

**STATE OF MAINE  
130<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

January 12, 2021

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

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

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

On January 11, 2021, 38 bills were received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on January 11, 2021, as follows:

**Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**

Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands To Convey a Parcel of Land in Augusta to the Maine Veterans' Homes (S.P. 38) (L.D. 30) (Sponsored by Senator DILL of Penobscot) (Cosponsored by Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Improve the Laws Governing Hemp by Bringing Them into Compliance with Federal Law" (S.P. 41) (L.D. 33) (Sponsored by Senator BLACK of Franklin) (Cosponsored by Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln, Representative: LANDRY of Farmington) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Create the Maine Forestry Operations Cleanup and Response Fund" (S.P. 42) (L.D. 34) (Sponsored by Senator DILL of Penobscot) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

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Bill "An Act To Facilitate Interagency Sharing of Information and Academic Research by Allowing Disclosure of Certain Confidential Information in Wood Processor and Forest Landowner Reports" (S.P. 43) (L.D. 35) (Sponsored by Senator DILL of Penobscot) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Definition of 'Timber Harvesting'" (S.P. 44) (L.D. 36) (Sponsored by Senator DILL of Penobscot) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

**Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Maintenance and Improvement of Maine National Guard Facilities" (S.P. 10) (L.D. 3) (Sponsored by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock) (Submitted by the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Provide a New Dormitory Facility at the Maine School of Science and Mathematics" (S.P. 28) (L.D. 21) (Sponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook) (Cosponsored by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield and Representatives: MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, MARTIN of Sinclair, MARTIN of Eagle Lake)

**Criminal Justice and Public Safety**

Bill "An Act To Require Annual Information Reporting by the Maine Information and Analysis Center" (S.P. 19) (L.D. 12) (Sponsored by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Coordinate the Delivery of Individuals Committed to the Department of Corrections" (S.P. 20) (L.D. 13) (Sponsored by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York) (Submitted by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Create an Alert System To Notify the Public When a Person with an Intellectual or Developmental Disability Is Missing" (S.P. 36) (L.D. 28) (Sponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook) (Cosponsored by Representative: UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle)

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**Energy, Utilities and Technology**

Bill "An Act To Promote Renewable Energy by Authorizing a Power-to-fuel Pilot Program" (S.P. 16) (L.D. 9) (Sponsored by Senator LAWRENCE of York)

**Environment and Natural Resources**

Bill "An Act To Support Collection and Proper Disposal of Unwanted Drugs" (S.P. 15) (L.D. 8) (Sponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland) (Cosponsored by Representative HYMANSON of York)

Bill "An Act To Remove the Plastic Bag Ban" (S.P. 47) (L.D. 39) (Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot) (Cosponsored by Representative JAVNER of Chester and Representative: TUELL of East Machias)

**Health and Human Services**

Resolve, To Provide Rural Nonmedical Transportation Services to the Elderly and Adults with Disabilities Receiving Home and Community Benefits under the MaineCare Program (S.P. 24) (L.D. 17) (Sponsored by Senator MAXMIN of Lincoln) (Cosponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot and Representatives: MADIGAN of Waterville, COREY of Windham, FAY of Raymond, STOVER of Boothbay, PLUECKER of Warren, CRAVEN of Lewiston)

Bill "An Act Regarding Certificates of Birth, Marriage and Death" (S.P. 32) (L.D. 24) (Sponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Timing of an Appeal of a Finding Regarding Involuntary Mental Health Treatment at a Designated Nonstate Mental Health Institution" (S.P. 46) (L.D. 38) (Sponsored by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

**Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services**

Bill "An Act To Establish the COVID-19 Patient Bill of Rights" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 29) (L.D. 1) (Sponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook) (Cosponsored by Speaker FECTION of Biddeford)

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Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Pharmacy Act" (S.P. 11) (L.D. 4) (Sponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act Concerning the Reporting of Health Care Information or Records to the Emergency Medical Services' Board" (S.P. 12) (L.D. 5) (Sponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Revise Certain Financial Regulatory Provisions of the Maine Insurance Code" (S.P. 13) (L.D. 6) (Sponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Modify the Qualifications for Resident Dentist Licensure" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 33) (L.D. 25) (Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Allow a Dentist To Administer Botulinum Toxin and Dermal Fillers" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 34) (L.D. 26) (Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Adopt the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact" (S.P. 39) (L.D. 31) (Sponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland)

**Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

Bill "An Act To Allow Resident Hunters To Harvest 2 Bears per Bear Hunting Season" (S.P. 17) (L.D. 10) (Sponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis) (Cosponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford)

**Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business**

Bill "An Act To Expand the Membership of the Board of Directors of the Maine International Trade Center" (S.P. 14) (L.D. 7) (Sponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo) (Submitted by the Department of Economic and Community Development pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

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Bill "An Act To Clarify the Laws Regarding Reciprocity for Licensure of Professional Engineers" (S.P. 18) (L.D. 11) (Sponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Clarify the American Sign Language Interpreters Licensing Laws" (S.P. 25) (L.D. 18) (Sponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Education Savings Program" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 26) (L.D. 19) (Sponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Finance Authority of Maine pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Provide for the 2021 and 2022 Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 27) (L.D. 20) (Sponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo) (Submitted by the Finance Authority of Maine pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Authorize Early Payment of Anticipated Funds to the Loring Job Increment Financing Fund" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 30) (L.D. 22) (Sponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook) (Cosponsored by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield and Representatives: MARTIN of Sinclair, MARTIN of Eagle Lake)

**Judiciary**

Bill "An Act To Amend the Intelligence and Investigative Record Information Act To Ensure Government Transparency and To Protect the Privacy and Safety of the Public" (S.P. 22) (L.D. 15) (Sponsored by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Provide an Immediate Opportunity To Appeal for a Juvenile Bound Over into Criminal Court" (S.P. 35) (L.D. 27) (Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York) (Cosponsored by Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, WARREN of Hallowell, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, O'NEIL of Saco, MORALES of South Portland, HARNETT of Gardiner, PLUECKER of Warren)

Bill "An Act Regarding Remote Participation in Public Proceedings" (S.P. 40) (L.D. 32) (Sponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook) (Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair and Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, Representative: HARNETT of Gardiner)

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**Labor and Housing**

Bill "An Act To Conform the Maine Apprenticeship Program to the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972" (S.P. 37) (L.D. 29) (Sponsored by Senator RAFFERTY of York) (Submitted by the Department of Labor pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Concerning the Retired County and Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Municipal Firefighters Health Insurance Program" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 45) (L.D. 37) (Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin) (Cosponsored by Representative COSTAIN of Plymouth)

**State and Local Government**

Bill "An Act To Require a Two-thirds Vote To Extend a State of Emergency" (S.P. 21) (L.D. 14) (Sponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Representative FECTION of Augusta and Senator: BLACK of Franklin)

**Taxation**

Bill "An Act To Reinstate and Increase the Income Tax Deduction for Contributions to Education Savings Plans" (S.P. 31) (L.D. 23) (Sponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec) (Submitted by the Finance Authority of Maine pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

**Veterans and Legal Affairs**

Bill "An Act To Change the Renewal Application Deadline from 6 Months to 60 Days before the Expiration of a License Issued by the Gambling Control Board" (S.P. 23) (L.D. 16) (Sponsored by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Sincerely,

S/Darek M. Grant  
Secretary of the Senate

S/Robert B. Hunt  
Clerk of the House