In compliance with a proclamation of Governor Paul R. LePage, the Senators convened in the Senate Chamber at ten o'clock in the morning and were called to order by President Michael D. Thibodeau of Waldo County.

Prayer by Reverend Susan Berry Taylor, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Winthrop.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Susan A. Deschambault of York County.

Doctor of the day, Robert Chagrasulis, M.D. of Casco.
WHEREAS, the Legislature of this State should meet in special session to consider legislation to correct an issue in LD 725, “An Act to Recognize Local Control Regarding Food Systems” which was passed by the Legislature and signed into law during the last legislative session and is scheduled to go into effect on November 1, 2017 and to appropriate to state agencies funding for the Maine Office of Geographic Information Systems (MEGIS); and

WHEREAS, the proposed legislative changes to LD 725 is designed to promote the continued inspection of meat, poultry, fish and milk by federal and state inspectors to ensure compliance with federal and state food safety laws, rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, compliance with federal and state food safety laws, rules and regulations promotes the public health and welfare of all people in the State of Maine and prevents negative economic impacts to the economy of the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS, the budget passed by the Legislature to end the government shutdown did not allocate money from the general fund to state agencies for the MEGIS program, and the program has been operating with funds that were carried over from the previous fiscal year of 2017; and

WHEREAS, MEGIS provides critical services at the state, regional and local level across Maine in support of economic development activities and public safety; and

WHEREAS, State Agencies have funding until November 2017 and without appropriations from the Legislature, MEGIS and the State’s ability to adequately provide Geographic Information System services will be in extreme jeopardy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul R. LePage, Governor of the State of Maine, by the virtue of the power vested in me as Governor by Article V, Part 1, Section 13 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, convene the Legislature of this State, hereby requiring the Representatives and the Senators to assemble at ten o’clock in the morning in their respective chambers at the Capitol in Augusta on, Monday, October 23, 2017, in order to receive communications, and to consider and determine on such measures as in their judgment will best promote the welfare of the State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this Twenty-ninth Day of September Two Thousand Seventeen

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

S(Matthew Dunlap
Secretary of State
TRUE ATTESTED COPY

QUORUM CALL
Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator MASON of Androscoggin, the following Senate Order:

S.O. 19

Ordered, that a message be sent to Governor Paul R. LePage, informing him that a quorum of Senators is assembled in the Senate Chamber for the consideration of such business as may come before the Senate.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot, the following Senate Order:

S.O. 20

Ordered, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives informing that Body that a quorum of Senators is present for the consideration of such business as may come before the Senate.
COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 649

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

October 12, 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 David C. Adams of Mapleton, for appointment 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 8  Dunphy of Old Town, Ackley of Monmouth, Black of Wilton, Higgins of Dover-Foxcroft, Kinney of Knox, Martin of Sinclair, O'Neil of Saco, Skolfield of Weld

NAYS 0

Representatives 1  Chapman of Brooksville


Ten members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and one in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of David C. Adams of Mapleton, for appointment to the Board of Pesticides Control be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Paul T. Davis, Sr.  S/Michelle Ann
Dunphy  Dunphy
Senate Chair  House Chair
October 12, 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 the Honorable Michael J. Timmons of Cumberland, for appointment to the Maine State Harness Racing 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 Davis of Piscataquis, Dill of Penobscot
Representatives 10 Dunphy of Old Town, Ackley of Monmouth, 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 Sen. Saviello of Franklin

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 the Honorable Michael J. Timmons of Cumberland, for appointment to the Maine State Harness Racing Commission be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Paul T. Davis, Sr. S/Michelle Ann
Dunphy Dunphy
Senate Chair House Chair
October 12, 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 the Honorable Gary W. Reed of Falmouth, for reappointment to the State Harness Racing 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
Davis of Piscataquis, Dill of Penobscot

Representatives 10
Dunphy of Old Town, Ackley of Monmouth, 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** 1
Sen. Saviello of Franklin

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 the Honorable Gary W. Reed of Falmouth, for reappointment to the State Harness Racing Commission be confirmed.

Signed,

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

S.C. 652

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

October 13, 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 Appropriations and Financial Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Alexander E. Porteous of Portland, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services.

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:

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Eight 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 Alexander E. Porteous of Portland, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services be confirmed.

Signed,

S/James M. Hamper  
Senate Chair  

S/Drew M. Gattine  
House Chair
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

October 20, 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Patricia A. Duran of Hermon, for reappointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees.

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  Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington
Representatives 7  Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque Isle

NAYS 0


Nine 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 Patricia A. Duran of Hermon, for reappointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley  S/Tori P. Kornfield
Senate Chair  House Chair
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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Emily G. Smith of Presque Isle, for appointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees.

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  
Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque Isle

Representatives 7  
Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington

**NAYS** 0

**ABSENT** 4  

Nine 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 Emily G. Smith of Presque Isle, for appointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley  
Senate Chair

S/Tori P. Kornfield  
House Chair
The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

October 20, 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of James Douglas Wellington, Esq. of Castine, for reappointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees.

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 Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington

Representatives 7 Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque Isle

NAYS 0


Nine 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 Douglas Wellington, Esq. of Castine, for reappointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley  S/Tori P. Kornfield
Senate Chair  House Chair
The Following Communication:

S.C. 674

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

October 20, 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Andre A. Smith of North Yarmouth, for appointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees.

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 Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington
Representatives 7 Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque Isle

NAYS 0


Nine 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 Andre A. Smith of North Yarmouth, for appointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley S/Tori P. Kornfield
Senate Chair House Chair
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

October 20, 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Jay M. Hibbard of Portland, for appointment to the Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation, Board of Trustees.

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 Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington
Representatives 7 Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque Isle

NAYS 0


Nine 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 Jay M. Hibbard of Portland, for appointment to the Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley  S/Tori P. Kornfield
Senate Chair  House Chair

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STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

October 20, 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Terry L. Morrell of Gorham, for appointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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 Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington
Representatives 7 Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque Isle

NAYS 0


Nine 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 Terry L. Morrell of Gorham, for appointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley S/Tori P. Kornfield
Senate Chair House Chair
The Following Communication:

S.C. 681

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

October 20, 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Michelle S. Ames of Portland, for reappointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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 Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington

Representatives  7 Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque Isle

NAYS 0


Nine 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 Michelle S. Ames of Portland, for reappointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley  S/Tori P. Kornfield
Senate Chair  House Chair
The Following Communication:

S.C. 682

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

October 20, 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of John G. Shattuck of New Castle, for reappointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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 Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington Representatives 7 Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque Isle

NAYS 0


Nine 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 John G. Shattuck of New Castle, for reappointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley S/Tori P. Kornfield
Senate Chair House Chair
October 20, 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of the Honorable Wendy L. Ault of Wayne, for appointment to the State Board of Education.

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 Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington
Representatives 6 Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred

NAYS 0


Eight 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 the Honorable Wendy L. Ault of Wayne, for appointment to the State Board of Education be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley  S/Tori P. Kornfield
Senate Chair  House Chair
The Following Communication:

S.C. 679

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

October 20, 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Elizabeth M. Timm of Falmouth, for appointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees.

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

         Representatives 7

NAYS    0

ABSENT  4

Nine members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Elizabeth M. Timm of Falmouth, for appointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley  S/Tori P. Kornfield
Senate Chair        House Chair
The Following Communication:  

S.C. 653

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

October 18, 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 Energy, Utilities and Technology has had under consideration the nomination of Donald C. Lewis, Jr. of Brewer, for reappointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board.

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 1 Woodsome of York
Representatives 7 Berry of Bowdoinham, Cooper of Yarmouth, Hanley of Pittston, Harvell of Farmington, O'Connor of Berwick, Rykerson of Kittery, Wadsworth of Hiram

NAYS
Senators 1 Dion of Cumberland
Representatives 3 DeChant of Bath, Riley of Jay, Sanborn of Portland

ABSENT 1 Sen. Cushing of Penobscot

Eight members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and four in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Donald C. Lewis, Jr. of Brewer, for reappointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board be confirmed.

Signed,

S/David Woodsome
Senate Chair

S/Seth A. Berry
House Chair
In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology has had under consideration the nomination of Randall D. Davis of Smithfield, for appointment to the Public Utilities 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 Woodsome of York, Dion of Cumberland
Representatives 10 Berry of Bowdoinham, Cooper of Yarmouth, DeChant of Bath, Hanley of Pittston, Harvell of Farmington, O'Conner of Berwick, Riley of Jay, Rykerson of Kittery, Sanborn of Portland, Wadsworth of Hiram

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1 Sen. Cushing of Penobscot

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 Randall D. Davis of Smithfield, for appointment to the Public Utilities Commission be confirmed.

