

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislature*

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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**SENATE**

Friday, May 2, 1975

Senate called to order by the President.  
Prayer by The Honorable John L. Thomas, Jr., of Waterville:

On this overcast 2nd day of May, I would like to quote a few passages from Desiderata by Max Ehrmann.

Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness. Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should.

Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be, and whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life keep peace with your soul. It is still a beautiful world. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

**Papers from the House  
Non-concurrent Matter**

Bill, "An Act Increasing the Number of Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court." (S. P. 147) (L. D. 510)

In the Senate April 4, 1975, Passed to Be Engrossed.

In the House April 23, 1975, Failed of Passage to be Engrossed, in non-concurrence.

In the Senate April 24, 1975, the Senate voted to Insist.

Comes from the House, that Body having Insisted and Asked for a Committee of Conference.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to Insist and Join in a Committee of Conference.

**Non-concurrent Matter**

Bill, "An Act Concerning the Size of Municipal Populations in the Statute Requiring or Authorizing the Appointment of Boards of Registration." (H. P. 752) (L. D. 927)

In the Senate April 25, 1975, Passed to be Engrossed.

Comes from the House, Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-218), in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, tabled and Specially Assigned for May 8, 1975 pending consideration.

**Joint Resolution  
STATE OF MAINE**

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-five

Joint Resolution Requesting Governor James B. Longley to Ensure that the State Bureau of Purchases shall contact for building materials and products of Maine origin where possible

WHEREAS, the use of building materials and products originating in other states and in foreign countries threatens to displace the use in this State of building materials and products of Maine origin; and

WHEREAS, the manufacturer of lumber, cement, granite and other building materials and products in this State is indispensable to the economy of this State; and

WHEREAS, it is possible for the State to act to protect this vital Maine industry by requiring Maine materials and products to be used where possible in construction funded by state moneys; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the 107th Legislature, respectfully request and urge the Governor of the State of Maine to take all measures necessary to ensure that where construction materials or products originating in Maine are in direct competition with construction materials or products originating in other states or in foreign countries, the State Bureau of Purchases shall contract only for Maine materials and products; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a suitable copy of this resolution be sent by the Secretary of State to Governor James B. Longley as notice of this resolution. (H. P. 1557)

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 Seventy-five.

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of Mrs. Nellie M. Skinner, Descendant of Daniel Skinner one of the First Settlers of the Town of Corinth on the 87th Anniversary of Her Birth

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. 1562)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read and Passed in concurrence.

**Joint Order**

WHEREAS, the Legislature annually recognizes and honors former Members by "Welcome Back" ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, the Culinary Arts Department of the Southern Maine Vocational-Technical Institute has, for many years, greatly assisted this effort by serving a buffet luncheon in the Hall of Flags; and

WHEREAS, one of the fondest recollections of each Welcome Back Day is the pleasure of meeting old comrades while having such a delicious meal; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that We, the Members of the One Hundred and Seventh Legislature in regular session assembled, extend a special note of thanks to the students and staff of the Southern Maine Vocational-Technical Institute Culinary Arts Department and compliment their obvious achievements in the gastronomic realm; and be it further

ORDERED, that a copy of this Order, duly attested by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, be transmitted by the Speaker of the House to the students and staff of the Southern Maine Vocational-Technical Institute Culinary Arts Department, in recognition of their outstanding work. (H. P. 1563)

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 Freeport Chapter of Dollars for Scholars Recipient of the Reader's Digest Scholars Award Presented by Trustees of Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America

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. 1554)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read and Passed in concurrence.

