Senator FARRIN of Somerset.
Cosponsored by Representative GRIGNON of Athens and Senator: BLACK of Franklin.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

On motion by Senator DILL of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Protect Consumers' Privacy by Giving Them Greater Control of Their Data and To Establish Consumer Protections Regarding Small Dollar Loans"

S.P. 713 L.D. 1982

Presented by Senator RAFFERTY of York.
Cosponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland and Senators: CURRY of Waldo, DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representative: ROBERTS of South Berwick.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

On motion by Senator CURRY of Waldo, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **REFERENCE**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

The Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Resolve, Authorizing the State To Convey to the Passamaquoddy Tribe the State's Interest in a Parcel of Land in the Town of Meddybemps

H.P. 1429 L.D. 1921

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

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

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

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

The Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Modify Exemptions for Certain Storm Water Discharges to Class AA and SA Waters" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1342 L.D. 1801

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.

The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 34: Child Care Provider (Child Care Facilities and Family Child Care Providers) Background Check Licensing Rule, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1375 L.D. 1865

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

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

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

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

The Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 120: Release of Data to the Public, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1363 L.D. 1842

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

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

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

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

The Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Extend the Legal Hours for Harvesting Lobster in the Month of September" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1310 L.D. 1759

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 **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Restrict the Sale, Purchase and Use of Fireworks in the State"

H.P. 963 L.D. 1307

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-757)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-757)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-757) **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 **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Attract and Retain Firefighters and Emergency Medical Services Personnel through the Maine Length of Service Award Program"

H.P. 1345 L.D. 1803

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-756)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-756)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-756) **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 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Update the Rights of Recipients of Mental Health Services

H.P. 795 L.D. 1080

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-758)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-758)**.

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

Resolve **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-758) **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 Bill "An Act To Allow the Private Sale of Certain State Surplus Property to State Employees"

H.P. 1319 L.D. 1768

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

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

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-761) **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 Require Law Enforcement Agencies To Retain Serial Numbers of Stolen Firearms"
H.P. 1340 L.D. 1799

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

Signed:

Senators:
DESCHAMBAULT of York
CYRWAY of Kennebec

Representatives:
WARREN of Hallowell
COSTAIN of Plymouth
NEWMAN of Belgrade
PICKETT of Dixfield
PLUECKER of Warren
RECKITT of South Portland
RUDNICKI of Fairfield
SHARPE of Durham

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

Signed:

Representatives:
LOOKNER of Portland
MORALES of South Portland

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

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **DESCHAMBAULT** of York, 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 Support Statewide Economic Recovery through Strategic Investments"
H.P. 1334 L.D. 1793

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

Signed:

Senators:
CURRY of Waldo
CYRWAY of Kennebec
RAFFERTY of York

Representatives:
ROBERTS of South Berwick
AUSTIN of Gray
BERNARD of Caribou
COLLAMORE of Pittsfield
DUCHARME of Madison
GEIGER of Rockland
HASENFUS of Readfield
LaROCHELLE of Augusta
PEBORTH of Blue Hill

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

Signed:

Representative:
ANDREWS of Paris

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-760)**.

Reports **READ**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-760) **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 **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Small Enterprise Growth Program"
H.P. 1341 L.D. 1800

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-759)**.

Signed:

Senators:

CURRY of Waldo
CYRWAY of Kennebec
RAFFERTY of York

Representatives:

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

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

Signed:

Representative:

ANDREWS of Paris

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-759)**.

Reports **READ**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-759) **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 Clarifying the Right to Legal Representation for Individuals Subject to Guardianship"

H.P. 1325 L.D. 1774

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

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland
KEIM of Oxford
SANBORN of Cumberland

Representatives:

HARNETT of Gardiner
BABBIDGE of Kennebunk
EVANGELOS of Friendship
HAGGAN of Hampden
LIBBY of Auburn
MORIARTY of Cumberland
POIRIER of Skowhegan
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:

Representative:

THORNE of Carmel

(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-762)**.

Reports **READ**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-762) **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 Expand the Rights of Public Sector Employees"

H.P. 400 L.D. 555

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
MORRIS of Turner
PEBORTH 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-755)**.

Signed:

Senator:

MIRAMANT of Knox

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

Reports **READ**.

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

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Knox, Senator Miramant.

