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STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE

Thursday, April 8, 1976

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker. Prayer by the Reverend Gene Gillin of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Conference Committee Report

Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill. An Act Enabling Municipalities to Conduct Soil Tests to Deter-mine Feasibility of Solid Waste Disposal Sites

(Emergency) (H. P. 1948) (L. D. 2134) ask leave to report: that the House recede from passage to be engrossed; recede from adoption of Committee Amendment "A" (Hadoption of Committee Amendment "A" (H-993) as amended by House Amendment "A" (H-1063), thereto; recede from adoption of House Amendment "A" to Committee Amend-ment "A"; indefinitely postpone House Amendment "A" to Committee Amend-ment "A"; indefinitely postpone Committee Amend-ment "A"; adopt Committee Amend-ment "A"; adopt Committee of Conference Amendment "B" and pass the bill to be engros-sed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment "B" (H-1239) that the Senate recede from indefinite post-

that the Senate recede from indefinite post-ponement; read the bill twice; adopt Conference Committee Amendment "B" and pass the bill to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment "B" in concurrence.

Signed: QUINN of Gorham CLARK of Freeport AULT of Wayne Mr. Mrs. Mr.

- of the House.

Messrs. CORSON of Somerset GRAHAM of Cumberland WYMAN of Washington

of the Senate.

The Report was read and accepted. The House receded from passage to be engrossed; receded from the adoption of Comengrossed; received from the adoption of Com-mittee Amendment "A" as amended by House-Amendment "A" thereto; received from the adoption House Amendment "A" to Commit-tee Amendment "A" and indefinitely post-poned same; Committee Amendment "A" as amended by House Amendment "A" was in-lafinities and definitely postponed. Conference Committee Amendment "B" (H-

1239) was read by the Clerk and adopted.

The Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amend-ment "B" in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 1 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

The following Communication: THE SENATE OF MAINE AUGUSTA, MAINE

April 7, 1976

Honorable Edwin H. Pert

Clerk of the House

108th Legislature

First Special Session Augusta, Maine

Dear Mr. Pert:

The Senate today voted to Insist and Join in a Committee of Conference on Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Fish and Game Laws" (H. P. 1933)

(L. D. 2121). The President appointed the following, members of the Senate to the Committee ot Conference

CUMMINGS of Penobscot JACKSON of Cumberland GRAHAM of Cumberland

Respectfully.

Signed:

HARRY N. STARBRANCH Secretary of the Senate The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

Communications	
The following Communication:	
STATE OF MAINE	
ONE HUNDRED AND SEVEN	ΤН
LEGISLATURE	
COMMITTEE ON ELECTION LAWS	

April 7, 1976 The Honorable John L. Martin

Speaker of the House

House of Representatives

State House

Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Mr. Speaker: It is with pleasure that I report to you that the Committee on Election Laws has com-pleted all actions necessary on the business placed before it by the First Special Session of the 107th Legislature. Total Number of Bills Presented

Total Humber of Dins Tresenced 0	
Unanimous Reports 5	
Ought to Pass 1	
Ought to Pass as Amended 2	
Ought to Pass in New Draft 2	
Divided Reports 3	
Total Number of Amendments 2	
Total Number of New Drafts 2	
Sincerely yours,	
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Signed:

ANNE M. BOUDREAU **House Chairperson** The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

The following Communication: STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS LEGISLATION

April 7, 1976 The Honorable John L. Martin

Speaker Maine House of Representatives

State House Augusta, Maine 04330

Augusta, Maine 04330 Dear Speaker Martin: The Committee on Business Legislation is pleased to report that it has completed all business placed before it by the Special Session of the 107th Maine Legislature. Total Bills Received 19

Fotal Bills Received	19
Unanimous Reports 15	j .
Leave to Withdraw	
Ought to Pass	2
Ought to Pass as Amended 7	1
Ought to Pass in New Draft 4	17
Ought Not to Pass	
Divided Reports	18
Total Number of Amendments 11	1995
Total Number of New Drafts 4	

Signed:

NANCY RANDALL CLARK

House Chairwoman The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

The following Communication: STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & IN-STITUTIONAL SERVICES

Honorable John Martin

Speaker of the House

State House

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Martin:

It is with pleasure that I report to you that the Committee on Health and Institutional Services has completed all action necessary on

the business placed before it by the	Special
Session of the 107th Legislature.	•
Total Number of Bills Presented	16
Ought to Pass	1
Ought to Pass in New Draft	1
Ought to Pass as Amended	9
Divided	2
Ought Not to Pass	1
Leave to Withdraw	1.
Referrals to Another Committee	1
Signed:	

HARLAND C. GOODWIN, JR. House Chairman The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

The following Communication: (S. P. 800) UNITED STATES SENATE WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 31, 1976

Mr. Harry N. Starbranch

Secretary of the Senate

The Senate of Maine

State House

State House Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Mr. Starbranch: I appreciate your courtesy in providing me with a copy of the Joint Resolution which was adopted by the Maine House of Represen-tatives and Senate.

tatives and Senate. The support of the State legislature of World Whale Day and the commitment to stopping the killing of whales is commendable. You will be interested in knowing that on March 29, the Senate approved and sent to the House of Representatives a bill which prohibited the taking of the Killer whale

Thanks again for your letter and Resolution. It's good hearing from you. With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Signed: WILLIAM D. HATHAWAY

U. S. Senator Came from the Senate, read and ordered

placed on file.

