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FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
9th Legislative Day  
Thursday, January 30, 1997

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Most Reverend Joseph Gerry, Bishop, Catholic Diocese of Portland.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, Harry Grimmnitz, M.D., Readfield.

The Journal of Tuesday, January 28, 1997 was read and approved.

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**SENATE PAPERS**

Bill "An Act to Strengthen the Career Advantage Program" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 177) (L.D. 560)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Appropriations and Financial Affairs** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Appropriations and Financial Affairs** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Prohibiting Financial Institutions from Charging Fees for Verification of Sufficient Funds" (S.P. 157) (L.D. 486)

Bill "An Act to Provide the Maine Turnpike Authority with Representation on the State Employee Health Commission" (S.P. 178) (L.D. 561)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Banking and Insurance** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Banking and Insurance** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend Certain Provisions Dealing with the Subjects of Juvenile Petition, Adjudication and Disposition" (S.P. 175) (L.D. 504)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Criminal Justice** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Criminal Justice** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Provide for State and Federal Criminal Record Checks on Educational Personnel in the State" (S.P. 174) (L.D. 503)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Education and Cultural Affairs** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Education and Cultural Affairs** in concurrence.

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Resolve, to Make Maine Welfare Laws Conform to Federal Welfare Laws (S.P. 176) (L.D. 559)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Health and Human Services** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Health and Human Services** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Pertaining to Moose Hunting" (S.P. 179) (L.D. 562)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Inland Fisheries and Wildlife** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Inland Fisheries and Wildlife** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Reallocate Environmental Registration License Plate Revenue" (S.P. 169) (L.D. 498)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Inland Fisheries and Wildlife** and Ordered Printed.

(The Committee on Reference of Bills had suggested reference to the Committee on **Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**.)

Was referred to the Committee on **Inland Fisheries and Wildlife** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Increase Fees and Allowances for Jury Service" (S.P. 161) (L.D. 490)

Bill "An Act to Repeal Provisions of the Probate Code Relating to Depositing Wills in Court within the Testator's Lifetime" (S.P. 162) (L.D. 491)

Bill "An Act to Adjust the Residency Requirement for District Court Judges to Include the Counties in Which They Reside" (S.P. 163) (L.D. 492)

Bill "An Act to Change the Time for Appointment of a Visitor or Guardian Ad Litem after Appointment of a Temporary Conservator or Guardian" (S.P. 165) (L.D. 494)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Judiciary** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Judiciary** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Relating to Alcohol Beverage Price Promotions and Price Posting" (S.P. 155) (L.D. 484)

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Requirement of Cash on Delivery for Beer and Wine Sales to Businesses" (S.P. 167) (L.D. 496)

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Political Action Committee and Corporate Contributions in State Elections" (S.P. 172) (L.D. 501)

Bill "An Act to Clarify Enforcement Provisions of the Gambling Laws" (S.P. 180) (L.D. 563)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Legal and Veterans Affairs** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Legal and Veterans Affairs** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Limit the Taking of Sea Urchins" (S.P. 156) (L.D. 485)

Bill "An Act to Protect Near-shore Groundfish Spawning Areas" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 171) (L.D. 500)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Marine Resources** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Marine Resources** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Exempt Certain Incinerators from Environmental Laws and Department of Environmental Protection Regulations" (S.P. 168) (L.D. 497)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Natural Resources** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Natural Resources** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Concerning the Charter of the Northern Maine Development Commission, Inc." (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 158) (L.D. 487)

Bill "An Act to Change the Laws Pertaining to the Issuance of Copies of Birth, Marriage or Death Certificates by Towns" (S.P. 159) (L.D. 488)

RESOLUTION, Proposing An Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Alter the Requirements for Redistricting (S.P. 166) (L.D. 495)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **State and Local Government** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **State and Local Government** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Reduce the Maine State Sales Tax to 5%" (S.P. 164) (L.D. 493)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Taxation** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Taxation** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Relative to the Improvement of the Maine Turnpike Authority" (S.P. 160) (L.D. 489)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Transportation** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Transportation** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Create Industrial Enterprise Districts to Promote Economic Development and to Retain and Increase Good Quality Jobs by Providing More Competitive Electric Rates within the Districts" (S.P. 154) (L.D. 483)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Canton Water District" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 170) (L.D. 499)

Bill "An Act to Require Fair Compensation for Ratepayer Assets Used by a Subsidiary or an Affiliate of a Utility" (S.P. 173) (L.D. 502)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Utilities and Energy** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Utilities and Energy** in concurrence.

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**Refer to the Committee on Marine Resources**

Report of the Committee on **Inland Fisheries and Wildlife** on Bill "An Act to Offer a Free Subsistence Fishing License to Persons 70 Years of Age or Older" (S.P. 124) (L.D. 403) reporting that it be referred to the Committee on **Marine Resources**.