Senator **MIRAMANT:** Thank you, Mr. President. Colleagues in the Senate, you'll notice I'm on the opposite side of this motion. I just want to point out that the union leadership and the Governor, the Chief Executive at that time, negotiated away the right, the basic right, of a union to be able to say this is not fair, we need to do something. It took away the right to do something. Recently the leadership supporting the bill asked it to be withdrawn and this vote reflects that and it wasn't right then either. There should be more attention brought to this. It made a situation where public sector employees go to negotiate and there's a little bit of give and take at the beginning, but if it gets hard then they - the folks they work for know that they can just stall because the contract enforced will remain enforced for as long as they don't come to an agreement. That is not a position to negotiate from. What they should have done back then was said, 'Oh, we can't do anything for you, employees, union members. Let's just dissolve the unions since we're not working for you, since we're going to give away one of the most basic rights that a union brings,' but then they wouldn't have got their dues to continue. So, here we are and this needs to be dealt with some time in the future. I see it's not going to be done this time and so please pay attention and any workers who might hear this, or read it anywhere, pay attention to both your negotiators and leadership to make sure they're really representing your interest when it comes time for something like this. Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator SANBORN for the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Provide Insurance Coverage for a Beneficiary on a Transfer on Death Deed" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 611 L.D. 1752

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-417)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-417) **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 Regarding Point-of-dispensing Sites for Immunizations against COVID-19"

S.P. 610 L.D. 1855

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-416)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-416) **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 **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Allow Exceptions to the Height Limitations under the Shoreland Zoning Laws"

S.P. 636 L.D. 1809

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-415)**.

Signed:

Senators:

BRENNER of Cumberland
BENNETT of Oxford
CARNEY of Cumberland

Representatives:

TUCKER of Brunswick
BELL of Yarmouth
BLUME of York
BOYLE of Gorham
DOUDERA of Camden
GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach
HANLEY of Pittston
ZEIGLER of Montville

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

Signed:

Representatives:

O'CONNOR of Berwick
TUELL of East Machias

Reports **READ**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-415) **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.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

On motion by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland, the Senate removed from the **SPECIAL HIGHWAY TABLE** the following:

Resolve

Resolve, To Study Maine's Motor Vehicle Inspection Program
H.P. 200 L.D. 284
(C "A" H-566)

Placed on Special Highway Table - June 15, 2021, by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE**, in concurrence

(In Senate, June 14, 2021, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-566)**, in concurrence.)

(In House, June 15, 2021, **FINALLY PASSED**.)

On further motion by Same Senator **COMMITTED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Sent down forthwith for concurrence.

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

An Act To Make a Technical Correction Concerning Maine's Earned Income Tax Credit

H.P. 1315 L.D. 1764
(C "A" H-753)

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator **LIBBY**, the Senator from York, Senator **LAWRENCE**, the Senator from Oxford, Senator **KEIM**, and the Senator from Franklin, Senator **BLACK**, and further excused the same Senators from today's Roll Call votes.

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 30 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 30 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, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 283: Newborn Bloodspot Screening Rule, Section 14, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention
H.P. 1362 L.D. 1841

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **FINALLY PASSED** and, having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

Emergency Resolve

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 305: Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Traffic Movement Permits, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Transportation

H.P. 1372 L.D. 1851

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

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 30 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 30 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **FINALLY PASSED** and, having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

Off Record Remarks

Acts

An Act To Amend the Charter of the Boothbay Harbor Sewer District To Set the Terms of Its Trustees at 3 Years
H.P. 1311 L.D. 1760

An Act To Remove Watson's Bridge in the Town of Littleton from the List of Historic Bridges for Which the State Is Responsible for Maintenance and Rehabilitation
H.P. 1317 L.D. 1766

An Act To Ensure Tribal Representation in the Public Health Infrastructure
H.P. 1318 L.D. 1767

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and, having been signed by the President, were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

Resolve

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor To Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory

H.P. 1335 L.D. 1794
(C "A" H-752)

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

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 1007

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

February 14, 2022

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

Re: Appointment of Timothy D. Drake of China to the Maine Milk Commission

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Timothy D. Drake of China for appointment to the Maine Milk Commission.

Pursuant to Title 7, MRSA §2952, this appointment is contingent on confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1008

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

February 14, 2022

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

Re: Reappointment of Richard A. Cook, Ph.D. of Hermon to the Maine Milk Commission

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Richard A. Cook, Ph.D. of Hermon for reappointment to the Maine Milk Commission.

Pursuant to Title 7, MRSA §2952, this reappointment is contingent on confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1033

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of the Honorable Donald G. Marean of Hollis to the Maine State Harness Racing Commission

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating the Honorable Donald G. Marean of Hollis for appointment to the Maine State Harness Racing Commission.

Pursuant to Title 8, MRSA §261-A, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1034

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Patricia A. Varnum of Greene to the Maine State Harness Racing Commission

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Patricia A. Varnum of Greene for appointment to the Maine State Harness Racing Commission.

Pursuant to Title 8, MRSA §261-A, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1035

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Harry B. Center, II to the Maine State Harness Racing Commission

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Harry B. Center, II for appointment to the Maine State Harness Racing Commission.