In the House, the Communication was read and ordered placed on file in concurrence.

The following Communication: (S. P. 801) UNITED STATES SENATE WASHINGTON, D. C.

Àpril 2, 1976

Mr. Harry N. Starbranch Secretary of the Senate The Senate of Maine

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Harry:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the Maine Legislature's joint resolutions in support of World Whale Day, the Minibus Service for the Elderly and the resolution concerning repeal of the Safe Water Drinking Act. I have asked that the three resolutions be printed in the Congressional Record.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

EDMUND S. MUSKIE **United States Senator**

Came from the Senate read and ordered placed on file.

In the House, the Communication was read and ordered placed on file in concurrence.

Orders

Mrs. Durgin of Kittery presented the follow-ing Joint Order and moved its passage: (H. P. 2300) (Cosponsor: Mr. Kauffman of Kittery) WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional

Accomplishment of Alice L. Patey Who is Retiring April 30, 1976 Following Thirty-Eight Years of Dedicated Service in Kittery Town Government Concluded with Ten Years as Town Clerk

Respectfully,

Signed:

We the Members of the House of Representatives and Senate do hereby Order that our congratulations and acknowledgement be ex-Lended: and further

Order and direct, while duly assembled in session at the Capitol in Augusta, under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, that this official expression of pride be sent forthwith on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine. The Order was read and passed and sent up

for concurrence.

Mr. Perkins of Blue Hill presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage: (H. P. 2302) (Cosponsor: Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington)

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of Gale Brownlow of Blue Hill Second Honor Essay Award of the 1976 Graduating Class of George Stevens Academy We the Members of the House of Represen-

tatives and Senate do hereby Order that our congratulations and acknowledgement be extended: and further

Order and direct, while duly assembled in session at the Capitol in Augusta, under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, that this official expression of pride be sent forthwith on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine.

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Perkins of Blue Hill presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage: (H. P. 2303) (Cosponsor: Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington)

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of Esme McTighe of Blue Hill First Honor Essay Award of the 1976 Graduating Class of George Stevens Academy

We the Members of the House of Representalives and Senate do hereby Order that our congratulations and acknowledgement be extended; and further

Order and direct, while duly assembled in session at the Capitol in Augusta, under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, that this official expression of pride be sent forthwith on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine.

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage: (H. P. 2304) (Cosponsor: Mr. Perkins of Blue Hill)

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of Patricia Wardwell of Penobscot Valedictorian of the 1976 Graduating Class of George Stevens Academy

We the Members of the House of Representatives and Senate do hereby Order that our congratulations and acknowledgement be extended; and further

Order and direct, while duly assembled in session at the Capitol in Augusta, under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, that this official expression of pride be sent forthwith on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine.

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Birt of East Millinocket presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage: (H. P. 2305) (Cosponosr: Mrs. Berube of Lewiston)

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of State Treasurer Rodney L.

Scribner and the State Treasurer's Office who Planned and Supervised the Recent 19 Million Dollar State Bond Issue Which was Sold at the Low Interest Rate of 4.46 Percent Thus Saving the Citizens of Maine Many Millions of Dollars in Interest Charges

We the Members of the House of Representatives and Senate do hereby Order that our congratulations and acknowledgement be extended; and further

Order and direct, while duly assembled in session at the Capitol in Augusta, under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, that this official expression of pride be sent forthwith on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine.

The Order was read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from East Millinocket, Mr. Birt. Mr. BIRT: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I first became aware of this — I hadn't seen the paper yesterday morning and being over in the State Finance Office, I heard some comments there about the outstanding job that has been done by the Treasurer's Office, and particularly the state treasurer, in putting together a report that was so well received in New York a couple of days ago. There were six banks bidding on it, whereas about two months ago, they couldn't get a bid and any offer might have been in ex-cess of 6 percent. The major factors were, the tremendous amount of preparation that had gone into preparing this particular bond issue so that it was able to go up for sale at 4.45 percent.

I know there has been a good deal of comment in the papers about our bond rating drop-ping from Triple A to Double A, but work of this type certainly should be a real asset to improving our bond rating and possibly we can go back to that Triple A rating.

Thereupon, the Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage: (H. P. 2306) (Cosponsor: Mr. Perkins of Blue Hill)

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of Cheryl Ling of Sedgwick Salutatorian of the 1976 Graduating Class of George Stevens Academy

We the Members of the House of Representatives and Senate do hereby Order that our congratulations and acknowledgement be extended; and further

Order and direct, while duly assembled in session at the Capitol in Augusta, under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, that this official expression of pride be sent forthwith on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine.

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage: (H. P. 2307)

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of Hermann W. Chatto of Brooklin Who Served His Town as Selectman for Fourteen Years From 1962 to 1976 We the Members of the House of Represen-tatives and Sonata do horaby Order that our

tatives and Senate do hereby Order that our congratulations and acknowledgement be ex-

tended; and further Order and direct, while duly assembled in session at the Capitol in Augusta, under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, that this official expression of pride be sent forthwith on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine.