Came from the Senate, with the Report read and accepted and the Bill referred to the Committee on **Marine Resources**.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill referred to the Committee on **Marine Resources** in concurrence.

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**PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE**

The following Bills and Resolves were received and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills were referred to the following Committees, Ordered Printed and Sent up for Concurrence:

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**Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**

Bill "An Act to Permit Forest Fire Wardens and Forest Rangers to Carry Weapons" (H.P. 472) (L.D. 643) (Presented by Representative HATCH of Skowhegan) (Cosponsored by Representatives: RINES of Wiscasset, SAMSON of Jay, Senator: CATHCART of Penobscot)

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Resolve, Authorizing the Transfer of a Parcel of Land in Webster Plantation to Hazen and Theo Jipson (H.P. 479) (L.D. 650) (Presented by Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township) (Cosponsored by Senators: KILKELLY of Lincoln, MICHAUD of Penobscot)

Committee on **Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry** suggested.

On motion of Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township, the Bill was referred to the Committee on **State and Local Government**, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

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**Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Bill "An Act to Make Allocations for the Operating Expenditures of the Intergovernmental Telecommunications Fund of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1999" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 456) (L.D. 619) (Presented by Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot) (Governor's Bill)

Bill "An Act to Make Allocations from the Public Advocate Regulatory Fund for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1999" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 457) (L.D. 620) (Presented by Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot) (Governor's Bill)

Bill "An Act to Make Allocations from Various Funds of the Department of Environmental Protection for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1999" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 458) (L.D. 621) (Presented by Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot) (Governor's Bill)

Bill "An Act to Create an Elder Abuse and Fraud Unit in the Department of the Attorney General" (H.P. 476) (L.D. 647) (Presented by Representative McALEVEY of Waterboro) (Cosponsored by Senator PINGREE of Knox and Representatives: CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, LOVETT of Scarborough, MAYO of Bath, PAUL of Sanford, TAYLOR of Cumberland, TRUE of Fryeburg, WINGLASS of Auburn, Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford)

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**Banking and Insurance**

Bill "An Act to Protect the Confidentiality of Social Security Numbers" (H.P. 435) (L.D. 585) (Presented by Representative VIGUE of Winslow) (Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin)

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**Criminal Justice**

Bill "An Act to Strengthen the Laws Concerning Resisting Arrest" (H.P. 443) (L.D. 593) (Presented by Representative KONTOS of Windham)

Bill "An Act to Provide Protection from Assault for Emergency Medical Care Providers" (H.P. 453) (L.D. 616) (Presented by Representative BULL of Freeport) (Cosponsored by Senator O'GARA of Cumberland and Representatives: BUMPS of China, CLARK of Millinocket, COLWELL of Gardiner, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MUSE of South Portland, O'BRIEN of Augusta, TUTTLE of Sanford, Senator: RAND of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Sexual Abuse of Minors Laws" (H.P. 464) (L.D. 635) (Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska)

Bill "An Act to Expand the Definition of 'Aggravated Criminal Mischief' to Make It a Class C Crime to Damage Property by Fire or Explosion" (H.P. 480) (L.D. 651) (Presented by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth)

Bill "An Act to Create a Repeat Offender Provision Addressing Crimes of Violence against People" (H.P. 481) (L.D. 652) (Presented by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth)

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**Education and Cultural Affairs**

Bill "An Act to Ensure that Children in Kindergarten to Grade 6 Have Complete School Vision Screening" (H.P. 436) (L.D. 586) (Presented by Representative SNOWE-MELLO of Poland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: FOSTER of Gray, GERRY of Auburn, LOVETT of Scarborough, PIEH of Bremen, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, Senator: NUTTING of Androscoggin)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Filing of School Administrative Reports" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 468) (L.D. 639) (Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, FARNSWORTH of Portland, KONTOS of Windham, McELROY of Unity, TRUE of Fryeburg, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, LIBBY of York, PENDLETON of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the University of Maine" (H.P. 483) (L.D. 654) (Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, BOLDUC of Auburn, DRISCOLL of Calais, JONES of Greenville, O'NEAL of Limestone, STANLEY of Medway)

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Resolve, Authorizing the Maine Technical College to Achieve Cost Savings through the Lease-purchase of Facilities (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 444) (L.D. 594) (Presented by Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: KNEELAND of Easton, OTT of York, VIGUE of Winslow, Senator: CLEVELAND of Androscoggin)

Committee on **Education and Cultural Affairs** suggested.

On motion of Representative RICHARD of Madison, the Bill was referred to the Committee on **Appropriations and Financial Affairs**, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

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**Health and Human Services**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Statutes Pertaining to Emergency Medical Services" (H.P. 447) (L.D. 597) (Presented by Representative VIGUE of Winslow) (Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: BUMPS of China, TUTTLE of Sanford) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Extend the Time Period Used by the Department of Human Services in Determining Medical Eligibility

for Medicaid Reimbursement for Residents of Nursing Facilities" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 471) (L.D. 642) (Presented by Representative GAGNE of Buckfield) (Cosponsored by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford and Representative: WINGLASS of Auburn)

Bill "An Act to Reduce MTBE in Maine Drinking Water" (H.P. 487) (L.D. 658) (Presented by Representative TRIPP of Topsham) (Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: CHARTRAND of Rockland, LOVETT of Scarborough, Senator: LIBBY of York)

Resolve, to Establish the Study Group on Pay Equity Among Providers of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Services (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 470) (L.D. 641) (Presented by Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: COWGER of Hallowell, FULLER of Manchester, KANE of Saco, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, MITCHELL of Portland)

Resolve, to Require a Plan for a Register of Nonlicensed Persons Who Provide Health Care Services (H.P. 473) (L.D. 644) (Presented by Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, COWGER of Hallowell, FULLER of Manchester, KANE of Saco, SAXL of Bangor)

Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Examine Rate Setting and the Financing of Long-term Care Facilities (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 486) (L.D. 657) (Presented by Representative TRIPP of Topsham) (Cosponsored by Representatives: GREEN of Monmouth, WATSON of Farmingdale)

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**Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

Bill "An Act to Require Free Access to Waters Stocked with Fish Raised by the State" (H.P. 438) (L.D. 588) (Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket) (Cosponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke and Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, STANLEY of Medway, TUTTLE of Sanford, WINSOR of Norway, Senator: KILKELLY of Lincoln)

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**Judiciary**

Bill "An Act to Provide Greater Public Notice of Complaints against Attorneys" (H.P. 437) (L.D. 587) (Presented by Representative STANLEY of Medway) (By Request)

Bill "An Act to Require Courts to Take Court Costs into Consideration in Criminal Proceedings" (H.P. 441) (L.D. 591) (Presented by Representative CLUKEY of Houlton) (Cosponsored by Representative: WHEELER of Bridgewater)

Bill "An Act Concerning the Disclosure of a Criminal Suspect's Identity" (H.P. 463) (L.D. 634) (Presented by Representative ETNIER of Harpswell)

Bill "An Act to Require a 24-hour Waiting Period before an Abortion May Be Performed" (H.P. 490) (L.D. 661) (Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DESMOND of Mapleton, GERRY of Auburn, KASPRZAK of Newport, KNEELAND of Easton, LANE of Enfield, VIGUE of Winslow, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton)

Bill "An Act to Require Parental Notification for Minors Seeking Abortions" (H.P. 491) (L.D. 662) (Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DESMOND of Mapleton, GERRY of Auburn, KASPRZAK of Newport,

KNEELAND of Easton, LANE of Enfield, MERES of Norridgewock, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton)

**Labor**

Bill "An Act to Require the Department of Labor to Ensure That Housing Provided as an Incident of Employment by Agricultural Employers Meets Minimum Standards of Habitability" (H.P. 446) (L.D. 596) (Presented by Representative LEMAIRE of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator RAND of Cumberland and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, BRENNAN of Portland, HATCH of Skowhegan, SAMSON of Jay, SAXL of Portland, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, VOLENIK of Brooklin, Senator: MICHAUD of Penobscot)

Bill "An Act to Create a Toll-free Number for Regional Unemployment Offices" (H.P. 459) (L.D. 630) (Presented by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford) (Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, CLARK of Millinocket, GOODWIN of Pembroke, KONTOS of Windham, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, PAUL of Sanford, SAMSON of Jay, SAXL of Portland)

Bill "An Act to Provide a Cost-of-living Adjustment to Minimum Wage Earners" (H.P. 462) (L.D. 633) (Presented by Representative SHIAH of Bowdoinham) (Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, BULL of Freeport, CLARK of Millinocket, HATCH of Skowhegan, SAMSON of Jay, STANLEY of Medway, Senators: RAND of Cumberland, TREAT of Kennebec)

Bill "An Act to Authorize Members of the Maine State Retirement System to Combine Years of Service Under Different Plans" (H.P. 488) (L.D. 659) (Presented by Representative DRISCOLL of Calais) (Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BAGLEY of Machias, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, GOODWIN of Pembroke, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, SAMSON of Jay, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, O'GARA of Cumberland)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Public Safety to Study the Issue of a Retirement Program for Firefighters (H.P. 461) (L.D. 632) (Presented by Representative JONES of Pittsfield) (By Request)

**Legal and Veterans Affairs**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Mobile Home Park Laws Regarding Sales of Homes" (H.P. 439) (L.D. 589) (Presented by Representative LEMAIRE of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford and Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, BROOKS of Winterport, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, GREEN of Monmouth, JONES of Bar Harbor, SAXL of Bangor, SHIAH of Bowdoinham)

Bill "An Act to Allow Primary Elections to Be Held on Saturdays" (H.P. 450) (L.D. 613) (Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska)

Bill "An Act Concerning the Removal of Campaign Signs" (H.P. 452) (L.D. 615) (Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Law Regarding the Sale of Alcohol on Golf Courses" (H.P. 467) (L.D. 638) (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Holden) (Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, CARLETON of Wells, DUNLAP of Old Town, LEMONT of Kittery, VIGUE of Winslow, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton)

Bill "An Act to Limit Corporate Contributions and to Establish Voluntary Spending Limits for Citizen-Initiated Ballot Campaigns" (H.P. 475) (L.D. 646) (Presented by Representative LEMKE of

Westbrook) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BUCK of Yarmouth, JONES of Bar Harbor, PAUL of Sanford, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, TUTTLE of Sanford, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, Senators: KILKELLY of Lincoln, NUTTING of Androscoggin)

Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State to Create a Pilot Project to Establish Voting by Mail (H.P. 451) (L.D. 614) (Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska) (Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, O'NEAL of Limestone, TUTTLE of Sanford)

**Natural Resources**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regulating the Installation and Inspection of Septic Systems" (H.P. 442) (L.D. 592) (Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport) (Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, BERRY of Livermore, LINDAHL of Northport, McELROY of Unity, O'BRIEN of Augusta)

Bill "An Act to Waive the Fees for the Removal and Transportation of Certain Hazardous Waste" (H.P. 465) (L.D. 636) (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Holden) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DEXTER of Kingfield, FISHER of Brewer, LEMONT of Kittery, NICKERSON of Turner, Senator: DAGGETT of Kennebec)

Bill "An Act to Opt out of the Federal Requirement to Use Reformulated Fuel" (H.P. 489) (L.D. 660) (Presented by Representative TRIPP of Topsham) (Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of York and Representative MacDOUGALL of North Berwick and Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: CHARTRAND of Rockland, CLUKEY of Houlton, GERRY of Auburn, LEMONT of Kittery, LOVETT of Scarborough, PAUL of Sanford, TREADWELL of Carmel, TRUE of Fryeburg)

Resolve, to Allow Donald Hebert to Retain a Certain Structure in Exchange for the Removal of Another Structure (H.P. 477) (L.D. 648) (Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska) (Cosponsored by Senator PARADIS of Aroostook)

**Taxation**

Bill "An Act to Eliminate Sales Tax on Children's Clothing" (H.P. 449) (L.D. 612) (Presented by Representative BERRY of Belmont) (Cosponsored by Representatives: HONEY of Boothbay, LANE of Enfield, MAYO of Bath, MURPHY of Kennebunk, NASS of Acton, PLOWMAN of Hampden, VEDRAL of Buxton, Senator: MacKINNON of York)

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Tree Growth Tax Credit over a Period of 5 Years" (H.P. 460) (L.D. 631) (Presented by Representative JOY of Crystal) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CLUKEY of Houlton, LABRECQUE of Gorham, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, STEDMAN of Hartland, WHEELER of Bridgewater)

Bill "An Act to Require Full State Funding of the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law" (H.P. 474) (L.D. 645) (Presented by Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township) (Cosponsored by Senator RUHLIN of Penobscot and Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, CLUKEY of Houlton, DEXTER of Kingfield, HATCH of Skowhegan, KONTOS of Windham, NICKERSON of Turner, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senator: MICHAUD of Penobscot)

Bill "An Act to Reimburse Certain Towns in Connection with the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law" (H.P. 484) (L.D. 655) (Presented by Representative GOOLEY of Farmington) (Cosponsored by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford and Representatives: BROOKS of Winterport, BUNKER of Kossuth

Township, JONES of Bar Harbor, LaVERDIERE of Wilton, Senator: BENOIT of Franklin)

Bill "An Act to Allow Municipalities to Issue a Semiannual Property Tax Bill" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 485) (L.D. 656) (Presented by Representative GOOLEY of Farmington) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, CAMERON of Rumford, Senator: BENOIT of Franklin)

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**Transportation**

Bill "An Act to Require Consecutive Sentences to Be Imposed on Habitual Offenders" (H.P. 440) (L.D. 590) (Presented by Representative BOUFFARD of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator CLEVELAND of Androscoggin and Representatives: CLUKEY of Houlton, FISHER of Brewer, HATCH of Skowhegan, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, MADORE of Augusta, SAMSON of Jay, WINSOR of Norway, Senator: BUTLAND of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the State's Authority to Acquire and Preserve Rail Corridors for Use as Transportation Corridors" (H.P. 445) (L.D. 595) (Presented by Representative BOUFFARD of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford and Representatives: DEXTER of Kingfield, HATCH of Skowhegan, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, POVICH of Ellsworth, SAMSON of Jay, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TUTTLE of Sanford, WHEELER of Eliot) (Submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Passing an Emergency Vehicle Using Its Lights and Siren" (H.P. 454) (L.D. 617) (Presented by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford) (Cosponsored by Senator JENKINS of Androscoggin and Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, CHARTRAND of Rockland, DRISCOLL of Calais, FISHER of Brewer, SAVAGE of Union, WHEELER of Eliot, WINGLASS of Auburn, Senator: O'GARA of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act to Make Allocations from the Transportation Safety Fund for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1999" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 455) (L.D. 618) (Presented by Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot) (Governor's Bill)