**Orders**

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, ORDERED,

WHEREAS, the Legislature is currently considering legislation to transfer authority for Truth-in-Lending Examinations and enforcement from the Bureau of Banks and Banking to the Bureau of Consumer Protection; and

WHEREAS, such transfers have in fact already been physically accomplished without such express authority presently under consideration by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the situation should be examined at the earliest possible time to ascertain the facts and the appropriate action to be taken by the Legislature; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Legislative Council be authorized, through the Joint Sanning Committee on Performance Audit, to study the facts surrounding Legislative Document No. 454, "An Act to Transfer Authority for Truth-in-Lending Examinations and Enforcement from the Bureau of Banks and Banking to the Bureau of Consumer Protection" and the actual departments involved to determine what, if any, corrective actions should be taken upon full disclosure of the circumstances; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Council report the results of its findings together with any proposed recommendations and necessary implementing legislation to the next special or regular session of the Legislature; and be it further

ORDERED, upon passage in concurrence, that suitable copies of this Order be transmitted forthwith to said

agencies as notice of this directive. (S. P. 509)

Which was Read.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, tabled, pending Passage.

#### Senate Papers

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, the Senate voted to take up the following:

#### Joint Resolution

Mr. Corson of Somerset presents the following Joint Resolution and moves its adoption:

#### STATE OF MAINE

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-five

Joint Resolution Concerning the Yellow-nosed Vole

WHEREAS, the Sugarloaf Mountain Corporation is constructing a double chairlift and related ski access trails on Sugarloaf Mountain in Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, Sugarloaf Mountain is one of 3 known locations in Maine where the yellow-nosed vole lives; and

WHEREAS, the yellow-nosed vole (*Microtus chrotorrhinus*) is one of the world's rarest and least-known mammals and is on the Inland Fisheries and Game Department's unofficial list of potentially endangered wildlife in Maine; and

WHEREAS, the yellow-nosed vole does not like to cross grassy areas, which are the habitat of its competitor, the red-backed vole; and

WHEREAS, the Sugarloaf Mountain Corporation has agreed to plant trefoil beneath the chairlift to encourage the yellow-nosed vole to cross this area in their multitudinous journey from wood to wood now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that We, the Members of the 107th Legislature in regular session, do hereby respectfully urge and request the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game to place no less than 3, nor no more than 6, signs along the chairlift, these signs to read "Warning, Vole Crossing" and to be of sufficient size to be clearly visible to persons utilizing the chairlift; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Senate shall send a suitable copy of this Resolution to Maynard F. Marsh, Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game. (S. P. 510)

Which was Read.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Somerset, Senator Corson.

Mr. CORSON: Mr. President, Distinguished Members of the Senate: On the 21st day of March, 1975, the Land Use Regulation Commission issued to Sugarloaf Corporation the development permit for the chairlift mentioned in the Joint Resolution.

When I first saw a copy of the permit, I thought it was joke, a caricature of the method of operation in which LURC seems to delight. But, to my great surprise, it is authentic.

I now quote from the permit: The Department of Inland Fisheries and Game makes the following recommendations:

#### WILDLIFE CONSIDERATIONS

"This proposed development activity could have a potentially severe effect on local wildlife populations. Sugarloaf Mountain is one of 3 known locations in Maine where the yellow-nosed vole lives. This is one of the world's rarest and least known mammals. It is on the Inland Fisheries and Game Department's

unofficial list of potentially endangered wildlife in Maine.

The yellow-nosed vole lives in the Canadian life zone which in Maine is found only at higher elevations. Construction activity at these higher elevations may destroy valuable habitat and the alteration of remaining areas for ski trails may make the habitat more suitable for meadow voles, a competitor of the yellow-nosed vole."

Mr. President. I confess that when I first saw this permit, I was not overly familiar with the yellow-nosed vole. But I have been doing some research on this matter, and I would like to share with my colleagues the results of my work. I am quoting now from an article by Dr. Robert L. Martin, world renowned expert on the yellow-nosed vole.

"This robust-bodied, short-tailed mouse looks much like the common meadow mouse, a close relative, except for its yellowish nose and a different pattern of the molar teeth. Known from the mountains of North Carolina to Labrador, they have generally been taken at elevations above 3000 feet."

