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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

One Hundred And Fourteenth Legislature

OF THE

State Of Maine

VOLUME I

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

December 7, 1988 to May 10, 1989

Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, shall appoint a subcommittee of three of its members to attend and participate in Appropriations Committee budget hearings and to attend and advise at working sessions dealing with that portion of the budget within their committee's area of interest. One member of the subcommittee shall be appointed by the Senate chair and the remaining two members shall be appointed by the House chair. This subcommittee may advise the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs of their respective committee's recommendations on these portions of the budget.

Each committee to which is referred bills, resolves or orders involving appropriations or revenues shall, within five legislative days after reporting out all these bills, submit to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs a list indicating the committee's priority for final passage of these bills.

Notice to Report. A joint standing committee to which a bill or resolve has been referred shall, within three legislative days after receiving notice from the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, report that bill out of committee to the floor for consideration.

Was read, passed and sent up for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

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

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 24)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they do so until Thursday, January 5, 1989, at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Came from the Senate, read and passed.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

The following item appearing on Supplement No. 2 was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

PAPER FROM THE SENATE

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 25)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Joint Select Committee on Corrections be established. The select committee shall consist of 3 members from the Senate, to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and 10 members from the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House. The select committee shall review all legislation relating to corrections and report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature.

Came from the Senate, read and passed.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

(At Ease)

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

At this point, the Speaker appointed Representative Michaud of East Millinocket to serve as Speaker Pro Tem for Thursday, January 5, 1989.

On motion of Representative McHenry of Madawaska, Adjourned until Thursday, January 5, 1989 at three-thirty in the afternoon, pursuant to Joint Order (S.P. 24)

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
JOURNAL OF THE SENATE**

In Senate Chamber
Tuesday
January 3, 1989

Senate called to Order by the President.

Prayer by Father John Bellefontaine of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Hallowell.

FATHER BELLEFONTAINE: Oh eternal Father, You have fashioned the entire universe and so You are the origin of every blessing. Send forth Your moving and plentiful grace upon our Senators who are opening this new year of government. Give them health of mind and body, that they might be energetic leaders. Grant them courage and know how, that they may meet the difficult challenges of 1989. Give them the gift of integrity, that they may resist selfish interests and pressures against honesty. Help them to seek out and defend the interests of little people. May they be known as champions of fairness towards all of our citizens. May they be true statesmen, shining brightly in our midst. You know Lord how precious and important these men and women are, grant that they may grow in wisdom and goodness. That under their leadership our beloved state may progress in prosperity, justice and peace. Oh divine Ruler, grant us these blessings. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of Wednesday, December 7, 1988.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

ORDERS

Joint Orders

On motion by Senator PEARSON of Penobscot, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 24

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they do so until Thursday, January 5, 1989, at 3:30 in the afternoon.

Which was READ and PASSED.

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication:

S.P. 19

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGAL ANALYSIS
STATE HOUSE STATION 13
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
December 13, 1988

Senator Charles P. Pray, Chairman
Legislative Council
State House
Augusta, Me 04333
Dear Senator Pray:

The Ad Hoc Committee to Study the Necessity and Feasibility of Establishing a Health Information Recording System is pleased to submit the attached report pursuant to the order of the Legislative Council and Chapter 138 of the Private and Special Laws of 1987. We hope you find this report useful.

Sincerely,
S/Rep. Charlene B. Rydell
Chair

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers
ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.P. 20
MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
COMMISSION ON MARINE RESEARCH
December 15, 1988

Senator Charles P. Pray
Legislative Council
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Senator Pray:

The Commission on Marine Research is pleased to submit the attached report of our study pursuant to the order of the Legislative Council and Resolves 1987, chapter 112. We hope you find this report useful.

Sincerely,
S/Rep. James Reed Coles
Chair

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers
ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.P. 21
MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND INSURANCE
December 19, 1988

Senator Charles P. Pray, Chairman
Legislative Council
State House
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Senator Pray:

The Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance is pleased to submit the attached report of our Study of Laws Regulating Antitrust Activities of the Insurance Industry pursuant to the order of Chapter 122 of the Private & Special Laws of 1987. We hope you find this report useful.

Sincerely,
S/Sen. Raynold Theriault S/Rep. Charlene B Rydell
Chair Chair

Which was READ.
THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Theriault.

Senator THERIAULT: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. For the purpose of emphasis and clarification, I will read into the Record in reference to the communication, Senate Paper 21, the following:

One of the tasks of the Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance was to determine whether any amendments were necessary to state antitrust laws to ensure that these laws apply to the insurance industry. The Committee concluded that no such amendments are necessary because state antitrust laws, as enforced by the Attorney General, currently apply to the business of insurance. Thank you.

Which was with Accompanying Papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.P. 22
STATE OF MAINE
WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
STATE HOUSE STATION 27
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
December 7, 1988

Honorable Charles P. Pray
President of the Senate

State House Station 3
Augusta, Maine 04333
RE: Quarterly Report for the Third Quarter of
Calendar 1988 39 M.R.S.A. §92(3).
Dear President Pray:

This letter and statistical attachments are the quarterly report of Commissioner caseload and progress mandated by 39 M.R.S.A. §92(3).

During the third quarter of 1988 the Commission received an estimated 2,563 petitions and disposed of 3,000 by decision or dismissal.

Commissioner Dawn Lieb was sworn in September 26, 1988. This brings the number of new Commissioners appointed during 1988 to 5. Commissioners Cote, Cox, Livingston, and Pelletier assumed their posts earlier this year. This is a net gain of three Commissioners over previous years.

The Commission has been holding its own in terms of the backlog of undecided petitions. So far, dispositions in 1987 have slightly exceeded filings. Although there will be a start up period, these new Commissioners will eventually enable the Commission to resolve disputed claims more quickly than ever before. Already, we are seeing a decrease in the number of petitions not scheduled for a formal hearing.

There have been no complaints or filings in connection with the 30 day decision rule of M.R.S.A. §99-B as implemented by Commission Rule 22.11.

A summary of caseload and dispositions is presented in the attached tables. I would be happy to discuss this report further if you wish.

Sincerely,
S/Ralph L. Tucker
Chairman

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers
ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.P. 23
STATE OF MAINE
SENATE CHAMBER
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
December 23, 1988

The Honorable Charles P. Pray
President of the Senate
The Honorable John L. Martin
Speaker, House of Representatives
114th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Pray and Speaker Martin:

The Weatherization Services Study Committee met pursuant to the authority granted in Resolve Chapter 71 and Resolve Chapter 74, and submitted its report, as charged, to the Joint Standing Committee on Audit and Program Review and to the Division of Community Services on April 1, 1988.

As recommended by the Committee, the Division of Community Services hired a consultant to study key components of the Weatherization Program. The consultant's report was completed on October 15, 1988. At this time, a group consisting of representatives from the Weatherization Study Committee, the Community Action Agencies and the Division is meeting to propose a strategy for implementing program improvements.

The Weatherization Study Committee is seeking authority to meet once during the first six months of 1989 to review proposed changes and issue final recommendations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
S/Sen. Jerome A. Emerson

Chairman
Which was READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.
Sent down for concurrence.

S/Charles P. Pray
President of the Senate
Which was READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:
CITY OF AUGUSTA, MAINE
OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
CITY CENTER PLAZA, 16 CONY STREET
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330

TO: Interested Parties
FROM: S/Chuck Roundy
SUBJECT: City Owned Land at Capitol Park
DATE: December 5, 1988

Previously you or your office expressed interest in the City-owned land at Capitol Park. This memorandum is to advise you that at a special agenda meeting on Thursday, December 1, 1988, the Augusta City Council voted to rescind the prior motion (of November 21, 1988) which invited proposals for the sale of Capitol Park. Additionally, the City Council expressed its intention not to enter into a sale or lease agreement for the property at Capitol Park until February 28, 1989, at the earliest.

