

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

*One Hundred and Seventh  
Legislature*

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1975

KENNEBEC JOURNAL  
AUGUSTA, MAINE

**SENATE**

Tuesday, February 4, 1975

Senate called to order by the President.  
Prayer by The Honorable David G. Huber of Cumberland:

Let us pray that in our private lives and in our public duties that we shall neither need the support of civil law to follow the dictates of our consciences nor seek to impose by law our beliefs upon those of differing persuasion.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, January 30, 1975.

**Papers From The House  
Joint Order  
STATE OF MAINE**

In The Year Of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-five.

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding

Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of

CHARLES L. CRAGIN III ESQUIRE

Of Falmouth

One Of Three

Maine Jaycees Outstanding

Young Men of the State

for The Year 1975

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. (H. P. 421)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed

Which was Read and Passed in concurrence.

**Joint Order  
STATE OF MAINE**

In The Year Of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-five.

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding

Achievement and Exceptional

Accomplishment of

John S. Dexter, Jr.

of Saco

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John C. Orestis, Esquire

of Lewiston

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Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read and Passed in concurrence.

**Joint Resolution  
STATE OF MAINE**

In The Year Of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-five

**IN MEMORIAM**

Having Learned Of The Death Of

Hon. Leon E. Hagan

of

Georgetown Center

The Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine do hereby extend their sincere heartfelt condolences and sympathy to the bereaved family and friends of the deceased; and further

While duly assembled in session at the State Capitol in Augusta under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, do herein direct that this official expression of sorrow be forthwith sent to the family of the deceased on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine. (H. P. 394)

Comes from the House, Read and Adopted.

Which was Read and Adopted in concurrence.

**Joint Resolution  
STATE OF MAINE**

In The Year Of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-five.

**IN MEMORIAM**

Having Learned Of The Death of

Mrs. Alice Bean

of Moscow, Maine

The Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine do hereby extend their sincere heartfelt condolences and sympathy to the bereaved family and friends of the deceased; and further

While duly assembled in session at the State Capitol in Augusta under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, do herein direct that this official expression of sorrow be forthwith sent to the family of the deceased on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine. (H. P. 396)

Comes from the House, Read and Adopted.

Which was Read and Adopted in concurrence.

**Joint Order  
STATE OF MAINE**

In The Year Of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventyfive

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of

THE WATERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM CLASS A STATE CHAMPIONS FOR THE YEAR 1974

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. (H. P. 395)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read and Passed in concurrence.

**Joint Order  
STATE OF MAINE**

In The Year Of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-five.

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of

LAKE REGION HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TRIPLE 'C' CHAMPIONS INLAND DIVISION 1974-75

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. (H. P. 382)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read and Passed in concurrence.

**House Papers**

Bills and Resolves today received from the House requiring Reference to Committees were acted upon in concurrence.

**Senate Papers**

**Appropriations and Financial Affairs**  
Mr. Huber of Cumberland presented, Bill, "An Act Relating to Expenses of the Legislature." (S. P. 148)

Which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Education**

Mr. Katz of Kennebec presented, Bill, "An Act Enabling Classification of

Residents of State Institutions as Resident Pupils." (S. P. 143)

Which was referred to the Committee on Education and Ordered Printed.  
Sent down for concurrence.

#### Judiciary

Mr. Huber of Cumberland presented, Bill, "An Act Increasing the Number of Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court." (S. P. 147)

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Ordered Printed.  
Sent down for concurrence.

#### Labor

Mr. Corson of Somerset presented, Bill, "An Act Relating to Panel of Mediators." (S. P. 144)

Mr. Cianchette of Somerset presented, Bill, "An Act Relating to Occupational Safety and Health." (S. P. 145)

Which were referred to the Committee on Labor and Ordered Printed.  
Sent down for concurrence.

#### State Government

Mr. Curtis of Penobscot presented, Bill, "An Act Relating to Membership and Qualifications of Executive Director of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission." (S. P. 146)

Mr. Reeves of Kennebec presented (Cosponsors: Mr. Collins of Knox, Mr. Clifford of Androscoggin and Mr. Curtis of Penobscot), Bill, "An Act Revising Lobbyist Disclosure Procedures." (S. P. 150)

Which were referred to the Committee on State Government and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Legal Affairs

Mr. Reeves of Kennebec presented (Cosponsors: Mrs. Cummings of Penobscot, Mr. Cianchette of Somerset and Mr. Gahagan of Aroostook), Bill, "An Act to Establish the Public Right to Know Governmental Business and to Repeal Statutory Authority for Executive Sessions." (S. P. 149)

The Committee on Reference of Bills suggested that the Bill be referred to the Committee on State Government.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Taxation

Mr. Roberts of York presented, Bill, "An Act to Exempt Electricity Used for Home Heating Purposes from the Sales Tax." (S. P. 151)

Which was referred to the Committee on Taxation and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Orders

On motion by Mr. Hichens of York, ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be paid to Ernest J. Goslin, Representative of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians and to Joseph A. Nicholas, Representative of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians, from the legislative appropriation the sum of \$400 per month, paid on a monthly basis until the amount authorized for such Representatives by statute is exhausted. (S. P. 152)

Which was Read and Passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Committee Reports House

##### Leave to Withdraw

The Committee on Judiciary on, Bill, "An Act Concerning Open Containers of Alcoholic Beverages in Motor Vehicles." (H. P. 23) (L. D. 31)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Comes from the House, the report Read and Accepted.

Which report was Read and Accepted in concurrence.

##### Ought to Pass

The Committee on Labor on Bill, "An Act Eliminating Waiting Period Under the Employment Security Law." (H. P. 139) (L. D. 171)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House, the Bill Passed to be Engrossed.

Which report was Read and Accepted in concurrence, the Bill Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

#### Senate

##### Ought to Pass

Mr. Jackson for the Committee on Taxation on, Bill, "An Act Relating to Compatibility of State Income Tax Law with Federal Law." (S. P. 59) (L. D. 139)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Which report was Read and Accepted, the Bill Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

##### Second Readers

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

##### House

Bill, "An Act Establishing Special License Plates for the Handicapped." (H. P. 40) (L. D. 51)

Bill, "An Act Relating to the Erection of a Sign on Maine Turnpike for Pleasant Mountain Recreational Area." (H. P. 75) (L. D. 87)

Bill, "An Act Designating a Commemorative Day in Remembrance of Martin Luther King, Jr." (H. P. 271) (L. D. 242)

Which were Read a Second Time and Passed to be Engrossed, in concurrence.

##### Senate - As Amended

Bill, "An Act to Provide for 6-person Juries in Civil Cases." (S. P. 16) (L. D. 90)

Which was Read a Second Time as Amended.

On motion by Mr. O'Leary of Oxford, tabled and specially assigned for February 6, 1975, pending Passage to be Engrossed.

##### Orders of the Day

Mr. Hichens of York was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate:

Mr. HICHENS:  
There are headlines we read of  
great things men have done.  
Of books they have written,  
of races they've won.  
Of great feats accomplished,  
great words they have said,  
And some even get headlines  
when they are dead.  
Murders get headlines - pornography too.  
"Get mixed up in a scandal",  
'twill get headlines for you.  
Criticize leaders of nation and state  
And you'll see it in headlines - it  
looks really great.  
Yes, what is important for people to see  
In the eyes of the editors -  
headlined shall be.

Although some average readers must wonder a bit  
When they see a headline, "What's great about it?"

But headlines like this that down deep really thrills  
Are those like I show "Hichens loses three bills".

But considering all - t'was a vict'ry for me,  
At least it was signed with initials "AP".

##### (Off Record Remarks)

On motion by Mrs. Cummings of Penobscot,  
Adjourned until 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning.