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In Senate Chamber Tuesday January 13, 2004

Senate called to order by President Beverly C. Daggett of Kennebec County.

Prayer by Reverend Ray Richard, Retired, of Lewiston.

REVEREND RICHARD: A new year has begun and we have returned to the task at hand, representing the people of Maine and their interests. It is our sacred trust to remember always the well-being of our people and the ultimate good of society, as a whole. During the year ahead, may we recommit ourselves to those noble ideals that spring from our own personal faiths and beliefs as well as the objective needs of our state as we perceive them. May we recommit ourselves to a partnership of cooperation the elective office thrusts upon us. As we pursue the means and ends of our sacred trust, let us do so under the conscience guidance of the All Mighty, who leads us all to our common destiny, life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Paul T. Davis, Sr. of Piscataquis County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, January 8, 2004.

Off Record Remarks

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Pursuant to Statute Maine Turnpike Authority

The **Maine Turnpike Authority**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 1961, subsection 6 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2005" H.P. 1349 L.D. 1825

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed pursuant to const Rule 218, in concurrence.

Joint Order

The following Joint Order:

H.P. 1348

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that:

1. The Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall:

A. Review existing law governing the sale of lead-based tackle;

B. Review the varieties of all lead-based tackle sold in the State;

C. Review cooperative agreements with manufacturers to phase out lead-based tackle weighing less than 1/2 ounce; and

D. Examine other sources of lead discharges into the inland waters of the State.

2. Based on its review, the committee shall report out, to the House, a bill concerning lead discharges into the waters of the State.

Comes from the House, READ and PASSED.

READ.

On motion by Senator **TREAT** of Kennebec, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 425

121ST LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

January 9, 2004

The Honorable Beverly C. Daggett President of the Senate of Maine 121st Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Madame President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the 121st Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of John W. Libby of Waterville, for appointment as the Adjutant General.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	2	Gagnon of Kennebec, Mayo of Sagadahoc
Representatives		7	Clark of Millinocket, Blanchette of Bangor, Brown of South Berwick, Canavan of Waterville, Hotham of Dixfield, Jennings of Leeds, Patrick of Rumford
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		4	Rep. Glynn of South Portland, Rep. Landry of Sanford, Sen. Lemont of York, Rep. Moore of Standish

Nine members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of John W. Libby of Waterville, for appointment as the Adjutant General be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Kenneth T. Gagnon Senate Chair

S/Joseph E. Clark House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

On motion by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec, Nomination **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **CONSIDERATION**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Presumption of Violations of the Huntingon-Sunday Prohibition"

H.P. 316 L.D. 408

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-625)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-625).**

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-625) $\ensuremath{\text{READ}}$ and $\ensuremath{\text{ADOPTED}}$, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Allow the Sale of Lobster and Crab Fishing Licenses" H.P. 219 L.D. 276

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: DAMON of Hancock PENDLETON of Cumberland BENNETT of Oxford

Representatives: BULL of Freeport PERCY of Phippsburg McNEIL of Rockland KAELIN of Winterport BOWEN of Rockport

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-628)**.

Signed:

Representatives: ASH of Belfast BIERMAN of Sorrento

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator GAGNON for the Committee on LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Authorize the State To Establish a Multijurisdictional Lottery or Lottery Games" S.P. 515 L.D. 1536

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-147)**.

Report READ.

On motion by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Resolve, To Study the Feasibility and Effectiveness of Providing Consumers with Consumer Reports on Health Care Services (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 169 L.D. 497

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators: LAFOUNTAIN of York DOUGLASS of Androscoggin MAYO of Sagadahoc

Representatives:

PERRY of Calais BREAULT of Buxton CANAVAN of Waterville WOODBURY of Yarmouth O'NEIL of Saco PERRY of Bangor

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-357)**.

Signed:

Representatives: VAUGHAN of Durham GLYNN of South Portland SNOWE-MELLO of Poland YOUNG of Limestone

Reports READ.

Senator **LAFOUNTAIN** of York moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Require All Health Insurers To Cover the Costs of Hearing Aids"

S.P. 359 L.D. 1087

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Representatives: O'NEIL of Saco BREAULT of Buxton GLYNN of South Portland YOUNG of Limestone SNOWE-MELLO of Poland VAUGHAN of Durham WOODBURY of Yarmouth

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-358)**.

Signed:

Senators: DOUGLASS of Androscoggin MAYO of Sagadahoc

Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville PERRY of Bangor PERRY of Calais

Reports READ.

Senator LAFOUNTAIN of York moved the Senate ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report.

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

RECALLED FROM GOVERNOR'S DESK

An Act To Support Harness Horse Racing in Maine, Equine Agriculture in Maine, Maine Agricultural Fairs and the General Fund of the State

S.P. 449 L.D. 1361 (C "A" S-256)

(In Senate, June 11, 2003, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, in concurrence.)

(**RECALLED** from the Governor's Desk, pursuant to Joint Order (S.P. 672), in concurrence.)

On motion by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **CONSIDERATION**.

Senator **TREAT** of Kennebec was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

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

Senator **CATHCART** of Penobscot was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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

An Act To Support Harness Horse Racing in Maine, Equine Agriculture in Maine, Maine Agricultural Fairs and the General Fund of the State

> S.P. 449 L.D. 1361 (C "A" S-256)

Tabled – January 13, 2004, by Senator GAGNON of Kennebec

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, June 11, 2003, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, in concurrence.)

(**RECALLED** from the Governor's Desk, pursuant to Joint Order (S.P. 672), in concurrence.)

On motion by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec, the Senate **SUSPENDED THE RULES**.

On further motion by same Senator, the Senate **RECONSIDERED** whereby the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, in concurrence.

On further motion by same Senator, Bill and accompanied papers **COMMITTED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Sent down for concurrence.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

On motion by Senator **TREAT** of Kennebec, **ADJOURNED**, to Wednesday, January 14, 2004, at 10:00 in the morning.