"Like the Labrador collared Lemming, this vole tends to retain its feces and establish sanitary stations on the surface, whereas most other mice native to the Northeast tend to drop their fecal pellets at random." Dr. Martin goes on to note that "A sanitary station, when located, provides a good trapping site for catching one of these rare mice — somewhat akin to boobytrapping the path to the backhouse.

This is a yellow-nosed vole. Note the yellow-nose. This is its competitor, the common meadow vole, also known as the meadow mouse (*Microtus pennsylvanicus*) or the red-backed vole. Note the red back.

It was stated in the permit that there are only 3 known locations in Maine where the yellow-nosed vole lives. It was noted at the hearing on this permit application that the vole hunters had only looked in 3 locations in Maine. And one of the reasons they looked on Sugarloaf is that they are allowed to ride the gondola free of charge.

It was stated that the yellow-nosed vole is on the unofficial list of potentially endangered mammals.

Mr. President, I submit that all life on this planet is potentially endangered, with the possible exception of the Black Fly.

It was stated that the red-backed vole is a competitor of the yellow-nosed vole. Mr. Billings of LURC requested clarification of this statement. He asked if the red-backed voles and the yellow-nosed voles fight each other. Dr. Martin informed him that they do not, but if they did, the yellow-nosed voles would win as they are very aggressive and the red-backed voles are very passive.

The permit went on to state that "Prior to the commencement of clearing or construction, members of the Land Use Regulation Commission staff, Department of Inland Fisheries and Game, and Sugarloaf Mountain Corporation representatives shall meet and draw up a management plan having the following objectives: a.) to maintain, protect, or improve in perpetuity, the alpine habitat of the yellow-nosed vole (*Microtus chrotorrhinus*); and

b.) to provide a reasonable economic return to the landowner.

Very kind of LURC to allow a business to make a reasonable economic return, although what concern that is of LURC's, I don't understand. That meeting has taken

place and Sugarloaf has agreed to plant trefoil, which yellow-nosed voles like and red-backed voles hate. The problem appears to have been solved to the satisfaction of all concerned, although to my mind, the problem should never have arisen in the first place. It is just such action as this LURC permit that causes the good citizens of Maine to despair of ever finding reason and common sense in dealings with their government.

LURC has often demonstrated its ability to make a mountain out of a molehill: I submit that LURC has reached new heights of sublime inanity. The Land Use Regulation Commission has finally succeeded in making a vole hill out of a mountain.

Mr. President, I move the passage of this Joint Resolution.

The PRESIDENT: Is it now the pleasure of the Senate that this Joint Resolution be adopted and sent down for concurrence.

The motion prevailed.

#### Committee Reports

##### House

The following Ought Not to Pass reports shall be placed in the legislative files without further action pursuant to Rule 17-A of the Joint Rules:

Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Powers of Regional Planning Commissions." (H. P. 992) (L. D. 1256)

Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Provide for Facsimile Signatures on Commissions. (H. P. 1349) (L. D. 1625)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Notification of Pending Applications for Aid to Families with Dependent Children." (H. P. 1466) (L. D. 1732)

##### Leave to Withdraw

The Committee on State Government on, Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Repealing the Provisions for Municipal Home Rule. (H. P. 1081) (L. D. 1361)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

The Committee on Judiciary on, Bill, "An Act Concerning Attorneys' Fees and Costs to Wives and Husbands under the Divorce Statute." (H. P. 915) (L. D. 1129)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

The Committee on Judiciary on, Bill, "An Act to Provide Compensation for Victims of Violent Crimes." (H. P. 1088) (L. D. 1368)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

The Committee on Legal Affairs on, Bill, "An Act to Provide for the Selection of Architectural and Engineering Services by the State." (H. P. 1419) (L. D. 1730)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Come from the House, the reports Read and Accepted.

Which reports were Read and Accepted in concurrence.

##### Ought to Pass

The Committee on Local and County Government on, Bill, "An Act to Establish County Commissioner Districts in Cumberland County." (H. P. 223) (L. D. 279)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass. Comes from the House, the Bill Passed to be Engrossed.

Which report was Read and Accepted in

concurrency, the Bill Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

The Committee on Legal Affairs on, Bill, "An Act to Validate the Election of Municipal Officials in the City of Hallowell in 1971 and 1973." (H. P. 1310) (L. D. 1592)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass. Comes from the House, the Bill Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-228).

Which report was Read and Accepted in concurrence and the Bill Read Once. House Amendment "A" was Read and Adopted in concurrence and the Bill, as Amended, Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

**Ought to Pass — As Amended**

The Committee on Natural Resources on, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Site Location of Development Statute." (H. P. 619) (L. D. 765)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-225).

Comes from the House, the Bill Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Which report was Read and Accepted in concurrence and the Bill Read Once. Committee Amendment "A" was Read.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Trotzky of Penobscot, tabled and Specially Assigned for May 6, 1975, pending Adoption of Committee Amendment "A".

**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on Taxation on, Bill, "An Act Relating to Trade-in Credit on All Sales or Exchanges of Personal Property." (H. P. 1008) (L. D. 1276)

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

WYMAN of Washington  
MERRILL of Cumberland

Representatives:

TWITCHELL of Norway  
IMMONEN of West Paris  
DRIGOTAS of Auburn  
FINEMORE of Bridgewater  
MAXWELL of Jay  
SUSI of Pittsfield  
MULKERN of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Signed:

Senator:

JACKSON of Cumberland

Representatives:

MORTON of Farmington  
COX of Brewer  
DAM of Skowhegan

Comes from the House, the Majority report Read and Accepted.

Which reports were Read.

Mr. Wyman of Washington moved that the Senate accept the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report of the Committee.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Jackson of Cumberland, tabled and Specially Assigned for May 7, 1975, pending the motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington to accept the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report of the Committee.

**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on Business Legislation on, Bill, "An Act Establishing Educational Requirements for Licensing of Real Estate Brokers." (H. P. 627) (L. D. 778)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass in New Draft under Same Title (H. P. 1548) (L. D. 1865)

Signed:

Senators:

JOHNSTON of Aroostook  
REEVES of Kennebec

Representatives:

CLARK of Freeport  
BOUDREAU of Portland  
DeVANE of Ellsworth  
PEAKES of Dexter  
RIDEOUT of Mapleton  
PIERCE of Waterville  
BOWIE of Gardiner  
BYERS of Newcastle  
HIGGINS of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Representative:

TIERNEY of Durham

Comes from the House, the Majority report Read and Accepted and the Bill Recommended to the Committee on Business Legislation.

Which reports were Read.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Berry of Cumberland, Recommended to the Committee on Business Legislation in concurrence.

**Senate**

The following Ought Not to Pass report shall be placed in the legislative files without further action pursuant to Rule 17-A of the Joint Rules:

Bill, "An Act to Amend the Municipal Public Employees Labor Relations Law." (S. P. 208) (L. D. 698)

**Leave to Withdraw**

Mr. Collins for the Committee on Judiciary on, Bill, "An Act Regulating Abortion Procedures." (S. P. 486) (L. D. 1616)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Mr. Trotzky for the Committee on Natural Resources on, Bill, "An Act to Permit Discharges of Equal or Higher Quality than Receiving Waters." (S. P. 444) (L. D. 1506)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Which reports were Read and Accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

**Ought to Pass**

Mr. Collins for the Committee on Judiciary on, Bill, "An Act Concerning the Jurisdiction of the Courts." (S. P. 374) (L. D. 1201)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

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

**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on Education on, Bill, "An Act to Authorize the University of Maine to Proceed with the Development of a School of Medicine as Part of the Teaching Program of the University System." (S. P. 224) (L. D. 773)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Signed:

Representatives:

POWELL of Wallgrass Plt.  
INGEGNERI of Bangor  
CARROLL of Limerick  
MITCHELL of Vassalboro  
FENLASON of Danforth  
TYNDALE of Kennebunkport  
CONNOLLY of Portland

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

Signed:

Senators:

KATZ of Kennebec  
THOMAS of Kennebec  
BERRY of Androscoggin

Representatives:

LYNCH of Livermore Falls  
BAGLEY of Winthrop  
LEWIS of Auburn

Which reports were Read.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Katz of Kennebec, tabled and Specially Assigned for May 6, 1975, pending Acceptance of Either Committee Report.

**Committee of Conference Report**

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on, Bill, "An Act Relating to Filing Requirements for Perfecting a Security Interest in Mobile Homes under the Uniform Commercial Code." (S. P. 297) (L. D. 1023)

ask leave to report: that the Senate recede from its action whereby it Passed the Bill to be Engrossed, as amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-65); recede from its action whereby it adopted Senate Amendment "A"; indefinitely postpone Senate Amendment "A"; adopt Conference Committee Amendment "A" (S-111) submitted herewith; and Pass the Bill to be Engrossed, as amended by Conference Committee Amendment "A" (S-111);

that the House recede from its action whereby it indefinitely postponed the Bill; adopt Conference Committee Amendment "A"; and Pass the Bill to be Engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment "A", in concurrence.

On the part of the Senate:

CLIFFORD of Androscoggin  
THOMAS of Kennebec  
JOHNSTON of Aroostook

On the part of the House:

DeVANE of Ellsworth  
DAM of Skowhegan  
McMAHON of Kennebunk

Which report was Read and Accepted. The Senate receded from its action whereby the Bill was Passed to be Engrossed.

Receded from its action whereby it adopted Senate Amendment "A".

Indefinitely Postponed Senate Amendment "A".

Adopted Conference Committee Amendment "A".

Passed the Bill to be Engrossed as Amended by Conference Committee Amendment "A", in on-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Second Readers**

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

**House — As Amended**

Bill, "An Act to Improve Procedures under the State Employees Labor Relations Act." (H. P. 916) (L. D. 1130)

Bill, "An Act to Increase the Penalties for Night Hunting." (H. P. 998) (L. D. 1261)

Bill, "An Act to Assist Small Communities in the Development of Recreational Services." (H. P. 1189) (L. D. 1485)

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

**Enactors**

The Committee on Engrossed Bills

reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following:

An Act to Amend the Employment Security Law as to Separation Reports. (S. P. 241) (L. D. 793)

An Act Establishing an Annual Sentencing Institute for the Maine Criminal Courts. (S. P. 320) (L. D. 1097)

(On motion by Mr. Huber of Cumberland placed on the Special Appropriations Table.)

An Act Concerning the Definition of Child and Student under the Workmen's Compensation Statute. (S. P. 353) (L. D. 1153)

An Act to Repeal Certain Unconstitutional Provisions of the Election Laws. (H. P. 248) (L. D. 300)

An Act Relating to Hearing for Provisional Motor Vehicle Licensee on Suspension. (H. P. 333) (L. D. 405)

(On motion by Mr. Greeley of Waldo, placed on the Special Highway Appropriation Table)

An Act Relating to Specially Designed Registration Plates for the Maine National Guard. (H. P. 733) (L. D. 909)

(On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, tabled and Specially Assigned for May 6, 1975, pending Enactment.)

An Act to Specify the Future Use of Certain Lands in the City of Portland. (H. P. 768) (L. D. 939)

An Act Creating Kennebec County Commissioner Districts. (H. P. 929) (L. D. 1174)

Which, except for the tabled matters, were Passed to be Enacted and, having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

#### Emergency

An Act to Extend Date for Closing of Open Burning Dumps. (H. P. 1464) (L. D. 1502)

This being an emergency measure and having received the affirmative votes of 26 members of the Senate, was Passed to be Enacted and, having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

#### Orders of the Day

The President laid before the Senate the first tabled and Specially Assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act Relating to Maternity Benefits for Unmarried Women Health Insurance Policyholders and Minor Dependents of Health Insurance Policyholders." (S. P. 121) (L. D. 407)

Tabled — April 28, 1975 by Senator Conley of Cumberland.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed.

Mr. Clifford of Androscoggin then presented Senate Amendment "A" and moved its Adoption.

Senate Amendment "A", Filing No. S-88, was Read and Adopted, and the Bill, as Amended, Passed to be Engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The President laid before the Senate the second tabled and Specially Assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act to Permit the Disposal of Moose Killed in Motor Vehicle Accidents." (H. P. 977) (L. D. 1224)

Tabled — April 30, 1975 by Senator Pray of Penobscot.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed.

(In the House — Majority Ought Not to Pass Report Read and Accepted.)

(In the Senate — Minority Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment

"A" (H-206) Report Read and Accepted in non-concurrence; Committee Amendment "A", Adopted.)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Pray.

Mr. PRAY: Mr. President, the other day when this bill was before us, the good Senator from Somerset, Senator Cianchette, asked if I would present an amendment to it. It is forthcoming, and I would appreciate it if someone would table this until later in today's session.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Danton.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Danton of York, tabled until later in today's session, pending Passage to be Engrossed.

The President laid before the Senate the third tabled and Specially Assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act to Designate the Honeybee as the Official Insect for the State of Maine." (H. P. 721) (L. D. 897)

Tabled — May 1, 1975 by Senator Corson of Somerset.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed. (In the House — Passed to be Engrossed)

Thereupon, the Bill was Passed to be Engrossed in concurrence.

The President laid before the Senate the fourth tabled and Specially Assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act to Authorize the Executive Council to Approve or Disapprove Certain Claims Against the State." (H. P. 366) (L. D. 460)

Tabled — May 1, 1975 by Senator Curtis of Penobscot.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed. (In the House — Passed to be Engrossed)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. President, there is an amendment that has been signed but I don't think it has been distributed yet, and it should be before we are able to act upon it, so I would ask that somebody table this for one legislative day.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Speers.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, tabled and Tomorrow Assigned, pending Passage to be Engrossed.

The President laid before the Senate the fifth tabled and Specially Assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act to Amend the Maine Consumer Credit Code as it Relates to the Refinancing of Single Payment Loans Granted by Supervised Financial Organizations." (H. P. 1063) (L. D. 1343)

Tabled — May 1, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed. (In the House — Passed to be Engrossed)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: With reference to L. D. 1343, I move it be indefinitely postponed. It came to our attention earlier in the week that we had previously passed in the Business Legislation Committee a bill that covered the same area as this bill, a bill which has gone through both

branches of the legislature and had already been signed by the Governor. The reason it was tabled was in order for us to have the opportunity to check it out, and our legislative research assistant has checked it out and it is a duplication.

The PRESIDENT: The pending motion before the Senate is the motion by the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Thomas, that L. D. 1343 and all its accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

The motion prevailed.

The President laid before the Senate the matter tabled earlier in today's session by Mr. Danton of York:

Bill, "An Act to Permit the Disposal of Moose Killed in Motor Vehicle Accidents." (H. P. 977) (L. D. 1224)

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Pray.

Mr. PRAY: Mr. President, I have just received a note from the office saying it would be a few minutes before the amendment is here, so I would appreciate it if someone would table this until Monday next.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Danton.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Danton of York, retabled and Tomorrow Assigned, pending Passage to be Engrossed.

Mr. Collins of Knox was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate:

Mr. COLLINS: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: Four members of the Senate have sponsored an important piece of legislation, and this evening the Maine Bar Association is presenting a half-hour television program concerning court reform legislation. This will be shown on WCB, Channel 10, Saturday evening at 6 p.m., and on all other ETV channels at 10 p.m. this evening. Participants are Justice Elmer Violette, Professor Judy Potter of the Law School, and Herbert Silsby of the Maine State Bar Association.

On motion by Mrs. Cummings of Penobscot,

Adjourned until May 5, 1975 at 10 o'clock in the morning.