Signed,

S/David Woodsome S/Seth A. Berry
Senate Chair House Chair

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The Following Communication:

S.C. 678

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

October 20, 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 Health and Human Services has had under consideration the nomination of Albert Ricker Hamilton, Jr. of Falmouth, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Health and Human Services.

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
  - Brakey of Androscoggin, Hamper of Oxford
- Representatives 8
  - Hymanson of York, Chace of Durham, Denno of Cumberland, Head of Bethel, Madigan of Waterville, Malaby of Hancock, McCreight of Harpswell, Sanderson of Chelsea

**NAYS**
- 0

**ABSENT**
- Representatives 1
  - Parker of South Berwick
- 2

Ten members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and one in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Albert Ricker Hamilton, Jr. of Falmouth, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Health and Human Services be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Eric L. Brakey  
Senate Chair

S/Patricia Hymanson  
House Chair
October 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 Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of the Honorable Bruce A. Jordan of Bangor, for reappointment as a District Court Judge.

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 Keim of Oxford, Whittemore of Somerset
Representatives 7 Babbidge of Kennebunk, Bailey of Saco, Bradstreet of Vassalboro, Cardone of Bangor, Guerin of Glenburn, Johansen of Monticello, Sherman of Hodgdon

NAYS 0


Nine 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 the Honorable Bruce A. Jordan of Bangor, for reappointment as a District Court Judge be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Lisa Keim S/Matthew W. Moonen
Senate Chair House Chair
(2-19) The Following Communication:

S.C. 656

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

October 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 Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of the Honorable Susan E. Oram of Lewiston, for reappointment as a District Court Judge.

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:

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Keim of Oxford, Whittemore of Somerset
Babbidge of Kennebunk, Bailey of Saco, Bradstreet of Vassalboro, Cardone of Bangor, Guerin of Glenburn, Johansen of Monticello, Sherman of Hodgdon

| NAYS   | 0         |
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| ABSENT | 4         |
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Nine 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 the Honorable Susan E. Oram of Lewiston, for reappointment as a District Court Judge be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Lisa Keim
Senate Chair

S/Matthew W. Moonen
House Chair
The Following Communication:

S.C. 657

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

October 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 Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of the Honorable Robert E. Murray, Jr. of Bangor, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice.

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 1    Keim of Oxford
Representatives 9    Babbidge of Kennebunk, Bailey of Saco, Bradstreet of Vassalboro, Cardone of Bangor, Guerin of Glenburn, Johansen of Monticello, McCreight of Harpswell, Reckitt of South Portland, Sherman of Hodgdon

NAYS 0


Ten 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 the Honorable Robert E. Murray, Jr. of Bangor, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Lisa Keim  S/Matthew W. Moonen
Senate Chair  House Chair
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON JUDICARY

October 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 Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of Honorable MaryGay Kennedy of Auburn, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice.

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 1 Keim of Oxford
Representatives 9 Babbidge of Kennebunk, Bailey of Saco, Bradstreet of Vassalboro, Cardone of Bangor, Guerin of Glenburn, Johansen of Monticello, McCraight of Harpswell, Reckitt of South Portland, Sherman of Hodgdon

NAYS 0


Ten 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 MaryGay Kennedy of Auburn, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Lisa Keim  S/Matthew W. Moonen
Senate Chair  House Chair
The Following Communication:

S.C. 659

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

October 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 Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of the Honorable Ann M. Murray of Bangor, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice.

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  Keim of Oxford, Whittemore of Somerset

Representatives  9  Babbidge of Kennebunk, Bailey of Saco, Bradstreet of Vassalboro, Cardone of Bangor, Guerin of Glenburn, Johansen of Monticello, McCready of Harpswell, Reckitt of South Portland, Sherman of Hodgdon

NAYS  0


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 the Honorable Ann M. Murray of Bangor, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Lisa Keim  S/Matthew W. Moonen
Senate Chair  House Chair
The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

October 17, 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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of James P. Violette of Waterville, for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

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 Volk of Cumberland, Bellows of Kennebec
Representatives 8 Fecteau of Biddeford, Austin of Gray, Bates of Westbrook, Doore of Augusta, Handy of Lewiston, Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkis of Canaan

NAYS 0


Ten 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 P. Violette of Waterville, for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk
Senate Chair

S/Ryan M. Fecteau
House Chair
The Following Communication: 

S.C. 663

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

October 17, 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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of James G. Howard of Topsham, for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

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 Volk of Cumberland, Bellows of Kennebec
Representatives 8 Fecteau of Biddeford, Austin of Gray, Bates of Westbrook, Doore of Augusta, Handy of Lewiston, Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkus of Canaan

NAYS 0


Ten 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 G. Howard of Topsham, for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk  
Senate Chair

S/Ryan M. Fecteau  
House Chair
October 17, 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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Amie M. Parker of Lewiston, for reappointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board.

