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In Senate Chamber
Monday
January 25, 1993

Senate called to Order by the President, Dennis L. Dutremble of York.

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Prayer by Pastor Darwin Vail of the Bible Believing Baptist Church in Gray.

PASTOR DARWIN VAIL: First of all I'd like to say thank you for allowing me to be here and a special thanks to you for maintaining this tradition of beginning each session with a prayer. A special thanks to Jeff Butland for inviting me to come today and lead us in prayer. Let's pray. Heavenly Father I come before you and for this body of representatives which has been ordained by you to represent the people of the State of Maine and also must stand accountable to God for all that they do. I ask that my prayer today be more than one of mere symbolism but of real substance from the heart for this body must address many difficult issues which face this state. Therefore, since thou knowest all things, I ask that you will give wisdom that they may see all things from your perspective and grant to them the understanding as to how to carry out those things. Lord make them sensitive to your Spirit's leading, sensitive to each other, sensitive to the needs of the people of this State and may each person place the good of this State above their own personal and political good. For Father without you we can do nothing. Help us now and lead us in the way we ought to go. In Jesus' precious name Amen.

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Reading of the Journal of Thursday, January 21, 1993.

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COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication:

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
STATE HOUSE STATION 23
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

MEMORANDUM

To: Joy J. O'Brien, Secretary of the Senate

From: S/Leo G. Martin, Commissioner

Date: January 13, 1993

Re: Report on habitual truants for the 1991-92 school year.

In accordance with 20-A MRSA Section 5051, I am hereby submitting our annual report of habitual truants identified by school superintendents during the school year 1991-92. An habitual truant is defined as a student under age 17 who has attained the equivalent of 10 full days of nonexcused absences or 7 consecutive days of nonexcused absences during a school year.

The number of identified habitual truants under age 15 has increased as compared to the previous school year. We believe this increase reflects the increased attention being given to irregular school attendance by school officials across the state. The Department's continuing efforts to provide assistance to schools stresses the need to intervene at earlier grades by identifying students at risk and developing ongoing positive strategies.

Additional information regarding this report can be obtained from Frank Antonucci, Consultant for Truancy, Dropout and Alternative Education at 287-5110.

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

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SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act Regarding Survivor Benefits" (Emergency)
S.P. 67 L.D. 128

Presented by President **DUTREMBLE** of York

Bill "An Act to Reinstate the Secretary of the Veterans' Counselor in Washington County"
S.P. 73 L.D. 135

Presented by Senator **VOSE** of Washington
Cosponsored by Representatives: LOOK of Jonesboro, TOWNSEND of Eastport

Which were referred to the Committee on **AGING, RETIREMENT & VETERANS** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Require the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology to Consider Experience as a Barber in Determining Eligibility for a Cosmetologist's License"
S.P. 72 L.D. 134

Presented by Senator **SUMMERS** of Cumberland (By Request)

Which was referred to the Committee on **BUSINESS LEGISLATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Authorize the New England School of Broadcasting to Award the Degree of Associate of Science in Broadcasting"

S.P. 70   L.D. 132

Presented by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot
Cosponsored by Representatives: MORRISON of Bangor, SULLIVAN of Bangor

Which was referred to the Committee on **EDUCATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Androscoggin County Budget Committee"

S.P. 66   L.D. 130

Presented by Senator **BERUBE** of Androscoggin
Cosponsored by Representatives: COTE of Auburn, ST. ONGE of Greene

Which was referred to the Committee on **STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Traveler Information Services Laws" (Emergency)

S.P. 69   L.D. 131

Presented by Senator **VOSE** of Washington
Cosponsored by Representative: TOWNSEND of Eastport

Which was referred to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Related to Private Facilities in the Public Way"

S.P. 71   L.D. 133

Presented by Senator **VOSE** of Washington

Which was referred to the Committee on **UTILITIES** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Chair laid before the Senate the Tabled and Today Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Extend to Land Surveyors the Limitation of Actions That Applies to Design Professionals"

H.P. 44   L.D. 60

Tabled — January 21, 1993, by Senator **ESTY** of Cumberland.

Pending — **REFERENCE**

(In House, January 19, 1993, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**)

On motion by Senator **ESTY** of Cumberland, referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and **ORDERED PRINTED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE.**

Sent down for concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator **BRANNIGAN** of Cumberland, **ADJOURNED** until Tuesday, January 26, 1993, at 4:00 in the afternoon.