Which was READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:
CITY OF AUGUSTA, MAINE
OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
CITY CENTER PLAZA, 16 CONY STREET
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330

TO: John L. Martin, Speaker of the House
Charles Pray, President of the Senate
Senator Beverly Bustin
FROM: S/Chuck Roundy
SUBJECT: City/Owned Land at Capitol Park
DATE: December 6, 1988

As you probably have been informed, the Augusta City Council, in a special meeting held on December 1, 1988, rescinded its prior order regarding proposals for the sale of Capitol Park, and it further ordered that no sale, lease or agreement to enter into a sale or lease be transacted prior to February 28, 1989. Enclosed, as information, is a copy of the Council minutes for December 1, a copy of the Request for Proposal, which was issued/made available on November 23, 1988 and various Kennebec Journal clippings of between November 19 and December 5 pertaining to this topic..

As further information, an informal meeting involving City officials and Bill Dowling of the Motor Vehicle Division, and including Senator Bustin, is tentatively scheduled for December 13.

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:
STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

December 7, 1988
Honorable Joy J. O'Brien
Secretary of the Senate
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Madam Secretary:
Pursuant to my authority under Senate Rule 5, I have appointed Sean Faircloth to serve as my Legal Counsel for the 114th Legislature.
Please let me know if you have any questions about this appointment.
Sincerely,

The Following Communication:
STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

December 29, 1988
Honorable Joy J. O'Brien
Secretary of the Senate
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Madam Secretary:
Pursuant to the Senate Order relative to the appointment of subordinate officers of the Senate, I have appointed the following individuals:

Carol Carothers, Executive Assistant
Edmund McCann, Special Assistant
Frank Wood, Special Assistant
Teresa Corson, Executive Secretary
Sharon Libby Jones, Secretary

Sincerely,
S/Charles P. Pray
President of the Senate

Which was READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
SENATORIAL VOTE
STATE OF MAINE

December 29, 1988
The Honorable Charles P. Pray
President of the Senate
State House Station 3
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear President Pray:

In compliance with the Senate Order of December 7, 1988 the Committee appointed by you to examine the returns of votes for Senators for the political years 1989 and 1990, has attended to its duty and asks leave to report that the returns of votes cast, as submitted by the Secretary of State to the President of the Senate, meets with the approval of the Committee.

Sincerely,
S/Michael D. Pearson
Senatorial Vote Committee

Which was READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:
DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES
STATE HOUSE STATION 23
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

December 9, 1988
TO: Joy O'Brien, Secretary of the Senate
Edwin Pert, Clerk of the House
G. William Buker, Bureau of the Budget
FROM: S/Eve M. Bither, Commissioner
RE: Certification for 1989-1990 Funding Levels for Adult Education

Pursuant to the provision of Title 20-A, M.R.S.A., Chapter 315, Section 8606-A, I am required to certify prior to December 15, 1988 to the Legislature and to the Bureau of the Budget a recommendation for the funding level for the various program categories in Adult Education.

Please see the recommendation below:
EDUCATION: ADULT EDUCATION

1989-1990

All Other (Category 6300 - Grants to Cities and Towns) (This includes grants to programs for High School Completion, Adult Literacy, General Adult Ed., Adult Handicapped, Adult Voc. Ed., and Administration) \$3,417,513.00
 Which was READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:
 MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
 MANUFACTURED HOUSING COMMISSION
 December 1, 1988

President Pray
 Speaker Martin
 State House
 Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Pray and Speaker Martin:
 The Commission on Manufactured Housing is pleased to submit its interim report to the Legislature pursuant to P & S 1987, c. 139.

Sincerely,
 S/Rep. Charles R. Priest
 Chair

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:
 STATE OF MAINE
 INTERDEPARTMENTAL COUNCIL

December 6, 1988
 The Honorable Charles P. Pray
 President of the Maine Senate
 The Honorable John L. Martin
 Speaker of the Maine House
 State House
 Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Pray and Speaker Martin:
 We are pleased to transmit to you the enclosed final report entitled "TRANSITION TO SUCCESS IN MAINE'S COMMUNITIES: Moving Forward into the 1990's to Complete a Statewide Service Network for Students with Handicaps who Leave Maine's Schools." This is the final report of the Committee on Transition's two year demonstration project phase.

You will recall that in April 1986 the 112th Legislature passed "AN ACT Concerning Transitional Services for Handicapped Persons Beyond School Age," which was approved by the Governor as Chapter 768. That Act mandated that the enclosed report be submitted by December 15, 1988. It further mandated that this report contain "recommendations, including legislation, necessary to carry out a statewide service delivery system with an implementation date to begin July 1, 1989."

The purpose of Chapter 768 was to more effectively plan and coordinate programs which serve youth with handicaps who leave Maine's schools each year and seek to become involved within their local communities. The Act was passed in response to the recommendations of the Select Committee to Address Training and Employment Opportunities for Handicapped Persons Beyond School Age, established by the 111th Legislature.

The undersigned Commissioners, within the structure of the Interdepartmental Council (IDC), have worked with the Committee on Transition in response to this legislative directive. This report describes the design and testing of statewide and local transition coordination services. The report details the lessons learned from those activities,

and recommends a plan for continued development of this system in the coming years.

Thank you for your continued interest in and support of coordinated transition services for youth with handicaps in our great state.

S/Rollin Ives Commissioner Dept. of Human Services	S/Eve Bither Commissioner Dept. of Educational & Cultural Services	S/Susan Parker Commissioner Dept. of Mental Health & Mental Retardation
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Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Senate at Ease
 Senate called to order by the President.

The Following Communication:
 MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
 OFFICE OF FISCAL AND PROGRAM REVIEW
 STATE HOUSE STATION 5
 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
 December 7, 1988

The Honorable Charles P. Pray
 President of the Senate
 State House
 Augusta, Maine 04333
 Dear President Pray:

The State Compensation Commission is pleased to submit its Final Report to the Legislature pursuant to Title 3, Section 2-A of the Revised Statutes. Legislation to implement our statutory recommendations has been submitted to the Revisor of Statutes.

We would be pleased to answer any questions you may have regarding our recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,
 S/Stephen R. Crockett
 Chairman

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:
 DEPARTMENT OF
 EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES
 STATE HOUSE STATION 23
 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

December 14, 1988
 TO: Joy J. O'Brien, Secretary of the Senate
 FROM: S/Eve M. Bither, Commissioner
 SUBJECT: Certification of Education Funding Levels, 1989-90

Pursuant to the provision of 20-A MRSA, Section 15605, I am required to certify annually to the Governor and to the Bureau of the Budget, my recommendation for the funding levels for the following year. My recommendation is also required to carry with it the approval of the State Board of Education.

The attached document represents my certification for the 1989-90 year. These recommended funding levels have received the approval of the State Board of Education at its meeting of December 14, 1988.

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:
 STATE OF MAINE
 HEALTH POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL
 STATE HOUSE STATION 141
 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

December 14, 1988
Senate President Charles P. Pray
Maine Senate
State House Station #3
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Mr. President:

The Health Policy Advisory Council is pleased to present you its annual report for 1988. The report is a discussion of emerging health policy issues. In it you will find a five-year forecast of trends that are expected to have an impact on health in Maine, and an agenda of urgent topics for the upcoming year. The mandate of the Council calls for us to be available for consultation to the Governor, the Legislature, Executive branch agencies, and the Congressional delegation on issues relating to health status, health promotion, and health services. We look forward to working with you in addressing the issues outlined in the report and in identifying others over the course of the next year.

We expect the upcoming Legislative session to be particularly busy, with great interest in a number of different issues related to health. If you or your associates have any questions, please get in touch with our Executive Director, Kala Ladenheim, at 582-8940.

Sincerely,
S/Donald E. Nicoll, Chair
Health Policy Advisory Council
Executive Director

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers
ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sincerely,
S/Rep. Maria Glen Holt
Commission Chair

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers
ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
SPECIAL COMMISSION ON EARLY CHILDHOOD
DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

December 19, 1988

President Pray
Speaker Martin
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Pray and Speaker Martin:

The Special Commission to Study Early Childhood Development and Education is pleased to submit its report to the Legislature pursuant to Resolves of 1987, chapters 64 and 110.

Sincerely,
S/Rep. James R. Handy
Chair
S/Sen. Stephen C. Estes
Co-Chair

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers
ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Off Record Remarks

The Following Communication:

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
COMMISSION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF
GAME AND NONGAME SPECIES ON
MAINE'S ECONOMY

December 16, 1988

Honorable Charles P. Pray, President
State Senate
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Pray:

The Commission to Study the Impact of Game and Nongame Species on Maine's Economy is pleased to submit the attached interim report pursuant to Chapter 893 of the Public Laws of 1987. I hope you find this report useful.

Sincerely,
S/Rep. Donald V. Carter
Chair

Which was READ and with Accompanying Papers
ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
MAINE INFORMATION COMMISSION ON AGENT ORANGE
December 19, 1988

President Pray
Speaker Martin
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Pray and Speaker Martin:

The Maine Information Commission on Agent Orange is pleased to submit its report to the Legislature pursuant to Private and Special Laws of 1987, c. 129. We hope you find this report a useful tool in our continuing efforts to insure that Maine citizens receive the medical and social services they need.

Senator PEARSON of Penobscot was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate on the Record.

Senator PEARSON: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. I would like to speak a few moments about the Legislative Sentiment that was on the calendar today, in reference to the Most Reverend Joseph J. Gerry, a native of Millinocket, on being appointed as bishop of the Diocese of Portland by Pope John Paul II. I sent President Pray a note asking him if he would like to cosponsor an Order with me for the new bishop of Maine. My good seat-mate from Androscoggin pointed out to me that Senator Pray had beaten me to the punch. That is kind of unfortunate in that the new bishop of Maine is my cousin and Senator Pray knew that he was my cousin, but apparently without consulting a blood relative of the new bishop of Maine, put the Order in anyway. And I want you to know Senator Pray, that that man is in a high place and I have friends in high places besides yourself.

Anyway, even though he has been somewhat devious and underhanded in putting this Order in, I want you to know that my people founded Millinocket, before Senator Pray was, we were. Our family is very proud of the fact that Bishop Gerry has been chosen by the Pope as the new Catholic bishop of the Diocese of Portland. It is obviously an honor to anybody who resides in Millinocket. Although I would have liked to have been on the Order, he knows how I feel about it anyway.

Off Record Remarks

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair does extend an apology to the Senator from Penobscot, having known that Bishop Gerry was a relative of his, should have had him included as a cosponsor of the Resolution and does extend that apology to him.

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator BOST of Penobscot, RECESSED until the sound of the bell.

After Recess
Senate called to order by the President.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

ORDERS

Joint Order

On motion by Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec the following Joint Order:

S.P. 25

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Joint Select Committee on Corrections be established. The select committee shall consist of 3 members from the Senate, to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and 10 members from the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House. The select committee shall review all legislation relating to corrections and report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature.

Which was READ and PASSED.

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Senate at Ease

Senate called to order by the President.

Senator WEBSTER of Franklin was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator TWITCHELL of Oxford, RECESSED until the sound of the bell.

After Recess
Senate called to order by the President.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Order

The following Joint Order: H.P. 8

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that Joint Rule 13 be amended to read:

13. Joint Standing Committees. There shall be no more than 19 Joint Standing Committees which shall be appointed as follows at the commencement of the first regular session, viz:

- On Aging, Retirement and Veterans
- On Agriculture
- On Appropriations and Financial Affairs
- On Audit and Program Review
- On Banking and Insurance
- On Business Legislation
- ~~On Economic Development~~
- On Education
- On Energy and Natural Resources
- On Fisheries and Wildlife
- On Housing and Economic Development
- On Human Resources
- On Judiciary
- On Labor

- On Legal Affairs
- On Marine Resources
- On State and Local Government
- On Taxation
- On Transportation
- On Utilities

Membership. Each of these committees shall consist of no more than 3 on the part of the Senate and no more than 10 on the part of the House. The first named Senate member shall be the Senate chair. The first named House member shall be the House chair. The Senate chair shall preside and in the Senate chair's absence, the House chair shall preside and, thereafter, as the need may arise, the chair shall alternate between the members from each House in the order of their appointment to the committee.

