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Representative COTTA of China assumed the Chair. The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker Pro Tem.

Prayer by Reverend Donald Drake, Stroudwater Baptist Church and Deering Center Community Church, Portland.

National Anthem by Julie Krouse, Gardiner. Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, Aaron Tebbs, M.D., Cumberland. The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 366) STATE OF MAINE

126TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

February 4, 2014

Brigadier General James D. Campbell Adjutant General, Maine National Guard 33 State House Station Camp Keyes Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear General Campbell: We are pleased to invite you to address a Joint Session of the 126th Maine Legislature on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. concerning matters of defense, veterans' services and emergency management and any other matters that you may care to bring to our attention. We look forward to seeing you then. Sincerely, S/Justin L. Alfond President of the Senate S/Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 367) STATE OF MAINE CLERK'S OFFICE 2 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 27, 2014 Honorable Mark W. Eves Speaker of the House 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Speaker Eves: Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the following Joint Standing Committees have voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass:" Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

L.D. 1678 An Act To Protect Maine's Lobster Fishery (EMERGENCY)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

L.D. 1714 Resolve, To Study the Feasibility of Allowing Dispatchers To Transfer E-9-1-1 Calls to Emergency Responders in Other States (EMERGENCY) Health and Human Services

L.D. 1592 An Act To Improve and Modernize the Authority of Local Health Inspectors

Transportation

L.D. 1692 An Act To Ensure That Local Businesses Are Notified of Construction Projects

The sponsors and cosponsors have been notified of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of House

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

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act To Cancel the No-bid Alexander Group Contract To Produce Savings in Fiscal Year 2013-14" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1286) (L.D. 1794) Sponsored by Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin and Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, STUCKEY of Portland, Senator: LACHOWICZ of Kennebec.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Remove Medical and Dental Expenses from the Itemized Deduction Cap"

(H.P. 1287) (L.D. 1795)

Sponsored by Representative KNIGHT of Livermore Falls. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Cosponsored by Senator BURNS of Washington and Representatives: ESPLING of New Gloucester, GOODE of Bangor, McCLELLAN of Raymond, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIROCKI of Scarborough, STANLEY of Medway, Senators: President ALFOND of Cumberland, HASKELL of Cumberland.

Committee on TAXATION suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

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

ORDERS

On motion of Representative RANKIN of Hiram, the following House Order: (H.O. 39)

ORDERED, that Representative Paul Edward Bennett of Kennebunk be excused February 18 for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Dale J. Crafts of Lisbon be excused February 20 for health reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Paul E. Gilbert of Jay be excused February 20 for health reasons.

E. Gilbert of Jay be excused February 20 for health reasons. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Adam

A. Goode of Bangor be excused February 18 for health reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Andrew T. Mason of Topsham be excused February 18 for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Mary Pennell Nelson of Falmouth be excused February 18 and 20 for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Anita Peavey Haskell of Milford be excused February 11 and 13 for personal reasons.

READ and PASSED.

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

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

Recognizing:

Dan Blanchette, of Eliot, on the occasion of his retirement after 31 years as the town's administrative assistant. Mr. Blanchette served as administrative assistant from 1978 to 1988 and from 1992 to 2014. When not working for the town, he taught high school math and science, was an assessor and sold real estate. He has an undergraduate degree in mathematics and a master's degree in public administration. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Blanchette for his commitment to the Town of Eliot and send him our best wishes in his future endeavors;

(HLS 737)

Presented by Representative BEAVERS of South Berwick. Cosponsored by Senator HILL of York.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative BEAVERS of South Berwick, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar. **READ**.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from South Berwick, Representative Beavers.

Representative BEAVERS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Pro Tem. Mr. Speaker Pro Tem, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I am proud to recognize Dan Blanchette, whom I first met about 10 years ago at St Peter's by the Sea, a summer chapel in Cape Neddick. I later learned he was the Eliot Town Administrator. Dan grew up in Eagle Lake, up in the County. Under his administration, the Town of Eliot has grown. Some of his highlights include a sewer expansion in South Eliot, and a new town hall, police station and fire station. With the economic downturn in recent years, he aided in the coordination and facilitation of police and ambulance sharing agreements with Kittery. One of the more notorious incidents on his watch was the squelching of a 2011 proposal to locate a strip club at a former daycare center. A 2012 legal ruling in favor of the city of Westbrook's regulations against strip clubs made Eliot's ordinance, created after the club was proposed, enforceable. Hats off to Westbrook. He greatly misses the wonderful staff at Eliot Town Hall, who ran the office for nearly 2 months when he had heart surgery in 2009. Dan and his spouse, Philip Drake, look forward to his well-deserved retirement. Thank you.

