8th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, February 4, 2020.

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

Prayer by Revered Nathan Richards of South Parish Congregational Church UCC in Augusta.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Paul T. Davis,Sr. of Piscataquis County.


Doctor of the day, John Garrett, DO of West Gardiner.
PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-1) Bill "An Act To Support Medically Monitored Crisis Support and Intervention"
H.P. 950  L.D. 1315
(C "A" H-351)

In Senate, June 18, 2019, PASSED TO BE ENACTED in concurrence.

In House, RECALLED from the Governor's Desk, pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1416.

Comes from the House, Bill COMMITTED to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-2) Bill "An Act To Establish the Maine Workforce, Research, Development and Student Achievement Institute"
H.P. 970  L.D. 1342
(S "A" S-341 to C "A" H-467)

In Senate, June 20, 2019, PASSED TO BE ENACTED in concurrence.

In House, RECALLED from the Governor's Desk, pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1423.

Comes from the House, Bill COMMITTED to the Committee on INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-3) Bill "An Act To Improve Dental Health for Maine Children and Adults with Low Incomes"
H.P. 1065  L.D. 1453
(S "A" S-371 to C "A" H-409)

In Senate, June 20, 2019, FINALLY PASSED in concurrence.

In House, RECALLED from the Governor's Desk, pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1415.

Comes from the House, Bill COMMITTED to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, in NON-CONCURRENCE.
Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-4) Bill "An Act To Improve Consistency within the Maine Human Rights Act"
H.P. 1218 L.D. 1703
(C "A" H-643; S "A" S-349;
H "A" H-654)

In Senate, June 20, 2019, PASSED TO BE ENACTED in concurrence.

In House, RECALLED from the Governor's Desk, pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1426.

 Comes from the House, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY (H "C" H-665)
, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-5) the Bonny Eagle High School Girls Cross Country Track Team, of Standish, which won the Class A State Championship. Members of the team include Delany Hesler, Emmaline Pendleton, Hannah Stevens, Emma Abbott, Ella Dunn, Gwendolyn Catalano and Emma Noonan; and coach Mike Burleson. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 806

(1-6) the Bonny Eagle High School Football Team, of Standish, which won the Class A State Championship. Members of the team include Jacob Humphrey, Aidan Walcott, Johnathan Merrill, Zac Oja, Trent Nevelis, Nate Ferris, Zach Maturo, Alex Dyer, Nick Klein, Bode Day Coombs, Keegan Meredith, Shaun Brilliant, Ryan Tomison, Cam Gardner, Garison Emerson, Izak Alie, Mitchell Havu, Mason Ryan, Cam MacDonald, Chase Graves, Dawson Bradway, Ethan Hall, Dom Gordon, Owen Luedders, Trevor Perkins, Kegan Sicina, Jordan French, Cam Boston, Nolan Davis, Garrett Gonyea, Nick Riker, Devon Carter, Eli LeBlanc, Jake McDonald, Jace Sellick, Jesse Charette, Brody Ernst, Chase Harris, Drew Dubois, John Dugan, Ethan Robbins, Connor Leeman, Will Horton, Thomas Horton, Jake Harriman, Carlos Tribaldos, Jake Esty and Collin Lizotte; managers Jasmine Collins, Jordan Tardif and Jordan Gryskwicz, freshman coaches John Trull and Jordan Adams, assistant coaches Ben Ledue, Josh Lund, Andrew Nielsen and Jake Newcomb; and head coach Kevin Cooper. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 807
Zach Maturo, of Standish, a student at Bonny Eagle High School and a member of the football team, who has been named the 2019-20 Gatorade Maine Football Player of the Year for his athletic and academic excellence and his exemplary character. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Kris Croteau, of Skowhegan, a guidance counselor at Messalonskee Middle School in Oakland, who has been named the 2020 Maine School Counselor of the Year by the Maine School Counselor Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Charlotte Parker, of Trenton, who is celebrating her 100th Birthday on February 10, 2020. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Ashleigh Bolduc, of Ogunquit, a senior at Wells High School, who is a recipient of a 2020 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Francesca Ramsdell, of Wells, a senior at Wells High School, who has received the Western Maine Conference Citizenship Award for 2020, which recognizes a student's character and contributions to the student's educational, athletic and social environments and volunteer service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Logan Bedell, of Wells, a senior at Wells High School, who has received the Western Maine Conference Citizenship Award for 2020, which recognizes a student's character and contributions to the student's educational, athletic and social environments and volunteer service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Adrian L. Phair, of Oakland, who has been selected as the 2020 Maine Mother of the Year by American Mothers, Inc. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Come from the House, **READ** and **PASSED**.
The Following Communication:  
S.C. 877

STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY  

January 30, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
129th 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 Andrew M. Horton of Falmouth, for appointment as a Supreme Judicial 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 3 Carpenter, M. of Aroostook, Bellows, S. of Kennebec, Keim, L. of Oxford


NAYS 0

ABSENT 1 Rep. DeVeau, J. of Caribou

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 Andrew M. Horton of Falmouth, for appointment as a Supreme Judicial Court Justice be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Michael E. Carpenter  S/Donna Bailey
Senate Chair  House Chair
January 30, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th 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 Catherine R. Connors, Esq. of Kennebunk, for appointment as a Supreme Judicial 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 3 Carpenter, M. of Aroostook, Bellows, S. of Kennebec, Keim, L. of Oxford

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 Catherine R. Connors, Esq. of Kennebunk, for appointment as a Supreme Judicial Court Justice be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Michael E. Carpenter S/Donna Bailey
Senate Chair House Chair
Tuesday, February 4, 2020

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 878

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

January 30, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th 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 Jeffrey L. Hjelm of Camden, for appointment as an Active Retired Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court.

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
Carpenter, M. of Aroostook, Bellows, S. of Kennebec, Keim, L. of Oxford

Representatives 8

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1
Rep. DeVeau, J. of Caribou

Representative Thom Harnett is recused.

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 Jeffrey L. Hjelm of Camden, for appointment as an Active Retired Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Michael E. Carpenter
Senate Chair

S/Donna Bailey
House Chair

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The Following Communication:

S.C. 872

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

January 30, 2020

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House of Representatives
129th Legislature
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Please accept this letter as the report of the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs from its review and evaluation of the Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3, Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, the committee notified the Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority by letter dated April 29, 2019 of its intent to conduct a review. The Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority submitted its report in October of 2019 and presented the report to the committee on January 27, 2020. The committee has reviewed the report and finds that the Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority is operating within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Rebecca J. Millett
Senate Chair

S/Representative Victoria P. Kornfield
House Chair
January 27, 2020

The Honorable Troy Jackson  
President of the Senate 
The Honorable Sara Gideon  
Speaker of the House of Representatives 
State House 
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Please accept this letter as the report of the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government from its review and evaluation of the Department of the Secretary of State under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, the committee notified the Department of Administrative and Financial Services by letter dated April 29, 2019 of its intent to conduct a review. The department submitted its program evaluation report1 on January 15, 2020 and presented the report to the committee that day. The committee held a work session on January 24, 2020.

The committee unanimously finds that the Department of the Secretary of State is operating within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Ned Claxton                                           S/Representative Roland Danny Martin  
Senate Chair                                                        House Chair
January 27, 2020

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House of Representatives
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Please accept this letter as the report of the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government from its review and evaluation of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, the committee notified the department by letter dated April 29, 2019 of its intent to conduct a review. The department submitted its program evaluation report on December 27, 2019 and presented the report to the committee on January 15, 2020. The committee held a work session on January 24, 2020.

The committee unanimously finds that the Department of Administrative and Financial Services is operating within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Ned Claxton                                            S/Representative Roland Danny Martin
Senate Chair                                                        House Chair

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The Following Communication:

S.C. 875

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

January 27, 2020

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House of Representatives
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Please accept this letter as the report of the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government from its review and evaluation of the Capital Planning Commission under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, the committee notified the Department of Administrative and Financial Services by letter dated April 29, 2019 of its intent to conduct a review. The department submitted its program evaluation report1 on January 15, 2020 and presented the report to the committee that day. The committee held a work session on January 24, 2020.

The committee unanimously finds that the Capitol Planning Commission is operating within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Ned Claxton                                           S/Representative Roland Danny Martin
Senate Chair                                                           House Chair

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January 31, 2020

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon,

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

L.D. 1982    Resolve, Directing the Department of Public Safety To Conduct a Study To Develop Best Practices for Improving the Security of Municipal Properties

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Susan Deschambault
Senate Chair

House Chair
January 27, 2020

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson 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. Doudera of Camden, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 380 An Act To Revise the Calculation of Tolls Established for the Maine State Ferry Service

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bill Diamond
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Andrew McLean
House Chair
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

January 27, 2020

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon,

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

L.D. 599 An Act To Ensure Fair Access and Pricing for Residents Who Use the Maine State Ferry Service

Sincerely,

Senate Chair House Chair
January 28, 2020

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

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

L.D. 133  An Act To Fully Restore State-Municipal Revenue Sharing for Fiscal Year 2018-19 (EMERGENCY)

L.D. 564  An Act To Encourage the Installation of Solar Panels on Residential Property

L.D. 1076  An Act To Account for Market Change in the Adult Use Marijuana Excise Tax

L.D. 1163  An Act Regarding Energy, Utilities and Technology

This is notification of the Committee’s action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ben Chipman  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Ryan Tipping  
House Chair
February 4, 2020

The Following Communication:

S.C. 888

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

January 24, 2020

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

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. 83 An Act To Amend the Law Regarding Resale by a Motor Vehicle Dealer To Permit the Dealer To Use a Copy of a Certificate of Title

L.D. 778 An Act To Create the Fund for Municipalities To Improve Pedestrian Safety

L.D. 1390 An Act To Fund Saco Area Traffic Improvements

L.D. 1533 An Act To Eliminate Registration Plate Decals

This is notification of the Committee’s action.

Sincerely,

Senate Chair House Chair

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(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 871

MAINE STATE HOUSING AUTHORITY
AUGUSTA, ME

January 30, 2020

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

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine State Housing Authority due by February 1, 2020.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Peter Merrill
Deputy Director

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January 30, 2020

Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0003

Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section §12023, I am pleased to deliver this the letter of transmittal for the required report from Efficiency Maine Trust due by February 1, 2020.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Stoddard
Executive Director
(2-15) The Following Communication:

S.C. 881

MAINE MUNICIPAL BOND BANK
AUGUSTA, MAINE

January 30, 2020

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

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank due by February 1, 2020.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you need additional information. I can be reached at 622-9386 or by email at Terry@mmbb.com.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/ Terry Hayes,
Executive Director
January 30, 2020

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

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority due by February 1, 2020.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you need additional information. I can be reached at 622-1958 or by email at Terry@mhhefa.com.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Terry Hayes,
Executive Director

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January 30, 2020

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

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority due by February I, 2020.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you need additional information. I can be reached at 622-9386 or by email at Terry@mgfa.com.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Terry Hayes,  
Executive Director
MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY
CASTINE, MAINE

January 29, 2020

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

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Maritime Academy due by February 1, 2020.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Alice Herrick
Director of Fiscal Operations for Maine Maritime Academy
January 27, 2020

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

Dear President Jackson:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority (NNEPRA) due by February 1, 2020.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Mr. John Melrose S/Ms. Patricia Quinn
Chairman Executive Director

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

Dear President Jackson:

The Maine Public Employees Retirement System (MainePERS) is submitting the enclosed report pursuant to 5 M.R.S. § 12023 to provide information on procurement, contributions, and changes to relevant policies and procedures by MainePERS during Fiscal Year 2019.

We would be pleased to respond to any questions you might have about the report.

Sincerely,

S/Sandra J. Matheson  
Executive Director
MAINE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY
PORTLAND, MAINE

January 29, 2020

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

Re: An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability and the Government Oversight Committee Regarding Quasi-Independent State Entities

Dear President Jackson,

Enclosed are the reports required under 5 M.R.S.A. §12023, due February 1, 2020. The reports include: a list of all procurements in 2019 exceeding $10,000 for which competitive procurement was waived; a list of contributions made in 2019 that exceed $1,000. Section 12023(2c) requires a description of changes to the written policies and procedures required by Section 12022. There were no changes to the policies and procedures required by this section in 2019, therefore, there is nothing to report.

In 2019, the Maine Turnpike Authority made $147 million in payments to approximately 700 vendors. The vast majority of these payments, approximately $134 million, were for competitively bid products or services or were legally or legislatively required. The Authority sole-sourced approximately $12 million in 2019. Most of these products or services were either proprietary in nature or were procured under long-term contracts. As these long-term contracts expire, the Authority will seek competitive bids.

Respectfully,

S/Peter Mills
Executive Director
(3-1) Bill "An Act Regarding Net Energy Billing Limits"

S.P. 744  L.D. 2093

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair and Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook,
MIRAMANT of Knox, Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, McCREA of Fort Fairfield.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

(3-2) Bill "An Act To Require Appropriate Coverage of and Cost-sharing for Generic Drugs and Biosimilars"

S.P. 745  L.D. 2095

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Speaker GIDEON of Freeport and Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook,
FOLEY of York, SANBORN, H. of Cumberland, Representatives: FECTEAU of Biddeford,
PRESCOTT of Waterboro, STEWART of Presque Isle, WARREN of Hallowell.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Committee on HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES suggested and ordered printed.

(3-3) Resolve, To Establish the Maine Spaceport Complex Leadership Council

S.P. 743  L.D. 2092

Presented by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative HUBBELL of Bar Harbor and Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook,
POULIOT of Kennebec, Representatives: BABINE of Scarborough, BICKFORD of Auburn,
DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, FECTEAU of Augusta, HIGGINS of Dover-Foxcroft,
STEWART of Presque Isle.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) Jace Rocheleau, of Eagle Lake, a student at Fort Kent Community High School and a player on the boys basketball team, who recently scored his 1,000th career point. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; SLS 1026

Sponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative: MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

(4-2) Joanne Ward, of Baldwin, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; SLS 1027

Sponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative: CEBRA of Naples.

(4-3) Wendy Betts, of Casco, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; SLS 1028

Sponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, FAY of Raymond.

(4-4) the Raymond Beautification Committee, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; SLS 1029

Sponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, FAY of Raymond.

(4-5) Terrence Christy, of Standish, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; SLS 1030

Sponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BLIER of Buxton, ORDWAY of Standish.
(4-6) Barbara Hall, of Windham, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Sponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, COREY of Windham.

(4-7) Morghan Dutil, of Turner, a student at Leavitt Area High School and a member of the school's golf team, who has been named the 2019 Girls High School Golf Co-champion. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Sponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative: MORRIS of Turner.

(4-8) Ruby Haylock, of Hartford, a sophomore at Leavitt Area High School and a member of the school's golf team, who has been named the All-Region Golfer of the Year by the Sun Journal and who has been named the 2019 Girls High School Golf Co-champion. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Sponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

(4-9) the Leavitt Area High School Football Team, of Turner, which has won the Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Sponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative: MORRIS of Turner.

(4-10) Wyatt Hathaway, of Turner, a junior at Leavitt Area High School and a player on the school’s football team, who has been named the All-Region Football Player of the Year by the Sun Journal. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Sponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative: MORRIS of Turner.

(4-11) Jonathan Schomaker, of Greene, a sophomore at Leavitt Area High School, the first winner of the Wheelchair Division of the State Cross Country Championships. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Sponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative: MARTIN of Greene.

(4-12) Jackson Curtis, of Ellsworth, a student at Ellsworth High School and a player on the boys basketball team, who recently scored his 1,000th career point. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

Sponsored by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Representative: GROHOSKI of Ellsworth.
(4-13) Trinity Montigny, of Mariaville, a student at Ellsworth High School and a player on the girls basketball team, who recently scored her 1,000th career point. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;  
SLS 1038
Sponsored by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Representative: FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor.

(4-14) Rebecca Ketchum, of Norridgewock, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;  
SLS 1039
Sponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset.
Cosponsored by Representative: CURTIS of Madison.
(4-15) On motion by Senator HERBIG of Waldo (Cosponsored by Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford and Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, LUCHINI of Hancock, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, WOODSOME of York, Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, REED of Carmel, SAMPSON of Alfred), the following Joint Resolution:

S.P. 746

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 5, 2020 AS NATIONAL GIRLS AND WOMEN IN SPORTS DAY

WHEREAS, the National Girls and Women in Sports Day Coalition celebrates National Girls and Women in Sports Day in Washington, D.C. and encourages its celebration in communities across the nation; and

WHEREAS, this day exists to recognize the past and current sports achievements of girls and women, the positive influence of sports participation and the continuing struggle for equality and access for girls and women in sports; and

WHEREAS, National Girls and Women in Sports Day began in 1987 as a day to remember Olympic volleyball player Flo Hyman for her athletic achievements and her commitment to ensure equality for women's sports; and

WHEREAS, the history of girls and women in sports is rich and long, yet there has been little national recognition of the significance of girls' and women's athletic achievements; and

WHEREAS, at all levels of athletics, girls and women develop self-discipline, initiative, confidence and leadership skills regardless of background; and

WHEREAS, the bonds girls and women build through athletics help to break down the social barriers of racism and prejudice, and the communication and cooperation skills learned through sports play a key role in the athletes' contributions at home, at work and to society; and

WHEREAS, a need for increased opportunities exists for girls to participate in and pursue physical activity in the community and at the scholastic level so that they may, beginning at an early age, improve their health and well-being on a daily basis and develop lifelong fitness habits; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize February 5, 2020 as National Girls and Women in Sports Day.
Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(4-16) Timothy P. Dale, of Augusta. Mr. Dale was a veteran of the United States Air Force, having served as a fuel specialist from 1967 to 1971. He was employed by Kirschner's for over 30 years and later by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs hospital at Togus, retiring in March 2019. Mr. Dale will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 50 years, Jeanne, his family and his friends;

SLS 1024

Sponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, DOORE of Augusta, FECTEAU of Augusta.

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

(4-17) Todd N. Tolhurst, of South China. Mr. Tolhurst was an early information technology adopter and started his career at Radio Shack. For the past 20 years, he has served as Director of Development at InforME in Augusta. He pursued a variety of interests, was a member of MENSA, the high IQ society, and was a leader in the Gun Owners of Maine organization, as he strongly believed in the 2nd Amendment and working to preserve gun rights and foster gun safety. Mr. Tolhurst will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

SLS 1025

Sponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative: THERIAULT of China.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Change of Committee

(5-1) The Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY on Resolve, Authorizing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To Convey Certain Land in the Little Moose Unit of Moosehead Junction Township

H.P. 1280  L.D. 1799

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

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-2) Senator SANBORN, H. for the Committee on HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Increase Access to and Reduce the Cost of Epinephrine Autoinjectors by Amending the Definition of 'Epinephrine Autoinjector'"

S.P. 674  L.D. 1972

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-379).  

(5-3) Senator CLAXTON for the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT on Bill "An Act To Make March Maine Childhood Cancer Awareness Month"

S.P. 719  L.D. 2029

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-378).
Divided Report

(5-4) The Majority of the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Clarify the Financial Reporting Responsibilities of Political Action Committees and Ballot Question Committees"

S.P. 641  L.D. 1869

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-377). Signed:

Senators:
   LUCHINI of Hancock  
   CYRWAY of Kennebec  
   HERBIEG of Waldo

Representatives:
   SCHNECK of Bangor  
   ACKLEY of Monmouth  
   COOPER of Yarmouth  
   HANINGTON of Lincoln  
   HICKMAN of Winthrop  
   HUBBELL of Bar Harbor  
   McCREIGHT of Harpswell  
   STROM of Pittsfield

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

Signed:

Representatives:
   ANDREWS of Paris  
   DOLLOFF of Rumford
Divided Report

(5-5) The Majority of the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Modify the Financial Disclosure Requirements for a Governor-elect"

S.P. 643  L.D. 1871

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-376).

Signed:

Senators:
  LUCHINI of Hancock
  CYRWAY of Kennebec
  HERBIG of Waldo

Representatives:
  SCHNECK of Bangor
  ACKLEY of Monmouth
  COOPER of Yarmouth
  DOLLOFF of Rumford
  HANINGTON of Lincoln
  HICKMAN of Winthrop
  HUBBELL of Bar Harbor
  McCREIGHT of Harpswell
  STROM of Pittsfield

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

Signed:

Representative:
  ANDREWS of Paris

SECOND READERS

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

House As Amended

(6-1) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Dangerous Buildings" (EMERGENCY)
  H.P. 299  L.D. 390
  (C "A" H-662)

(6-2) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Dual Liquor Licenses" (EMERGENCY)
  H.P. 1350  L.D. 1884
  (C "A" H-664)
(6-3) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Recounts in Municipal Elections"
S.P. 691  L.D. 1989
(C "A" S-375)

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

(7-1) An Act To Permit the Expansion of Municipal Membership of the Greater Portland Transit District
H.P. 1430  L.D. 2009

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

An Act To Establish the Wood Energy Investment Program
S.P. 266  L.D. 912
(C "A" S-193)

Tabled - June 20, 2019 by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(CARRIED OVER to any Special or Regular Sessions, or both, of the 129th Legislature pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1322)

(RECALLED From Governor’s Desk pursuant to Joint Order S.P. 266)

(In Senate, June 7, 2019, PASSED TO BE ENACTED in concurrence.)

(In House, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.)
2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Infrastructure, Economic Development, Workforce Development and Energy and Environment Investment

S.P. 621  L.D. 1836
(C "A" S-354)

Tabled - June 20, 2019 by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin

Pending - ENACTMENT in NON-CONCURRENCE

(CARRIED OVER to any Special or Regular Sessions, or both, of the 129th Legislature pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1322)

(In Senate, June 20, 2019, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-354).)

(In House, FAILED ENACTMENT.)

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

An Act Regarding the Definition of 'Serious Bodily Injury' in the Maine Criminal Code

S.P. 302  L.D. 1023
(C "A" S-116)

Tabled - June 20, 2019 by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(CARRIED OVER to any Special or Regular Sessions, or both, of the 129th Legislature pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1322)

(RECALLED From Governor’s Desk pursuant to Joint Order S.P. 629)

(In Senate, June 19, 2019, PASSED TO BE ENACTED in concurrence.)

(In House, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.)
4. Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act To Ensure Proper Oversight of Sports Betting in the State"
S.P. 175  L.D. 553
(C "A" S-318)

Tabled - January 14, 2020 by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, June 19, 2019, PASSED TO BE ENACTED in concurrence.)
(In House, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.)

5. Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act To Create a Credit under the Commercial Forestry Excise Tax for Landowners Using Businesses Based in the United States"
S.P. 80  L.D. 268
(C "A" S-218; S "A" S-277 to C "A" S-218)

Tabled - January 14, 2020 by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, June 18, 2019, PASSED TO BE ENACTED in concurrence.)
(In House, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.)

6. Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act Regarding the Sale of Information by the Secretary of State"
S.P. 718  L.D. 2028

Tabled - January 14, 2020 by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin

Pending - REFERENCE

(Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT suggested and ordered printed.)
7.
Tabled and Later Assigned

Resolve, To Require the Construction of a New District Headquarters Building for the Bureau of Forestry in Fort Kent

S.P. 295  L.D. 1016
(C "A" S-94; S "A" S-335 to C "A" S-94)

Tabled - January 14, 2020 by Senator DILL of Penobscot

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(RECALLED from the Governor's Desk, pursuant to Joint Order (S.P. 704), in concurrence.)

(In Senate, June 20, 2019, FINALLY PASSED in concurrence.)

(In House, FINALLY PASSED.)

8.
Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Rwanda Bean, in South Portland

SLS 987

Tabled - January 28, 2020 by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland

Pending - PASSAGE

9.
Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Kyle Anthony Curtis, of Gray

SLS 988

Tabled - January 28, 2020 by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin

Pending - PASSAGE
10.
Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE COMMUNICATION - JUD, confirmation Nancy D. Mills of Cornville, for appointment as an Active Retired Justice of the Superior Court.

S.C. 860

Tabled - January 30, 2020 by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin

Pending - CONSIDERATION

11.
Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT RESOLUTION - Directing the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs To Report Out a Bill Regarding the Study of the Creation of a Comprehensive Career and Technical Education System and Increased Crosswalks for Academic Credit between Secondary Schools and Career and Technical Education Programs

S.P. 740

Tabled - January 30, 2020 by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland

Pending - PASSAGE

SPECIAL STUDY TABLE

1.

Resolve, To Establish a Background Check Consolidation Commission

H.P. 436  L.D. 592
(C "A" H-35)

Tabled - April 11, 2019 by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc

Pending - FINAL PASSAGE
2.

Resolve, To Establish the Committee To Study and Develop Recommendations To Address Guardianship Challenges That Delay Patient Discharges from Hospitals

H.P. 890  L.D. 1229
(C "A" H-452)

Tabled - June 7, 2019 by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc

Pending - FINAL PASSAGE

3.

Resolve, To Establish the Work Group To Study the Use of Body Cameras by Law Enforcement Officers

S.P. 198  L.D. 636
(C "A" S-236)

Tabled - June 11, 2019 by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc

Pending - FINAL PASSAGE

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L.D. 559 - H.P. 403 (C "A" H-48)  
L.D. 593 - S.P. 180 (C "A" S-143; S "A" S-161 to C "A" S-143)  
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L.D. 863 - H.P. 637 (C "A" H-212)  
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L.D. 908 - H.P. 672 (C "A" H-302)  
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L.D. 1362 - H.P. 984 (C "A" H-608; H "B" H-650 to C "A")  
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L.D. 1461 - S.P. 446 (C "A" S-244; S "A" S-300 to C "A")  
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L.D. 1537 - H.P. 1120 (C "A" H-446)  
L.D. 1539 - H.P. 1122 (C "A" H-578)  
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L.D. 1584 - H.P. 1146 (C "A" H-464)  
L.D. 1608 - S.P. 514 (C "A" S-168)  
L.D. 1655 - H.P. 1191 (C "A" H-524)  
L.D. 1661 - S.P. 538 (C "A" S-227)  
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L.D. 1842 - S.P. 627