Senate called to Order by President Michael D. Thibodeau of Waldo County.

Prayer by Reverend Joan Smith, South Parish Congregational Church in Augusta.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Geoffrey M. Gratwick of Penobscot County.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, April 11, 2017.

Doctor of the day, Paul Cain, M.D. of Oxford.
Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator MASON of Androscoggin, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 500

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn they do so until Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at 10:00 in the morning.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-1) Bill "An Act To Address the Policies Relating to Substance Use in the Workplace"

S.P. 413  L.D. 1222

Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT suggested and ordered printed.

In Senate, April 6, 2017, on motion by Senator KATZ of Kennebec, REFERRED to the Joint Select Committee on MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION IMPLEMENTATION and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-2) Bill "An Act To Ensure the Effectiveness of Tax Expenditures"

H.P. 868  L.D. 1245

Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT suggested and ordered printed.

In Senate, April 6, 2017, on motion by Senator VOLK of Cumberland, REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Comes from the House, that Body having INSISTED on its former action whereby the Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on TAXATION.
Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-3) Bill "An Act To Adjust the Timing for Recounts in Certain Municipal and Local School Elections"

H.P. 881  L.D. 1269

Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS suggested and ordered printed.

In Senate, April 4, 2017, REFERRED to the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Comes from the House, that Body having INSISTED on its former action whereby the Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

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House Papers

(1-4) Bill "An Act To Support Local Agricultural Production"

H.P. 948  L.D. 1369

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

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(1-5) Bill "An Act To Remove Certain Restrictions Imposed on Retired State Employees Who Return to Work as Educators"

H.P. 970  L.D. 1396

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS suggested and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS.
(1-6) Bill "An Act To Disburse Funds to the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission"
H.P. 963  L.D. 1389

(1-7) Bill "An Act To Enhance the Rights of Families of Missing Persons and Homicide Victims"
H.P. 964  L.D. 1390

(1-8) Bill "An Act To Ensure the Availability of In-person Visitation in County Jails"
H.P. 972  L.D. 1414

(1-9) Bill "An Act To Provide Additional Deductions from a Sentence of Imprisonment for Completion of Education, Mental Health Treatment and Substance Abuse Treatment Programs"
H.P. 973  L.D. 1415

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

(1-10) Bill "An Act To Address Costs for Certain Special Education Students" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 950  L.D. 1371

(1-11) Bill "An Act To Amend High School Diploma Standards"
H.P. 974  L.D. 1416

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

(1-12) Bill "An Act To Increase Broadband Access for Rural Communities"
H.P. 951  L.D. 1372

(1-13) Bill "An Act To Protect and Expand Access to Solar Power in Maine"
H.P. 952  L.D. 1373

Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY and ordered printed.
(1-14) Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Assess and Improve the Availability of Child Care Services

H.P. 953  L.D. 1374

(1-15) Bill "An Act To Prevent Overdose Deaths and Infectious Diseases by Establishing Safer Drug Use Facilities"

H.P. 954  L.D. 1375

Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed.

(1-16) Bill "An Act To Ensure the Continuation of the Landowner Relations Program"

H.P. 965  L.D. 1391

Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and ordered printed.

(1-17) Bill "An Act To Require Insurance Coverage for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Lyme Disease"

H.P. 975  L.D. 1417

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

(1-18) Bill "An Act To Remove Barriers to Workforce Development in Alcohol and Drug Counseling and To Increase the MaineCare Reimbursement Rates for Certain Counselors"

H.P. 955  L.D. 1376

Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT suggested and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.
(1-19) Bill "An Act To Prohibit Posing as a Governmental Entity in Commerce"
H.P. 956  L.D. 1377

(1-20) Bill "An Act To Create the Maine Family First Employer Award"
H.P. 957  L.D. 1378

(1-21) Bill "An Act To Allow Municipalities To Opt Not To Enforce the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code"
H.P. 966  L.D. 1392

(1-22) Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Create a Statewide Economic Development Plan (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 967  L.D. 1393

(1-23) Bill "An Act Regarding Work Permits for Minors under 16 Years of Age"
H.P. 978  L.D. 1420

Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and ordered printed.

(1-24) Bill "An Act Regarding Enforcement of Marine Resources Laws and Suspensions of Marine Resources Licenses"
H.P. 958  L.D. 1379

(1-25) Bill "An Act To Implement an Owner-Operator Requirement in the Scallop and Sea Urchin Fisheries"
H.P. 959  L.D. 1380

Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on MARINE RESOURCES and ordered printed.

