

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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 Augusta, Maine  
 May 4, 1983  
 Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Brian Reberts of the New Hope Baptist Church of Farmington.

REVEREND REBERTS: Let us pray! Dear Heavenly Father, we thank You for Jesus Christ, Who shed His blood on calvary that we might have eternal life.

We thank You for America. Father, we pray that You will be with these lawmakers, today, in their most important jobs. I pray that You will guide them and direct them for the welfare of this Country and of this State. Well, thank You, and we ask this in Jesus' Precious Name. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

(Off Record Remarks)

**Committee Reports  
 Senate**

**Ought to Pass in New Draft Under New Title**  
 Senator BUSTIN for the Committee on Health and Institutional Services on BILL, "An Act to Require Physicians to Report to the Board of Registration in Medicine Whether or not they Accept Medicare Assignments" (S. P. 266) (L. D. 811) Reported that the same Ought to Pass in New Draft under New Title, BILL, "An Act to Require Physicians, Chiropractors and Podiatrists to Post their Policy regarding their Acceptance of Medicare Assignments" (S. P. 524) (L. D. 1542)

Which Report was Read and Accepted. The Bill in New Draft under New Title Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

**Second Readers  
 House**

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

BILL, "An Act to Maximize the Availability of Certain Social Services by Providing for Income from Fees and Remove References to Federal Requirements which no Longer Exist" (H. P. 1161) (L. D. 1533)

BILL, "An Act to Amend Mandatory Zoning and Subdivision Control" (H. P. 1160) (L. D. 1531)

BILL, "An Act to Clarify Legislative Intent Concerning Funding of the Maine State Retirement System" (H. P. 1155) (L. D. 1525)

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

**House — As Amended**

BILL, "An Act to Authorize Coverage of Medical Supplies Under the Low Cost Drugs for the Elderly Program" (H. P. 997) (L. D. 1330)

BILL, "An Act to Allow Domestic Assessment Mutual Companies to Appoint Agents" (H. P. 899) (L. D. 1178)

BILL, "An Act to Improve the Price and Availability of Radio Paging Services" (Emergency) (H. P. 894) (L. D. 1159)

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

**Senate — as Amended**

BILL, "An Act Relating to Agricultural Contracts" (S. P. 272) (L. D. 835)

BILL, "An Act to Authorize the Commissioner of Transportation in Maine to Enter into Interstate Agreements Related to Reciprocal Enforcement of Fuel Use Laws" (S. P. 335) (L. D. 980)

BILL, "An Act Relating to Drinking in Public" (S. P. 420) (L. D. 1273)

BILL, "An Act to Allow the Training of Bear Dogs" (S. P. 371) (L. D. 1145)

Which were Read a Second Time and Passed

to be Engrossed as Amended.  
 Sent down for concurrence.

**Enactor**

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

An Act to Amend Maine's Wrongful Death Law (H. P. 398) (L. D. 481)

Comes from the House, Indefinitely Postponed.

Which was Passed to be Enacted, in non-concurrence, and having been signed by the President.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Orders of the Day**

The President laid before the Senate the first Tabled and specially assigned matter

HOUSE REPORTS—from the Committee on Transportation on BILL, "An Act to Require the Wearing of Protective Headgear by all Motorcycle, Motor Driven Cycle and Moped Riders" (H. P. 836) (L. D. 1072)

Majority Report Ought to Pass.

Minority Report Ought Not to Pass.

Tabled—May 3, 1983 by Senator PRAY of Penobscot.

Pending—Motion of Senator DANTON of York to Accept Majority Report.

(In House May 2, 1983 the Report Read and the Minority Ought Not to Pass Report Accepted)

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

Senator EMERSON: I would ask for a Division.

The PRESIDENT: A Division has been requested.

Will all those Senators in favor of Accepting the Majority Ought to Pass Report of the Committee, please rise in their places to be counted.

Will all those Senators opposed, please rise in their places to be counted.

16 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion to Accept the Majority Ought to Pass Report of the Committee in nonconcurrency, Prevailed.

The Bill Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

The President laid before the Senate the second Tabled and specially assigned matter.

HOUSE REPORT — from the Committee on Election Laws on BILL, "An Act Relating to Boards of Voter Registration" (H. P. 186) (L. D. 228) Ought to Pass in New Draft (H. P. 1146) (L. D. 1509)

Tabled—May 3, 1983 by Senator PEARSON of Penobscot

Pending—Acceptance of Committee Report (In House April 27, 1983 the Report Read and Accepted, and the New Draft, Passed to be Engrossed.)

Which was Accepted in concurrence.

The Bill, in New Draft, Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

The President laid before the Senate the third Tabled and specially assigned matter.

BILL, "An Act to Clarify, Simplify and Improve Certain Sections of the Labor Laws of Maine" (S. P. 497) (L. D. 1503)

Tabled—May 3, 1983 by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook

Pending—Further Consideration (In Senate April 25, 1983 Passed to be Engrossed.)

(In House May 3, 1983 Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-185) in non-concurrence.)

The Senate voted to Recede and Concur with the House.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion by Senator Carpenter of Aroos-

took, Adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.