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

Prayer by Honorable Philip A. Curtis, Madison. National Anthem by Dr. A. Jan Berlin, South Freeport. Pledge of Allegiance. Doctor of the day, A. Jan Berlin, M.D., South Freeport.

At this point, the Speaker recognized the Representative from Brewer, Representative CELLI, the Representative from Winthrop, Representative FLOOD, the Representative from Jay, Representative GILBERT and the Representative from Eddington, Representative PRATT and they were added to the quorum call of the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Representative TARDY of Newport assumed the Chair. The House was called to order by the Speaker Pro Tem.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Create Jobs and Stimulate Economic Development by Making Captive Insurers Eligible for Pine Tree Development Zone Benefits for 10 Years" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 651) (L.D. 1679) Bill "An Act Regarding the Law Governing Recreational Vehicle Manufacturers, Distributors and Dealers"

(S.P. 655) (L.D. 1683) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **BUSINESS**, **RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Protect Minors from Pharmaceutical Marketing Practices"

(S.P. 649) (L.D. 1677)

Committee on JUDICIARY suggested and ordered printed. Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **BUSINESS**, **RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require a Pharmacist To Provide Prior Notification to and Obtain Consent from the Prescribing Physician before Changing from One Formulation or Manufacturer of an Antiepileptic Drug to Another"

(S.P. 644) (L.D. 1672) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence. Bill "An Act To Allow the Electronic Registration of Big Game Animals" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 656) (L.D. 1723)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Allow a Maine-chartered Financial Institution To Conduct a Savings Promotion Raffle"

(S.P. 645) (L.D. 1673) Bill "An Act To Protect Maine Citizens' Credit"

(S.P. 648) (L.D. 1676) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed. **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Implement a Maine Unemployment Insurance Work-sharing Program"

(S.P. 653) (L.D. 1681)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Create a Commercial Pelagic and Anadromous Fishing License and Establish the Pelagic and Anadromous Fisheries Fund"

(S.P. 657) (L.D. 1724)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Governing Sales Tax Exemptions for Certain Nonprofit Youth Organizations"

(S.P. 646) (L.D. 1674)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Reduce Noise Caused by Motorcycles and Improve Public Health"

(S.P. 647) (L.D. 1675)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Review the Fiscal Impact on the State of the Closure of the Railroad Track between Madawaska and Millinocket (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 650) (L.D. 1678)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Assist in Reviewing Wind Energy Applications" (S.P. 652) (L.D. 1680)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Electric Utility Industry Laws as They Relate to Renewable Resources"

(S.P. 654) (L.D. 1682) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (S.P. 583) MAINE SENATE 124TH LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

December 8, 2009 Hon. Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate

124th Legislature

Hon. Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

124th Legislature

Dear Madam President and Madam Speaker:

On December 8, 2009, 8 bills were received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on December 8, 2009, as follows:

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Pertaining to Smoke Detectors and Carbon Monoxide Detectors" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 575) (L.D. 1497) (Sponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act To Adopt a Drug Benefit Equity Law" (S.P. 576) (L.D. 1498) (Sponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Protect Confidential Consumer Records in Selfservice Storage Facilities" (S.P. 577) (L.D. 1499) (Sponsored by Senator BOWMAN of York) (Cosponsored by Representative WHEELER of Kittery) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Conform the Maine Tax Laws for 2009 to the United States Internal Revenue Code" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 578) (L.D. 1500) (Sponsored by Senator PERRY of Penobscot) (Cosponsored by Representative WATSON of Bath) (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

. Transportation

Bill "An Act To Dedicate Surplus Transportation Funds to Highway Maintenance and Paving" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 579) (L.D. 1501) (Sponsored by Senator COURTNEY of York) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Resolve, To Name Route 16/27 in the Town of Stratton the Caleb Dalton Stevens Memorial Highway (S.P. 580) (L.D. 1502) (Sponsored by Senator GOOLEY of Franklin) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act To Establish Emergency Zones on Public Ways To Minimize Accidents" (S.P. 581) (L.D. 1503) (Sponsored by Senator TRAHAN of Lincoln) (Cosponsored by Senators: NASS of York, SIMPSON of Androscoggin, McCORMICK of Kennebec, Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, BURNS of Whiting, McLEOD of Lee, HILL of York) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Utilities and Energy