(1-26) Bill "An Act To Clarify Appeals of Municipal Land Use Decisions"
H.P. 960  L.D. 1381

(1-27) Bill "An Act To Require Responsible Contracting on Public Construction Projects"
H.P. 961  L.D. 1382

Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ordered printed.
(1-28) Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor To Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory

H.P. 979  L.D. 1421

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

(1-29) Bill "An Act Regarding Certain License Plates for Veterans and Providing for a Breast Cancer Support Services Disability Plate"

H.P. 968  L.D. 1394

(1-30) Resolve, To Name the Bridge over the Androscoggin River between the Towns of Peru and Mexico the Buddy Wendall McLain Bridge

H.P. 969  L.D. 1395

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

(1-31) RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Regarding Early Voting

H.P. 962  L.D. 1383

(1-32) Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Clean Election Act and Related Laws"

H.P. 971  L.D. 1397

(1-33) Bill "An Act To Require Presidential and Vice-Presidential Candidates To Disclose Their Federal Income Tax Returns"

H.P. 980  L.D. 1422

Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed.
Pursuant to Statute
Department of Health and Human Services

(1-34) Report of the Department of Health and Human Services, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 and approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council asks leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 29, Allowances for Support Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorder, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 977  L.D. 1419

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

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

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Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-35) Aaron Wilcox, of Alton, Soccer Coach at Bangor Christian School, who has recently been selected as National High School Boys Soccer Coach of the Year in the Private-Parochial Division by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. His team had a 14-0 record this past season and won the State Class D championship. We extend to Mr. Wilcox our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 212

(1-36) Valery Gillis, of Glenburn, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send our congratulations to her on this accomplishment;

HLS 213

(1-37) the Vinalhaven School Girls Basketball Team, of Vinalhaven, which won the Class D State Championship. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 214

(1-38) the Mount Desert Island High School One Act Team, of Bar Harbor, which won the State One Act Championships for the team's performance of The Insanity of Mary Girard. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 215
Aaron Thibodeau, of West Enfield, a senior at Penobscot Valley High School, who is a recipient of a 2017 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Aaron on his receiving this award;

HLS 216

Jeffrey Garfield, of Lowell, a senior at Mattanawcook Academy, who is a recipient of a 2017 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Jeffrey on his receiving this award;

HLS 218

Toby Laconte, of Boothbay, a special education teacher at Boothbay Region Elementary School, who is being presented with the Rotary Lifetime Service Award by the Rotary Club of Boothbay Harbor for her 40 years of service to the Boothbay region community. Ms. Laconte has been an advocate for special needs children and a champion of the Special Olympics across the State and the country. We extend to Ms. Laconte our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 220

the Windham High School Girls Basketball Team, of Windham, which won the Maine Principals' Association Class AA North Sportsmanship Award. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 221

the Windham High School Wrestling Team, of Windham, which won the Maine Principals' Association Class A North Sportsmanship Award. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 222

Jenna Hanrahan, of Farmington, a sophomore at Mt. Blue High School, who was named the 2017 Morning Sentinel Girls Alpine Skier of the Year. We extend to Jenna our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 223

Tucker Barber, of Wilton, a senior at Mt. Blue High School, who was named the 2017 Morning Sentinel Boys Nordic Skier of the Year. We extend to Tucker our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 224

Julia Ramsey, of New Sharon, a senior at Mt. Blue High School, who was named the 2017 Morning Sentinel Girls Nordic Skier of the Year. We extend to Julia our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 225

Miles Pelletier, of Industry, a senior at Mt. Blue High School, who was named the 2017 Morning Sentinel Boys Alpine Skier of the Year. We extend to Miles our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 226
(1-48) Chance David Bragan, of Presque Isle, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 171, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. For his Eagle Scout project, Chance designed, planned and built 2 new dugouts for a community baseball field. We extend our congratulations to Chance on this achievement;

HLS 227

(1-49) Ruth Applin, of Wiscasset, who is celebrating her 100th Birthday on April 16, 2017. We extend to Mrs. Applin our congratulations on her birthday and offer her our best wishes;

HLS 229

(1-50) Gregory Morse, of Westbrook, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 70, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. For his Eagle Scout project, Gregory built a platform and set of stairs for the Windham/Raymond rod and gun club. We extend our congratulations to Gregory on this achievement;

HLS 230

(1-51) Eugene Walsh, of Newcastle, who celebrated his 100th Birthday on February 23, 2017. We extend to Mr. Walsh our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 231

(1-52) the Maine Central Institute Football Team, of Pittsfield, which won the 2016 Class D State Championship. Members of the team include players Dominic Wilson, Zyanthony Moss, Adam Bertrand, Josh Buker, Seth McCarron, David Young, Pedro Matos, Devon Varney, Nolan Berthelette, Andrew Whitaker, Clark Morrison, Isaac Bussell, Tyler Staples, Blake Frost, Clayton Hanlon, Travis Brunette, Will Russell, Eli Bussell, Willie Moss, Thomas Schellen, Matt Singh, Jeff Boutwell, Xavier Moss, Tucker Sharples, Kempton Roy, TJ Kuespert, Daniel Shute, Aaron Noonan, Daniel Pratts, Seth Bussell, Kazuma Yamamoto, Ryan Paradis, Jack Morton, Nathan Torres, Kurt Larochelle, Kyle Patton, Sam Tilton, Caleb Gilbert, Aaron Schanck, Henry McWilliams, Chase Immediato, Matthew Rumery, P.J. Plummer and Harrison Sites; assistant coaches Woody Moore, Lincoln Robinson, Eric Day, Bob Bussell, Adam Pomeroy, Corey Bussell and Alex Bertrand; and head coach Tom Bertrand. Josh Buker was named the Morning Sentinel Football Player of the Year, and Tom Bertrand was named the Morning Sentinel Football Coach of the Year. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 232

(1-53) the Portland High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team, of Portland, which won the 2017 Maine Class AA State Championship. This is the team's 3rd state title in 4 consecutive years of championship games. Members of the team include Charles Lyall, Clay Hardy, Tom Joyce, John Benton, Ben Fisher, Quinn Clark, Lino Ben, Manny Yugu, Terion Moss, Griffin Foley, Simon Chadbourne, Trey Bellew, Pedro Fonseca and Lewis Gaddas; assistant coaches Joe Giordano, Carmine Rumo and Jeff Hogan; and head coach Joseph Russo. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 233
Camryn Berry, of Livermore, a senior at Spruce Mountain High School, who is a recipient of a 2017 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Camryn on her receiving this award;

Come from the House, READ and PASSED.

Joint Resolutions

The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 947

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAINE'S REALTORS

WHEREAS, the Maine Association of REALTORS® has nearly 4,500 members actively involved in the business of real estate and it has approximately 450 affiliate members, including lenders, appraisers, title companies, building inspectors, surveyors and insurance providers; and

WHEREAS, the not-for-profit association provides each member with an equal voice and representation in the real estate profession, serving members in all 16 Maine counties and in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the benefit that the Maine Association of REALTORS® provides to Maine's economy includes not only the money spent and reinvested in the sale price of a property, but all those services and expenditures that occur in relation to a property transaction, both for a buyer and a seller; and

WHEREAS, according to national statistics, it is estimated that one job is generated for every 2 home sales and that each home sale contributes about $60,000 to the economy; and

WHEREAS, the real estate market in Maine is recovering, as evidenced by the number of home sales increasing by more than 12% to 20,296 homes sold in 2016 with a value of $4,760,000,000; and

WHEREAS, home ownership has been enhanced by the work in Maine of the public and private sectors to provide housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS, expanding home ownership will strengthen our State and its families and communities, enhance our economy and create jobs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, take this opportunity to recognize the Maine Association of REALTORS® and its members for their positive contributions to and the significant role they play in the lives of Maine citizens and their communities and that their service and dedication to this State are a tribute to those values and principles that we all hold dear; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Maine Association of REALTORS® and its 11 local association boards.

Comes from the House, READ and ADOPTED.
Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(1-56) the Honorable Calvin Augustus Thompson, of Lincoln, who served as a member of the House of Representatives during the 116th Legislature. Mr. Thompson was a successful farmer, logger and businessman. In 1960 he received the Outstanding Young Farmer for Penobscot County award, in 1987 the Outstanding Achievement Award from Lee Academy and in 1992 the Maine Outstanding Logger Award from the Maine Forest Products Council and the Northeast Division Outstanding Logger Award from the American Pulpwood Association. He was a member of Horeb Lodge #93, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and belonged to all the Scottish Rite bodies, including the Anah Shriners in Bangor. Mr. Thompson will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 66 years, Dorothy, and his family, friends and colleagues;

HLS 217

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(1-57) Pauline P. Davis, of Machias and a former longtime resident of Bethel. Mrs. Davis worked at Gould Academy as secretary to the headmaster from 1959 to 1990 and later as a proofreader at The Bethel Citizen before retiring at 85 years of age. Mrs. Davis will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and colleagues;

HLS 219

Come from the House READ and ADOPTED.
COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 284

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION & FORESTRY

April 11, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th 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 Dr. Curtis C. Bohlen, Ph.D. of Pownal, for reappointment to the Board of Pesticides Control.