Bill "An Act Concerning Shared Compensation for Traffic Violations for Municipalities" (H.P. 466) (L.D. 637) (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Holden) (Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representative: LEMONT of Kittery)

Bill "An Act Requiring Qualified Investigation of Certain Truck-related and Bus-related Fatalities" (H.P. 469) (L.D. 640) (Presented by Representative LEMKE of Westbrook) (Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin and Representative: CHIZMAR of Lisbon)

Bill "An Act Regarding Registration Plates for Motorcycle Trailers" (H.P. 478) (L.D. 649) (Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska) (Cosponsored by Senator PARADIS of Aroostook and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, DUNLAP of Old Town, KANE of Saco, O'NEAL of Limestone, O'NEIL of Saco, STANLEY of Medway, TUTTLE of Sanford, WHEELER of Bridgewater)

Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State to Consider a Lighthouse Design by Students of Noble Junior High School for the Next General Issue of License Plates (H.P. 482) (L.D. 653) (Presented by Representative MacDOUGALL of North Berwick) (Cosponsored by President LAWRENCE of York and Representatives: CARLETON of Wells, CHICK of Lebanon, GOODWIN of Pembroke, MURPHY of Kennebunk, OTT of York, WRIGHT of Berwick, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, MackINNON of York)

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**Reported Pursuant to Statutes**

Representative POVICH for the Criminal Law Advisory Commission under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, section 1354, subsection 2 asks leave to submit its findings and to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Create the Crime of Sexual Misconduct with a Child under 14 Years of Age" (H.P. 448) (L.D. 598) be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on **Criminal Justice** for Public Hearing and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill referred to the Committee on **Criminal Justice**, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

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By unanimous consent, all reference matters requiring Senate concurrence, having been acted upon were ordered sent forthwith.

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**ORDERS**

On motion of Representative GAMACHE of Lewiston, the following Order: (H.O. 12)

ORDERED, that Representative James D. Layton of Cherryfield be excused January 23 for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Kenneth F. Lemont of Kittery be excused January 14 for legislative business.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Shirley K. Richard of Madison be excused January 23 for legislative business.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Robert J. Winglass of Auburn be excused January 14 for personal reasons.

Was read and passed.

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**SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR**

In accordance with House Rule 519 and Joint Rule 213, the following items:

In Memory of:

Reverend Mr. Eugene J. Loring, of Indian Island. A World War II veteran, lieutenant governor of the Penobscot Indian Nation, and leader of the Penobscot Indian Corps, he was also a master craftsman in the art of basketmaking. Eugene was ordained to the Order of Permanent Deacons, the first for a Penobscot Indian and the first permanent deacon for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland. He was married for nearly 50 years to the former Laura Meader. Eugene will be sadly missed by his friends, family and community; (HLS 53) by Representative BISULCA of the Penobscot Nation. (Cosponsors: Representative DUNLAP of Old Town, Senator CATHCART of Penobscot, Representative SANBORN of Alton)

On objection of Representative BISULCA of the Penobscot Nation was removed from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Penobscot Nation, Representative Bisulca.

Representative BISULCA: Madam Speaker, Men and Women of the House. In September 1996 Eugene Loring became the first person in Maine to be ordained in the order of permanent deacon in the Portland diocese of the Roman Catholic Church. He was ordained because in his life he gave so tirelessly of himself to improve the condition of his community on Indian Island. He exemplified those qualities of human

kindness, which we all seek. He was a teacher and a role model. He was someone to be emulated, someone who gave of himself without the expectation of honor or tribute. In his passing for mortality, he leaves behind his example, which will continue to inspire those who know him, especially his people, the Panawabskwiak. Although no one in this body, other than myself, knew this person, I ask that you pause to pay tribute to a hero and take inspiration in his example of compassion and respect for the dignity of his fellow man. To Eugene Joseph Loring and all that you did for your people and all that you stood for, I say, "wuliwun," thank you.

Was read and adopted and sent up for concurrence.

**ENACTORS**  
**Emergency Measure**

An Act to Increase Security at the Maine State Prison (S.P. 152) (L.D. 470) (Governor's Bill) (S. "A" S-9)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Ellsworth, Representative Povich.

Representative POVICH: Madam Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I wish to move a unanimous committee report and further ask for a roll call. Briefly, this bill has received unanimous bipartisan support from both the Appropriations Committee and Criminal Justice Committee and I urge you to support this bill. Thank you very much.

Representative POVICH of Ellsworth requested a roll call on passage to be enacted.

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from York, Representative Ott.