Pursuant to Title 8, MRSA §261-A, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1009

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment of Thomas W. Minch of Lewiston 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:

I am nominating Thomas W. Minch of Lewiston 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 confirmation by the Maine State Senate 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. 1010

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment 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:

I am nominating Elizabeth A. Seal of Lisbon Falls 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 confirmation by the Maine State Senate 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. 1011

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Jason A. Bubier of Ellsworth 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:

I am nominating Jason A. Bubier of Ellsworth 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 confirmation by the Maine State Senate 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. 1023

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

February 14, 2022

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

Re: Appointment of Thomas Earl Keller of Newcastle to the State Board of Education

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Thomas Earl Keller of Newcastle 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. 1024

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

February 14, 2022

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

Re: Appointment of Kristin K. Bishop of Madison to the State Board of Education

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Kristin K. Bishop of Madison 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. 1025

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

February 14, 2022

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

Re: Appointment of Mark Balfantz of Portland to the State Board of Education

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am nominating Mark Balfantz of Portland 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. 1012

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment of Glenn S. Poole of Orrington to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board of Directors

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Glenn S. Poole of Orrington for reappointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board of Directors.

Pursuant to Title 35-A MRSA §10103, this reappointment 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. 1013

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment of Joan Welsh of Rockport to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board of Directors

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Joan Welsh of Rockport for reappointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board of Directors.

Pursuant to Title 35-A MRSA §10103, this reappointment 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. 1014

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Christopher Rauscher, JD of Cape Elizabeth to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board of Directors

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Christopher Rauscher, JD of Cape Elizabeth for appointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board of Directors.

Pursuant to Title 35-A MRSA §10103, 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. 1015

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Gigi Guyton-Thompson of Peaks Island to the Maine Retirement Savings Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Gigi Guyton-Thompson of Peaks Island for appointment to the Maine Retirement Savings Board.

Pursuant to 5 MRSA §172, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services.

Thank you.
Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1016

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Rebecca M. Wyke, Ph.D. of Augusta to the
Maine Retirement Savings Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Rebecca M. Wyke, Ph.D. of Augusta for
appointment to the Maine Retirement Savings Board.

Pursuant to 5 MRSA §172, this appointment is contingent on the
Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint
Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and
Financial Services.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1017

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Tina Wilcoxson of Cumberland Center to the
Maine Retirement Savings Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Tina Wilcoxson of Cumberland Center for
appointment to the Maine Retirement Savings Board.

Pursuant to 5 MRSA §172, this appointment is contingent on the
Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint
Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and
Financial Services.

Thank you.
Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1018

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Jessica D. Linzer (a/k/a Jessica D. Simpson)
of Cape Elizabeth to the Maine Retirement Savings Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Jessica D. Linzer (a/k/a Jessica D. Simpson) of
Cape Elizabeth for appointment to the Maine Retirement Savings
Board.

Pursuant to 5 MRSA §172, this appointment is contingent on the
Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint
Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and
Financial Services.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1019

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Kevin Carley of Portland to the Maine Retirement Savings Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Kevin Carley of Portland for appointment to the Maine Retirement Savings Board.

Pursuant to 5 MRSA §172, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1020

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Deborah Adams Neuman of Hampden to the Maine Retirement Savings Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Deborah Adams Neuman of Hampden for appointment to the Maine Retirement Savings Board.

Pursuant to 5 MRSA §172, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1021

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Daniel Piltch of Freeport to the Maine Retirement Savings Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Daniel Piltch of Freeport for appointment to the Maine Retirement Savings Board.

Pursuant to 5 MRSA §172, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1022

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Elizabeth Bordowitz, Esquire of Portland to the Maine Retirement Savings Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Elizabeth Bordowitz, Esquire of Portland for appointment to the Maine Retirement Savings Board.

Pursuant to 5 MRSA §172, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1044

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

February 15, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Kristine Logan of Topsham to the Loring Development Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Kristine Logan of Topsham for appointment to the Loring Development Authority.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13080-B, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1045

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

February 15, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Grace O'Neal of Limestone to the Loring Development Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Grace O'Neal of Limestone for appointment to the Loring Development Authority.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13080-B, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1046

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

February 15, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Joseph M. Sleeper of Caribou to the Loring Development Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Joseph M. Sleeper of Caribou for appointment to the Loring Development Authority.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13080-B, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1026

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment of Rita Armstrong of Freeport to the
Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Rita Armstrong of Freeport for reappointment to
the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority.

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

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1027

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment of Herman A. Nichols of Bath to the
Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Herman A. Nichols of Bath for reappointment to
the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority.

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

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1028

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of David W. Lenna of Portland to the Midcoast
Regional Redevelopment Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating David W. Lenna of Portland for appointment to
the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority.

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

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1029

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Barry Lee Valentine of Brunswick to the
Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Barry Lee Valentine of Brunswick for
appointment to the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority.

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

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1036

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment of Peter J. Delgreco of North Yarmouth to
the Maine Rural Development Authority Board of Trustees

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Peter J. DelGreco of North Yarmouth for
reappointment to the Maine Rural Development Authority, Board
of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13120-D, this reappointment is
contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review
by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development,
Economic Advancement and Business.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1037

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment of Michael A. Duguay of Waterville to the
Maine Rural Development Authority Board of Trustees

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Michael A. Duguay of Waterville for
reappointment to the Maine Rural Development Authority, Board
of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13120-D, this reappointment is
contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review
by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development,
Economic Advancement and Business.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1038

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment of Adrian P. Kendall, Esquire of Cumberland
to the Maine Rural Development Authority Board of Trustees

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Adrian P. Kendall, Esquire of Cumberland for
reappointment to the Maine Rural Development Authority, Board
of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13120-D, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1039

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Elizabeth Reinholt of Rangeley to the Maine Rural Development Authority Board of Trustees

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Elizabeth Reinholt of Rangeley for appointment to the Maine Rural Development Authority, Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13120-D, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1040

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Steven H. Levesque of Greenville to the Maine Rural Development Authority Board of Trustees

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Steven H. Levesque of Greenville for appointment to the Maine Rural Development Authority, Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13120-D, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1030

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment of Michael Cianchette of Cumberland to the Maine Turnpike Authority Board of Directors

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating Michael Cianchette of Cumberland for reappointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority Board of Directors.

Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §1964-A, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1031

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of the Honorable Andrew McLean of Gorham to the Maine Turnpike Authority Board of Directors

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating the Honorable Andrew McLean of Gorham for appointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority Board of Directors.

Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §1964-A, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1041

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of the Honorable Alan Casavant of Biddeford to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating the Honorable Alan Casavant of Biddeford for appointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority.

Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §8112, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1042

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Appointment of Alison Harris of Brunswick to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Alison Harris of Brunswick for appointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority.

Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §8112, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 1032

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

February 14, 2022

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

RE: Reappointment of the Honorable William Schneider, Esquire of Durham to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices

Dear President Jackson:

I am nominating the Honorable William Schneider, Esquire of Durham for reappointment to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.

Pursuant to Title 1 MRSA §1002, 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.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands To Renew a Lease of Certain Land in Aroostook State Park to the Federal Aviation Administration
H.P. 1470 L.D. 1984

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

On motion by Senator **DILL** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Establish That the Provision of Emergency Medical Services by an Ambulance Service Is an Essential Service and To Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission To Study Emergency Medical Services in the State" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 1474 L.D. 1988

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

On motion by Senator **DESCHAMBAULT** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize School Administrative District No. 6 To Lease a Former Administrative Building for a Term of Not More than 20 Years"

H.P. 1475 L.D. 1989

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **RAFFERTY** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Exempt Permanently Disabled Veterans from Payment of Property Tax"

H.P. 1472 L.D. 1986

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

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

Bill "An Act Allowing Electric-powered School Buses To Have Distinctively Colored Bumpers, Wheels and Rub Rails"

H.P. 1476 L.D. 1990

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

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

Bill "An Act To Improve Testing Requirements for Adult Use Marijuana" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1471 L.D. 1985

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

On motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

**Pursuant to Public Law
Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

The **Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**, pursuant to Public Law, chapter 121, section 7 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act Related to the Electronic Registration and Tagging of Turkey"

H.P. 1478 L.D. 1992

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

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

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

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

Pursuant to Resolve

Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

The **Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**, pursuant to Resolve, chapter 49, section 1 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act Related to the Electronic Registration and Tagging of Big Game"

H.P. 1477 L.D. 1991

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

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

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

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

Pursuant to Statute

Administrator of the unorganized territory

The **Administrator of the unorganized territory**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, section 1604 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Establish Municipal Cost Components for Unorganized Territory Services To Be Rendered in Fiscal Year 2022-23" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1473 L.D. 1987

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

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

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

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

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Pursuant to Resolve

Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services

The **Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services**, pursuant to Resolve, chapter 60, section 3 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Establish a Progressive Treatment Program Monitor"

H.P. 1479 L.D. 1993

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

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

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

Pursuant to Resolve

Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services

The **Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services**, pursuant to Resolve, chapter 60, section 3 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Establish the Progressive Treatment Program Fund"

H.P. 1480 L.D. 1994

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

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

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

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

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator **ROSEN** of Hancock, **ADJOURNED**, pursuant to the Joint Order, until the Call of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House in memory of and lasting tribute to Delores Botting of Levant, Maine and Zephrrhills, Florida.