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 2 Davis of Piscataquis, Dill of Penobscot
Representatives 9 Dunphy of Old Town, Black of Wilton, Chapman of Brooksville, Higgins of Dover-Foxcroft, Kinney of Knox, Martin of Sinclair, McElwee of Caribou, O'Neil of Saco, Skolfield of Weld

NAYS 0

ABSENT 2 Sen. Saviello of Franklin, Rep. Ackley of Monmouth

Eleven 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 Dr. Curtis C. Bohlen, Ph.D. of Pownal, for reappointment to the Board of Pesticides Control be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Paul T. Davis S/Michelle Ann
Dunphy Dunphy
Senate Chair House Chair
The Following Communication:

S.C. 285

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION & FORESTRY

April 11, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th 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 Deven M. Morrill of Westbrook, for reappointment to the Board of Pesticides Control.

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 Davis of Piscataquis, Dill of Penobscot, Saviello of Franklin

Representatives 9 Dunphy of Old Town, Black of Wilton, Chapman of Brooksville, Higgins of Dover-Foxcroft, Kinney of Knox, Martin of Sinclair, McElwee of Caribou, O'Neil of Saco, Skolfield of Weld

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1 Rep. Ackley of Monmouth

Twelve 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 Deven M. Morrill of Westbrook, for reappointment to the Board of Pesticides Control be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Paul T. Davis 
Dunphy
Senate Chair

S/Michelle Ann
House Chair
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION & FORESTRY

April 11, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th 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 James R. May of Mapleton, for appointment 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 2

YEAS Representatives 9

Davis of Piscataquis, Dill of Penobscot

Dunphy of Old Town, Black of Wilton, Chapman of Brookville, Higgins of Dover-Foxcroft, Kinney of Knox, Martin of Sinclair, McElwee of Caribou, O'Neil of Saco, Skolfield of Weld

NAYS 0

ABSENT 2

Sen. Saviello of Franklin, Rep. Ackley of Monmouth

Eleven 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 James R. May of Mapleton, for appointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Paul T. Davis
Dunphy
Senate Chair

S/Michelle Ann

House Chair
The Following Communication:

S.C. 295

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

April 11, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th 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 Transportation has had under consideration the nomination of B. Charles Large of Lewiston, for appointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority.

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  Collins of York, Miramant of Knox, Rosen of Hancock

Representatives  10  McLean of Gorham, Austin of Skowhegan, Bryant of Windham, Cebra of Naples, Gillway of Searsport, Grant of Gardiner, Parry of Arundel, Perkins of Oakland, Schneck of Bangor, Sheats of Auburn

NAYS  0

ABSENT  0

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 B. Charles Large of Lewiston, for appointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Ronald F. Collins  S/Andrew J. McLean
Senate Chair  House Chair
April 11, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th 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 Transportation has had under consideration the nomination of Honorable Brian D. Hobart of Bowdoinham, for appointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority.

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 Collins of York, Miramant of Knox, Rosen of Hancock
Representatives 10 McLean of Gorham, Austin of Skowhegan, Bryant of Windham, Cebra of Naples, Gillway of Searsport, Grant of Gardiner, Parry of Arundel, Perkins of Oakland, Schneck of Bangor, Sheats of Auburn

NAYS 0

ABSENT 0

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 Honorable Brian D. Hobart of Bowdoinham, for appointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Ronald F. Collins  S/Andrew J. McLean
Senate Chair  House Chair
April 11, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th 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 Transportation has had under consideration the nomination of Robert D. Stone of Auburn, for reappointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority, Board of Directors.

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
Collins of York, Miramant of Knox, Rosen of Hancock

Representatives 10
McLean of Gorham, Austin of Skowhegan, Bryant of Windham, Cebra of Naples, Gillway of Searsport, Grant of Gardiner, Parry of Arundel, Perkins of Oakland, Schneck of Bangor, Sheats of Auburn

NAYS 0

ABSENT 0

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 Robert D. Stone of Auburn, for reappointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Ronald F. Collins
Senate Chair

S/Andrew J. McLean
House Chair
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

April 11, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, Senate President
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon,

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

L.D. 418  An Act To Educate the Public on the Proper Use of Pesticides and To Promote Integrated Pest Management Using Existing Resources

Sincerely,

Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michelle Ann Dunphy
House Chair

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Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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. 355 An Act Regarding Special Education Costs

L.D. 420 An Act To Require Same-year State Valuations for Education Funding Purposes for Municipalities That Lose More Than 35 Percent of Their Tax Base

L.D. 679 An Act To Reform School Testing Procedures

L.D. 753 Resolve, To Promote Internet Safety in Schools

L.D. 862 Resolve, To Establish a Pilot Program To Install Video Cameras in School Buses