Representative OTT: Madam Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I rise not to debate this question before the floor, but just to make a correction that I think I heard from the previous speaker and that was that this is a unanimous report from the Appropriations Committee. Unless I am mistaken, then there is some other explanation. I do not recall any vote to unanimously support passage of this measure. As a matter of fact, at the time we acted on the emergency budget, it was moved out of that budget and perhaps someone else can give a further explanation, but I just wanted to make that correction. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Old Orchard Beach, Representative Kerr.

Representative KERR: Madam Speaker, Men and Women of the House: Representative Ott is accurate that during the emergency budget process, we looked at this item dealing with the six guards and we felt that we needed more information. It was moved out of the emergency budget. The reason why it is before you today is because there was some desire by the administration and some members of the Appropriations Committee that we believe in the committee process and on a policy issue of this magnitude, the committee of jurisdiction should at least have the opportunity to review this proposal. This was one reason why it was moved out. Always knowing that there are different vehicles that could be used if this, in fact, it was an emergency, could come back before this chamber and a vote could be taken. It was our understanding that the Criminal Justice Committee, of those that were present and voting unanimously supported this proposal before you today. It is a FY 97 issue. It is an issue that has to be addressed between now and June 30th.

I intend on and will support this piece of legislation because I truly believe in the committee process. I think in this department, that we will be looking at other suggestions and alterations and these six employees they felt were necessary. It is an expense of \$106,000 between now and June 30. The resources are available and I think we have to look at the bigger picture within this department and the Part II Budget that has been indicated to us that there is an additional 102.5 positions that they may be requesting. If this is a start in that direction, I would urge the Criminal Justice Committee to look at the entire budget. Today, this is before us and I urge your support on this piece of legislation.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Enactment. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

**ROLL CALL NO. 5**

YEA - Ahearne, Bagley, Baker JL, Belanger DJ, Berry DP, Berry RL, Bigl, Bodwell, Bolduc, Bouffard, Brennan, Brooks, Bruno, Bull, Bumps, Bunker, Campbell, Chartrand, Chick, Chizmar, Clark, Clukey, Colwell, Cowger, Cross, Desmond, Dexter, Driscoll, Dunlap, Etnier, Farnsworth, Fisher, Frechette, Fuller, Gagne, Gagnon, Gamache, Gerry, Gieringer, Goodwin, Gooley, Green, Hatch, Jabar, Jones KW, Jones SL, Jones SA, Joyner, Kane, Kerr, Kneeland, Kontos, Lane, LaVerdiere, Lemaire, Lemke, Lemont, Lindahl, Lovett, Madore, Mailhot, Mayo, McAlevey, McElroy, McKee, Meres, Mitchell JE, Morgan, Nass, O'Brien, O'Neal, O'Neil, Paul, Peavey, Pendleton, Perry, Pieh, Pinkham RG, Plowman, Poulin, Povich, Powers, Quint, Richard, Rines, Rowe, Samson, Sanborn, Savage, Saxl JW, Saxl MV, Shannon, Shiah, Sirois, Skoglund, Spear, Stanley, Tessier, Thompson, Tobin, Townsend, Treadwell, Tripp, Tuttle, Usher, Vedral, Volenik, Watson, Wheeler EM, Wheeler GJ, Winglass, Winn, Wright, Madam Speaker.

NAY - Barth, Belanger IG, Bragdon, Buck, Cameron, Carleton, Cianchette, Fisk, Foster, Honey, Joy, Joyce, Kasprzak, Labrecque, Layton, MacDougall, Mack, Marvin, Murphy, Nickerson, Ott, Pinkham WD, Snowe-Mello, Stedman, Taylor, True, Waterhouse.

ABSENT - Baker CL, Davidson, Donnelly, Dutremble, Muse, Perkins, Stevens, Underwood, Vigue, Winsor.

Yes, 114; No, 27; Absent, 10; Excused, 0.

114 having voted in the affirmative and 27 voted in the negative, with 10 being absent, this being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Emergency Measure**

An Act to Fund Certain Collective Bargaining Agreements and Benefits for Certain Employees Excluded from Collective Bargaining (H.P. 348) (L.D. 471) (Governor's Bill) (C. "A" H-1)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Old Orchard Beach, Representative Kerr.

Representative KERR: Madam Speaker, Men and Women of the House. Sometimes the process goes pretty quick and there is quite a few new members in here, so I would like to just take a moment to explain what you are voting on, An Act to Fund Certain Collective Bargaining Agreements and Benefits. This bill is a three-year agreement between management and labor to provide modest salary increases in recognition of the hard work and dedication shown by state employees. This bill did receive



unanimous committee report out of the Appropriations Committee.

The increase that is identified in this bill is the first such increases for these employees in more than five years. These modest pay benefit increases, I believe are long overdue and certainly well deserved. I am supporting this bill and just to remind those of you that haven't been here in the past few years, that the budgets in the past, the state employees have suffered through furlough days, shut down days, 39-hour workweeks all while accomplishing their jobs and serving the people of the State of Maine.