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  Volk of Cumberland, Bellows of Kennebec  
Representatives  8  Fecteau of Biddeford, Austin of Gray, Bates of Westbrook, Doore of Augusta, Handy of Lewiston, Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkis of Canaan

NAYS  0


Ten 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 Amie M. Parker of Lewiston, for reappointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk  
Senate Chair  
S/Ryan M. Fecteau  
House Chair
The Following Communication:  

S.C. 665

STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

October 17, 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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Dennis E. Welch of Windham, for reappointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board.

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  
Volk of Cumberland, Bellows of Kennebec

Representatives 8  
Fecteau of Biddeford, Austin of Gray, Bates of Westbrook, Doore of Augusta, Handy of Lewiston, Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkus of Canaan

NAYS 0

ABSENT 3  

Ten 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 Dennis E. Welch of Windham, for reappointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk  
Senate Chair

S/Ryan M. Fecteau  
House Chair
The Following Communication:  
S.C. 666

STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT

October 17, 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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Carl A. Guignard of Lewiston, for reappointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board.

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    Volk of Cumberland, Bellows of Kennebec

Representatives  8    Fecteau of Biddeford, Austin of Gray, Bates of Westbrook, Doore of Augusta, Handy of Lewiston, Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkis of Canaan

NAYS  0


Ten 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 Carl A. Guignard of Lewiston, for reappointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board be confirmed.

Signed,
S/Amy F. Volk    S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Senate Chair    House Chair
In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Kevin P. Joseph of Oakland, for reappointment to the Maine State Housing 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  2  Volk of Cumberland, Bellows of Kennebec
Representatives  6  Fecteau of Biddeford, Austin of Gray, Bates of Westbrook, Doore of Augusta, Handy of Lewiston, Stetkus of Canaan

NAYS  0


Eight 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 Kevin P. Joseph of Oakland, for reappointment to the Maine State Housing Authority be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk  S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Senate Chair  House Chair
The Following Communication:

S.C. 661

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

October 17, 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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Lincoln J. Merrill, Jr. of North Yarmouth, for reappointment to the Maine State Housing 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 2 Volk of Cumberland, Bellows of Kennebec
   Representatives 7 Fecteau of Biddeford, Austin of Gray, Bates of Westbrook, Doore of Augusta, Handy of Lewiston, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkis of Canaan

   NAYS 0


   Nine 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 Lincoln J. Merrill, Jr. of North Yarmouth, for reappointment to the Maine State Housing Authority be confirmed.

   Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk            S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Senate Chair             House Chair
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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Jennifer J. Duddy, Esq. of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment to the Maine Unemployment Insurance 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 1  
Volk of Cumberland  
Representatives 7  
Fecteau of Biddeford, Austin of Gray, Bates of Westbrook, Handy of Lewiston, Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkis of Canaan

**NAYS**  
Senators 1  
Bellows of Kennebec  
Representatives 1  
Doore of Augusta

**ABSENT**  
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Eight members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and two in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Jennifer J. Duddy, Esq. of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment to the Maine Unemployment Insurance Commission be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk  
Senate Chair  
S/Ryan M. Fecteau  
House Chair
The Following Communication:

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

October 17, 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 State and Local Government has had under consideration the nomination of Stacey L. Morrison of Gardiner, for reappointment to the Maine Governmental Facilities 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  2  Davis of Piscataquis, Deschambault of York
         Representatives  5  Martin of Sinclair, Beebe-Center of Rockland, Hogan of Old Orchard Beach, Madigan of Rumford, Ordway of Standish

NAYS    0


Seven 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 Stacey L. Morrison of Gardiner, for reappointment to the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Paul T. Davis, Sr.  S/Danny Martin
Senate Chair        House Chair
October 17, 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 Taxation has had under consideration the nomination of the Honorable Richard A. Nass of Acton, for reappointment to the Maine Board of Tax Appeals.