L.D. 865 Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Determine the Effectiveness and Success of Charter Schools

L.D. 866 An Act To Provide Additional Funds to Schools That Offer Residential Options

L.D. 941 An Act To Facilitate the Purchase of Textbooks for Low-income College Students

L.D. 1026 An Act To Assist Student Achievement

This is notification of the Committee’s action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Brian D. Langley  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Tori P. Kornfield  
House Chair
April 12, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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. 153 An Act Regarding Transportation of Methadone Patients
- L.D. 326 An Act Regarding the Licensing of Family Foster Homes
- L.D. 530 An Act To Ensure Medical Assessments for Youth in Foster Care
- L.D. 531 An Act Regarding the Drug Crisis and Ensuring Access to HIV Testing
- L.D. 1054 Resolve, To Expand Research To Fight Lyme Disease

This is notification of the Committee’s action.

Sincerely,

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

- L.D. 222 An Act Regarding Maine's Moose Lottery
- L.D. 506 An Act To Allow Reciprocal Recognition of New Hampshire and Maine Snowmobile Registrations
- L.D. 729 An Act To Make Maine's Public Boat Launching Ramps Accessible by Persons with Physical Disabilities
- L.D. 844 An Act To Make Excessive Boat Noise a Public Nuisance
- L.D. 933 An Act To Prohibit Personal Watercraft on Third Pond in Blue Hill

This is notification of the Committee’s action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Scott W. Cyrway  
Senate Chair  

House Chair
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

April 07, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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

   L.D. 722    An Act Regarding Uninsured Vehicle Coverage
   L.D. 870    An Act To Protect Life Insurance Beneficiaries
   L.D. 920    An Act Regarding Credit Card Interest Rates

This is notification of the Committee’s action.

Sincerely,

Senate Chair                   House Chair
April 07, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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

L.D. 614  An Act To Establish a Presumption of Heart Disease or Hypertension in the Line of Duty for Corrections Officers under the Workers' Compensation Laws

L.D. 776  An Act To Promote Fairness for Rural Maine Residents by Regulating Fuel Prices

L.D. 927  An Act To Establish a Presumption of Impairment of Health in the Line of Duty for Corrections Employees under the Workers' Compensation Laws

This is notification of the Committee’s action.

Sincerely,

Senate Chair  House Chair
April 07, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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

- **L.D. 431** An Act To Ensure Participation and Equity in the Shellfish Depuration Certification and Compensation Process for Municipalities
- **L.D. 646** An Act Regarding Municipal and Regional Shellfish Management Programs
- **L.D. 706** An Act To Increase the Quota for Smelts for Commercial Pelagic and Anadromous Fishing License Holders

This is notification of the Committee’s action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joyce A. Maker  
Senate Chair

House Chair
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. 120: An Act To Impose a Three-month Loss of a Driver's License for Driving While Texting
- L.D. 216: Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Erect Signs on Interstate 95 Directing Motorists to Lincoln
- L.D. 436: An Act To Allow Intermediate Driver's License Holders To Drive between Midnight and 5:00 a.m. for School Activities
- L.D. 542: An Act To Increase Railroad Freight Safety
- L.D. 709: An Act Regarding the License Restrictions for New Drivers
- L.D. 710: An Act Regarding Emergency Lights on Firefighters' Personal Vehicles Used When Responding to Emergency Calls
- L.D. 711: An Act To Revise the Laws Governing Learner's Permits and Intermediate Driver's Licenses and Driver Education Textbook Requirements
- L.D. 787: An Act To Ease the Financial Burden on Maine Motorists by Repealing the Requirement That Certain Motor Vehicles Be Inspected
- L.D. 788: An Act To Require Motor Vehicles To Be Registered on a Biennial Basis
- L.D. 789: Resolve, To Require Infrastructure Projects Affecting Interstate 295 To Be Expedited

This is notification of the Committee’s action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ronald F. Collins
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Andrew J. McLean
House Chair
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

April 07, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
128th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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. 793  An Act To Limit Campaign Independent Expenditures
L.D. 950  Resolve, To Study Using Blockchain Technology in Conjunction
          with Paper Ballots in Maine Elections (EMERGENCY)

This is notification of the Committee’s action.

Sincerely,

Senate Chair  House Chair
STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

11 April 2017

The 128th Legislature of the State of Maine
State House
Augusta, ME

Dear Honorable Members of the 128th Legislature:

Under the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am hereby vetoing LD 97, “An Act To Establish Speed Limits at Loring Commerce Centre and Brunswick Landing.”

This bill allows the Department of Transportation and the Maine State Police to establish speed limits within the private property of the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority in Brunswick and the Loring Development Authority of Maine in Limestone.