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

Recognizing:

Roger Dionne, of Eliot, who is the recipient of the J. Owen Flynn Memorial Award, a national recognition bestowed by the Association for Healthcare Environment of the American Hospital Association. The award is given to people who have performed outstanding community services without seeking compensation or personal gain. Mr. Dionne has worked for Wentworth-Douglass Hospital for more than 20 years and volunteers for a variety of area programs and committees, clubs and schools. He is the president of the Rollinsford-South Berwick Lions Club, is a member of Wentworth-Douglass Hospital's Picnic Committee, has spent over 30 years as a high school wrestling coach and is a vo unteer at the South Berwick Senior Center. Mr. Dionne received the Wentworth-Douglass Hospital's distinguished President's Award in 2004. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Dionne for his commitment to the citizens of Maine and congratulate him on his winning this award;

(HLS 738)

Presented by Representative BEAVERS of South Berwick. Cosc onsored by Senator HILL of York.

Cn OBJECTION of Representative BEAVERS of South Berwick, was REMOVED from the Special Sentiment Calendar. READ.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from South Berwick, Representative Beavers.

Representative BEAVERS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Pro Tem. Mr. Speaker Pro Tem, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. It was my great pleasure to submit this sentiment to honor my friend and constituent, Roger Dionne, for his outstanding community service work. Roger traveled to Indianapolis, Indiana, this past fall to receive this award, a pretty big cleal, I would say. Roger also serves on the Wentworth-Douclass Hospital employee annual fund committee, the wellness committee and the picnic committee, mostly on his own time. This fine young man saved enough to donate \$25,000 to name a conference room in the new wing of the Wentworth-Douclass Hospital. As an assistant wrestling coach for Marshwood High School, he enjoyed the success of the Marshwood wrestling team taking the Class A State Championship last week. What a great day. He says that working with a great bunch of guys is very rewarding. All of this is in addition to his day job as a floor care specialist with the hosp tal. Roger truly loves giving to his community and is truly appreciated by his community, his family and me. He is here today with his parents Dede and Dick Dionne, also of Eliot.

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

Recognizing:

Beth Heidemann, of Rockland, who is a recipient of a Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. Ms. Heidemann is one of 102 teachers nationwide to receive this award. She graduated from the College of the Atlantic in Bar Harbor, where she earned a degree in human ecology. Ms. Heidemann has taught kindergarten students for 21 years at the Cushing Community School and focuses on handson learning techniques. The Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching winners are selected by a panel of scientists, mathematicians and educators following an initial selection process at the state level. The winners receive a \$10,000 award from the National Science Foundation and are invited to Washington, D.C. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Heidemann for her commitment to the youth of the State and congratulate her on her winning this award;

(HLS 742)

Presented by Representative DICKERSON of Rockland.

Cosponsored by Senator MAZUREK of Knox, Representative KRUGER of Thomaston, Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative DICKERSON of Rockland, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar. **READ**.

H-1487

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Rockland, Representative Dickerson.

Representative DICKERSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Pro Mr. Speaker Pro Tem, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Tem. House. We are so fortunate to have an educator, both in the district RSU 13 and also in the State of Maine, that is the kind of educator that Beth Heidemann is. I am a teacher of technology myself and one of the most difficult problems that I face as a teacher of technology and a technology integrator is really getting other teachers to buy into changes in technology. I don't work in the IT department down where Beth is and I wouldn't need to even have a word with her if I did because she has grabbed on to the whole iPad pilot program. She has embraced that in her kindergarten classroom and as we were sitting this morning, she had her iPhone out and even though she has a substitute in her class today, she has an application installed on her iPhone so that she can check in on her students and make sure that they are on task and her class is running smoothly. I had to keep saying to her, "You're supposed to be having a special day. Other people are working today." But she's just that kind of dedicated teacher.

I met Beth years and years and years ago, when I worked at a natural foods co-op and she was a volunteer at that co-op, and she would come in and bag raisins and fill up the oats, and we would chat and we both had small children, and that's the wonderful thing about being in a community like Rockland, Maine, is that you get to know people over many years. That's the wonderful thing about living in the State of Maine. Beth takes that sense of community and she translates that into the classroom so that her young students aren't just sitting in a classroom, but they are actually getting out into the community and they are working in the community as valued members of that community. She is just a master at integrating lessons into the community with her classrooms, such as recycling lessons, such as just really getting out and collecting data and translating that into the community so that the children feel that they are a needed and necessary part, which so often we hear from kids that they don't feel like they're really part of the community. They feel isolated. I am so pleased that Beth has been chosen for this Presidential Award. She will be travelling to Washington on Sunday and we wish her all the best and hopefully many more years of wonderful educating to come. Thank you.

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

The Speaker resumed the Chair. The House was called to order by the Speaker.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass** on Bill "An Act To Allow an Earlier Implementation Date for an Architectural Paint Stewardship Program"

Signed: Senators: BOYLE of Cumberland

GRATWICK of Penobscot SAVIELLO of Franklin

Representatives: WELSH of Rockport CHIPMAN of Portland COOPER of Yarmouth GRANT of Gardiner HARLOW of Portland McGOWAN of York

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not** to **Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representatives: AYOTTE of Caswell CAMPBELL of Orrington LONG of Sherman REED of Carmel

Came from the Senate with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

READ.

On motion of Representative WELSH of Rockport, the Majority **Ought to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was READ ONCE.

Under suspension of the rules the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in concurrence.

CONSENT CALENDAR First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 1153) (L.D. 1582) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 32: Allowances for Waiver Services for Children with Intellectual Disabilities or Pervasive Developmental Disorders, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services (EMERGENCY) Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 1213) (L.D. 1690) Bill "An Act Concerning Confidential Records Received by the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices" Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS reporting Ought to Pass

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the House Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** and sent for concurrence.

(H.P. 1185) (L.D. 1613) Bill "An Act To Define 'Agent' and 'Candidate's Political Committee' in the Laws Regarding Limitations on Campaign Contributions and Expenditures" Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS reporting Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-626)

On motion of Representative WILLETTE of Mapleton, was **REMOVED** from the First Day Consent Calendar.

The Unanimous Committee Report was READ.

On further motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending **ACCEPTANCE** of the Committee Report and later today assigned.

(S.P. 625) (L.D. 1634)

ENACTORS Emergency Measure

An Act To Amend the Operating-under-the-influence Laws (H.P. 1161) (L.D. 1590)

(Ć. "A" H-614)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 126 voted in favor of the same and 1 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 13: Fees for Boxing Events and Authorized Participants, a Major Substantive Rule of the Combat Sports Authority of Maine

(H.P. 1224) (L.D. 1700) Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 126 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Acts

An Act To Increase the Rate of Reimbursement for Providing Career and Academic Advising and Counseling Services to Adult Education Students

(H.P. 1227) (L.D. 1716)

(C. "A" H-616)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

An Act To Implement the Solid Waste Management Hierarchy (S.P. 545) (L.D. 1483) (S. "A" S-389 to C. "A" S-386)

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

On motion of Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham, was **SET ASIDE**.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Portland, Representative Harlow.

Representative HARLOW: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I am standing to speak on this bill because we missed an opportunity. This bill was a carryover bill. We have a solid waste problem in our state, which is why we carried this bill over. We had a subcommittee study it over the summer and meet five times. We agreed that the original bill was probably aggressive and wouldn't receive support, so like all other bills we knew that it would be changed. We agreed that one of the problems that we have in our state is organics, which is food in our waste system. We ended up with this bill, which is what some would call a compromise. A lot of people say that when we compromise, both sides are upset. With this bill, nobody was upset because it really doesn't do anything. People said that they supported this bill because it doesn't hurt anything, but it also doesn't help anything. Since we know that we have a problem with solid waste, I can't support a bill that does nothing, knowing that we've wasted two years when we could make some real changes to our policy. This bill is a routine technical bill. It won't come back before our committee for

any kind of review. We were told that we could put in a bill next session if we don't like the rules that are developed. I don't understand why we would support a bill that we don't know the details of and that really doesn't do a lot. I see this as a missed opportunity. I can't support this. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Rockport, Representative Welsh.

Representative WELSH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of this bill. This is my sixth year in the Legislature and every year we've been working in the Environment and Natural Resources Committee on issues dealing with solid waste. As the good Representative from Portland mentioned, solid waste is an important issue for our state. We had this bill that was a carryover bill from last session, last year, and we did have a subcommittee that looked at all aspects of solid waste in the state. We heard strongly from municipalities their objections to implementing fees on municipalities, which LD 1483 did originally. This was the best we could do with what we are given today to begin to move forward some progress on how we deal with our solid waste. This basically requires that the DEP requires applicants for a waste facility license to be consistent with the state's solid waste hierarchy to reduce, reuse, recycle, use our waste-to-energy facilities, and lastly to take our garbage to landfills which is putting waste in the ground for almost perpetuity really. I ask for your support for this. It is a compromise, but I believe it's a good one and it's a step forward in the right direction. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Gardiner, Representative Grant.

Representative **GRANT**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The Environment Committee decided that the complicated issues around our state's solid waste system needed further study before we considered this bill. I served on the five member bipartisan committee that dug into these issues. We met six times, took trips to landfills, waste-to-energy plants, recycling and composting facilities, and listened to testimony from experts in the field and municipal leaders from across the state. The original bill sought to keep our state's three waste-to-energy facilities from going under with the expiration of energy contracts. These contracts have guaranteed higher than average prices for the energy the plants produces, in effect, subsidizing this more expensive way of handling municipal solid waste. Originally, the bill proposed fees to be imposed on landfilling to be paid by the communities that do not have waste-to-energies. There was immense pushback on that idea and many of you in this chamber heard loudly and clearly from constituents that this was unfair. Pitting communities in Maine against one another was not a viable way to proceed. However, it turns out that in addition to the loss of energy revenue, another serious threat to the wasteto-energies, and indeed our whole solid waste system, is the relative cheapness of landfills. This bill has been reduced to two important sentences. It now requires that the permitting of future landfill capacity must be subject to the state's solid waste hierarchy. As the good Representative from Rockland said, reduce, reuse, recycle, compost, waste-to-energy, and, as the last resort, landfills. It is the bipartisan majority opinion of the committee that this was the best option at this time. The hierarchy has been in statute since 1989, but never applied directly as a condition for expansion permit. This is a game changer. The waste-to-energies cannot compete with the relative cheapness of landfills, especially our state-owned Juniper Ridge Landfill. It would be a serious loss to the whole state to let these plants go under with the loss of jobs, community capital investment, and technology that turns waste into energy and

reduces its volume by 90 percent. My good colleague from Portland is right that we need a comprehensive approach to our solid waste problems and every one on our committee agreed that this is only a first step. The DEP and people across the state are committed to developing a statewide strategy for dealing with our long term challenges. But if we don't take this action now, we will become a landfill state and not just for Maine but for New England and beyond. Future generations will have to deal with our rotting, stinking garbage. A vote of no is not a vote for a better solution. It is a vote to do nothing at a critical juncture. A yes vote makes all permits for landfills subject to our state's solid waste hierarchy. We must reverse the landfill trend and help begin to stabilize the waste-to-energy sector. Please follow our light and vote in favor of this bipartisan compromise bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Rockland, Representative Dickerson.

Representative **DICKERSON**: Mr. Speaker, may I pose a question through the Chair?

The SPEAKER: The Representative may pose her question.

Representative **DICKERSON**: In Rockland, we've analyzed this bill in terms of the amount that the tipping fee might go up; however, the amount that the tipping fee may go up to PERC, particularly, in our instance, is not specified in this particular bill. I'm wondering if anyone on the committee could clarify where those specifications might be found and by how much the fees may be going up. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Representative from Rockland, Representative Dickerson, has posed a question through the Chair to anyone who may care to respond. The Chair recognizes the Representative from Gardiner, Representative Grant.

Representative **GRANT**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In answer to the good Representative's question, there are no fees in this bill. The original bill, the text of which is on the Paperless Chamber, has been reduced to the two sentences that I alluded to. The title has been changed and there are no tipping fees in this bill. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Rockport, Representative Welsh.

Representative **WELSH**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative Grant answered the question.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Orrington, Representative Campbell.

Representative CAMPBELL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker. Men and Women of the House. The original bill, as we're talking about fees, did carry a fee which would have been shifted from the electric ratepayers to solid waste tipping fees. That has been eliminated. This was an interesting process for me. I represent and live in the Town of Orrington which hosts PERC. The Town of Orrington, over the years, receives about \$620,000 in taxes and is a big benefit. But, in fact, after serving on the subcommittee and travelling around the state, it appears to me that we're basically either in the last of the first generation or second generation of solid waste. For the period of the carryover, I was searching for solutions. You know, what are we going to do about our solid waste. This bill basically turned into reinforcement of the hierarchy which is important. But we are faced with a facility in Orrington that we may lose completely, but in fact this bill was sort of curious because in its early life, the PERC plant was built and had a subsidy because it was an inexpensive way to generate electricity. The infrastructure was there. Orrington is the center of one of the most futuristic grids. All the power line comes through North Bucksport into Orrington and goes across New England but also into Canada. So there is a facility that may or may not make it, but with the defeat of the

original concept, it's brought the partners of PERC together and we're hoping that they will come up with a solution to not only create a cost-effective, new concept in trash, a real deal instead of a subsidy, but also, with this very almost minor but important step, we're getting out into what will become the future of a very important issue, solid waste. Now the committee also has decided to send a letter to the stakeholders, all of the stakeholders from the municipalities to those who handled the waste, and possibly even those who needed to dispose or manage their waste, and hopefully we can actually, in Orrington, maybe in the state, become a center of economic development based on something that we have to handle well. In terms of Orrington, we have the rail, we have the river, we have the power lines, we have the roads. It's the intersection of what could be the revival of the economy in the State of Maine. We're hoping that this bill and the letter will get us out to a point where the stakeholders, who know more about this than we, as legislators, do, will come back to us so in the next Legislature, we can actually be leaders in the solution of something that's very important to us. So I would encourage that you support this measure. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Freedom, Representative Jones.

Representative **JONES**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. With all due respect, to the hard work and difficult compromise of the committee that the good Representative from Gardiner pointed out, given the fact that my responsibilities do not lie with myself, do not lie with my constituents, they do not lie with my children but my grandchildren and their grandchildren, I request a roll call such that all of us are on the record as to whether this Legislature did or did not do anything environmentally to deal with our solid waste problem. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The same Representative **REQUESTED** a roll call on **PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED**.

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Portland, Representative Chipman.

Representative CHIPMAN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is an issue I've really taken a lot of time to look into since I was appointed to this committee and the problem is that we are encouraging tons of trash every day to be buried in landfills, one of which is owned by the people of the state, as opposed to going to trash-to-energy facilities. It's really discouraging, particularly in my area, where we have the City of Westbrook, which is two miles down the road from ecomaine, but they don't send their trash to ecomaine because it's cheaper to send it elsewhere. That should be a crime, in my opinion. We need to turn things around and the problem is that it's much cheaper to send stuff to a landfill. It's about \$20 a ton cheaper to send trash to a landfill than it is to send it to a trash-to-energy facility. So until we have the political will here in this chamber or on the committee to assess fees, to have a pay system or a system of charging that is encouraging ways to go to trash-to-energy facilities, it's going to continue to be sent to landfills and buried in a hole which will eventually have to be paid for, to be cleaned up later by us. And not only waste from our municipalities, our cities and towns here in the state, but a considerable amount of trash is coming into Maine from out of state to be buried in these landfills. Maine has actually become a regional dumping ground for other states around New England and New Jersey and New York to send trash up here because they have stricter laws in their states that don't allow trash to be put into landfills there, so it ends up coming up the highway into

Maine. The other problem that I see with this issue is with the energy credits. We give Class I energy credits to landfill gas, energy generated from landfilled gas, but we only give a Class II energy credit to energy generated from trash-to-energy facilities. That should be the other way around, in my opinion, so that needs to be fixed and that's something the Energy Committee maybe should take up. However, all of that being said, I do feel this bill is a very small step in the right direction, and that's why I supported it on the committee and will support it today. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Portland, Representative Harlow.

Representative **HARLOW**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I agree with everything that the good Representative from Portland said. This bill doesn't address it. Thank you.

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

ROLL CALL NO. 506

YEA - Ayotte, Beaudoin, Beaulieu, Beavers, Beck, Bennett, Berry, Black, Bolduc, Brooks, Campbell J, Campbell R, Casavant, Cassidy, Chapman, Chase, Chenette, Chipman, Cooper, Crockett, Daughtry, DeChant, Dickerson, Dill, Dion, Dorney, Duprey, Espling, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Frey, Gattine, Gideon, Gilbert, Gillway, Graham, Grant, Hamann, Harvell, Hayes, Herbig, Hickman, Hobbins, Hubbell, Jorgensen, Kornfield, Kruger, Kusiak, Lajoie, Libby N, Lockman, Longstaff, Luchini, MacDonald W, Marean, Marks, Mason, Mastraccio, McGowan, McLean, Monaghan-Derrig, Moonen, Moriarty, Nadeau C, Nelson, Newendyke, Noon, Nutting, Peoples, Peterson, Plante, Pouliot, Powers, Priest, Pringle, Rankin, Reed, Rochelo, Rotundo, Russell, Rykerson, Sanborn, Sanderson, Saucier, Schneck, Shaw, Sirocki, Stanley, Stuckey, Theriault, Tipping-Spitz, Verow, Villa, Volk, Wallace, Welsh, Werts, Winchenbach, Winsor, Mr. Speaker.

NAY - Boland, Clark, Cotta, Crafts, Cray, Davis, Devin, Dunphy, Fitzpatrick, Fredette, Gifford, Guerin, Harlow, Jackson, Johnson P, Jones, Kaenrath, Kent, Keschl, Kinney, Libby A, Long, MacDonald S, Maker, Malaby, McClellan, McElwee, Morrison, Nadeau A, Parry, Pease, Peavey Haskell, Short, Timberlake, Turner, Tyler, Weaver, Willette, Wilson.

ABSENT - Briggs, Carey, Doak, Fowle, Goode, Johnson D, Knight, Kumiega, McCabe, Saxton, Treat, Wood.

Yes, 100; No, 39; Absent, 12; Excused, 0.

100 having voted in the affirmative and 39 voted in the negative, with 12 being absent, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following matters, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment yesterday, had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

HOUSE DIVIDED REPORT - Majority (9) Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-624) - Minority (4) Ought Not to Pass - Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Preserve Head Start and Child Care: Services"

(H.P. 1205) (L.D. 1682) TABLED - February 26, 2014 (Till Later Today) by Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland.

PENDING - Motion of same Representative to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report.

Subsequently, the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. Committee Amendment "A" (H-624) was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in** the Second Reading.

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-624) and sent for concurrence.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Review the Use of Restraint and Seclusion at Mental Health Institutes

> (H.P. 726) (L.D. 1031) (C. "A" H-610)

TAB_ED - February 26, 2014 (Till Later Today) by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

PENDING - FINAL PASSAGE. (Roll Call Ordered)

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

ROLL CALL NO. 507

YEA - Ayotte, Beaudoin, Beaulieu, Beavers, Beck, Bennett, Berny, Black, Boland, Bolduc, Brooks, Campbell J, Campbell R, Casavant, Cassidy, Chapman, Chase, Chenette, Chipman, Clark, Cooper, Cotta, Crafts, Crockett, Daughtry, DeChant, Devin, Dickerson, Dill, Dion, Dorney, Duprey, Espling, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Fitzpatrick, Frey, Gattine, Gideon, Gilbert, Gillway, Graham, Grant, Guerin, Hamann, Harlow, Harvell, Hayes, Hertig, Hickman, Hobbins, Hubbell, Jackson, Johnson P, Jones, Kaenrath, Kent, Keschl, Kornfield, Kruger, Kusiak, Lajoie, Lockman, Longstaff, Libby N, Luchini, MacDonald S, MacDonald W, Maker, Malaby, Marean, Marks, Mason, Mastraccio, McElwee, McGowan, McLean, Monaghan-Derrig, Moonen, Moriarty, Morrison, Nadeau A, Nadeau C, Nelson, Newendyke, Noon, Nutting, Parry, Pease, Peavey Haskell, Peoples, Peterson, Plante, Pouliot, Powers, Priest, Pringle, Rankin, Reed, Rochelo, Rotundo, Russell, Rykerson, Sanborn, Sanderson, Saucier, Schneck, Shaw, Short, Sirocki, Stanley, Stuckey, Theriault, Timberlake, Tipping-Spitz, Turner, Tyler, Verow, Villa, Volk, Wallace, Weaver, Welsh, Werts, Willette, Wilson, Winchenbach, Winsor, Mr. Speaker.

NAY - Cray, Davis, Dunphy, Fredette, Gifford, Kinney, Libby A, Long, McClellan.

ABSENT - Briggs, Carey, Doak, Fowle, Goode, Johnson D, Jorgensen, Knight, Kumiega, McCabe, Saxton, Treat, Wood.

Yes, 129; No, 9; Absent, 13; Excused, 0.

129 having voted in the affirmative and 9 voted in the negative, with 13 being absent, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

BILLS HELD

Resolve, To Create a State-run Virtual Academy Providing Maine Students with Access to Online Learning through Their Existing School Districts (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 689) (L.D. 1736) (C. "A" S-392)

- In Senate, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-392).

- In House, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-392) AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-631) thereto in NON-CONCURRENCE.

HELD at the Request of Representative FREDETTE of Newport.

On motion of Representative FREDETTE of Newport the House **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby the Resolve was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-392) as Amended by House Amendment** "A" (H-631) thereto.

On motion of Representative POULIOT of Augusta, the House **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby **Committee Amendment "A" (S-392) as Amended by House Amendment** "A" (H-631) thereto was **ADOPTED**.

The same Representative **PRESENTED** House Amendment "B" (H-635) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-392), which was **READ** by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Augusta, Representative Pouliot.

Representative **POULIOT**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. This amendment simply removes the moratorium from the piece of legislation that a number of members have expressed an interest in moving forward. After our vote yesterday, I heard from a number of you who said, "Geez, we'd really like to support this, but can you put forward the amendment to take off the moratorium?" Now, we have an opportunity to move this forward. We have a better shot at getting this through the finish line, without the moratorium on it. Let's do the right thing and vote to support this amendment. Thank you.

Representative HUBBELL of Bar Harbor moved that House Amendment "B" (H-635) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-392) be INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Bar Harbor, Representative Hubbell.

Representative HUBBELL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Women and Men of the House. I realize that, at this moment, it appears that the good Representative from Augusta and I are standing on opposite sides in this chamber. But, Mr. Speaker, I want to assure you that I regularly share his frustration at what it takes here to advance good policy by forging alliances of variously committed and reluctant interests. I do know that many across the spectrum in this House have real reservations about the unequivocally poor record of virtual charter schools in other states, and who doubt whether virtual schools represent a wise and effective use of increasingly scarce public funding. But I also know that many with those reservations also struggle with the Representative from Augusta with sincere misgivings about whether a temporary pause in the implementation of virtual charter schools really advances the best interest of Maine's students. Because I believe those misgivings deserve an honest airing, I thank the Representative from Augusta for putting this matter before the House for consideration and I will do my best to directly explain why the moratorium is integral to the bipartisan comprehensive merits of this bill.

But first let me remind the members that the first phase of this bill immediately makes available content from the same providers that propose to serve Maine's virtual charters schools via New Hampshire's established virtual learning academy. This content will become available in September to all Maine students, not just those who see virtual charters as their only option. Second, let me restate that we don't have unlimited public resources and that it is our responsibility as legislators to ensure that public education dollars are spent as effectively as possible to the benefit of all Maine students. Third, I implore those, like the good Representative from Biddeford, who have argued here passionately and forcefully that competition between educational options can drive educational improvement, I implore them to recognize the evidence of progress that is before them and which arguably validates their position.

Mr. Speaker, three years ago, when this body was debating the implementation of charter schools in this state, how many here would have predicted that we would now have local school superintendents like Ken Coville from RSU 74 passionately leading by example and advancing a statewide virtual learning exchange to share blended virtual content between all Maine students - in public schools, charter schools, private schools, and homeschoolers? How many here would have expected the MEA to recognize and commend the success of innovative state-run virtual academies like those in New Hampshire, Vermont and Ohio? How many here would have expected to find Maine School Management proposing to expend its own local resources to develop a partnership with a charter school in New Hampshire? As a state, we have called on our public schools to innovate and broaden opportunities for Maine students. With this initiative, they are responding. Ironically, in the subsequent three years since Maine introduced charter schools, the frame of the status quo has shifted to the point where those throwing sand into the gears on this bill are the representatives now protecting a different set of hard-won special interests. Most disappointing to me, two years after the Chief Executive's order to expand digital learning to all Maine students, was hearing testimony from staff at the Department of Education that they currently doubt their own ability to implement such a statewide vision, despite the successful examples in states that are moving forward elsewhere. So I believe this moratorium is necessary because it provides incentives in both direction to move us off a current, different status quo.

We've had two years under the Chief Executive's Executive Order to give all Maine students broad access to digital learning and two years later that promise still remains unrealized. Here, our obligation remains to ensure that all Maine students have access to the promise of expanded digital learning - even those whose parents lack the luxury of serving as full time learning coaches within the virtual charter programs. We need to be able to answer the blended learning needs of the community of all Maine students, not merely offer digital learning via isolated virtual charters and then empower public schools and their taxpayers to do nothing more than foot the bill. Unfortunately, this moratorium is necessary to bring together the stakeholders to move digital learning forward in Maine. This bill already has brought together productive efforts from the school boards, superintendents, and public school teachers that some here have characterized as reluctant defenders of the old status quo. But to be successful we need even broader commitment from the Department of Education whose representatives have told us that they lack the ability on their own to implement a digital learning exchange.

Women and Men of the House, change is hard and it takes both leadership and partnership. It's time to light a fire to reenergize the Department of Education's efforts on digital learning for all. This bipartisan support behind this bill recognizes the value both the promise of digital learning and the value of providing an incentive to motivate real accomplishment. We owe it to all the students across this state – on Frenchboro, Islesford and Matinicus, in Calais, Jonesport, Biddeford, Sanford, Auburn, Augusta Skowhegan, Embden, Greenville, Houlton, in Caribou – we owe it to all Maine students to move forcefully and deliberately, comprehensively and equitably, to realize the promise of the Chief Executive's original Executive Order and expand the digital learning opportunities for all Maine students. Please join me in support of preserving that comprehensive effort in the current bill.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Newport, Representative Fredette.

Representative FREDETTE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. | appreciate the hard work on this bill on both sides of the aisle. It does involve an issue, which is near and dear to many of us, which is the education of our children, and we've all learned, at least I think I have truly learned, that there are many different ways in which children learn. The possibilities of virtual charter schools, to me, are simply another means to try to put the kid in the right setting that works best for them to learn. Now, the other day when we voted on this bill, I stood and rose and suggested at the time that one of the significant purposes of this bill, in my opinion, was, in fact, to put a moratorium on sort of the charter school issue and particularly two applications that were currently pending before the Maine Charter School Commission. So it would seem to me that for my good friends on the other side of the aisle, that this is an opportunity in a bipartisan fashion to work for something that both sides worked very hard for in the committee and something that appears, that should be the substance of the bill, which is how to put the path forward for what might be an alternative way to learn through virtual charter schools or other means. So in the substance, at the end of the day, that the removal of the moratorium, which I believe is the substantive issue on this side of the aisle, simply removes that artificial cap. So, in my opinion, if we are to truly believe in the substance of the bill - let me say that again - if we are truly to believe in the substance of the bill, then we should all be in favor of this because this is simply doing away with a moratorium and it allows the substance of the bill to go forward which has been worked on in a meaningful way. Given that, I will be voting against the motion to Indefinitely Postpone so that we can allow the bill to go forward with the moratorium stripped from the language. I believe, at that point in time, I could vote in favor of it. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Under suspension of the rules, members were allowed to remove their jackets.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Greenville, Representative Johnson.

Representative **JOHNSON**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I just would like to say that I have great respect for the words of Representative Hubbell. I have worked with him for a couple of years now, and actually several years before that, during which I consider the dark days of education in our state, but I disagree on not eliminating this moratorium. I think times have changed. I think the previous Commissioner of Education, Steve Bowen, in 2012, got the administration to put forward an Executive Order which would have done this by now had it been executed. I think his vision was ahead of our time and I think a lot of us have come a long ways since that period. I believe now is the time to move

forward and to maximize choice and the power of blended learning. I believe that the people that Representative Hubbell cited - Coville and my colleague, Senator Langley, from the other body - understand this in spades and have worked very hard, as I have, to articulate that to other colleagues. I can remember when our school had in its contract that no distance learning could be brought into our school system if there was the capability to teach the course locally. In a small school system, this is particularly troublesome because you always have a scheduling problem and you never have enough resources to do what would be in the best interest of students. Over the last four or five years, I've seen this grow considerably, not to the extent that t ought to be, because I do believe that a state-run portal would allow students and school districts access to a lot of different vendors and programs is in the best interest of our state. I also believe strongly that a virtual school of the type being considered by the Charter Commission is in the best interest of our state because there are some children in our state that require a special environment for one reason or another, and that that should be an option for them. So I would ask that you vote against this tabling motion and approve the amendment before us. Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Belgrade, Representative Keschl.

Representative **KESCHL**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I appreciate the good Representative from Augusta's proposed amendment to strike the moratorium in this bill. The reason I do is because the other day, well, it's contrary, today, I heard from a number of people who said the moratorium was not the key issue on this bill, not the key issue. The issue is moving forward on state-run virtual charter schools. I agreed with that. If the moratorium is not the key issue, let's remove it so that we all get the opportunity to support what is in the best interest of our kids and our grandchildren, and that is a vote for the state-run virtual charter schools. So I urge you to support the good Representative's proposed amendment.

Representative WILLETTE of Mapleton REQUESTED a roll call on the motion to INDEFINITELY POSTPONE House Amendment "B" (H-635) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-392).

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Augusta, Representative Pouliot.

Representative **POULIOT**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. apologize for rising a second time. I just want to say that I wholeheartedly agree with the good Representative from Bar Harbor. It's great working with him on the committee. I do believe that we owe this to all kids across the State of Maine. Let's face it, with the moratorium, that's not going to happen. So let's out it aside and support the good substance of this bill, so that we can help all the kids across the State of Maine get access to this, and vote no to Indefinitely Postpone this amendment and support the amendment so we can take the moratorium off and give access to all kids. That's really what I want to do and the fact of the matter is, with the moratorium, it's just not going to happen, which is unfortunate, but it's the way it is. So let's take it off so that we can move this forward for all Maine kids. Thank vou.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Newfield, Representative Campbell.

Representative **CAMPBELL**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I don't want to sound like a broken record, but the bottom line is we are worried

about this moratorium, we're worried about the kids. I've been waiting 12 years to fund public education at 55 percent. Until they do that, I don't think I can vote for anything else. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Sanford, Representative Boland.

Representative **BOLAND**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I understand that there are many people who wonder whether this is a good approach to education and I do too, but my thought is that if we don't allow it to go forward, at least for a little bit while the state is looking at their own alternatives, then we have nothing to really judge its effectiveness down the line as the state is doing its planning. If we can see whether it works and how it works, that would be a good thing and I can't imagine a whole lot of students really jumping on before the state is underway with its own work. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Indefinite Postponement of House Amendment "B" (H-635) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-392). All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 508

YEA - Beavers, Beck, Berry, Bolduc, Brooks, Campbell J, Cassidy, Chenette, Chipman, Cooper, Daughtry, DeChant, Devin, Dickerson, Dill, Dion, Dorney, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Frey, Gattine, Gideon, Gilbert, Graham, Grant, Hamann, Harlow, Herbig, Hobbins, Hubbell, Jones, Jorgensen, Kaenrath, Kent, Kornfield, Kusiak, Lajoie, Libby N, Longstaff, Luchini, MacDonald W, Marks, Mastraccio, McGowan, McLean, Monaghan-Derrig, Moonen, Moriarty, Morrison, Nadeau C, Nelson, Noon, Peoples, Peterson, Plante, Powers, Priest, Pringle, Rankin, Rochelo, Rotundo, Russell, Rykerson, Sanborn, Saucier, Schneck, Shaw, Short, Stanley, Stuckey, Theriault, Tipping-Spitz, Verow, Villa, Welsh, Werts, Mr. Speaker.

NAY - Ayotte, Beaudoin, Beaulieu, Bennett, Black, Boland, Campbell R, Casavant, Chapman, Chase, Clark, Cotta, Crafts, Cray, Crockett, Davis, Dunphy, Duprey, Espling, Fitzpatrick, Fredette, Gifford, Gillway, Guerin, Harvell, Hayes, Hickman, Jackson, Johnson P, Keschl, Kinney, Libby A, Lockman, Long, MacDonald S, Maker, Malaby, Marean, Mason, McClellan, McElwee, Nadeau A, Newendyke, Nutting, Parry, Pease, Peavey Haskell, Pouliot, Reed, Sanderson, Sirocki, Timberlake, Turner, Tyler, Volk, Wallace, Weaver, Willette, Wilson, Winchenbach, Winsor.

ABSENT - Briggs, Carey, Doak, Fowle, Goode, Johnson D, Knight, Kruger, Kumiega, McCabe, Saxton, Treat, Wood.

Yes, 77; No, 61; Absent, 13; Excused, 0.

77 having voted in the affirmative and 61 voted in the negative, with 13 being absent, and accordingly House Amendment "B" (H-635) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-392) was INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

Subsequently, Committee Amendment "A" (S-392) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-631) thereto was ADOPTED.

Subsequently, the Resolve was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-392) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-631)** thereto in **NON-CONCURRENCE** and sent for concurrence.

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 717)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 10:00 in the morning.

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

READ and **PASSED** in concurrence.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE Refer to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Pursuant to Public Law

Report of the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources on Bill "An Act To Delay Implementation of Reformulated Gasoline Requirements in Maine" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 718) (L.D. 1796) Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** pursuant to Public Law 2013, chapter 221, section 3.

Came from the Senate with the Report **READ** and **REJECTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Report was READ and REJECTED. The Bill READ ONCE.

Under suspension of the rules the Bill was given its SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE to the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading.

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in concurrence.

Pursuant to his authority under House Rule 201.1 (H), the Chair appointed Representative MacDONALD of Boothbay to serve as Speaker Pro Tem when the House convenes on Tuesday, March 4, 2014.

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

On motion of Representative NADEAU of Winslow, the House adjourned at 11:56 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 4, 2014 pursuant to the Joint Order (S.P. 717).