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Mrs. Snowe of Auburn presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage: (H. P. 2308) (Cosponsors: Rep. Lewis of Auburn, Rep. Drigotas of Auburn, Rep. Hughes of Auburn)

WHEREAS. The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of Gregory Caron of Auburn A Senior at Edward Little High School Who Has Composed a Sonata in D Minor Which Will be Performed at the National Music Council Bicentennial Parade of America Concert in Washington, D. C. on April 19, 1976

We the Members of the House of Represen-tatives and Senate do hereby Order that our congratulations and acknowledgement be extended: and further

Order and direct, while duly assembled in session at the Capitol in Augusta, under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, that this official expression of pride be sent forthwith on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine.

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Smith of Dover-Foxcroft presented the following Joint Resolution and moved its adoption: (H. P. 2309)

Joint Resolution Recognizing Mrs. Lurene Carlson Houston of Guilford Maine's Unofficial Ambassador to the Court of King Gustaf of Sweden When he Visits the United States

This Spring WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Legislature that King Gustaf of Sweden who is visiting the United States will, on April 17th, greet the Swedish community of Kansas and will dedicate a pavilion at Lindsborg, Kansas: and

WHEREAS. the State of Maine has many citizens of Swedish descent who have played an important part in shaping its history and has several towns, such as New Sweden and Stockholm, whose very names reflect that proud Swedish heritage; and

WHEREAS, it has also come to the attention of the Legislature that Mrs. Lurene Carlson Houston of Guilford, who is herself of Swedish descent, will be visiting Kansas at the time of the King's visit and will be attending the dedication at Lindsborg; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That we, the Members of the 107th Legislature in special session assembled, do hereby designate and recognize Mrs. Lurene Carlson Houston as Maine's unofficial ambassador to the Swedish court during the King of Sweden's visit to the United States, and that we ask her to convey our cordial greetings and best wishes to him on behalf of all of the

citizens of this State; and be it further RESOLVED: That a suitable copy of this resolution be sent forthwith to Mrs. Houston as a token of our recognition and gratitude.

The Resolution was read and adopted and sent up for concurrence.

On Motion of Mr. Albert of Limestone, it was ORDERED, that Leon Bowie of Gardiner be excused April 8th and 9th for personal reasons.

By unanimous consent, all matters acted upon in concurrence and all matters requiring Senate concurrence were ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

House Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw

Mr. Drigotas from the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Providing for an Invest-ment Tax Credit and a Credit for the Creation of New Jobs" (H. P. 1958) (L. D. 2167) reporting "Leave to Withdraw" Report was read and accepted and sent up

for concurrence.

ment No. 2 was taken up oul of order by unanimous consent:

Divided Report

Pursuant to Joint Order, H. P. 2241 Majority Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Resolve, Authorizing Frederick Gooldrup and Germaine Gooldrup, or their legal representatives, to bring Civil Action Against the State of Maine" (H. P. 2299) (L. D. 2346) reporting "Ought Not to Pass" Report was signed by the following

members:

Messrs. COLLINS of Knox CLIFFORD of Androscoggin MERRILL of Cumberland

- of the Senate.

Mrs. MISKAVAGE of Augusta Messrs. PERKINS of South Portland SPENCER of Standish McMAHON of Kennebunk HUGHES of Auburn HOBBINS of Saco **HENDERSON** of Bangor **BENNETT** of Caribou

of the House. Minority Report of the same Committee eporting "Ought to Pass" on the same reporting Resolve.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. GAUTHIER of Sanford HEWES of Cape Elizabeth

- of the House.

Reports were read. Mr. Perkins of South Portland moved that the House accept Majority "Ought Not to Pass" Report.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Hewes. Mr. HEWES: Mr. Speaker and Members of

the House: These two reports relate to the same matter, the one that we are debating now and the very next one, item 2, and I would hope that you would vote against the "ought not to pass'' report.

What has happened, under the present system, as you know, a person is not authorized or doesn't have the right to sue the State of Maine of any of its agencies. We did try to get a bill through here last session, during the regular session of the 107th, which would have changed this, but that didn't pass.

The present law is that the state or its agen-cies may not be sued, except by special legislative privilege. So, this Frederick Gooldrup, who is the subject involved here, apparently, one particular day there was some construction being done on a road or street in Waterville and he had an accident on the road. He sued the City of Waterville, and in order to sue the City of Waterville, you have to go through certain notification statutes. You have to give certain notice to the city. I submit that if he is going to be allowed to sue the state, a similar law should apply.

The gentleman from Sanford, Mr. Gauthier, and I proposed that if Mr. Gooldrup be allowed to sue the state, it be on the same terms he would be allowed to sue the City of Waterville, and that is the way L. D. 2346 is worded, whereas L. D. 2347, which is item 2 which we will be discussing in a few minutes, allows the state to be sued for an amount up to \$20,000, whereas under my bill it would be no more than \$4,000 for each of the plaintiffs.

Last year in the regular session, we passed a similar law allowing someone to sue in Franklin County, and we set a limit on how much they could receive. The jury gave a greater amount than that limit and the judge did not cut the jury's verdict back. In other words, the court disregarded our limitation of \$20,000 — in that case a lot more than \$20,000.

So, I submit that if this limit of \$20,000 as proposed in L. D. 2347 becomes a law, the court may disregard the \$20,000 limit there. I submit that the better bill — we are giving the Gooldrup's something if we allow them to sue the state on the same terms as they could sue a city, and they are planning to sue the City of Waterville if they haven't already.