I am very concerned about the precedent this bill will set. The state should not be responsible for establishing speed limits on private property. If this bill becomes law, what process in the future will be used to determine which private ways will have the privilege of speed limits established by the state? Please consider this carefully as you vote on this veto.

For this reason, I return LD 97 unsigned and vetoed. I strongly urge the Legislature to sustain it.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-17) The accompanying Bill "An Act To Establish Speed Limits at Loring Commerce Centre and Brunswick Landing" (EMERGENCY)
April 7, 2017

The 128th Legislature of the State of Maine
State House
Augusta, Maine

Dear Honorable Members of the 128th Legislature:

Under the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am hereby vetoing LD 329 "An Act Concerning the Law Governing the Posting of Newspaper Legal Notices and the Statewide Repository for Legal Notices."

Because we are now well into the Information Age, and given the ubiquity of the internet in our modern life, I believe that it is good policy for legal notices to be posted online. However, I also believe that requiring legal notices to be printed in newspapers at a fee does nothing but prop up a dying, antiquated industry. This requirement is a taxpayer subsidy of the worst sort. It serves to blur the line between a free press and one dependent on the State for revenue.

In the future, I would like the Legislature to explore whether we may eliminate the mandate that legal notices are posted in newspapers, but still maintain adequate notice to the public by posting online notification.

Because I think the issue of legal notices still requires attention, I cannot support this bill. For this reason, I return LD 329 unsigned and vetoed. I urge the Legislature to sustain it.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-19) The accompanying Bill "An Act Concerning the Law Governing the Posting of Newspaper Legal Notices and the Statewide Repository for Legal Notices"

H.P. 243  L.D. 329

Comes from the House with the VETO OVERRIDEEN and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENACTED, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.
April 7, 2017

The 128th Legislature of the State of Maine
State House
Augusta, Maine

Dear Honorable Members of the 128th Legislature:

Under the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am hereby vetoing LD 7, "An Act To Allow Conveyance of Land Previously Conveyed by the State to the Town of Bridgton."

This bill gives the town of Bridgton the ability to convey non-waterfront portions of a piece of property held for public use, if the town determines the portion to be conveyed have no identifiable public use. It also requires that revenues received by the town from such conveyance be held in a trust for parks and recreational purposes.

The state conveyed this parcel of land to the town in the 1970s with deed restrictions limiting its uses for recreational purposes. If the town does not have a use for portions of this property, which was conveyed for specific public purposes, then it should revert back to the state, and the state should benefit from the sale of the parcel or portions thereof.

For this reason, I return LD 7 unsigned and vetoed. I strongly urge the Legislature to sustain it.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-21) The accompanying Bill "An Act To Allow Conveyance of Land Previously Conveyed by the State to the Town of Bridgton"

H.P. 8  L.D. 7

Comes from the House with the VETO OVERRIDDEN and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENACTED, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.
SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Bill "An Act Regarding Large-scale Community Solar Procurement"
      S.P. 499  L.D. 1444

Presented by Senator WOODSOME of York.
Cosponsored by Representative HARVELL of Farmington, Representative BERRY of
Bowdoinham and Senators: DION of Cumberland, SAVIELLO of Franklin, Representatives:
GROHMAN of Biddeford, HARRINGTON of Sanford, HIGGINS of Dover-Foxcroft,
SAMPSON of Alfred, SANBORN of Portland.

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

(3-2) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing MaineCare Eligibility Determination For
Applicants To Nursing Homes"
      S.P. 494  L.D. 1424

Presented by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative FAY of Raymond and Senators: DESCHAMBAULT of York,
SAVIELLO of Franklin, Representatives: CAMPBELL of Orrington, DUCHESNE of Hudson,
HARLOW of Portland, PIERCE of Dresden, ZEIGLER of Montville.

(3-3) Bill "An Act To Repeal the Laws Governing the Mental Health Homicide, Suicide and
Aggravated Assault Review Board"
      S.P. 495  L.D. 1425

Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint
Order 2017, S.P. 404.

Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES suggested and ordered printed.

(3-4) Bill "An Act To Promote Biosecurity and Better Regulate the Importation, Possession and
Use of Aquatic Species"
      S.P. 502  L.D. 1451

Presented by Senator VOLK of Cumberland.

Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE suggested and ordered printed.
(3-5) Bill "An Act To Raise the Debtor's Exemption on Vehicles and To Exempt Amounts Rolled Over from 401(k) or 403(b) Accounts to Individual Retirement Accounts"

S.P. 497  L.D. 1442

Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook.

Committee on JUDICIARY suggested and ordered printed.

