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In Senate Chamber
Wednesday
April 13, 2005

Senate called to order by President Beth Edmonds of
Cumberland County.

Prayer by Reverend Peter Panagore of First Radio Parish Church
of America.

REVEREND PANAGORE: Let us pray. Beloved God who loves us, we close our eyes, we quiet our minds for this moment of grace. In this gathering where passions speak, where reason is valued, where the direction of a people is debated and decided, here we are along with You for this one moment, remembering You inside ourselves, where You touch us and where we touch You. Respectfully standing in the company of others, who themselves are alone with You. We came to this life with little more than soul and flesh, mind and heart. When we leave we carry nothing we own. We carry all we become. All the love we've given. All the pain we've caused. All the judgments, choices, decisions, and action of our lives. As we each make choices this day, as this chamber makes choices, make each one of us attentive to Your presence. Let all of us reason clearly. Let us all foresee the consequences, and with understanding, let us be mindful of the impact of voices and votes. Let prudence, leadership, and wisdom be the guides. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, April 12, 2005.

Off Record Remarks

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.P. 548

**122nd MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 8, 2005

Sen. Philip L. Bartlett
Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy
Rep. Lawrence Bliss
House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy
122nd Legislature
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Bartlett and Representative Bliss:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Kurt Adams of Yarmouth for appointment as Chairman of the Maine Public Utilities Commission.

Pursuant to Title 35 M.R.S.A. §105, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds
President of the Senate

S/John Richardson
Speaker of the House

READ and REFERRED to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY**.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.P. 549

**122nd MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 8, 2005

Sen. Lynn Bromley
Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development
Rep. Nancy E. Smith
House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development
122nd Legislature
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Bromley and Representative Smith:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Cathy McKelway of Oakland for reappointment as a member of the Maine Rural Development Authority.

Pursuant to Title 5 M.R.S.A. §13120-D, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds
President of the Senate

S/John Richardson
Speaker of the House

READ and REFERRED to the Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.C. 166

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 12, 2005

The Honorable Beth Edmonds
President of the Senate of Maine
122nd 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 122nd Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance & Financial Services has had under consideration the nomination of Lloyd P. LaFountain III of Biddeford, for appointment as the Superintendent, Bureau of Financial Institutions.

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	3	Mayo of Sagadahoc, Mills of Somerset, Sullivan of York
	Representatives	7	Glynn of South Portland, Harlow of Portland, Lindell of Frankfort, Perry of Calais, Pilon of Saco, Richardson of Warren, Vaughan of Durham
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Rep. Brautigam of Falmouth, Rep. Marrache of Waterville, Rep. McKane of Newcastle

Ten 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 Lloyd P. LaFountain III of Biddeford, for appointment as the Superintendent, Bureau of Financial Institutions be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Nancy B. Sullivan
Senate Chair

S/Anne C. Perry
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Sullivan.

Senator **SULLIVAN:** Thank you, Madame President. I'd simply like to be allowed to issue a few words on the Honorable Lloyd P. LaFountain III. It gives me great personal pleasure to present, from our community and one of your former colleagues, Lloyd P. LaFountain III. Yesterday, during our confirmation hearing, it was probably the largest love-fest we have seen in these halls in a long time. Everybody was in agreement. They were in agreement for several reasons. One of them certainly is for his ability to be able to perform the duties that will be his. More importantly, for the citizens of Maine and for part of this institution, having come from this institution, he brings a virtue of total integrity. He is a family man, a values man, a man who is principle in what he believes, and a family man by evidenced by two of his three children being here today. I've known Senator LaFountain before his oldest daughter was born. I did ask where their sister was and it gives me great honor to say that she decided to go to school. I was feeling really good about that until I heard it was a field trip. The field trip took precedence over coming to page and be with dad. This is a great honor and I am pleased to present him. I consider him a colleague and a great personal friend. Thank you, Madame President.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 122nd Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#61)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BARTLETT, BRENNAN, BROMLEY, BRYANT, CLUKEY, COURTNEY, COWGER, DAMON, DAVIS, DIAMOND, DOW, GAGNON, HASTINGS, HOBBS, MARTIN, MAYO, MILLS, MITCHELL, NASS, NUTTING, PERRY, RAYE, ROSEN, ROTUNDO, SAVAGE, SCHNEIDER, SNOWE-MELLO, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, TURNER, WESTON, WOODCOCK, THE PRESIDENT - BETH G. EDMONDS

ABSENT: Senators: ANDREWS, PLOWMAN

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators being absent, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Lloyd P. LaFountain III** of Biddeford, for appointment as the Superintendent, Bureau of Financial Institutions was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the chamber the Honorable Lloyd P. LaFountain III. Will he please rise and accept the greetings of the Maine Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 160

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 7, 2005

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate
Honorable John Richardson, Speaker of the House
122nd Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Richardson:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1114 An Act To Strengthen the OUI Laws

L.D. 1166 An Act To Impose More Stringent Penalties for Driving after Drinking

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bill Diamond
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Patricia A. Blanchette
House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 161

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 7, 2005

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate
Honorable John Richardson, Speaker of the House
122nd Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Richardson:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 249 An Act To Amend the Calculation for Annual County Tax Assessments

L.D. 992 An Act To Reform County Governance

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Elizabeth M. Schneider
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Christopher R. Barstow
House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 162

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TAXATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 7, 2005

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate
Honorable John Richardson, Speaker of the House
122nd Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Richardson:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 87 An Act To Phase Out the Corporate Income Tax over a 5-year Period

L.D. 987 Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Revenue Services To Review the Law Governing the Taxation of Corporate Income

L.D. 1032 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Lower the Income Tax

L.D. 1150 An Act To Promote and Facilitate Personal Retirement Saving in Maine

L.D. 1235 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Require That a Citizen-initiated Measure That Imposes a New or Increased Tax or Fee Be Approved by the Legislature and Signed by the Governor

L.D. 1240 An Act To Change the Maine Income Tax Rates

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph C. Perry
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Richard G. Woodbury
House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 163

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 7, 2005

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate
Honorable John Richardson, Speaker of the House
122nd Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Richardson:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 690 Resolve, Authorizing Relocation of a Certain Private Driveway on Route 26

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsors of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Dennis Damon
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Boyd P. Marley
House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 164

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 7, 2005

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate
Honorable John Richardson, Speaker of the House
122nd Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Richardson:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 63 An Act To Use the Buying Power of the State To Purchase Heating Oil for Low-income and Elderly Residents

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsors of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Elizabeth M. Schneider
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Christopher R. Barstow
House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 165

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 7, 2005

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate
Honorable John Richardson, Speaker of the House
122nd Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Richardson:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 701 An Act To Ensure Equality in School Funding
- L.D. 764 Resolve, To Study Ways To Create More Teachers of Modern and Classical Languages
- L.D. 797 An Act Authorizing the State Board of Education To Mediate School Attendance Disputes
- L.D. 811 An Act To Assist the Implementation of the Essential Programs and Services School Funding Model
- L.D. 875 An Act To Change the Procedure When a Maine School Administrative District Budget Fails
- L.D. 883 An Act To Require All School Administrators To Spend Time Weekly in the Classroom with Students
- L.D. 1062 An Act To Provide Financial Accommodation under the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act for School Systems with Dead-end Bus Runs

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Elizabeth H. Mitchell
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Jacqueline Norton
House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Amend the Revaluation Process by Municipalities"
S.P. 550 L.D. 1563

Sponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York.
Cosponsored by Senators: BARTLETT of Cumberland, HOBBS of York, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot.

On motion by Senator **SCHNEIDER** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Change of Committee

The Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** on Bill "An Act To Recruit and Retain College Graduates through Loan Repayment"

H.P. 302 L.D. 399

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS.**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **REJECTED** and the Bill and accompanying papers **COMMITTED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.**

Report **READ.**

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

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Provide Tax Incentives to Small Businesses That Employ At Least One Person"

H.P. 446 L.D. 613

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-109).**

Signed:

Senator:
STRIMLING of Cumberland

Representatives:
HANLEY of Paris
CLARK of Millinocket
McCORMICK of West Gardiner
BIERMAN of Sorrento
HUTTON of Bowdoinham
SEAVEY of Kennebunkport

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass.**

Signed:

Senators:

PERRY of Penobscot
COURTNEY of York

Representatives:

WOODBURY of Yarmouth
CLOUGH of Scarborough
PINEAU of Jay
WATSON of Bath

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-109)**.

Reports **READ**.

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

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Allow Small Car Carriers To Haul the Maximum Allowed Vehicles"

H.P. 282 L.D. 380

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

DAMON of Hancock
DIAMOND of Cumberland
SAVAGE of Knox

Representatives:

MARLEY of Portland
FISHER of Brewer
MAZUREK of Rockland
HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach
COLLINS of Wells
SAMPSON of Auburn
McKENNEY of Cumberland
BROWNE of Vassalboro
THOMAS of Ripley

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Representative:

PARADIS of Frenchville

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

Senator SCHNEIDER for the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Include Androscoggin County in the Law Governing the Use of County Surplus Funds"
S.P. 101 L.D. 339

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator SCHNEIDER for the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Resolve, To Allow the Somerset County Jail To Be Built within One Mile of the County Seat (EMERGENCY)
S.P. 330 L.D. 990

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Report **READ**.