I hope, therefore, that you will vote against the pending "ought not to pass" motion here and then vote for the "ought to pass" report. The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the

gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Carey. Mr. CAREY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Maybe the ladies and gentlemen of the House would be interested in just what has developed through this whole thing.

This gentleman works on the outskirts of Waterville, travelled on a state aid road and the state aid road was under construction by the state itself, not by the City of Waterville. He had an accident. He travelled by that way earlier in the day, there was no particular construction in the area that he was discussing at the time, and in the evening when he returned at eleven o'clock to go to work for the eleven to seven shift, he ran into a fairly deep hole in the road surface itself. so severe, in fact, that it drove him off beside the road and over an embankment. His wife was badly injured but not to the extent that we are talking hundreds of thousands of dollars. He was somewhat in-jured. The automobile that he was driving, a Pontiac, I think it was a 1969, was totally demolished.

He brought suit against the City of Water-ville. They were informed by the city's at-torney that they really had no suit against the city becasue the city was not doing the construction, the state itself was doing the con-struction. Their attorney did some research on it, found that he in fact felt he was incorrect and that he should have brought suit against the state and, therefore, he needed a vehicle. I was fortunate enough to get through this House a joint order late in the session and I appreciate very much the Judiciary Committee's understanding of the matter and taking it up. They have come out with two reports and I don't know which report is which at this time. But all I am saying is, it was totally a state event.

The gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Hewes, said that he would like the state to be no more responsible than what the community was. The community said the negligence laws are at \$4,000. The state does not have that provision in there, so <u>unless he writes a law</u> and makes it retroactive, he cannot build that

into the law. I pointed out that the city has absolutely no objections to be sued in conjunction with the state and let the court decide who is responsible, whether it is the city or the state. I have no objection to that and obviously the courts would be treating us fairly, hopefully both the state and the city

But for the gentleman to put such a low figure on a fairly substantial injury, I think the attorney, as I recall it, and Mr. Perkins from South Portland was there, as was Mr. Hewes, Mr. Gauthier was there, the Chairman of the committee and originally they had asked for some \$50,000 in damages and the committee mentioned a figure of \$20,000, and the attorney for the Gooldrups felt that \$20,000 was certainly something that would take care of all the problems that had existed. But to go down to the \$4,000 figure, I think it would be very much unacceptable and you would have the same situation that we had in the past where the courts would rule. I think, more than \$4,000 worth of damages

So I would certainly hope that you do not go along with the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Hewes, and accept the "ought not to pass" report as was the motion made by the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Perkins.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Sanford, Mr. Gauthier.

Mr. GAUTHIER: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: The suit was started against the City of Waterville. It went to court but they didn't finish it. And when they came before our committee, if I understand right, the plaintiff was asked how much the damages were. From what I remember, it wasn't more than \$4,000, but he had a bill in there for \$50,000. So we felt that if Waterville was being sued for \$4,000 and there was no more evidence of damages than that, that the state shouldn't pay more than the City of Waterville will. The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the

gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Perkins. Mr. PERKINS: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: We are dealing here with two separate reports, one which we haven't even gotten to yet but they go hand in hand, so I think maybe an explanation of the two is in order.

There is a difference between L. D. 2346 and L. D. 2347. Presently, we are dealing with L. D. 2346, and in that L. D., it would set a limitation as to the amount of damages that might be recovered of \$4,000, as has been indicated by the good gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Hewes

Under L. D. 2347, it would set a limit of recovery at \$20,000, as was also indicated by the good gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Hewes, However, the distinction is that ad-ditional to that, in L. D. 2346, the \$4,000 limit was based upon the fact that that would be the total amount of recovery that could have been obtained had a suit been brought, as it was, against the City of Waterville and there had against the City of watervine and there had been a recovery at all. That meant that no mat-ter how much the damages the individual might have incurred, and there has been several thousand dollars that have been incurred in the form of special damages, such as medical expenses and lost earnings, and that would have meant that even if the damages were \$10,000, personal injury damages were

were \$10,000, personal injury damages were \$10,000, the most that the individual could recover would be \$4,000. The thinking, I believe, of the minority is that because statutorily we have said that a city may not be required to pay more than \$4,000, then we should also set that limit upon the State of Maine.

Additional to that was conditions, that in order to bring suit against a municipality, it was necessary that the individual, within 14 days of the accident, notify the municipality of a possible claim. So it was felt by the minority, I believe, that we should also place that limitation upon the individual as it pertains against a suit against the State of Maine. I don't really quarrel with that, except that this would be an entirely new exception to the rule where we have permitted individuals to sue the state.

It boils down to the old question of sovereign immunity which we have had before us before and we have repeatedly made exceptions to the rule. I think in those instances where it can be shown that the state has in some form been at fault for a loss incurred by a citizen of this state, that we should remove the sovereign immunity doctrine as it pertains to that incident and permit the individual to prove his claim against the state to the extent that any in-dividual might sue some other individual and recover.