In this three-year contract, between now and June 30th, it is a 2.5 percent increase, which amounts to \$3.2 million on the general fund and \$1.5 million on the highway fund. In 1998, it is a 2-percent increase, which would amount to about \$4 million on the general fund side and about \$1.7 million on the highway side. In 1999, it is \$7 million on the general fund and about \$3.5 million on the highway fund side. Again, I urge your support on this piece of legislation. Thank you.

Representative KONTOS of Windham requested a roll call on passage to be enacted.

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

**ROLL CALL NO. 6**

YEA - Ahearne, Bagley, Baker JL, Barth, Belanger DJ, Belanger IG, Berry DP, Berry RL, Bigl, Bodwell, Bolduc, Bouffard, Bragdon, Brennan, Brooks, Bruno, Bull, Bumps, Bunker, Cameron, Campbell, Carleton, Chartrand, Chick, Chizmar, Cianchette, Clark, Clukey, Colwell, Cowger, Cross, Desmond, Driscoll, Dunlap, Etnier, Farnsworth, Fisher, Fisk, Foster, Frechette, Fuller, Gagne, Gagnon, Gamache, Gerry, Gieringer, Goodwin, Gooley, Green, Hatch, Honey, Jabar, Jones KW, Jones SL, Jones SA, Joyce, Joyner, Kane, Kasprzak, Kerr, Kneeland, Kontos, Lane, LaVerdiere, Layton, Lemaire, Lemke, Lemont, Lindahl, Lovett, MacDougall, Madore, Mailhot, Marvin, Mayo, McAlevey, McElroy, McKee, Meres, Mitchell JE, Morgan, Murphy, Nass, Nickerson, O'Brien, O'Neal, O'Neil, Ott, Paul, Peavey, Pendleton, Perry, Pieh, Pinkham RG, Pinkham WD, Plowman, Poulin, Povich, Powers, Quint, Richard, Rines, Rowe, Samson, Sanborn, Savage, Saxl JW, Saxl MV, Shannon, Shiah, Sirois, Skoglund, Snowe-Mello, Spear, Stanley, Stevens, Taylor, Tessier, Thompson, Tobin, Townsend, Treadwell, Tripp, True, Tuttle, Usher, Vedral, Vigue, Volenik, Watson, Wheeler EM, Wheeler GJ, Winglass, Winn, Winsor, Wright, Madam Speaker.

NAY - Buck, Joy, Labrecque, Mack, Stedman, Waterhouse.

ABSENT - Baker CL, Davidson, Dexter, Donnelly, Dutremble, Muse, Perkins, Underwood.

Yes, 137; No, 6; Absent, 8; Excused, 0.

137 having voted in the affirmative and 6 voted in the negative, with 8 being absent, this being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were ordered sent forthwith.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The following matter, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment Tuesday, January 28, 1997, has preference in the Orders of the Day and continues

with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing Emily Brissette (HLS 23)

TABLED - January 28, 1997 (Till Later Today) by Representative CAMPBELL of Holden.

PENDING - Passage.

Subsequently, the Legislative Sentiment was passed and sent up for concurrence.

**TABLED AND TODAY ASSIGNED**

The Chair laid before the House the following items which were Tabled and Today Assigned:

Bill "An Act to Encourage Collaboration and Cooperation among Agencies in the Interests of Juveniles within the Juvenile Court System" (H.P. 376) (L.D. 521)

(Committee on **Judiciary** suggested)

TABLED - January 28, 1997 by Representative THOMPSON of Naples.

PENDING - Reference.

On motion of Representative THOMPSON of Naples, the Bill was referred to the Committee on **Criminal Justice**, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992 as It Relates to Compensation for Total Incapacity" (H.P. 257) (L.D. 321)

TABLED - January 28, 1997 by Representative CARLETON of Wells.

PENDING - Motion of same Representative to reconsider whereby the Bill was referred to the Committee on **Labor**.

Representative HATCH of Skowhegan requested a division on the motion to reconsider.

The Chair ordered a division on the motion to reconsider.

A vote of the House was taken. 29 voted in favor of the same and 92 against, subsequently, the motion to reconsider did not prevail.

Bill "An Act to Require Employers to Pay the Legal Fees of an Employee Who Wins a Workers' Compensation Case" (H.P. 340) (L.D. 462)

TABLED - January 28, 1997 by Representative CARLETON of Wells.

PENDING - Motion of same Representative to reconsider whereby the Bill was referred to the Committee on **Labor**.

Representative HATCH of Skowhegan requested a division on the motion to reconsider.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Kennebunk, Representative Murphy.

Representative MURPHY: Madam Speaker, Men and Women of the House. Representative Carleton isn't in the chamber right now. I would hope someone could make a motion to table until later in the session.

On motion of Representative JOYCE of Biddeford, tabled pending the motion to reconsider and later today assigned.

