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COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 486)

SENATE OF MAINE 126TH LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

June 20, 2014

Honorable Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Please be advised that, effective today, I have appointed Senator Christopher K. Johnson of Lincoln to serve as Chair of the Government Oversight Committee. He will be replacing Senator Emily Ann Cain who has stepped down. Additionally, I am appointing Senator Troy D. Jackson to serve on this committee. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

S/Justin Alfond

President of the Senate

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 487) **SENATE OF MAINE**

126TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

June 20, 2014

Honorable Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Please be advised that, effective today, I have appointed Senator Margaret M. Craven of Androscoggin to serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. She will be replacing Senator Emily Ann Cain who has stepped down

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

S/Justin Alfond

President of the Senate

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 488)

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HOUSE REPUBLICAN OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

September 4, 2014 Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Speaker Eves.

Effective today I will be resigning my position as the Assistant Republican Leader in the Maine House of Representatives and as the State Representative from House District 7. As I transition to focus on my career, I will be unable to put the

time and effort into serving as a citizen legislator that the people of Central Aroostook deserve. It has been a true honor to serve the people of House District 7 for the past four years.

Thank you for your acceptance of this resignation.

Regards,

S/Alexander R. Willette

State Representative

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 489)

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

September 25, 2014

Honorable Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Effective immediately and pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I have reappointed Representative David D. Johnson of Eddington to the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs. Furthermore, I rescind the temporary appointment of Representative Beth P. Turner of Burlington.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

S/Mark W. Eves

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 490)

STATE OF MAINE CLERK'S OFFICE 2 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

September 29, 2014

Honorable Mark W. Eves

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Eves:

Please consider this letter my resignation as Assistant Clerk of the Maine House of Representatives effective September 29, 2014

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as the assistant to the Clerk, Millicent M. MacFarland for the past two years. I am grateful to Clerk MacFarland for her friendship and guidance. She will be truly missed and is irreplaceable. I am also grateful to you, to our dedicated staff and to the members of the House for the support and understanding I have received, and look forward to serving the people of Maine in my new role as Clerk pro tempore. I appreciate the confidence you have placed in me. Thank you. Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Assistant Clerk of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 491)

STATE OF MAINE **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES** SPEAKER'S OFFICE **AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

September 29. 2014 Honorable Robert B. Hunt Assistant Clerk of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Assistant Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under the Maine Constitution and House Rule Part 1, Rule 103, A. (2), I appoint you as Clerk of the House pro tempore effective immediately.

Sincerely, S/Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 492) STATE OF MAINE **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES** SPEAKER'S OFFICE **AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

September 29, 2014 Honorable Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House Pro Tempore 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Clerk Pro Tempore Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under the Maine Constitution and House Rule Part 1, Rule 103, B. (2), I am appointing Jennifer McGowan of Hallowell as Assistant Clerk of the House effective immediately.

Sincerely, S/Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 493)

MAINE DAIRY & NUTRITION COUNCIL 333 CONY ROAD **AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330**

June 11, 2014 Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Speaker Eves:

Enclosed for your review is the calendar year 2013 Audit Report of the Maine Dairy and Nutrition Council, prepared by Austin & Associates, PA., Certified Public Accountants. We are pleased to offer it for your consideration.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please don't hesitate to contact either Austin & Associates or myself. Austin & Associates can be reached at their office in Auburn at 783-9111 and I can be reached at our office in Augusta at 287-3621. Sincerely.

S/Chervl L. Beveler, CFCS

Executive Director

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 494)

MAINE DAIRY PROMOTION BOARD 333 CONY ROAD **AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330**

June 11, 2014 Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Speaker Eves:

Enclosed for your review is the calendar year 2013 Audit Report of the Maine Dairy Promotion Board, prepared by Austin & Associates, P.A., Certified Public Accountants. We are pleased to offer it for your consideration.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please don't hesitate to contact either Austin & Associates or myself. Austin & Associates can be reached at their office in Auburn at 783-9111 and I can be reached at our office in Augusta at 287-3621. Sincerely,

S/Cheryl L. Beyeler, CFCS **Executive Director**

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 495)

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR **66 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0066**

Letter of Transmittal

Honorable Justin L. Alfond President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House Honorable Paul R. LePage Governor of Maine

I am pleased to submit the State of Maine Management Letter for the year ended June 30, 2013. In the course of conducting the Single Audit of the State of Maine we became aware of matters that offer opportunities for our government to improve its operations. Audit findings and recommendations on these matters accompany the Management Letter as Management Letter Comments.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions that you may have. Like you, we are committed to improving our State government for the benefit of our citizens. Healthy discussion of problems found, and solutions considered are part of a dialogue that aims at improvement. I welcome your thoughts and inquiries on these matters.

Respectfully submitted, S/Pola A. Buckley, CPA, CISA

State Auditor

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 496)

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

OFFICE OF PROGRAM EVALUATION AND
GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY

82 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0082

July 9, 2014

To: Honorable Justin L. Alfond, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House and Democratic and Republican Leaders

From: S/Beth Ashcroft, Director

Re: Maine Economic Improvement Fund Report

Enclosed please find the final report from the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability on the Maine Economic Improvement Fund. The report is also available on our website at http://www.maine.gov/legis/opega/Reports.html. The public comment period on this Report has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 220 Cross Building.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 497)
STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR
66 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0066

July 15, 2014 Honorable Paul R. LePage Governor, State of Maine Honorable Justin L. Alfond President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House

I am pleased to submit the State Auditor's Fraud Hotline Semiannual Report for the period January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2014

A summary of the complaints is attached.

Sincerely,

S/Pola A. Buckley, CPA, CISA

State Auditor

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 498)

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL
SERVICES
BUREAU OF THE BUDGET
58 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

Date: September 30, 2014

To: Honorable Paul R. LePage, Governor

Honorable Justin L. Alfond, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House

Honorable Dawn Hill, Senate Chair

Honorable Margaret R. Rotundo, House Chair

Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations

and Financial Affairs

From: S/Melissa L. Gott, State Budget Officer

Subject: Report on the projection of revenues and forecasted expenditure requirements for the General Fund and the Highway Fund for the 2014-2015 biennium and the 2016-2017 biennium in accordance with Title 5 § 1665.

The State of Maine, Bureau of the Budget presents the state budget forecast for the General Fund and the Highway Fund for the 2014-2015 biennium and the 2016-2017 biennium in accordance with Title 5 §1665. This effort was initiated and passed into law by the 117th Legislature as fulfillment of one of the recommendations of the Special Commission on Governmental Restructuring to provide a platform for long term financial planning.

This state budget forecast is based on the current structure of state revenues and expenditures for both the General Fund and the Highway Fund as required by Title 5 § 1665, subsection 7. This budget forecast should provide the most consistent view of revenue and expenditure trends over the long term as a basis for financial planning and decision making. The forecasts of revenues, appropriations and allocations contained in this report, as constructed under current law and current trends, result in a projected structural gap for the 2016-2017 biennium in the General Fund of \$461,050,457 and in the Highway Fund of \$358,457,497.

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 499)

STATE OF MAINE

OFFICE OF TAX POLICY

MAINE PEYENJIE SERVICES

MAINE REVENUE SERVICES 24 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0024

October 1, 2014 Honorable Justin L. Alfond President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House

Members of the 126th Maine Legislature:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A. §13070-J, Maine Revenue Services is required to submit a report to the Legislature identifying the revenue foregone as the result of the Jobs and Investment Tax Credit ("JITC"), the Research Expense Tax Credit ("R&D"), the Seed Capital Investment Tax Credit, the Shipbuilding Facility Credit, the Credit for Maine Fishery Infrastructure Investment, and public funds spent on the Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement ("BETR") program. Attached are four reports that provide you with this information.

The first attachment shows the number of individual and corporate JITC, R&D, and Seed Capital credits for tax year 2012, as well as the value of those credits. Tax year 2012 is the last year for which we have full information on both corporate and individual filers. Statutes governing the release of confidential taxpayer information prevent us from reporting the names of the corporations or individuals that benefited from these tax credits. No taxpayer took advantage of the Credit for Maine Fishery Infrastructure Investment in tax year 2012.

The second attachment explains the Shipbuilding Facility credit. As required by statute, the report provides information on the level of employment, yearly investment and the cumulative amount of investment. Since the inception of the credit, the level of employment has been such that the annual cost to the state treasury has exceeded the base credit amount of \$3 million per year.

The third attachment is a list of BETR recipients. For purposes of this report, businesses that filed for reimbursement during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 are listed. Recipients filed between August 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013 for eligible property taxes paid during calendar year 2012. For that period the state reimbursed \$40,383,232 to 1,544 companies.

Public Law 2009, chapter 337 (LD 1468) amended the definition of "economic development incentive" in §13070-J to include not only the incentives listed above, but "federal and state statutorily defined programs that receive state funds, dedicated revenue funds and tax expenditures as defined by §1666 whose purposes are to create, attract or retain business entities related to business development in the State." The additional incentives identified in this new law can be found in the Maine State Tax Expenditure Report 2014 - 2015 prepared for the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation.

If you have any questions on this report, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely

S/Michael J. Allen

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 500)

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

December 2, 2014 Honorable Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House Pro Tempore 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Clerk Pro Tempore Hunt:

Please be advised that pursuant to his authority, Governor Paul R. LePage has nominated the following:

June 24, 2014

Justice Jeffrey L. Hjelm of Camden for appointment as a Justice to the Maine Supreme Judicial Court.

Pursuant to Article V, Part First, §8 of the Maine Constitution, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Honorable William R. Stokes of Augusta for appointment as a Justice to the Maine Superior Court.

Pursuant to Article V, Part First, §8 of the Maine Constitution, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

September 10, 2014

Honorable Richard A. Nass of Acton for appointment to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.

Pursuant to Title 1, MRSA §1002, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Dana A. Saucier of Wallagrass for appointment to the Loring Development Authority.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13080-B, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

John H. Kilbourne of Brunswick for appointment to the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13083-I, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the

Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Michael A. Wiers, Esq. of Saint Albans for reappointment to the Maine Milk Commission.

Pursuant to Title 7, MRSA §2952, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Honorable Gary W. Reed of Falmouth for reappointment to the State Harness Racing Commission.

Pursuant to Title 8, MRSA §261-A, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

William W. McFarland of South China for appointment to the State Harness Racing Commission.

Pursuant to Title 8, MRSA §261-A, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Timothy S. Doyle of Turner for reappointment to the Gambling Control Board.

Pursuant to Title 8, MRSA §1002, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Sebastian M. Belle of Hallowell for reappointment to the Marine Resources Advisory Council.

Pursuant to Title 12, MRSA §6024, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources.

Dr. Carol A. Eckert of Windsor and

Dr. John M. Jemison, Jr. of Orono for reappointment to the Board of Pesticides Control.

Pursuant to Title 22, MRSA §1471-B, these reappointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Albert E. Hodsdon, III of Fairfield for reappointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board.

Pursuant to Title 35-A, MRSA §10103, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology.

Donald C. Lewis, Jr. of Brewer for appointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board.

Pursuant to Title 35-A, MRSA §10103, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology.

Edwin A. Heisler of Falmouth for reappointment to the Maine Board of Tax Appeals.

Pursuant to Title 36, MRSA §151-D, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation.

September 11, 2014

Samuel W. Collins of Caribou, for reappointment to the Board of Trustees, University of Maine System.

Pursuant to P&SL 1967, Chapter 229, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Susan V. Dench of Falmouth and

Honorable James O. Donnelly of Brewer for appointment to the Board of Trustees, University of Maine System.

Pursuant to P&SL 1967, Chapter 229, these appointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Captain Robert J. Peacock, II of Eastport for reappointment to the Board of Trustees, Maine Maritime Academy.

Pursuant to P&SL 1975, Chapter 771 §428, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Wendy L. Morrison of Dickinson, Texas and

Miles U. Theeman of Bangor for appointment to the Board of Trustees, Maine Maritime Academy.

Pursuant to P&SL 1975, Chapter 771 §428, these appointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. Jana F. Lapoint of Falmouth for reappointment to the State Board of Falmouth.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §401, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Alan R. Burton of Winslow and

Honorable Jane S. Sexton of Gorham for appointment to the State Board of Education.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §401, these appointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Honorable Jean Ginn Marvin of Cape Elizabeth for reappointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §12705, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Robert A. Moore of Cumberland Foreside for appointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §12705, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

September 15, 2014

William P. Logan, Esq. of Augusta for reappointment to the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services.

Pursuant to Title 4, MRSA §1803, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Lawrence J. Davis of Hallowell for reappointment to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §283-A, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Raymond J. Nowak of Brunswick and

Cheri L. Walker of Falmouth for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

Pursuant to Title 10, MRSA §965, these reappointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Richard M. Roderick of Cape Elizabeth for appointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

Pursuant to Title 10, MRSA §965, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Lance S. Wheaton of Forest City Township for reappointment to the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.

Pursuant to Title 12, MRSA §10151, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

Lawrence D. Farrington of Greenville Junction,

Jenny Starbird of Acton and

Matthew E. Thurston of New Gloucester for appointment to the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.

Pursuant to Title 12, MRSA §10151, these appointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

Jason Judd of Pittsfield,

David W. King of Limestone,

Jerome A. Pieh of Arrowsic,

Dr. Walter A. Specht of Topsham and

Charles G. Wray, Ph.D. of Mount Desert for reappointment to the Board of Trustees. Maine School of Science and Mathematics.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §8204, these reappointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Ruth E. Lyons, Ph.D. of Orono and

Catherine J. Reilly deLutio of Morrill for appointment to the Board of Trustees, Maine School of Science and Mathematics.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §8204, these appointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

David R. Gaul of Damariscotta,

Frances Jacques of Berwick and

Donald W. Miller of West Bath for reappointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §7406, these reappointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Deborah L. Camire of Biddeford for appointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §7406, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

John D. Murphy of Fort Kent and

Daniel J. O'Halloran of Yarmouth for reappointment to the Maine Educational Loan Authority.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §11415, these reappointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Robert W. Bower, Jr. of Cumberland and

Christine Riendeau of Durham for appointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board.

Pursuant to Title 26, MRSA §968, these appointments are contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Dr. H. Roy Partridge, Jr. of Scarborough for reappointment to the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission.

Pursuant to Title 30, MRSA §6212, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Mark C. Draper of Caribou for appointment to the Board of Environmental Protection.

Pursuant to Title 38, MRSA §341-C, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

September 16, 2014

Hunter J. Tzovarras of Hampden for appointment to the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services.

Pursuant to Title 4, MRSA §1803, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Sincerely,

S/Mark W. Eves

Speaker of the House

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 501)

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA. MAINE 04333-0002

December 2, 2014 Honorable Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House Pro Tempore 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Pro Tempore Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority, I have appointed the following members to serve on boards, committees, commissions and task forces:

Maine Health Exchange Advisory Committee, Joint Order, H.P. 1136

Jack Comart of Augusta, replacing Honorable Sara Gagne-Holmes of Freeport effective September 23, 2014

Commission on Independent Living and Disability, Joint Order, H.P. 1361

Representative Matthew J. Peterson of Rumford as House Chair Representative Carol A. McElwee of Caribou

James Phipps of Portland

Kim Moody of Augusta

Mary Lou Dyer of Hallowell

Nancy Cronin of Augusta (Appointment rescinded October 8, 2014)

Rachel Dyer of Augusta replacing Nancy Cronin of Augusta State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force, Public Law. Chapter 593

Representative Seth A. Berry of Bowdoinham as House Chair Representative Joyce A. Maker of Calais

Diane Vickrey of Falmouth

Commission to Continue the Study of Long-term Care Facilities, Public Law, Chapter 594

Representative Peter C. Stuckey of Portland as House Chair

Representative Richard R. Farnsworth of Portland

Representative Richard S. Malaby of Hancock (Appointment rescinded August 7, 2014)

Representative Beth P. Turner of Burlington replacing Representative Richard S. Malaby of Hancock

Task Force to End Student Hunger in Maine, Resolve, Chapter 107

Representative Victoria P. Kornfield of Bangor as House Chair

Representative Helen Rankin of Hiram

Representative Russell J. Black of Wilton

Representative Roger E. Reed of Carmel

Rita Furlow of Augusta

Kristen Maile of Portland

Tiffany Krastins of Oxford

Commission to Study College Affordability and College Completion, Resolve, Chapter 109

Representative Matthea Elizabeth Larsen Daughtry of Brunswick as House Chair

Representative Brian L. Hubbell of Bar Harbor

Representative Matthew G. Pouliot of Augusta

Honorable Wendy Ault of Augusta

Lisa Plimpton of Portland

Commission to Study the Effects of Ocean Acidification and Its Potential Effects on Commercial Shellfish Harvested and Grown Along the Maine Coast, Resolve, Chapter 110 Representative Michael Gilbert Devin of Newcastle as House Chair

Representative Joan W. Welsh of Rockport

Representative Wayne R. Parry of Arundel

Commission to Strengthen the Adequacy and Equity of Certain Cost Components of the School Funding Formula, Resolve, Chapter 114

Representative Brian L. Hubbell of Bar Harbor as House Chair Representative Matthea Elizabeth Larsen Daughtry of Brunswick

Representative Joyce A. Maker of Calais

Daniel Higgins of Ellsworth

Jude Cyr of Auburn

Kimberly Buckheit of Camden

Kathryn Colfer of Waterville

Right to Know Advisory Committee, Title 1, MRSA §411

Kelly Morgan of Cape Neddick

Maine Regulatory Fairness Board, Title 5, MRSA Chapter 5, §90-

Stephen Rich of Glenburn

Advisory Committee on Dental Education, Title 20-A, MRSA §12304

Representative Catherine W. Cassidy of Lubec

Representative Peter C. Stuckey of Portland

Caroline Zimmerman of Augusta

Judy Feinstein of Augusta

Angela Dostie of Augusta

Claire Berkowitz of Augusta

Sincerely,

S/Mark W. Eves

Speaker of the House

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 502)

STATE OF MAINE CITIZEN TRADE POLICY COMMISSION 13 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0013

October 17, 2014

Honorable Justin L. Alfond

President of the Senate

Honorable Mark W. Eves

Speaker of the House

State House

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Alfond and Speaker Eves:

Pursuant to 10 MRSA §11, the 2014 Maine Citizen Trade Policy Commission is pleased to submit its 2014 Assessment. Copies of the complete document have been distributed to committees or individuals as directed by law and copies have been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library. Others may access the full report on-line through the website of the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis at www.maine.gov/legis/opla.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Troy Jackson, Co-Chair

S/Rep. Sharon Anglin Treat, Co-Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 503)

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE MARGARET CHASE SMITH POLICY CENTER 5784 YORK COMPLEX, BLDG. #4 ORONO, MAINE 04469-5784

November 24, 2014 Honorable Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House Pro Tempore 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Maine Government Summer Internship Program 2014 Annual Report

Dear Clerk Pro Tempore Hunt:

I am enclosing copies of the 2014 Maine Government Summer Internship Program Annual Report for distribution to the Members of the Maine House of Representatives.

The Maine Government Summer Internship Program is a full-time, 12-week, paid work experience in a state agency. The Program combines work experience with an educational program designed to provide talented Maine college students with an opportunity to participate in and contribute to Maine State Government.

Thank you for your assistance in making this report available to the Members of the House.

Yours truly,

S/Charles E. Morris, Associate Director

Director, Maine Government Summer Internship Program

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

The Following Communication: (S.C. 1032)

MAINE SENATE 126TH LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

July 31, 2014 Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Speaker Eves:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A. §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 126th Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nominations:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Judiciary, the nomination of

Honorable Jeffrey L. Hjelm of Camden for appointment as a Supreme Court Justice.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Judiciary, the nomination of

Honorable William R. Stokes of Augusta for appointment as a Superior Court Justice.

Best Regards, S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (S.C. 1108)

MAINE SENATE 126TH LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

September 30, 2014 Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Eves:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A. §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 126th Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nominations:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, the nomination of Dr. Carol A. Eckert of Windsor for reappointment to the Board of Pesticides Control.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, the nomination of Dr. John M. Jemison, Jr of Orono for reappointment to the Board of Pesticides Control.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, the nomination of Michael A. Wiers, Esq. of Saint Albans for reappointment to the Maine Milk Commission.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, the nomination of William W. McFarland of South China for appointment to the State Harness Racing Commission.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, the nomination of Honorable Gary W. Reed of Falmouth for reappointment to the State Harness Racing Commission.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Robert A. Moore of Cumberland Foreside for appointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Honorable Jean Ginn Marvin of Cape Elizabeth for reappointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Miles U. Theeman of Bangor for appointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Wendy L. Morrison of Dickinson, Texas for appointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Captain Robert J. Peacock, II of Eastport for reappointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Catherine J. Reilly deLutio of Morrill for appointment to the Maine School of Science and Mathematics, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Jason Judd of Pittsfield for reappointment to the Maine School of Science and Mathematics, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of David W. King of Limestone for reappointment to the Maine School of Science and Mathematics, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Ruth E. Lyons, Ph.D. of Orono for appointment to the Maine School of Science and Mathematics, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Jerome A. Pieh of Arrowsic for reappointment to the Maine School of Science and Mathematics, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Walter A. Specht of Topsham for reappointment to the Maine School of Science and Mathematics, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Charles G. Wray, Ph.D. of Mount Desert for reappointment to the Maine School of Science and Mathematics, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Deborah L. Camire of Biddeford for appointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of David R. Gaul of Damariscotta for reappointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Frances Jacques of Berwick for reappointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Donald W. Miller of West Bath for reappointment to the School Board of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Alan R. Burton of Winslow for appointment to the State Board of Education.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Jana F. Lapoint of Falmouth for reappointment to the State Board of Education.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Honorable Jane S. Sexton of Gorham for appointment to the State Board of Education.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Samuel W. Collins of Caribou for reappointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Honorable James O. Donnelly of Brewer for appointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology, the nomination of Albert E. Hodsdon, III of Fairfield for reappointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology, the nomination of Donald C. Lewis, Jr. of Brewer for appointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, the nomination of Mark C. Draper of Caribou for appointment to the Board of Environmental Protection.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the nomination of Lawrence D. Farrington of Greenville Junction for appointment to the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the nomination of Jenny Starbird of Acton for appointment to the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the nomination of Matthew E. Thurston of New Gloucester for appointment to the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the nomination of Lance S. Wheaton of Forest City

Township for reappointment to the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Judiciary, the nomination of William P. Logan, Esq. of Augusta for reappointment to the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Judiciary, the nomination of Dr. H. Roy Partridge, Jr. of Scarborough for reappointment to the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development, the nomination of Raymond J. Nowak of Brunswick for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development, the nomination of Richard M. Roderick of Cape Elizabeth for appointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development, the nomination of Cheri L. Walker of Falmouth for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development, the nomination of Dana A. Saucier of Wallagrass for appointment to the Loring Development Authority of Maine.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development, the nomination of John D. Murphy of Fort Kent for reappointment to the Maine Educational Loan Authority.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development, the nomination of Daniel J. O'Halloran of Yarmouth for reappointment to the Maine Educational Loan Authority.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development, the nomination of Robert W. Bower, Jr. of Cumberland for appointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development, the nomination of Christine Riendeau of Durham for appointment to the Maine Labor Relations Board.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development, the nomination of John H. Kilbourne of Brunswick for appointment to the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Marine Resources, the nomination of Sebastian M. Belle of Hallowell for reappointment to the Marine Resources Advisory Council.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Taxation, the nomination of Edwin A. Heisler of Falmouth for reappointment to the Maine Board of Tax Appeals.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs, the nomination of Honorable Richard A. Nass of Acton for appointment to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs, the nomination of Timothy S. Doyle of Turner for reappointment to the Gambling Control Board.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs, the nomination of Lawrence J. Davis of Hallowell for reappointment to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission. Best Regards,

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (S.C. 1109) MAINE SENATE **126TH LEGISLATURE** OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

September 30, 2014 Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Eves:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A. §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 126th Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate

today denied the following nomination:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of Susan V. Dench of Falmouth for appointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees.

Best Regards, S/Darek M. Grant Secretary of the Senate

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