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 Dow of Lincoln, Chenette of York
Representatives 9 Tipping of Orono, Bickford of Auburn, Cooper of Yarmouth, Grant of Gardiner, Pouliot of Augusta, Stanley of Medway, Tepler of Topsham, Terry of Gorham, Ward of Dedham

NAYS 0


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 the Honorable Richard A. Nass of Acton, for reappointment to the Maine Board of Tax Appeals be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Dana L. Dow  S/Ryan Tipping
Senate Chair  House Chair
The Following Communication:

S.C. 670

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

October 17, 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 Taxation has had under consideration the nomination of Douglas Kelley Young, Esq. of Portland, for appointment to the Maine Board of Tax Appeals.

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:

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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 Douglas Kelley Young, Esq. of Portland, for appointment to the Maine Board of Tax Appeals be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Dana L. Dow  
Senate Chair

S/Ryan Tipping  
House Chair
(2-34) The Following Communication:  

S.C. 671

STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

October 16, 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 Veterans and Legal Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Lawrence J. Davis of Hallowell, for reappointment to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission.

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

YEAS Senators 3 Mason of Androscoggin, Carpenter of Aroostook, Collins of York

Representatives 9 Luchini of Ellsworth, Casas of Rockport, Dillingham of Oxford, Farrin of Norridgewock, Hanington of Lincoln, Hickman of Winthrop, Monaghan of Cape Elizabeth, Schneck of Bangor, White of Washburn

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1 Rep. Longstaff of Waterville

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 Lawrence J. Davis of Hallowell, for reappointment to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Garrett P. Mason  
S/Louis J. Luchini  
Senate Chair  
House Chair
(2-35) The Following Communication:  
S.C. 592

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 20, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Honorable Ann M. Murray of Bangor for reappointment as a Justice to the Maine Superior Court.

Pursuant to Article V, Part First, §8, of the Maine Constitution, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor

(2-36) The Following Communication:  
S.C. 593

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 20, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Honorable Robert E. Murray, Jr. of Bangor for reappointment as a Justice to the Maine Superior Court.

Pursuant to Article V, Part First, §8, of the Maine Constitution, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor
(2-37) The Following Communication:  

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  

September 20, 2017  

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  

Dear President Thibodeau:  

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Honorable MaryGay Kennedy of Brunswick for reappointment as a Justice to the Maine Superior Court.  

Pursuant to Article V, Part First, §8, of the Maine Constitution, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.  

Sincerely,  

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor  

(2-38) The Following Communication:  

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  

September 20, 2017  

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  

Dear President Thibodeau:  

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Judge Bruce A. Jordan of Veazie for reappointment as a District Court Judge.  

Pursuant to Title 4 MRSA §157, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.  

Sincerely,  

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor
The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 20, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Judge Susan E. Oram of Auburn for reappointment as a District Court Judge.

Pursuant to Title 4 MRSA §157, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor

(2-40) The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 27, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Donald C. Lewis Jr. of Brewer for reappointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board.

Pursuant to Title 35-A, MRSA §10103, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor
The Following Communication:

S.C. 598

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 27, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Randall D. Davis of Smithfield for appointment as a Commissioner to the Public Utilities Commission.

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

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-42) The Following Communication:

S.C. 599

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 28, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Stacey L. Morrison of Gardiner for reappointment to the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority.

Pursuant to Title 4, MRSA §1602, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
The Following Communication:  

S.C. 600

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 28, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Lawrence J. Davis of Hallowell for reappointment to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission.

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

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor

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The Following Communication:  

S.C. 601

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 28, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Douglas Kelley Young, Esq. of Portland for appointment to the Maine Board of Tax Appeals.

Pursuant to Title 36, MRSA §151-D, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor
The Following Communication:  

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  

September 28, 2017  

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  

Dear President Thibodeau:  

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Honorable Richard A. Nass of Acton for reappointment to the Maine Board of Tax Appeals.  

Pursuant to Title 36, MRSA §151-D, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation.  

Sincerely,  

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor  

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(2-46) The Following Communication:  

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  

September 29, 2017  

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  

Dear President Thibodeau:  

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Alexander E. Porteous of Portland for appointment as Commissioner, Department of Administrative and Financial Services.  

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §281, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.  

Sincerely,  

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor  

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The Following Communication:

S.C. 604

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 29, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Hon. Gary W. Reed of Falmouth for reappointment to the State Harness Racing Commission.

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

Sincerely,
S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-48) The Following Communication:

S.C. 605

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 29, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Hon. Michael J. Timmons of Cumberland for appointment to the State Harness Racing Commission.