Bill "An Act To Require That Expedited Wind Energy Development Projects Provide a Tangible Benefit to Maine Ratepayers in the Form of Discounts to Future Electric Rates" (S.P. 582) (L.D. 1504) (Sponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Sincerely, S/Joy J. O'Brien

Secretary of the Senate S/Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

Came from the Senate, $\ensuremath{\mathsf{READ}}$ and $\ensuremath{\mathsf{ORDERED}}\ensuremath{\mathsf{PLACED}}\ensuremath{\mathsf{ON}}$ FILE.

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 585) MAINE SENATE 124TH LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

December 16, 2009 Hon. Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate 124th Legislature

Hon, Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

124th Legislature

Dear Madam President and Madam Speaker:

On December 16, 2009, 1 bill was received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, this bill was referred to a Joint Standing Committee on December 16, 2009, as follows:

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Ensure That Search and Rescue Dogs Are Afforded the Same Access to Public Accommodations as Service Animals" (S.P. 584) (L.D. 1519) (Sponsored by Senator GERZOFSKY of Cumberland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Sincerely,

S/Joy J. O'Brien

Secretary of the Senate S/Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON** FILE.

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE** in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 594) MAINE SENATE 124TH LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

December 17, 2009 Hon. Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate 124th Legislature Hon. Hannah M. Pingree Speaker of the House 124th Legislature Dear Madam President and Madam Speaker: On December 17, 2009, 8 bills were received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on December 17, 2009, as follows:

Business, Research and Economic Development

Bill "An Act To Facilitate Recovery Zone Facility Bonds" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 590) (L.D. 1530) (Sponsored by President MITCHELL of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Speaker PINGREE of North Haven and Senators: BARTLETT of Cumberland, **RECTOR of Knox, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, Representatives:** SMITH of Monmouth, SIROIS of Turner, PIOTTI of Unity) (Submitted by the Finance Authority of Maine pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Update Laws Regulating the Maine Emergency Management Agency" (S.P. 589) (L.D. 1531) (Sponsored by Senator GERZOFSKY of Cumberland) (Cosponsored by Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston and Representative: SYKES of Harrison) (Submitted by the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Align Education Laws with Certain Federal Laws" (S.P. 588) (L.D. 1532) (Sponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland) (Cosponsored by Representative SUTHERLAND of Chapman and Senators: CRAVEN of Androscoggin, DAVIS of Cumberland, Representatives: LOVEJOY of Portland, NELSON of Falmouth, PENDLETON of Scarborough, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, CAMPBELL of Newfield) (Submitted by the Department of Education pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Labor

Bill "An Act To Enhance Cooperation between the Workers' Compensation Board's Abuse Investigation Unit and Other State Agencies and To Ensure Equal Application of the Requirement To Obtain Coverage" (S.P. 586) (L.D. 1528) (Submitted by the Workers' Compensation Board pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 39-A, section 152, subsection 11.)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992 Regarding Coordination of Benefits" (S.P. 587) (L.D. 1529) (Submitted by the Workers' Compensation Board pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 39-A, section 152, subsection 11.) Bill "An Act To Protect Maine Workers" (S.P. 593) (L.D. 1545) (Sponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook) (Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Senator: of Cumberland, Representative: GERZOFSKY Speaker PINGREE of North Haven) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Legal and Veterans Affairs

Bill "An Act To Improve Disclosure of Campaign Finance Information and the Operation of the Maine Clean Election Act" (S.P. 592) (L.D. 1546) (Submitted by the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 1009.)

Taxation

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor To Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory (S.P. 591) (L.D. 1533) (Sponsored by Senator PERRY of Penobscot) (Cosponsored by Representative WATSON of Bath) (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.) Sincerely.

S/Joy J. O'Brien Secretary of the Senate S/Millicent M. MacFarland Clerk of the House

Came from the Senate, READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 600) MAINE SENATE **124TH LEGISLATURE** OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

December 17, 2009 Hon, Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate 124th Legislature Hon. Hannah M. Pingree Speaker of the House 124th Legislature

Dear Madam President and Madam Speaker:

On December 17, 2009, 5 bills were received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on December 17, 2009. as follows:

Labor

Bill "An Act Regarding Accidental Death Benefits for Beneficiaries of Deceased Firefighters" (S.P. 595) (L.D. 1558) (Sponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook) (Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Senator: GERZOFSKY of Cumberland, Representative: Speaker PINGREE of North Haven) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Legal and Veterans Affairs

Bill "An Act Regarding Liquor Licenses for Qualified Catering Services" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 596) (L.D. 1559) (Sponsored by Senator BLISS of Cumberland) (Cosponsored by Representative EBERLE of South Portland and Senators: GOODALL of Sagadahoc, McCORMICK of Kennebec, Representatives: MORRISON of South Portland, DILL of Cape Elizabeth) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Marine Resources

Bill "An Act To Eliminate the 3-trap Limit in the Waters off Hancock County" (S.P. 597) (L.D. 1560) (Sponsored by Senator DAMON of Hancock) (Cosponsored by Representative SCHATZ of Blue Hill and Representatives: PERCY of Phippsburg, Speaker PINGREE of North Haven) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Transportation

Bill "An Act To Regulate the Use of Traffic Surveillance Cameras" (S.P. 598) (L.D. 1561) (Sponsored by Senator DAMON of Hancock) (Cosponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples and Senator: BLISS of Cumberland, Representatives: PERCY of Phippsburg, FITTS of Pittsfield, CAREY of Lewiston, MAZUREK of Rockland, Speaker PINGREE of North Haven, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, SCHATZ of Blue Hill) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws" (S.P. 599) (L.D. (Sponsored by Senator DAMON of Hancock) 1562) (Cosponsored by Representative MAZUREK of Rockland and Representatives: CAREY of Lewiston, MacDONALD of Boothbay) (Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Sincerely,

S/Joy J. O'Brien Secretary of the Senate S/Millicent M. MacFarland Clerk of the House

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON** FILE.

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE** in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 612) MAINE SENATE 124TH LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

December 18, 2009

Honorable Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate 124th Legislature Honorable Hannah M. Pingree Speaker of the House

124th Legislature

Dear Madam President and Madam Speaker:

On December 18, 2009, 11 bills were received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on December 18, 2009, as follows:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Restore Longevity Pay" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 601) (L.D. 1594) (Sponsored by President MITCHELL of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Representative BUTTERFIELD of Bangor and Senators: MARRACHÉ of Kennebec, JACKSON of Aroostook, McCORMICK of Kennebec, DAVIS of Cumberland, Representatives: SMITH of Monmouth, BLODGETT of Augusta, CROCKETT of Augusta, TREAT of Hallowell) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Business, Research and Economic Development

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Educational Requirements for Eligibility for Examination for Licensure as a Certified Public Accountant" (S.P. 604) (L.D. 1597) (Sponsored by Senator MARRACHÉ of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Representatives: SMITH of Monmouth, MacDONALD of Boothbay) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Laws against Illegal 'Puppy Mill' Operators" (S.P. 605) (L.D. 1598) (Sponsored by Senator SIMPSON of Androscoggin) (Cosponsored by Representative SHAW of Standish and Senator: HOBBINS of York, Representatives: HUNT of Buxton, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act Regarding the Maternal and Infant Death Review Panel" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 606) (L.D. 1599) (Sponsored by Senator MARRACHÉ of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Representative SAVIELLO of Wilton, Representative CAMPBELL of Newfield and Representatives: STUCKEY of Portland, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Resolve, To Allow for the Proper Disposal of Medical Supplies (S.P. 608) (L.D. 1600) (Sponsored by Senator MARRACHÉ of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Representatives: STUCKEY of Portland, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, CAMPBELL of Newfield) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Bill "An Act To Clarify the Child Abuse or Neglect Substantiation Process" (S.P. 609) (L.D. 1602) (Sponsored by Senator HASTINGS of Oxford) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Labor

Bill "An Act To Provide Continued Protection of Benefits for Retirees of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System" (S.P. 602) (L.D. 1595) (Sponsored by President MITCHELL of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Speaker PINGREE of North Haven and Senators: JACKSON of Aroostook, DIAMOND of Cumberland, Representatives: BLODGETT of Augusta, BUTTERFIELD of Bangor, CAIN of Orono, CROCKETT of Augusta, MILLETT of Waterford, MARTIN of Eagle Lake) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Legal and Veterans Affairs

Bill "An Act Regarding Mobile Service Bars at Municipal Golf Courses" (S.P. 603) (L.D. 1596) (Sponsored by Senator PERRY of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Marine Resources

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Marine Resources Laws To Provide for the Protection of Public Safety and Welfare" (S.P. 611) (L.D. 1604) (Sponsored by Senator DAMON of Hancock) (Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Amend Laws Administered by the Department of Environmental Protection" (S.P. 610) (L.D. 1603) (Sponsored by Senator GOODALL of Sagadahoc) (Cosponsored by Senator: DAMON of Hancock, Representatives: DUCHESNE of Hudson, BUTTERFIELD of Bangor, BERRY of Bowdoinham, HASKELL of Portland, HINCK of Portland) (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Utilities and Energy

Bill "An Act To Create the Lincolnville Sewer District" (S.P. 607) (L.D. 1601) (Sponsored by Senator WESTON of Waldo) (Cosponsored by Representative THIBODEAU of Winterport) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

. Sincerely,

S/Joy J. O'Brien

Secretary of the Senate

S/Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON** FILE.

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 633) MAINE SENATE 124TH LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

OFFICE OF THE SEC December 21, 2009

Hon. Elizabeth H. Mitchell

President of the Senate

124th Legislature

Hon. Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House 124th Legislature

Dear Madam President and Madam Speaker:

On December 21, 2009, 20 bills were received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on December 21, 2009, as follows:

Business, Research and Economic Development

Bill "An Act To Enhance the Small Enterprise Growth Fund" (S.P. 624) (L.D. 1659) (Sponsored by Senator RECTOR of Knox) (Cosponsored by Representative SMITH of Monmouth and Senators: NASS of York, MILLS of Somerset, GOODALL of Sagadahoc, COURTNEY of York, Representatives: RICHARDSON of Warren, PRESCOTT of Topsham)

Bill "An Act To Enhance the Redevelopment of the Brunswick Naval Air Station" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 629) (L.D. 1664) (Sponsored by Senator GERZOFSKY of Cumberland) (Cosponsored by Representative PRIEST of Brunswick and Senators: GOODALL of Sagadahoc, SIMPSON of Androscoggin, Representatives: KENT of Woolwich, MORRISON of South Portland, STUCKEY of Portland, WATSON of Bath, WEBSTER of Freeport, BERRY of Bowdoinham) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Improve the Availability, Efficiency and Cost of Services for Infants, Young Children and Their Families" (S.P. 619) (L.D. 1654) (Sponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland) (Cosponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham and Senators: BOWMAN of York, BRANNIGAN of Cumberland, Representatives: STUCKEY of Portland, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, CONNOR of Kennebunk, SUTHERLAND of Chapman, WAGNER of Lewiston) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act To Increase Maine's High School Graduation Rates" (S.P. 623) (L.D. 1658) (Sponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland) (Cosponsored by Representative SUTHERLAND of Chapman and Senators: President MITCHELL of Kennebec, BARTLETT of Cumberland, PERRY of Penobscot, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, Representatives: Speaker PINGREE of North Haven, BERRY of Bowdoinham, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Health and Human Services

Resolve, To Repeal the Fee Increase for Copies of Vital Records (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 613) (L.D. 1648) (Sponsored by Senator RAYE of Washington) (Cosponsored by Representative LANGLEY of Ellsworth and Senators: MARRACHÉ of Kennebec, NASS of York, President MITCHELL of Kennebec, COURTNEY of York, Representatives: CURTIS of Madison, LEWIN of Eliot, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Provisions of Fish and Wildlife Laws" (S.P. 615) (L.D. 1650) (Sponsored by Senator BRYANT of Oxford) (Cosponsored by Representative CLARK of Millinocket and Senator: JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: DAVIS of Sangerville, SARTY of Denmark, CRAFTS of Lisbon, WHEELER of Kittery) (Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Clarify and Amend Laws Pertaining to Licenses Issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife" (S.P. 616) (L.D. 1651) (Sponsored by Senator BRYANT of Oxford) (Cosponsored by Representative WHEELER of Kittery and Senator: TRAHAN of Lincoln, Representatives: DAVIS of Sangerville, BRIGGS of

Mexico, SARTY of Denmark, SHAW of Standish, CLARK of

Millinocket, EBERLE of South Portland) (Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Insurance and Financial Services

Resolve, To Increase the Financial Stability of Low-income Families in Maine (S.P. 614) (L.D. 1649) (Sponsored by Senator SIMPSON of Androscoggin) (Cosponsored by Representative STUCKEY of Portland and Senators: CRAVEN of Androscoggin, SULLIVAN of York, ALFOND of Cumberland, McCORMICK of Kennebec, Representatives: BECK of Waterville, FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor, PILON of Saco, TREAT of Hallowell) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act To Improve Health Insurance Security" (S.P. 618) (L.D. 1653) (Sponsored by Senator SCHNEIDER of Penobscot) (Cosponsored by Senator: ALFOND of Cumberland, Representatives: SMITH of Monmouth, GOODE of Bangor, RUSSELL of Portland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Labor

Bill "An Act Regarding Maine Public Employees Retirement System Life Insurance Policies" (S.P. 622) (L.D. 1657) (Sponsored by Senator HOBBINS of York) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act To Prevent the Spread of H1N1" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 630) (L.D. 1665) (Sponsored by President MITCHELL of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Speaker PINGREE of North Haven and Senators: HOBBINS of York, GERZOFSKY of Cumberland, JACKSON of Aroostook, DAMON of Hancock, Representatives: BUTTERFIELD of Bangor, WALSH INNES of Yarmouth, PIOTTI of Unity, CAMPBELL of Newfield) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Legal and Veterans Affairs

Resolve, To Transfer the Ownership of the Bath Armory to the City of Bath (S.P. 621) (L.D. 1656) (Sponsored by Senator GOODALL of Sagadahoc) (Cosponsored by Representative WATSON of Bath and Representatives: PERCY of Phippsburg, KENT of Woolwich, MacDONALD of Boothbay) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Election Laws and Other Related Laws" (S.P. 632) (L.D. 1667) (Sponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York) (Cosponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford and Senator: JACKSON of Aroostook, Representative: MARTIN of Eagle Lake) (Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Improve Maine's Air Quality and Reduce Regional Haze at Acadia National Park and Other Federally Designated Class I Areas" (S.P. 627) (L.D. 1662) (Sponsored by Senator GOODALL of Sagadahoc) (Cosponsored by Representative FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor and Senators: DAMON of Hancock, SIMPSON of Androscoggin, Representatives: DUCHESNE of Hudson, BUTTERFIELD of Bangor, LANGLEY of Ellsworth, EATON of Sullivan, Speaker PINGREE of North Haven, SCHATZ of Blue Hill) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Improve the Seed Capital Investment Tax Credit Program" (S.P. 631) (L.D. 1666) (Sponsored by President MITCHELL of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Representative CAIN of Orono and Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, GOODALL of Sagadahoc, RECTOR of Knox, PERRY of Penobscot, Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor, SHAW of Standish) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Transportation

Bill "An Act To Preserve the 'We Support Our Troops' Registration Plate" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 620) (L.D. 1655) (Sponsored by Senator RAYE of Washington) (Cosponsored by Representative PILON of Saco and Senators: MARRACHÉ of Kennebec, President MITCHELL of Kennebec, GOOLEY of Franklin, Representatives: CURTIS of Madison, Speaker PINGREE of North Haven) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act To Establish a Committee To Promote General Aviation in the State" (S.P. 628) (L.D. 1663) (Sponsored by Senator MARRACHÉ of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Representative CAREY of Lewiston and Senators: DAMON of Hancock, PERRY of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Utilities and Energy

Bill "An Act To Provide More Information to the Public Advocate" (S.P. 617) (L.D. 1652) (Sponsored by Senator HOBBINS of York) (Cosponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham and Representatives: DOSTIE of Sabattus, FLAHERTY of Scarborough, HINCK of Portland) (Submitted by the Office of the Public Advocate pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Reallocate Funds for a Position at the Public Utilities Commission" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 625) (L.D. 1660) (Sponsored by Senator HOBBINS of York) (Submitted by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Create a Position at the Public Utilities Commission" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 626) (L.D. 1661) (Sponsored by Senator HOBBINS of York) (Submitted by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Sincerely, S/Joy J. O'Brien Secretary of the Senate S/Millicent M. MacFarland Clerk of the House

Came from the Senate, READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 634) STATE OF MAINE

124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

December 30, 2009 Sen. John M. Nutting

Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Rep. Wendy Pieh

House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

124th Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Nutting and Representative Pieh:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Diane Doyle of Saco for reappointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board.

Pursuant to Title 5 M.R.S.A. §6204 (2), this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and confirmation by the Senate. Sincerely, S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell

President of the Senate S/Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

Came from the Senate, READ and REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY.

READ **REFERRED** to and the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 635) STATE OF MAINE **124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

December 30, 2009

Sen. John M. Nutting

Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Rep. Wendy Pieh

House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

124th Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Nutting and Representative Pieh:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated John Joseph of Hallowell for reappointment to the Maine Milk Commission.

Pursuant to Title 7 M.R.S.A. §2952 (1B) this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture. Conservation and Forestry and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate

S/Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

Came from the Senate, READ and REFERRED to the AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION Committee on AND FORESTRY.

READ REFERRED Committee and to the on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 636) STATE OF MAINE

124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

December 30, 2009

Sen. John M. Nutting

Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Rep. Wendy Pieh

House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

124th Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

S/Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

Dear Senator Nutting and Representative Pieh:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Richard Stevenson of Bath for reappointment to the Board of Pesticides Control.

Pursuant to Title 22 M.R.S.A. §1471-B (1) this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and confirmation by the Senate. Sincerely, S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**.

READ and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 637) STATE OF MAINE 124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

December 30, 2009

Sen. Justin L. Alfond

Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs

Rep. Patricia B. Sutherland

House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs

124th Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Alfond and Representative Sutherland:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Victoria Larson of Windham for reappointment and John Shipway of Bath for appointment to the Maine Maritime Academy Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 771 §428 these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and confirmation by the Senate. Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell

President of the Senate

S/Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**.

READ and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 638) STATE OF MAINE 124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

December 30, 2009 Sen. Justin L. Alfond Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs Rep. Patricia B. Sutherland House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Education and

Cultural Affairs

124th Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Alfond and Representative Sutherland:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Frances Jacques of Berwick, Ryan Banger of Woolwich and Kristy Lavallee of Lisbon for appointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A MRSA §7406 these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and confirmation by the Senate. Sincerely.

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate S/Hannah M. Pingree Speaker of the House Came from the Senate, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**. **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION**

AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 639) STATE OF MAINE 124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

December 30, 2009 Sen, Troy Dale Jackson

Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Labor

Rep. John L. Tuttle

House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Labor

124th Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Jackson and Representative Tuttle:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Robert L. Piccone of Portland for reappointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board.

Pursuant to Title 26 M.R.S.A. §968 (1), this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell

President of the Senate

S/Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR**.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{READ}}$ and $\ensuremath{\mathsf{REFERRED}}$ to the Committee on $\ensuremath{\mathsf{LABOR}}$ in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 640) STATE OF MAINE 124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE December 31, 2009

Sen. Elizabeth M. Schneider

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 124th Legislature Augusta, ME 04333 Dear Senator Schneider and Representative Smith: Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated following to the Midcoast the Regional **Redevelopment Authority:** Steven Weems of Brunswick for appointment Rita Armstrong of Freeport for appointment Sally DelGreco of Brunswick for appointment Sande Updegraph of Brunswick for appointment Charlie Spies of Topsham for reappointment Pursuant to Title 5 M.R.S.A. §13083-I, these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development and confirmation by the Senate. Sincerely, S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate S/Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

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

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

The Following Communication: (S.P. 641) STATE OF MAINE

124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

December 31, 2009

Sen. Elizabeth M. Schneider

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

124th Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Schneider and Representative Smith:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Thaxter Trafton of Augusta for appointment as Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development.

Pursuant to Title 5 M.R.S.A. Chapter 383 §13057, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell

President of the Senate

S/Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

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

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

The Following Communication: (S.P. 642)

STATE OF MAINE 124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

December 31, 2009 Sen. Dennis S. Damon

Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Transportation Rep. Edward J. Mazurek

House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

124th Legislature Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Damon and Representative Mazurek:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Jim Cloutier of Portland for appointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority.

Pursuant to Title 23 M.R.S.A. §1965 (2-A), this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell

President of the Senate

S/Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION**.

READ and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 643) STATE OF MAINE **124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE** December 31, 2009 Sen. Dennis S. Damon Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Transportation Rep. Edward J. Mazurek House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Transportation 124th Legislature Augusta, ME 04333 Dear Senator Damon and Representative Mazurek: Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Martin Eisenstein of Auburn for reappointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority. Pursuant to Title 23 M.R.S.A. §8112 (1) this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation and confirmation by the Senate. Sincerely, S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate S/Hannah M. Pingree Speaker of the House Came from the Senate, READ and REFERRED to the

Committee on TRANSPORTATION. READ and REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 658)

STATE OF MAINE

January 5, 2010 Sen. Elizabeth M. Schneider 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 124th Legislature Augusta, ME 04333 Dear Senator Schneider and Representative Smith: Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated the following to the Maine State Housing Authority: Barbara Berry of North Yarmouth for appointment Raymond Cota of Orono for appointment Dale McCormick of Augusta for reappointment Carol Kontos of Windham for reappointment Donald Gean of Old Orchard Beach for reappointment Pursuant to Title 30-A M.R.S.A. §4723, these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development and confirmation by the Senate. Sincerely, S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell President of the Senate S/Hannah M. Pingree Speaker of the House

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

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

The Following Communication: (S.P. 659) STATE OF MAINE 124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

January 5, 2010

Sen. Peter B. Bowman

Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services

Rep. Sharon Anglin Treat

House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services

124th Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Bowman and Representative Treat:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated the following to the Dirigo Health Board of Trustees:

Frank O'Hara of Hallowell for appointment

Gary Reed of Falmouth for appointment

Jonathan Beal of Portland for reappointment

Edward David of Bangor for reappointment

Mary McAleney of South Portland for reappointment

Mary Anne Turowski of Newburgh for reappointment

Pursuant to Title 24-A M.R.S.A. §6904, these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell

President of the Senate

S/Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**.

READ and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 660) STATE OF MAINE

124TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

January 5, 2010 Sen. Troy Dale Jackson Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Labor Rep. John L. Tuttle House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Labor

124th Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Jackson and Representative Tuttle:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Peter Leslie of Waterford and George Burgoyne of Bangor for reappointment to the Maine Public Employees Retirement System, Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 5 M.R.S.A. §17102 (1-D) these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell

President of the Senate

S/Hannah M. Pingree

Speaker of the House

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR**.

READ and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** in concurrence.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

The following Bills were received, and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills were **REFERRED** to the following Committees, ordered printed and sent for concurrence:

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Form a Western Maine Regional School Unit" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1228) (L.D. 1729)

Sponsored by Representative SAVIELLO of Wilton.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CROCKETT of Bethel, HARVELL of Farmington, JOHNSON of Greenville, PRESCOTT of Topsham, RICHARDSON of Carmel, SYKES of Harrison, Senators: GOOLEY of Franklin, MILLS of Somerset.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

TRANSPORTATION

Bill "An Act To Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of State Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2011" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1227) (L.D. 1728)

Sponsored by Representative MAZUREK of Rockland. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Cosponsored by Senator DAMON of Hancock.

Pursuant to Statute Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources

Representative PIEH for the **Department of Agriculture**, **Food and Rural Resources** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asks leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 28: Notification Provisions for Outdoor Pesticide Applications, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, Board of Pesticides Control (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1225) (L.D. 1726) Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

Pursuant to Statute Department of Health and Human Services

Representative PERRY for the **Department of Health and Human Services** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asks leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 11: Rules Governing the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Substance Abuse (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1226) (L.D. 1727) Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

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

Recognizing:

Seth T. Erickson, of Hampden, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 1776, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. For his Eagle Scout project, Seth installed a permanent enclosure for the public facilities at the recreational fields in Hampden. He has served as a state officer of the Maine Demolay as both junior and senior steward. He is currently working towards earning his pilot's license. We extend our congratulations to Seth on this achievement;

(HLS 827)

Presented by Representative CUSHING of Hampden. Cosponsored by Senator PLOWMAN of Penobscot.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative CUSHING of Hampden, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Hampden, Representative Cushing.

Representative **CUSHING**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. For 100 years, the Boy Scouts of America has created a strong foundation of leadership, service and community for millions of America's youth. Their highest rank of advancement is the Eagle Scout. The first Eagle Scout was bestowed in August 12, 1919 on Arthur Eldred. Last June saw a Minnesota youth named the two millionth Eagle Scout. To accomplish this distinction requires much work and dedication. An individual must proceed through the five ranks of scouting, then earn 21 merit badges, serve six months in a troop leadership position, plan, develop and give leadership to a service project, take part in a scout master conference and successfully complete an Eagle Scout board of review.

There are a significant number of leaders throughout our nation's history who can point to the skills and values they learned as a scout as the foundation for their accomplishments in life. Those in the field of business, healthcare, our military and the clergy are but a few who have shared this experience. More than 20 members of Congress have earned their Eagle Scout award and I'm sure present in our ranks today are several members who have attained this rank and benefited from their service in scouting.

One of the real pleasures of being a state representative is to recognize those who have made a significant accomplishment in their lives. Today I have the honor of bringing to this body's attention a fine young man who has earned a significant mile in this life. Thank you for the opportunity to address the body.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **PASSED** and sent for concurrence.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on **TAXATION** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act To Expand the Economic Development Benefit of Tax Increment Financing in Counties That Include Unorganized Territories"

(S.P. 353) (L.D. 931)

Signed:

Senators: PERRY of Penobscot BLISS of Cumberland

Representatives: WATSON of Bath BRYANT of Windham FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor CROCKETT of Augusta PILON of Saco VALENTINO of Saco KNIGHT of Livermore Falls SIROIS of Turner

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed: Senator: NASS of York

Representative: CHASE of Wells

Came from the Senate with the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED. READ.

On motion of Representative WATSON of Bath, the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report was ACCEPTED in concurrence.

The following item was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 661)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at 10:00 in the morning.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **PASSED**.

READ and **PASSED** in concurrence.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Sanford, Representative Tuttle, who wishes to address the House on the record.

Representative **TUTTLE**: Madam Speaker, I'd be remiss. I noticed a picture, I believe, in the *KJ* today of Representative Tardy and Representative Martin of Eagle Lake before the Appropriations Committee and under the headline it said Representative Joshua Tardy, D, Democrat from Newport. Thank you.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

On motion of Representative TUTTLE of Sanford, the House adjourned at 10:39 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 12, 2010 pursuant to the Joint Order (S.P. 661).