We have said that if we have a loss and it is the result of someone else's negligence or fault, that we show what our damages were and that we get a recovery for our lost wages or medical expenses and pain and suffering, etc

Under the minority report on L. D. 2346, the most that could be recovered would be for whatever property damage there was and whatever personal injuries there were, and I

assume that would not include the usual socalled pain and suffering. It is true that the damages that were suggested to the committee that be sought by these individuals was \$50,000, and the majority of the Judiciary Com-mittee felt that was certainly — I think all of the committee, there is no question about that thought that that was much too much. I think the present damages, what we call provable losses in the form of medical expenses, I believe approximately \$2,000 to \$3,000, and we felt that \$50,000 was much too much. We, therefore, felt that it should be reduced to a maximum limit of \$20,000. We have so stated that that would be the maximum amount that could be recovered. That does not mean that they will get \$20,000, it does not mean that the court will not decide their amount of loss when it is proven will be substantially less, it might be proven to be sub-stantially more. However, the limitation we have imposed is \$20,000, which we believe is fair.

I would also indicate, as I said earlier, there are those special conditions which I do not think are fair to impose upon the individual, and that is, in order to even bring his case, he must have notified someone in the state. Here again he didn't even know he had a case against the state or could have a case against the state but he must have notified within 14 days of the accident a representative of the State of Maine by letter or otherwise setting forth his or her claim for damages, specifying the nature and location of the defect which caused such injury. He didn't even come to the state, he went to the City of Waterville and I think that he will be ruled out, probably, right off the bat, as a result of that limitation if we

accept the minority report. The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Mr. MORTON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: In connection with this matter, I have heard none of the details until this morning here in the debate, but Franklin County was mentioned by the gentleman from South Portland and I would call to your attention the facts in that situation which I think is entirely different from this one. That case was a great deal more serious. There was a fatality involved. The final ad-judication in the case was that there was gross negligence on the part of the state and there was an award - I am not sure whether it was by a jury, but I think it was - that exceeded that which was authorized by the Judiciary Committee. How this will be determined. I am sure, is a matter for the courts to decide and the same thing could happen in this case. As the other gentleman from South Portland

has called to your attention, the facts are so much different and there were no fatalities in this case, there is no judgment as to how much the loss of a life is valued, whereas it was in the Franklin County case, so I don't think the facts are the same, and I strongly recommend that you follow the dictates of the vast ma-jority of the Judiciary Committee.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Raymond,

Mr. RAYMOND: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: It seems that we are discussing here an amount, whether it should be \$4,000 or should be \$20,000. It seems to me we should be finding out whether or not we should give them permission to sue the state. I am wondering if probably some member of the committee can tell us if the road was

the committee can tell us if the road was properly marked, did they have road torches? Did they have signs stating there was work be-ing done? Was it negligence on the part of the state or on the part of the people involved? I think this is what we should be concerned with to find out if we should allow them to sue us in the first place.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Hewes.

gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Hewes. Mr. HEWES: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I believe the ques-tions just posed by the good gentleman from Lewiston will be brought out in the trial as to the negligence of the state or the city or perhaps the private contractor. I would, though, like to agree with the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Carey, that the two score should be triad together. The two

the two cases should be tried together. The two cases I am speaking about, the case against the City of Waterville and the case against the State of Maine. It seems to me that if they are going to be tried together, the same standards should apply to both. Under this bill we are voting on now, it is an "ought not to pass" ma-jority, report, the state has the very same that the state has the very same obligation as the city does. The wording of L. D. 2346 is copied word for word from the wording of the statute that allows suits against municipalities, the giving of notice, the limitation of \$4,000, and a very important factor is in L. D. 2346 and in the law that allows the suit against Waterville, if either plaintiff had notice of the condition of such way previous to time of the injury, such plaintiff can not recover, and it seems to me that is an extra standard that the City of Waterville would benefit from, and I think the state should have the same benefit.

I don't think we ought to be trying two cases at the same time in conjunction with one another, with the test as to the City of Waterville being one way and the test to the state being another. I hope that you will vote against the motion to accept the "ought not to pass"

report. The SPEAKER: The pending question is on the motion of Mr. Perkins of South Portland to accept the majority "Ought not to Pass" Report. All in favor of that motion will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

A vote of the House was taken.

78 having voted in the affirmative and 13 hav-ing voted in the negative, the motion did prevail.

.Sent up for concurrence.

Divided Report

Pursuant to Joint Order, H. P. 2241 Majority Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Resolve, Authorizing Frederick Gooldrup and Germaine Gooldrup, or their legal representatives, to bring Civil Action Against the State of Maine (H. P. 2301) (L. D. 2347) reporting "Ought to Pass" Report was signed by the following

members

Messrs. COLLINS of Knox

Mrs,

CLIFFORD of Androscoggin MERRILL of Cumberland of the Senate

MISKAVAGE of Augusta PERKINS of South Portland Messrs. SPENCER of Standish McMAHON of Kennebunk **HUGHES of Auburn** HOBBINS of Saco HENDERSON of Bangor **BENNETT** of Caribou

of the House.

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting "Ought Not to Pass" on the same Resolve.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. GAUTHIER of Sanford

HEWES of Cape Elizabeth

- of the House.

Reports were read. On motion of Mr. Henderson of Bangor, the Majority "Ought to Pass" Report was ac-cepted and the Resolve read once. Under suspension of the rules the Resolve read a second time.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Carey. Mr. CAREY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: The Representative from Wayne, Mr. Ault, brought something to my attention which may be an error in the printing. However, it may be correct on the printing. However it may be correct on the bill. He pointed out to me that 2346 is a report by a Minority of the committee and 2347 is a report by the Majority of the committee and now that we have had very little time to try to figure out which is which here, but is that the way the bill is printed? If I may direct the question to the Clerk. The CLERK: The L. D. 2347, which is House

Paper 2301, carries the endorsement reported by the Majority of the Committee on Judiciary

Thereupon, under suspension of the rules, the Resolve was passed to be engrossed, and by unanimous consent ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 3 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

Finally Passed Constitutional Amendment

Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Assure Revenues for Bond Service and Prohibit State Bonding of Current Expenditures (S. P. 689) (L. D. 2206) (C. "A" S-416, S. "B" S-508)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being a Constitutional Amendment and a twothirds vote of those present and voting being necessary, a total was taken. 99 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Resolution was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Passed to Be Enacted **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Clarify Certain Provisions in the Education Laws (S. P. 651) (L. D. 2056) (C. "A" S-480, H. "A" H-1132, S. "A" S-500, H. "B" H-1173, S. "B" S-502, H. "E" H-1180, H. "G" H-1192, S. "B" S-525)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 112 voted in favor of same and 3 against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure An Act Relating to Campaign Reports and Finances (H. P. 2281) (L. D. 2340) (S. "B" S-541)

Was reported by the Committee on Engros-sed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 112 voted in favor of same and one against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

An Act to Regulate Drinking Water (S. P. 687) (L. D. 2198) (C ''A'' S-431) (Conf. Commit-tee ''A'' S-542)

An Act Relating to Costs in Contested Cases and Depositions in Probate Court (S. P. 709) (L. D. 2236) (Conf. Committee "A" S-534)

 (L. D. 2236) (Cont. Committee "A" S-534)
An Act Concerning the Workmen's Compensation Statutes (H. P. 2046) (L. D. 2218) (C
"A" H-988) (H "A" H-1032) (H "B" H-1193)
An Act to Permit Local Plumbing Inspectors to Approve Repairs to Existing Septic Systems (H. P. 2206) (L. D. 2306) (Conf. Committee "A" S 540) S-540)

An Act to Establish the Dates of Legislative Sessions and Clarify Laws Relating to Ex-

penses of Legislators (S. P. 663) (L. D. 2087) (Conf. Committee ''A'' S-539) Were Reported by the Committee on Engros-

sed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

By unanimous consent, all matters acted upon in concurrence and all matters requiring Senate concurrence, were ordered sent forthwith.

(Off Record Remarks)

Mr. McMahon of Kennebunk was granted unanimous consent to address the House

Mr. McMAHON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: In view of the fact we are waiting for another supplemental calendar why it would be appropriate for me, I guess, to do this now.

Last week, this body and the other body passed a Joint Resolution having to do with the un-fortunate situation that is developing in regard to the Maremont Plant in Saco and it, occurred to me and you might like to know what happened to that Joint Resolution once it got down to the Congressional Delegation. For that reason I would like to read into the record the remarks of the 1st District Congressman, David Emery, which are very brief, as he inserted them in the record of Monday, April 5, in the Congressional Record, "Mr. Speaker, In a move which we in the Maine Congressional Delegation consider to be unfair and not sional Delegation consider to be unfair and not in the best interest of U.S. security and of the precedent of exporting American jobs and strategic defense technology to a foreign country, and probably illegal, the U.S. Army has awarded a contract to build tank mounted machine guns for U.S. tanks to the Belgian firm Fredric Nationale. The selection of the Belgian gun is even more inappropriate until the question of whether or not a deal was struck between the United States and Belgian struck between the United States and Belgian officials for the United States to purchase the Belgian-made mag machine gun in exchange for Belgium and other NATO countries to buy the Amarican-made S-16 fighter plane is cleared up beyond any doubt. This doubt now hanging over the appropriateness of the U.S. Army contract award is substantial and it is the basis for the following Joint Resolution passed by the Maine Legislature. March 31, 1976." 1976

He inserted into the Congressional Record the entire Joint Resolution passed by the legislature. These comments of his and other comments on the part of the other members of the delegation begin a scenario of events that you will be hearing more about as the weeks progress.

(Off Record Remarks)

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 4 taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

The following Communication: STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND LEGISLATURE SEVENTH COMMITTEE ON LIQUOR CONTROL

April 8, 1976 Honorable John L. Martin

Speaker of the House

House of Representatives

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Martin:

It is with pleasure that I report to you that the Committee on Liquor Control has completed all actions necessary on the business placed before it by the Special Session of the 107th Legislature. Total Number of Bills Presented

Unanimous Reports

Ought to Pass Ought to Pass as Amended Ought to Pass in New Draft **Divided Reports** Leave to Withdraw

Signed:

SIDNEY D. MAXWELL House Chairman

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Sincerely,

The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Election Laws" (Emergency) (H. P. 2293) (L. D. 2344) which was Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-1230) in the House on April 7, 1976

Came from the Senate, Passed to be Engros-sed as Amended by House Amendment "A" and Senate Amendment "A" (S-538) in non (S-538) in non concurrence.

In the House

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Pierce. Mr. PIERCE: Mr. Speaker, could someone

explain what Senate Amendment S-538 does. please?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Pierce, has posed a question through the Chair to anyone who may respond if they so desire

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Portland, Mrs. Boudreau.

Mrs. BOUDREAU: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Senate Amendment "A", under filing S-538, what it says is the list of people who voted absentee will not become

public record until the day of the election. The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Pierce. Mr. PIERCE: Mr. Speaker, I would move

that we insist. The SPEAKER: The Chair will order a vote.

Those in favor of the motion to insist will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

A vote of the House was taken. 56 having voted in the affirmative and 21 in the negative, the motion did prevail.

On motion of Mr. Rolde of York. Recessed until three o'clock in the afternoon.

After Recess 3:00 P.M.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The following papers appearing in Supple-ment No. 5 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

Honorable Edwin H. Pert

Clerk of the House 107th Legislature

First Special Session Augusta, Maine

Dear Mr. Pert:

Signed:

The President appointed the following members of the Senate to the Committee of Conference on Bill, "An Act Repealing the Ex-pungement Law and Providing for the Control of Access to and Disclosure of Criminal History Record Information'' (S. P. 773) (L. D. 2326):

COLLINS of Knox CLIFFORD of Androscoggin HICHENS of York

Respectfully,

HARRY N. STARBRANCH Secretary of the Senate The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Joint Order Relative to the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation Studying Recommendations of Governor's Tax Policy Committee (H. P. 2057) which was Read and Passed in the House on February 19, 1976.

Came from the Senate Read and Indefinitely Postponed in non-concurrence.

In the House: On motion of Mr. Drigotas of Auburn, the House voted to recede and concur.

The following Communication: STATE OF MAINE

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND RETIREMENT

April 8, 1976

Honorable John L. Martin

Speaker of the House State House

Augusta, Maine 04330

Dear Sir:

The Committee on Veterans and Retirement is pleased to report the completion of that business that was placed before this commit-tee by the Special Session of the 107th Legislature.

Total Number of Bills Received

Ought Not to Pass

Ought to Pass as Amended

Divided, Ought to Pass as Amended Respectfully submitted,

Signed:

ALBERT THERIAULT

House Chairman The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

The following paper appeared on Supplement No. 6 was taken up out of order by unanimous consent.

On Motion of Mr. Dam of Skowhegan, the following Joint Order: (H. P. 2311) WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of

the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of Rosemary Skanes One of the First Certified Municipal Clerks of Maine, Past President of the Maine Clerks Association and Chairwoman of the Finance and Budget Committee of the National Clerks Association Who is Retiring as the Town Clerk of Skowhegan After 10 Years of Faithful Service

We the Members of the House of Represen-tatives and Senate do hereby Order that our congratulations and acknowledgement be ex-

tended: and further Order and direct, while duly assembled in session at the Capitol in Augusta, under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, that this official expression of pride be sent forthwith on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine.

The Order was read. The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Dam.

Mr. DAM: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I am not going to bore you with a long dissertation this afternoon, but briefly I want to say that it may sound strange to be putting in an order honoring someone after just 10 years of esrvice as a town clerk, but Rosemary Skanes served a number of years prior to this in other capacities in town government, and as town clerk of Skowhegan, she became one of the very few certified municipal clerks in the state at this time. She was one of the first group to be so certified. Then she went onto the National Clerk's Association and held a position in that group and the primary objective of this organization is to have a better understanding with the municipal clerks in the State of Maine and to run continuing schools of education so that the clerks can better serve their people.

She did an outstanding job; she has been a outstanding servant to the people of Skowhegan, and the reason for putting the order in today is because tonight at Skowhegan we are having a testimonial in honor of her.,

With that, I won't bore you anymore. Thereupon, the Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence. By unanimous consent, ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

The following papers appearing in Supple-ment No. 7 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

Members, 107th Legislature

Slate House

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Members:

I am happy to appoint this day as my member on the Ethics Commission, Mr. Alan F. Harding, P. O. Box 421, Presque Isle, Maine.

Signed:

Sincerely,

JOHN L. MARTIN Speaker of the House

Sincerely,

Signed:

The Communication was read and ordered placed on file. The SPEAKER: Pursuant to Chapter 621,

Section 1002, an affirmative vote of two-thirds is necessary for approval of the members ap-pointed to the Ethics Commission. Those in favor will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

A vote of the House was taken. 99 having voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative, pursuant to Chapter 621, the member was so qualified.

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Signed: -

LINWOOD E. PALMER, JR. **Minority Leader**

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Henderson,

Mr. HENDERSON: Mr. Speaker, if the law does say that this is supposed to be a two-thirds vote of this body. I, at least, felt a little bit uneasy voting without any explanation of these individuals and their backgrounds, if we do have some role in it. I wonder if it would be appropriate of either of the gentlemen to come and maybe in the past vote, to give us a briet description of the backgrounds of the individuals who we are apparently confirming with our vote. Otherwise, I find myself par-

ticipating in a sort of a meaningless process. The SPEAKER: Pursuant to Chapter 621. Section 1002, an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present is necessary for approval of the member. Those in favor will vote ves; those opposed will vote no. A vote of the House was taken.

91 having voted in the affirmative and 7 in the negative, pursuant to Chapter 621, the member was so qualified.

The following Communication: STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OFFICE OF MAJORITY FLOOR LEADERS AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

April 8, 1976

To Whom It May Concern: I am pleased today to make the appointment to the Ethics Committee of the Reverend Daniel E. Pollard of Portland, Maine. Very truly yours.

Signed:

NEIL ROLDE Majority Floor Leader

The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

The SPEAKER: Pursuant to Chapter 621, Section 1002, an affirmative vote of two-thirds is necessary for approval of the members. Those in favor will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

vote of the House was taken.

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The following Communication: STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND S LEGISLATURE SEVENTH COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

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House Chairman The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

The following Communication: STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330 April 8, 1976
Honorable John L. Martin Speaker of the House
State House Augusta, Maine 04330 Dear Sir:
The Committee on Education is pleased to report the completion of that business that was
placed before this committee by the Special Session of the 107th Legislature.
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ARTHUR P. LYNCH House Chairman

The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

Mr. Wagner of Orono was granted un-animous consent to address the House.

Mr. WAGNER: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I rise today to bid farewell to one of our members who will be among us for the last time tomorrow. He has been in the Maine House for six years, and in deference to the Bicentennial year, will hed the advice of the framers of the Articles of Confederation who firmly believed in rotation in office and not seek reelection (no offense meant to the senior gentleman from Lewiston).

I speak, of course, of the gentleman from Calais, Mr. Silverman, who leaves Sunday for Israel. By next week, Harold will be laboring in the red earths of the Kibbutz of Israel, where he has been going annually for 10 years. He will transfer his toil from a legislature vineyard to an agricultural one, one might say from kibbitz to kibbutz in 48 hours.

from kibbitz to kibbutz in 48 hours. It is perhaps significant that Harold has served six years, inasmuch as you may recall that six is a perfect number, the sum of whose factors equals their product. I would not go so far as to say that this man is a perfect legislator, but he has served as a fine example of a dedicated and sincere legislator, particularly to new members to whom he has always been a friendly counselor. During his own first term, he defied tradition and demanded the right to speak in this House; he prevailed; he did speak and he has not stop-ped speaking since. He has served faithfully on

ped speaking since. He has served faithfully on the State Government Committee during his party's tenure and where he maintained an ardent interest in all constitutional matters

As a new member, I have been particularly impressed with his alacrity in taking his feet. He holds the House record for fleetness of foot, being capable of rising from an incumbent position to an erect position with full control of his mike in 37 micro-seconds.

From my own brief working experience in Calais last fall. I know that Harold has been most effective in meeting the needs of his constituents. The new vocational technical school and the high school attest to his labors to promote education in his area. I can personally attest to his popularity with the ladies who pack the sack lunches at Calais Memorial High School. A kind word about Harold was always good for an extra packet of cookies or tuna fish sandwich

To conclude, in all seriousness, you will be missed Harold, Godspeed in your travels and Shalom, (Applause)

Mr. Silverman of Calais was granted un-

animous consent to address the House: Mr. SILVERMAN: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I guess when you rise in the Maine House for probably the last time, you have a sentimental touch. I do say that when you are born, bred, raised and educated in the State of Maine and enjoy the hunting and fishing and had the privilege to make the laws, to be part of the lawmaking body in this chamber, you say on departing that you are proud to be a Maine person and have that background or, as the gentleman from Orono stated, in this era of the last half of the 20th Century, where you can be in the halls of the Maine Chamber on a Friday, on a Sunday be in the Middle East in the State of Israel, we have certainly come a long ways. Yet, as far as I have watched, the United States probably has been the leader in this field, as far as man dealing with man, we certainly have not come that far.

I hope you realize how fortunate you are in the State of Maine where you don't carry rifles when you go to church to pray because, Wednesday night and it is a 3,000 year old tradition, if you know your Old Testament, when 100,000 Hebrews, who were brought out of bondage, this is a true story from the land of Egypt, and traveled for 40 years to Sinai and then into the land of Canaan, you say Palestine and we say Israel, they also brought along with them a spiritual belief and 3,000 years later, the land that was left turned into sand and not used and so forth, 3,000 years later, I will be in an area of the Beth-Shan Valley and if you were there on the evening of Wednesday, you could, overlooking this valley is the Gilboa Mountain Range on the other side of the Trans-Jordanian Mountain Range, it is right on the Jordanian frontier, it is military area, and if you would be

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I think man has come a long ways when in 3,000 years there are still people who carry on an attempt to live, as we understand it, the good life of man to man, family to family, na-tion to nation and with that, I thank you. (Applause, members rising.)

Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston was granted un-animous consent to address the House. Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: What has not been said, and certainly has not been said by the young man from Calais, Mr. Silverman is this — for quite a number of years this young man has been, at his own expense, naturally, going to Israel for at least two weeks and this has been going on for a number of years. He goes a couple of times a year. He does not go just to go sightseeing, he is a believer. I have always respected and admired him. I knew about him before he landed here and what he does when he goes there is this, he puts on working clothes, he is in the mud, he digs ditches and he prays and for that, I do today admire him and I think this House ought to give this man a real vote of their feelings, what I consider a young Jewish man who believes in his faith and I am so proud of him that I envy him.

Mr. Mills of Eastport was granted un-animous consent to address the House. Mr. MILLS: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I happen to be familiar with some of the things that Mr. Silverman has done over in Israel and there is one that I think you should know about. If you know where the Israeli-Syrian border is in the Golan Heights. I can also tell you that he has served up there, too.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion of Mr. Palmer of Nobleboro, Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.