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

Sincerely,
S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
September 29, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Stanley K. Millay of Appleton for reappointment to the Maine Milk Commission.

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

Sincerely,
S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

September 29, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating David C. Adams of Mapleton for appointment to the Board of Pesticides Control.

Pursuant to Title 22, MRSA §1471-B, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Sincerely,
S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
(2-51) The Following Communication:

S.C. 608

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 3, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Albert Ricker Hamilton, Jr. of Falmouth for appointment as Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services.

Pursuant to Title 22-A, MRSA §204, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-52) The Following Communication:

S.C. 609

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 3, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Amie M. Parker of Lewiston for reappointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board.

Pursuant to Title 26, MRSA §968, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
The Following Communication:  

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  

October 3, 2017  

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  

Dear President Thibodeau:  

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Carl A. Guignard of Lewiston for reappointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board.  

Pursuant to Title 26, MRSA §968, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.  

Sincerely,  
S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor  

(2-54) The Following Communication:  

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  

October 3, 2017  

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  

Dear President Thibodeau:  

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Dennis E. Welch of Windham for reappointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board.  

Pursuant to Title 26, MRSA §968, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.  

Sincerely,  
S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor
The following communication:

(2-55) The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 3, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating James P. Violette of Waterville for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

Pursuant to Title 10, MRSA §965, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Sincerely,
S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-56) The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 3, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating James G. Howard of Topsham for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

Pursuant to Title 10, MRSA §965, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Sincerely,
S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
The Following Communication:  

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  

October 3, 2017  

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  

Dear President Thibodeau:  

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Kevin P. Joseph of Oakland for reappointment as a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority.  

Pursuant to Title 30-A, MRSA §4723.2, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.  

Sincerely,  
S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor  

(2-58) The Following Communication:  

S.C. 615  

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  

October 3, 2017  

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  

Dear President Thibodeau:  

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Lincoln J. Merrill, Jr. of North Yarmouth for reappointment as a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority.  

Pursuant to Title 30-A, MRSA §4723.2, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.  

Sincerely,  
S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor
The Following Communication:

S.C. 616

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating John G. Shattuck of Newcastle for reappointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-60) The Following Communication:

S.C. 617

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Michelle S. Ames of Portland for reappointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
(2-61) The Following Communication:

S.C. 618

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Terry L. Morrell of Gorham for appointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

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

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-62) The Following Communication:

S.C. 619

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating James Douglas Wellington, Esq. of Castine for reappointment to the Board of Trustees, Maine Maritime Academy.

Pursuant to P&SL 1975, Chapter 771 §428, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
The Following Communication:

S.C. 620

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Ande A. Smith of North Yarmouth for appointment to the Board of Trustees, Maine Maritime Academy.

Pursuant to P&SL 1975, Chapter 771 §428, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-63)

S.C. 621

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Elizabeth M. Timm of Falmouth for appointment to the Board of Trustees, University of Maine System.

Pursuant to P&SL 1967, Chapter 229, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Jay M. Hibbard of Portland for appointment to the Board of Trustees, Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation.

Pursuant to PL 367, S.P. 592, L.D. 1551 §2, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-66) The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Wilson G. Hess, Ph.D. of Freedom for reappointment to the State Board of Education.

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

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
The Following Communication:

(2-67) S.C. 624

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Hon. Wendy L. Ault of Wayne for appointment to the State Board of Education.

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

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-68) The Following Communication:

(2-68) S.C. 625

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Patricia A. Duran of Hermon for reappointment to the Maine Community College System Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §12705, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Emily G. Smith of Presque Isle for appointment to the Maine Community College System Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §12705, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

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(2-70) The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE

October 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Jennifer J. Duddy, Esq. of Cape Elizabeth for reappointment to the Maine Unemployment Insurance Commission.

Pursuant to Title 26, MRSA §1081, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

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October 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that, pursuant to Title 3 M.R.S.A., §154, I am withdrawing my nomination of Wilson G. Hess Ph.D. of Freedom for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Education.

This nomination is currently pending before the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor
STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 11, 2017

Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Maine Public Law Chapter 284, Sec. UUUU-17, I have made the following appointments to the Working Group to Improve the Provision of Indigent Legal Services, effective immediately:

   Senator Lisa Keim of Oxford, Chair
   Senator Shenna Bellows of Kennebec

If you have any questions regarding these appointments, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate

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August 14, 2017

Honorable Heather J. R. Priest  
Secretary of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 22 MRSA, §3739, I am pleased to appoint Senator Amy Volk of Scarborough to the Child Care Advisory Council, as a member of the Senate.

Please contact my office if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau  
President of the Senate
August 14, 2017

Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5 §24001, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators and members to the Maine Children’s Growth Council:

Senator Amy Volk of Cumberland, Chair
Senator Rebecca Millett of Cumberland
Mr. Keith Small of Belfast
Ms. Mallory Bank Harnden of Belfast
Ms. Gail Jones-Wilkerson of Belfast

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
(2-75) The Following Communication:

S.C. 633

STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 15, 2017

Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 10, MRSA, Chapter 1-A, Section 11, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Citizen Trade Policy Commission:

Senator Rodney L. Whittemore of Somerset who will serve as Chair
Senator Lisa Keim of Oxford
Senator David Miramant of Knox

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these appointments.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
September 1, 2017

Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Rule 353, H.P. 806, I am pleased to appoint the following to the Maine Bicentennial Commission, effective date of this letter.

Senator Joyce Maker of Washington, representing a member of the Senate
Senator G. William Diamond of Cumberland, representing a member of the Senate
Dana Connors of Augusta, representing a statewide business advocacy organization
Diane Johanson of Hallowell, representing a statewide business to promote tourism
Beth Gibbs of Waterville, representing private postsecondary education
Heather Perry of Limington, representing PreK to Adult Ed education

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
October 3, 2017

Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under H.P. 456, I am pleased to appoint Jill Watson of Manchester to the Task Force to Identify Special Education Cost Drivers and Innovative Approaches to Services, effective date of this letter. Ms. Watson is a teacher representing the Maine Education Association (MEA).

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
September 1, 2017

Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under H.P. 456, I am pleased to appoint the following to the Task Force to Identify Special Education Cost Drivers and Innovative Approaches to Services, effective date of this letter.

Senator Brian Langley of Hancock
Richard Colpitts of South Paris
Katherine Cox of South Portland
Lesley Snyer of Carmel
Lynn Maddocks of Dedham

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
August 3, 2017

Honorable Heather J. R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Maine Public Law Chapter 284, Sec. UUUU-17, I am pleased to appoint the following legislators and members of the public to serve on the Working Group to Improve the Provision of Indigent Legal Services, effective August 3, 2017:

   Representative Barbara Cardone of Bangor as House Chair
   Representative Roger Sherman of Hodgdon

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/ Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
August 8, 2017

Honorable Heather J. R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, Part 23, Ch. 501, §19202.2-B, I am pleased to appoint the following individual to the Maine HIV Advisory Committee, effective August 8, 2017:

Rep. Ryan M. Fecteau of Biddeford as a member of the House of Representatives

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
August 29, 2017

Honorable Heather J. R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Resolves 2017, Chapter 27, I am pleased to appoint the following legislators and members of the public to serve on the Commission To Streamline Veterans’ Licensing and Certification, effective August 29, 2017:

Representative Jared Golden of Lewiston as a member of the House of Representatives, a veteran of military service, and House Chair
Representative Louis J. Luchini of Ellsworth as a member of the House of Representatives serving on the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs
Representative Bradlee T. Farrin of Norridgewock as a member of the House of Representatives serving on the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs and a veteran of military service
Dr. Monika Bissell, President of the Maine College of Health Professions of Lewiston as an individual working at an educational institution with programming that results in licensing or certification
Matthew Jabaut of Lewiston as an individual with prior military service

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
August 31, 2017

Honorable Heather J. R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 1, MRSA, Chapter 13, Subchapter 1, §411-2, I am pleased to appoint the following individual to serve on the Right To Know Advisory Committee, effective August 31, 2017:

Mr. James Campbell of Searsport, President of the Maine Freedom of Information Coalition to represent a statewide coalition of advocates of freedom of access.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
(2-83) The Following Communication: S.C. 641

STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE

August 29, 2017

Honorable Heather J. R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Public Law 2017, Chapter 26, I am pleased to appoint the following legislators and members of the public to serve on the Task Force To Identify Special Education Cost Drivers and Innovative Approaches to Services, effective August 29, 2017:

- Representative Richard Farnsworth of Portland as a member of the House of Representatives and Co-chair
- Mr. Jerry Nault of Sheepscot Valley RSU 12 in Somerville as a member of a school board representing the Maine School Boards Association
- Ms. Jennifer McGee of Atwood Primary School in Oakland as a principal representing the Maine Principals’ Association
- Ms. Carrie Woodcock of the Maine Parent Federation in Farmington as a parent of a student with special needs representing a statewide association of parents of students with special needs
- Ms. Andrea Disch, Business Manager of MSAD 11 in Gardiner as a school business manager