**BILL HELD**

Bill "An Act Regarding the Penalty for Passing a Stopped School Bus" (H.P. 399) (L.D. 544)

- In House, Referred to the Committee on **Transportation**.

HELD at the Request of Representative POVICH of Ellsworth.

On motion of Representative POVICH of Ellsworth, the House reconsidered its action whereby the Bill was referred to the Committee on **Transportation**.

Subsequently, the Bill was referred to the Committee on **Transportation**, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

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The Chair laid before the House the following item which was tabled earlier in today's session:

Bill "An Act to Require Employers to Pay the Legal Fees of an Employee Who Wins a Workers' Compensation Case" (H.P. 340) (L.D. 462) which was tabled by Representative JOYCE of Biddeford pending the motion to reconsider. (Division Requested)

The Chair ordered a division.

A vote of the House was taken. 20 voted in favor of the same and 92 against. The motion to reconsider was not accepted.

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The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

**SENATE PAPERS**

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 203)

**ORDERED**, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate Adjourn they do so until Tuesday, February 4, 1997, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning.

Came from the Senate, read and passed.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Authorize the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to Regulate the Location and Use of Roads in the Unorganized and Deorganized Areas" (S.P. 200) (L.D. 628)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Provide for an Additional Staff Member for the Business Enterprise Program" (S.P. 187) (L.D. 605)

Resolve, Concerning Reauthorization of the \$9,000,000 Bond Issue for Construction of Water Pollution Control Facilities (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 191) (L.D. 609)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Appropriations and Financial Affairs** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Appropriations and Financial Affairs** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Clarify Requirements for a Credit Union Applying to Expand Its Field of Membership" (S.P. 184) (L.D. 602)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Laws Governing the Calculation of Interest on Decrees under the Workers' Compensation Laws" (S.P. 197) (L.D. 625)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Consumer Credit Code to Permit Reverse Mortgages" (S.P. 207) (L.D. 666)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Banking and Insurance** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Banking and Insurance** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Veterinary Practice Act of 1975" (S.P. 186) (L.D. 604)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Business and Economic Development** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Business and Economic Development** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Remove the State Prisoner Population Limit for Knox County" (S.P. 190) (L.D. 608)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Criminal Justice** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Criminal Justice** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Provide Opportunities for Choice within the Public School System" (S.P. 195) (L.D. 623)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Review the Laws Governing Applied Technology Centers and Regions (S.P. 182) (L.D. 600)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Education and Cultural Affairs** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Education and Cultural Affairs** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Establish a Residency Requirement for General Assistance" (S.P. 185) (L.D. 603)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Regulation of Day Care Facilities and Home Baby-sitting Services" (S.P. 205) (L.D. 664)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Health and Human Services** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Health and Human Services** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Moose Hunting Permit Laws" (S.P. 192) (L.D. 610)

Bill "An Act to Ensure Funding for Snowmobile Law Enforcement Activities" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 193) (L.D. 611)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Inland Fisheries and Wildlife** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Inland Fisheries and Wildlife** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Permit the State Court Administrator to Accept Funds from the Federal Government and Private Sources" (S.P. 204) (L.D. 663)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Judiciary** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Judiciary** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Expand the Family Medical Leave Laws" (S.P. 196) (L.D. 624)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Labor** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Labor** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Off-track Betting Laws as They Pertain to Reduced Payments for Small Market Licensees" (S.P. 188) (L.D. 606)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Legal and Veterans Affairs** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Legal and Veterans Affairs** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Eliminate Fees on the Disposal of Municipal Solid Waste Incinerator Ash" (S.P. 181) (L.D. 599)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Natural Resources** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Natural Resources** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Reimburse Part-time Police Departments" (S.P. 199) (L.D. 627)

Resolve, Authorizing the Conveyance of the Interest of the State in Certain Property in Augusta (S.P. 201) (L.D. 629)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **State and Local Government** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **State and Local Government** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Exempt Nonprofit Ambulance and Fire Emergency Services from the State's Sales Tax" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 189) (L.D. 607)

Bill "An Act to Broaden the Sales Tax Exemption to Include Durable Medical Equipment" (S.P. 206) (L.D. 665)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Taxation** and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on **Taxation** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Provide for Department of Transportation Assistance in the Rehabilitation of Access Roads to Bridges of Historic Significance" (S.P. 198) (L.D. 626)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Transportation** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Transportation** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Create and Incorporate the Jackman Utility District by Merger of the Jackman Water District and the Jackman Sewer District" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 208) (L.D. 667)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on **Utilities and Energy** and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on **Utilities and Energy** in concurrence.

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On motion of Representative PENDLETON of Scarborough, the House adjourned at 12:00 p.m., pursuant to the Joint Order (S.P. 203) in honor and lasting tribute to the memory of Reverend Mr. Eugene J. Loring of Indian Island and of Deborah Summers of Scarborough.