(3-6) Bill "An Act To Update Professional and Occupational Licensing Laws"

S.P. 498  L.D. 1443

Presented by Senator VOLK of Cumberland.

Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

(3-7) Bill "An Act To Promote Workforce Development and Provide an Economic Stimulus for Maine-based Filmmakers and Supporting Businesses"

S.P. 501  L.D. 1450

Presented by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York.

Cosponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Biddeford and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, CHENETTE of York, SAVIELLO of Franklin, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, LONGSTAFF of Waterville.

Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT suggested and ordered printed.

(3-8) Bill "An Act To Allow the Use of Bioptic or Telescopic Corrective Lenses To Meet the Vision Examination Requirements for a Class C Driver's License" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 496  L.D. 1426

Presented by Senator VOLK of Cumberland.


Committee on TRANSPORTATION suggested and ordered printed.
ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) Milton Calder, of Cumberland, who is retiring as a lieutenant of the Cumberland Police Department. Lieutenant Calder worked for the Cumberland County Sheriff’s Office from 1980 to 1984 and for the Cumberland Police Department from 1984 to 1991. He served as a reserve officer and returned to the department full time in 1997. He was promoted to sergeant in 2005 and to lieutenant in 2007. In 2016, he served as acting chief. We extend to Lieutenant Calder our congratulations on his retirement and offer him our best wishes;

SLS 183
Sponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative: DENNO of Cumberland.

(4-2) the Calvary Christian Academy Swordsmen, of Turner, which won the A.C.E.L. Basketball Championship. Members of the team include players Curtis Blodgett, Aidan Kelley, Michael Scollon, CJ Grimbilas, Brian Hewitt, Jesse Stevens, Jared Berry, Caleb Chabe, Jonny Conner, Darin Hewitt, Isaac Staples, Kemuel Stevens, Joshua Berry, Alexandar Case, Jordan Fournier and Caleb Staples; junior varsity coach Jon Case; and coach Wes Clark. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 184
Sponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representatives: MASON of Lisbon, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

(4-3) Lillian Tapia, of Van Buren, who is celebrating her 100th Birthday on July 28, 2017. We extend to Ms. Tapia our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 185
Sponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representatives: MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MARTIN of Sinclair.

(4-4) Ann Marie Violette, of Van Buren, who celebrated her 100th Birthday on April 11, 2017. We extend to Ms. Violette our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 186
Sponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representatives: MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MARTIN of Sinclair.

(4-5) Gerald and Sheril Peters, of Sangerville, who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on April 15, 2017. We extend to Mr. and Mrs. Peters our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 187
Sponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.
Cosponsored by Representative: STEARNS of Guilford.
(4-6) Richard M. Brown, of Dover-Foxcroft, on his retirement as Chief Executive Officer of the Charlotte White Center, a comprehensive social service and health care agency serving adults and children. Mr. Brown joined the center as its director when it opened in 1979 and has overseen its growth from serving 15 individuals to serving over 1,200 individuals and families. We extend to Mr. Brown our congratulations on his retirement and offer him our best wishes; SLS 188

Sponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.
Cosponsored by Representative: HIGGINS of Dover-Foxcroft.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass


Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

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

(5-2) The Committee on JUDICIARY on Bill "An Act To Make Technical Changes to the Laws Governing Child Support" H.P. 270  L.D. 364

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.
(5-3) The Committee on JUDICIARY on Bill "An Act To Waive Background Checks for the Parent of a Child Who Is the Subject of an Adoption Proceeding"

H.P. 271  L.D. 365

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

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

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Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-4) The Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Increase Voter Knowledge by Placing the Amount of the Total Current Bond Debt on Each Ballot That Contains a Bond Issue"

H.P. 232  L.D. 299

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-27).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-27).

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Divided Report

(5-5) The Majority of the Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY on Bill "An Act To Provide Compensation to a Corrections Officer Injured by a Patient or Prisoner"
H.P. 41  L.D. 54

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

Signed:

Senators:
   ROSEN of Hancock
   CYRWAY of Kennebec

Representatives:
   COREY of Windham
   GERRISH of Lebanon
   GROHMAN of Biddeford
   LONGSTAFF of Waterville
   NADEAU of Winslow

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Signed:

Senator:
   DIAMOND of Cumberland

Representatives:
   WARREN of Hallowell
   HERRICK of Paris
   MAREAN of Hollis
   RECKITT of South Portland

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

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(5-6) Senator MASON for the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Modify the Amount of Product Samples of Malt Liquor, Wine or Spirits That May Be Provided to Retail Licensees"

S.P. 142  L.D. 415

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


(5-7) Senator DAVIS for the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT on Bill "An Act To Authorize Moving the Town Line between Baileyville and Baring Plantation"

S.P. 331  L.D. 992

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-26)**.


(5-8) Senator DOW for the Committee on TAXATION on Bill "An Act To Provide a Sales Tax Exemption for Career and Technical Student Organizations"

S.P. 28  L.D. 79

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-27)**.
(5-9) The Majority of the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act Regarding the Sale of Alcohol by a Manufacturer with an On-premises Retail License"
S.P. 129  L.D. 388

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-25).**

Signed:

Senators:
   CARPENTER of Aroostook
   COLLINS of York

Representatives:
   LUCHINI of Ellsworth
   CASÁS of Rockport
   DILLINGHAM of Oxford
   HICKMAN of Winthrop
   LONGSTAFF of Waterville
   MONAGHAN of Cape Elizabeth
   SCHNECK of Bangor
   WHITE of Washburn

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

Signed:

Senator:
   MASON of Androscoggin

Representatives:
   FARRIN of Norridgewock
   HANINGTON of Lincoln

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SECOND READERS

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

**House As Amended**

(6-1) Bill "An Act To Clarify That the Department of Transportation Is Exempt from Property Assessment Liabilities When Acquiring Property by Condemnation"

H.P. 284  L.D. 393  (C "A" H-23)

**Senate**

(6-2) Bill "An Act To Except from the Freedom of Access Act Certain Information in the Possession of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System"

S.P. 137  L.D. 410

(6-3) Bill "An Act To Ensure Direct Dialing of 911 from Multiline Telephone Systems"

S.P. 271  L.D. 825

**Senate As Amended**

(6-4) Bill "An Act To Prohibit Insurance Carriers from Retroactively Reducing Payment on Clean Claims Submitted by Pharmacies"

S.P. 10  L.D. 6  (C "A" S-22)

(6-5) Bill "An Act To Require National Banks To Cooperate in the Administration of the General Assistance Program"

S.P. 85  L.D. 239  (C "A" S-24)

(6-6) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Prior Employees of the Workers' Compensation Board"

S.P. 101  L.D. 313  (C "A" S-23)

(6-7) Bill "An Act To Prohibit Taxpayer-funded Campaign Expenditures from Being Used on Post-election Parties"

S.P. 135  L.D. 408  (C "A" S-20)

(6-8) Bill "An Act To Allow Campgrounds To Obtain Licenses To Operate Beano or Bingo Games"

S.P. 148  L.D. 446  (C "A" S-21)
ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

(7-1) An Act To Update References to the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986 Contained in the Maine Revised Statutes

S.P. 285  L.D. 885

Acts

(7-2) An Act To Allow Alternate Flashing Headlights on a School Bus

H.P. 29  L.D. 28

(7-3) An Act Regarding Public Service Berthing Vessels Licensed for the Sale of Liquor

S.P. 34  L.D. 85
(C "A" S-11)

(7-4) An Act To Allow Vehicles Hauling Animal Bedding To Travel over County or Town Ways without a Permit

H.P. 164  L.D. 208
(C "A" H-13)

(7-5) An Act To Require State Compliance with Federal REAL ID Guidelines

S.P. 92  L.D. 306
(C "A" S-17)

(7-6) An Act To Correct the Maine Uniform Trust Code Concerning Certain Beneficiaries

H.P. 245  L.D. 331
ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

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

1.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act To Enhance Access to Affordable Health Care"

I.B. 2 L.D. 1039

Tabled - March 21, 2017, by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Pending - REFERENCE

(In House, REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.)

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Sybil Riemensnider, of South Portland

SLS 127

Tabled - March 21, 2017, by Senator MASON of Androscoggin

Pending - PASSAGE

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Greater Portland Transit District METRO

SLS 129

Tabled - March 21, 2017, by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland

Pending - PASSAGE
4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - To Create the Maine Health Advisory Committee

S.P. 451

Tabled - April 4, 2017, by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot

Pending - motion by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot to PASS

5.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act To Promote Prescription Drug Price Transparency"

S.P. 484  L.D. 1406

Tabled - April 11, 2017, by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Pending - REFERENCE

(Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES suggested and ordered printed.)

6.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act To Separate the Authorities under the Licenses for Property and Casualty Insurance Adjusters and Workers' Compensation Insurance Adjusters"

S.P. 323  L.D. 984

Tabled - April 11, 2017, by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset

Pending - REFERENCE

(Committee on INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES suggested and ordered printed.)

(In Senate, April 4, 2017, RECALLED From Legislative Files pursuant to Joint Order SP 452.)

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE

L.D. 130 - S.P. 49 (C "A" S-9)