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
September 7, 2017

Honorable Heather J. R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 10, MRSA, Part 2, Ch. 110, Supchapter 4-A, §1079-1, I am pleased to reappoint the following individual to the Advisory Committee on Family Development Accounts, effective September 7, 2017:

Ms. Jean Dempster of New Ventures Maine to represent a community development organization

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
September 5, 2017

Honorable Heather J. R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 20-A MRSA, Part 5, Chapter 437, §12901, I am pleased to appoint the following individuals to serve on the State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force, effective September 5, 2017:

   Representative Seth Berry of Bowdoinham as a member of the House of Representatives and House Chair
   Representative Paul Stearns of Guilford as a member of the House of Representatives
   Mr. Derek Langhauser of Cumberland Foreside, President of the Maine Community College System, as a representative of the Maine Community College System

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
September 20, 2017

Honorable Heather J. R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Order 2017, Senate Paper 592, I am pleased to appoint the following legislators and members of the public to serve on the Task Force on Health Care Coverage for All of Maine, effective September 20, 2017:

- Representative Heather Sanborn of Portland as a member of the House of Representatives serving on the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services and House Chair
- Representative Anne Perry of Calais as a member of the House of Representatives serving on the Committee on Health and Human Services
- Representative Robert Foley of Wells as a member of the House of Representatives serving on the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services
- Representative Paul Chace of Durham as a member of the House of Representatives serving on the Committee on Health and Human Services
- Francis McGinty of Portland to represent the interests of health care providers
- Mr. Kevin Lewis of Community Health Options in Lewiston to represent the interests of health insurance carriers
- Patricia Riley of Brunswick, Executive Director of the National Academy for State Health Policy to represent the interests of consumers
- Daniel Kleban of Freeport, Co-founder and Brewer at Maine Beer Company to represent the interests of employers with fewer than 50 employees

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
October 11, 2017

Honorable Heather J. R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, Part 30, Ch. 621, §24001.3-B, I am pleased to appoint the following member of the public to seat 9 on the Maine Children’s Growth Council, effective October 11, 2017:

    Ms. Anastasia Hicks of Brunswick as a parent

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
August 21, 2017

Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon and President Thibodeau:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Washington County Development Authority due by September 1, 2017.

The WCDA was incorporated in 2003 with the purpose of redeveloping the former Navy Base in Cutler. Several private developers have attempted to redevelop the commercial side of the base but were unsuccessful. In 2015, Cutler North, LLC gifted the commercial side to the WCDA. The Authority is working to bring the facility back into productive use.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns. Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Betsy Fitzgerald, Chair
TO: Honorable Michael Thibodeau, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
and Democratic and Republican Leaders

FROM: S/Beth L. Ashcroft, Director

DATE: August 28, 2017

RE: Pine Tree Development Zones

Attached please find the final report from the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability on the Pine Tree Development Zones. The report is also available on our website at http://legislature.maine.gov/opega/opega-reports/9149. The public comment period on this Report has been scheduled for Monday, September 25, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 220 Cross Building.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.
(2-90) The Following Communication:

S.P. 607

MAINE SENATE
128th LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

October 19, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
128th Legislature

Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
128th Legislature

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

On October 12, 2017, one bill was received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, this bill was referred to a Joint Standing Committee on October 12, 2017, as follows:

**Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**

Resolve, Authorizing Certain Land Transactions by the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 604) (L.D. 1647) (Sponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook) (Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair and Representative WHITE of Washburn) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.)

On October 13, 2017, two bills were received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these two bills were referred to a Joint Standing Committee on October 13, 2017, as follows:

**Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**

Bill “An Act To Amend the Law Recognizing Local Control Regarding Food Systems and Require Compliance with Federal and State Food Safety Regulations” (EMERGENCY) (GOVERNOR’S BILL) (S.P. 605) (L.D. 1648) (Sponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook)

**Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Bill “An Act To Provide Funding for Geographic Information System Services” (EMERGENCY) (GOVERNOR’S BILL) (S.P. 606) (L.D. 1649) (Sponsored by Senator HAMPER of Oxford)

Sincerely,

S/Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate

S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
Ought to Pass

(5-1) Senator HAMPER for the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Provide Funding for Geographic Information System Services" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 606  L.D. 1649

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