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

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator DIAMOND for the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Make the 3rd Violation of OUI a Class C Crime"
S.P. 149 L.D. 462

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-77)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-77) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator SULLIVAN for the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Make Changes to the Banking Laws"

S.P. 196 L.D. 587

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-78)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-78) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator SULLIVAN for the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Enhance the Supervisory Powers of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Financial Institutions"

S.P. 324 L.D. 949

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-79)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-79) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

SECOND READERS

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

House

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 40: Medication Administration in Maine Schools, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 16 L.D. 11

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Tenants' Rights When There Is a Failure To Correct a Dangerous Condition"

H.P. 444 L.D. 611

READ A SECOND TIME and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

House As Amended

Bill "An Act To Ban Remote-control Hunting"

H.P. 46 L.D. 50
(C "A" H-110)

Bill "An Act To Authorize the Transfer of Hunting Permits"

H.P. 445 L.D. 612
(C "A" H-112)

Bill "An Act To Create a Civil Violation for Operating a Snowmobile Left of Center"

H.P. 687 L.D. 977
(C "A" H-111)

READ A SECOND TIME and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Senate

Bill "An Act To Promote Access to Transportation for Seniors"

S.P. 16 L.D. 36

READ A SECOND TIME and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

An Act To Clarify City Election Procedures

H.P. 363 L.D. 488

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 34 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency Measure

An Act Authorizing the Public Utilities Commission To Designate a Sole Provider of 2-1-1 Information and Referral Services in Maine

H.P. 399 L.D. 523
(C "A" H-100)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 33 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 33 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Allow the Department of Marine Resources To Preserve and Protect Burnt Island and Burnt Island Living Lighthouse and To Regulate Their Use

H.P. 428 L.D. 595
(C "A" H-105)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 34 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency Resolve

Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Increase Turkey Hunting Opportunities

S.P. 498 L.D. 1456
(C "A" S-76)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 34 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **FINALLY PASSED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Acts

An Act To Amend the Licensing and Certification Requirements Relating to Asbestos Abatement Activities

S.P. 20 L.D. 40
(C "A" S-66)

An Act To Allow the Part-time Assignment of State Police Officers to Municipalities

H.P. 78 L.D. 102
(C "A" H-97)

An Act To Clarify Matters Relating to the Offices of Secretary and Treasurer of the Maine Turnpike Authority

H.P. 153 L.D. 202

An Act To Clarify the Applicability of the Maine Consumer Credit Code to Affordable Housing Organizations

S.P. 100 L.D. 338
(C "A" S-65)

An Act To Provide the Portland Harbor Commission with the Authority To Arrest

H.P. 264 L.D. 351
(C "A" H-98)

An Act To Amend the Maine Motor Vehicle Franchise Board Laws

H.P. 293 L.D. 391
(C "A" H-90)

An Act To Cure an Inconsistency Regarding Judgment Liens

H.P. 366 L.D. 491

An Act To Adopt the Maine Uniform Securities Act

H.P. 384 L.D. 509
(C "A" H-103)

An Act To Save the Health Care System Money by Ensuring Timely Denials of Claims

H.P. 433 L.D. 600
(C "A" H-102)

An Act To Amend the Crime of Escape

H.P. 694 L.D. 984

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

An Act To Increase the Adult Education State Subsidy by a Specific Percentage

S.P. 38 L.D. 96
(C "A" S-63)

On motion by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act To Raise the Marriage Fees

H.P. 281 L.D. 379

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

Resolve

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Report on Certain MaineCare Practices

S.P. 82 L.D. 229
(C "A" S-64)

FINALLY PASSED and having been signed by the President was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

The following matter in the consideration of which the Senate was engaged at the time of Adjournment had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by Senate Rule 516.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (4/12/05) Assigned matter:

An Act To Provide the Same Exemption from Jury Duty to Veterinarians as Granted to Medical Doctors
H.P. 398 L.D. 522

Tabled - April 12, 2005, by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec

Pending - **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence

(In House, April 7, 2005, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**.)

(In Senate, April 5, 2005, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.)

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Senate at Ease.

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

House Paper

Bill "An Act To Authorize a Tribal Commercial Track and Slot Machines in Washington County"
H.P. 1111 L.D. 1573

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act To Allow Certain Modifications of Motor Vehicles"
H.P. 1109 L.D. 1571

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

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

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

Senator **MAYO** of Sagadahoc was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

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

Senator **BROMLEY** of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Senator **BARTLETT** of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

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

On motion by Senator **BRENNAN** of Cumberland, **ADJOURNED**, to Thursday, April 14, 2005, at 10:00 in the morning.