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

Prayer by Pastor Darren Farmer, Deeper Worship Center, Portland.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, Honorable Jane P. Pringle, M.D., Windham.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Allow a Qualifying Patient To Use Medical Marijuana in a Hospital"

(S.P. 17) (L.D. 35) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Limit the Liability of Landowners Who Allow Recreational Climbing on Their Land"

(S.P. 13) (L.D. 12) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Provide an Exemption from Sales Tax and Service Provider Tax to Nonprofit Collaboratives of Libraries"

(S.P. 14) (L.D. 13) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on TAXATION in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Registration of an Antique Motor Vehicle That Is the Owner's Sole Vehicle"

(S.P. 15) (L.D. 14) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Increase Transparency in Campaign Funding in Legislative Elections"

(S.P. 16) (L.D. 15) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS in concurrence.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

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

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Eliminate the Bonding Authority of the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority"

(H.P. 45) (L.D. 51)

Sponsored by Representative SIROCKI of Scarborough. Cosponsored by Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, DUNPHY of Embden, FARRIN of Norridgewock, O'CONNOR of Berwick, PARRY of Arundel, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, SANDERSON of Chelsea, TUELL of East Machias.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Bill "An Act To Make False Claims of Military Service a Crime" (H.P. 37) (L.D. 43)

Sponsored by Representative FARRIN of Norridgewock. Cosponsored by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec and Representatives: DUNPHY of Embden, HANINGTON of Lincoln, LONGSTAFF of Waterville, NADEAU of Winslow, O'CONNOR of Berwick, SIROCKI of Scarborough, SKOLFIELD of Weld, TURNER of Burlington.

Resolve, To Ensure Notification to the Public of the Location in Maine of Persons Convicted in Foreign Countries of Crimes Relating to the Sexual Abuse of a Child

(H.P. 48) (L.D. 54)

Sponsored by Representative MAKER of Calais. Cosponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland and Representatives: BATTLE of South Portland, HERBIG of Belfast, HOBART of Bowdoinham, KINNEY of Limington, McELWEE of Caribou, PARRY of Arundel, TUELL of East Machias, Senator: BURNS of Washington.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Allow Sufficient Time for Implementation of the Performance Evaluation and Professional Growth System for Educators" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 36) (L.D. 38)

Sponsored by Representative HUBBELL of Bar Harbor. Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock.

Resolve, To Direct the Department of Education To Train School Personnel To Implement Dyslexia Awareness and Student Accommodation Policies

(H.P. 38) (L.D. 44)

Sponsored by Representative VEROW of Brewer. Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Limit Increases in the State's Share of Funding for Kindergarten to Grade 12 Public Education"

(H.P. 50) (L.D. 56) Sponsored by Representative THERIAULT of China.

Cosponsored by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec and Representative: POULIOT of Augusta, Senator: WOODSOME of York.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Bill "An Act To Exempt Certain Capital Expenditures from the Maine Certificate of Need Act of 2002"

(H.P. 39) (L.D. 45)

Sponsored by Representative MALABY of Hancock. Cosponsored by Representatives: O'CONNOR of Berwick, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIROCKI of Scarborough, Senator. McCORMICK of Kennebec.

JUDICIARY

Bill "An Act To Increase Mileage Reimbursement and Compensation for Jurors"

(H.P. 51) (L.D. 57)

Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake. Cosponsored by Senator BURNS of Washington and Representatives: FREDETTE of Newport, GUERIN of Glenburn, HOBBINS of Saco, MARTIN of Sinclair, MONAGHAN of Cape Elizabeth, MOONEN of Portland, Senators: KATZ of Kennebec, VALENTINO of York.

LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill "An Act To Adjust Maine's Minimum Wage"

(H.P. 46) (L.D. 52) Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Bill "An Act To Allow Municipal Boards of Appeal To Grant Setback Variances for Certain Hardships Caused by Prior Owners of the Property"

(H.P. 40) (L.D. 46)

Sponsored by Representative VEROW of Brewer. Cosponsored by Representative: CAMPBELL of Orrington, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataguis.

TAXATION

Bill "An Act To Reduce Registration Fees and Excise Taxes for For-hire Vehicles with Adaptive Equipment Enabling Access by Persons with Disabilities"

(H.P. 42) (L.D. 48)

Sponsored by Representative VEROW of Brewer.

Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and Representatives: DAVITT of Hampden, PETERSON of Rumford, SCHNECK of Bangor, STANLEY of Medway.

Bill "An Act To Exempt from Excise Tax Certain Vehicles Used by Persons with a Disability"

(H.P. 43) (L.D. 49)

Sponsored by Representative VEROW of Brewer.

Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and Representatives: DAVITT of Hampden, PETERSON of Rumford.

TRANSPORTATION

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Remove One of the Proposed Routes from Consideration for the Interstate 395 and Route 9 Connector

(H.P. 41) (L.D. 47)

Sponsored by Representative VEROW of Brewer. Cosponsored by Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis. Bill "An Act To Authorize up to 3 Free Sets of License Plates for 100 Percent Disabled Veterans"

(H.P. 44) (L.D. 50)

Sponsored by Representative POULIOT of Augusta. Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: BATTLE of South Portland, FARRIN of Norridgewock, HANINGTON of Lincoln, HOBART of Bowdoinham, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield.

Resolve, To Direct the Department of Transportation To Name the Interstate 95 Rest Area in Hampden the Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain Rest Area

(H.P. 49) (L.D. 55)

Sponsored by Representative VEROW of Brewer.

Cosponsored by Senator DILL of Penobscot and Representatives: CAMPBELL of Orrington, DAVITT of Hampden, DUCHESNE of Hudson, FREY of Bangor, LYFORD of Eddington, STANLEY of Medway, Senators: CUSHING of Penobscot, GRATWICK of Penobscot.

VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Require Shareholder Consent for Corporate Political Contributions"

(H.P. 47) (L.D. 53)

Sponsored by Representative RYKERSON of Kittery. Cosponsored by Representative STUCKEY of Portland, Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and Representatives: BEAVERS of South Berwick, BLUME of York, CAMPBELL of Orrington, CHIPMAN of Portland, EVANGELOS of Friendship, GOODE of Bangor, HARLOW of Portland, MASTRACCIO of Sanford.

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

Bill "An Act To Ensure Proper Funding for Teacher Retirement"

(H.P. 54) (L.D. 60) Sponsored by Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Cosponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford, Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, HARLOW of Portland, Senators: MILLETT of Cumberland, MIRAMANT of Knox, WOODSOME of York.

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS suggested.

On motion of Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston, the Bill was

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Bill "An Act To Require Notice to Municipal Officers of Violations of Emergency Medical Services Law and Rule"

(H.P. 56) (L.D. 62) Sponsored by Representative GERRISH of Lebanon.

Cosponsored by Senator WOODSOME of York and Representatives: FOLEY of Wells, HARLOW of Portland, RYKERSON of Kittery, TURNER of Burlington, WHITE of Washburn.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Protect Students' Rights and Privacy Regarding Their School Records"

(H.P. 53) (L.D. 59) Sponsored by Representative FOLEY of Wells. Cosponsored by Senator COLLINS of York and Representatives: GERRISH of Lebanon, O'CONNOR of Berwick, POULIOT of

Augusta, PRESCOTT of Waterboro, STEARNS of Guilford. Bill "An Act To Apply Equally a Curtailment or Other Loss in General Purpose Aid to Education"

(H.P. 59) (L.D. 65)

Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias. Cosponsored by Senator EDGECOMB of Aroostook and Representatives: CAMPBELL of Orrington, CRAFTS of Lisbon, HANINGTON of Lincoln, MAKER of Calais.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Provide Supplemental Reimbursement to Adult Family Care Homes and Residential Care Facilities in Remote Island Locations

(H.P. 57) (L.D. 63)

Sponsored by Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle. Cosponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland and Representative: COOPER of Yarmouth, Senator: MIRAMANT of Knox.

JUDICIARY

Bill "An Act To Require Transparency of the Ownership of All Companies Providing Funds To Build Infrastructure for Development Purposes"

(H.P. 52) (L.D. 58)

Sponsored by Representative LONGSTAFF of Waterville. Cosponsored by Representatives: BECK of Waterville, CAMPBELL of Orrington, FOWLE of Vassalboro, GOLDEN of Lewiston, HARLOW of Portland, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, MARTIN of Sinclair, NADEAU of Winslow.

LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill "An Act To Require Tattoo Practitioners To Be at Least 18 Years of Age"

(H.P. 55) (L.D. 61) Sponsored by Representative VEROW of Brewer. Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Regarding the Annual Municipal Report Requirement"

(H.P. 61) (L.D. 67)

Sponsored by Representative VEROW of Brewer. Cosponsored by Senator DUTREMBLE of York and Representatives: RUSSELL of Portland, SCHNECK of Bangor, STANLEY of Medway. Bill "An Act To Reduce the Time within Which a Challenge to a Tax Lien Foreclosure May Be Filed"

(H.P. 58) (L.D. 64)

Sponsored by Representative VEROW of Brewer. Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and Representatives: SCHNECK of Bangor, STANLEY of Medway.

Committee on TAXATION suggested.

On motion of Representative McCABE of Skowhegan, TABLED pending REFERENCE and later today assigned.

TRANSPORTATION

Resolve, Naming the Bridges That Span the Machias River in Machias the Jeremiah O'Brien Memorial Bridge

(H.P. 60) (L.D. 66)

Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias. Cosponsored by Senator BURNS of Washington and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, CAMPBELL of Orrington, HANINGTON of Lincoln, MAKER of Calais, TURNER of Burlington.

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

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 18))

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 10:00 in the morning.

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

Resolve, To Require a Review of the Merger That Resulted in the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

(S.P. 19) (L.D. 39) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

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

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

On motion of Representative SHORT of Pittsfield, the House adjourned at 10:43 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 20, 2015, pursuant to the Joint Order (S.P. 18).