Committee Clerks. The hiring of all committee clerks is to be mutually agreeable to both the Senate and House chairs; if not agreeable, it shall be decided by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House. The salaries of each committee clerk shall be established by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House and shall terminate when all bills have been reported out by the committee. The Executive Director of the Legislative Council is authorized and directed to certify vouchers of the committee clerks.

Committee Procedure. Committees shall adopt standard rules of procedure at their first meeting in accordance with guidelines established by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, and adhered to. These committees may report by bill or otherwise. The presiding chair shall decide all questions of order, subject to appeal to the committee. The chair's ruling shall stand unless overruled by a majority vote of the committee membership.

Scheduling of bills to be considered in public hearing and working sessions shall be arranged by the Senate chair with the agreement of the House chair; if agreement is not reached, the committee, by majority vote, shall decide.

Participation in Budget Hearings and Work Sessions. Each joint standing committee, except the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, shall appoint a subcommittee of three of its members to attend and participate in Appropriations Committee budget hearings and to attend and advise at working sessions dealing with that portion of the budget within their committee's area of interest. One member of the subcommittee shall be appointed by the Senate chair and the remaining two members shall be appointed by the House chair. This subcommittee may advise the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs of their respective committee's recommendations on these portions of the budget.

Each committee to which is referred bills, resolves or orders involving appropriations or revenues shall, within five legislative days after reporting out all these bills, submit to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs a list indicating the committee's priority for final passage of these bills.

Notice to Report. A joint standing committee to which a bill or resolve has been referred shall, within three legislative days after receiving notice from the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, report that bill out of committee to the floor for consideration.

Comes from the House READ and PASSED.
Which was READ and PASSED, in concurrence.

LEGISLATIVE RECORD - HOUSE, JANUARY 5, 1989

Senator GAUVREAU of Androscoggin was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

The ADJOURNMENT ORDER having been returned from the House READ and PASSED, in concurrence, on motion by Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec, ADJOURNED until Thursday, January 5, 1989 at 3:30 in the afternoon.

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH MAINE LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
3rd Legislative Day
Thursday, January 5, 1989

The House was called to order by the Speaker pro tem.

Prayer by Father Arthur St. Pierre, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Fairfield.

The Journal of Tuesday, January 3, 1989, was read and approved.

Quorum call was held.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following Communication: (S.P. 19)

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGAL ANALYSIS
STATE HOUSE STATION 13
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

December 13, 1988

Senator Charles P. Pray, Chairman

Legislative Council

State House

Augusta, Me 04333

Dear Senator Pray:

The Ad Hoc Committee to Study the Necessity and Feasibility of Establishing a Health Information Recording System is pleased to submit the attached report pursuant to the order of the Legislative Council and Chapter 138 of the Private and Special Laws of 1987. We hope you find this report useful.

Sincerely,

S/Rep Charlene B. Rydell

Chair

Came from the Senate, read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file.

Was read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file in concurrence.

The following Communication: (S.P. 20)

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
COMMISSION ON MARINE RESEARCH

December 15, 1988

Senator Charles P. Pray

Legislative Council

State House

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Senator Pray:

The Commission on Marine Research is pleased to submit the attached report of our study pursuant to the order of the Legislative Council and Resolves 1987, chapter 112. We hope you find this report useful.

Sincerely,

S/Rep. James Reed Coles

Chair

Came from the Senate, read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file.

Was read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file in concurrence.

The following Communication: (S.P. 21)

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND INSURANCE

December 19, 1988

Senator Charles P. Pray, Chairman

Legislative Council

State House

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Pray: