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Wednesday, March 11, 2015

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

Prayer by Rabbi Rachel M. Isaacs, Beth Israel Congregation;
Jewish Chaplain, Colby College, Waterville.
National Anthem by Sharon Hood, Clinton.
Pledge of Allegiance.
Doctor of the day, Richard Flowerdew, M.D., Falmouth.
The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act Regarding Aerial Pesticide Spray Projects"
(S.P. 291) (L.D. 817)

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.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Emergency Medical Services Act of 1982"
(S.P. 292) (L.D. 818)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Protect the Environment and Assist Municipalities with the Recycling, Reuse and Processing of Solid Waste"
(S.P. 273) (L.D. 743)

Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Improve the Quality of Life of Persons with Serious Illnesses"
(S.P. 280) (L.D. 782)

Bill "An Act To Decrease Uncompensated Care, Reduce Medical Debt and Improve Health Outcomes"
(S.P. 282) (L.D. 808)

Bill "An Act To Prevent Drug Overdose Deaths by Enhancing Access to Opioid Antagonists"
(S.P. 286) (L.D. 812)

Bill "An Act To Reform Welfare and Eliminate the Welfare Cliff"
(S.P. 290) (L.D. 816)

Bill "An Act To Promote Equity in Business Opportunity for Tobacco Specialty Stores"
(S.P. 295) (L.D. 821)

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 Eliminate Permits for Turkey Hunting and To Expand Turkey Hunting"
(S.P. 279) (L.D. 781)

Bill "An Act To Amend Maine's Threatened and Endangered Species List"
(S.P. 281) (L.D. 807)

Bill "An Act To Benefit Senior Hunters"
(S.P. 285) (L.D. 811)

Bill "An Act To Increase the Safety of Hunting"
(S.P. 297) (L.D. 848)

Bill "An Act To Protect Young Bucks"
(S.P. 298) (L.D. 849)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Allow the Synchronization of Prescriptions"
(S.P. 284) (L.D. 810)

Bill "An Act To Establish a Unified-payor, Universal Health Care System"
(S.P. 289) (L.D. 815)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Update the Maine Veterinary Practice Act"
(S.P. 288) (L.D. 814)

Bill "An Act To Permit Hair Braiding without a Barbering or Cosmetology License"
(S.P. 296) (L.D. 847)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

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

Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands To Convey the Parcel of Land in Kittery Known as John Paul Jones Memorial Park to the Town of Kittery
(S.P. 278) (L.D. 780)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Exempt Kombucha from the Excise Tax Imposed on Alcoholic Beverages"
(S.P. 293) (L.D. 819)

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 Motor Vehicle Inspection Program Requirements"

(S.P. 283) (L.D. 809)

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 the Minimum Population Requirement for a Municipality in Which the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations May Locate an Additional Agency Liquor Store"

(S.P. 277) (L.D. 779)

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.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Implement a Motor Vehicle Violation Electronic Citation Program"

(H.P. 297) (L.D. 458)

REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION in the House on March 3, 2015.

Came from the Senate REFERRED to the Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY in NON-CONCURRENCE.

The House voted to RECEDE AND CONCUR.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 87)

**STATE OF MAINE
127TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

February 10, 2015
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to our authority under Title 12, MRSA, Chapter 419, §4652, we are pleased to appoint Senator Brian D. Langley of Hancock to the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
S/Mark W. Eves
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

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

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Establish Maine's School Beverage Standards"

(H.P. 586) (L.D. 852)

Sponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop.

Bill "An Act To Allow Secondary Schools To Grant Certificates of Academic Proficiency"

(H.P. 587) (L.D. 853)

Sponsored by Representative HUBBELL of Bar Harbor.

Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and Representatives: KORNFIELD of Bangor, MAKER of Calais, Senator: MILLETT of Cumberland.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Bill "An Act To Increase Access to Health Security by Expanding Federally Funded Health Care for Maine People"

(H.P. 588) (L.D. 854)

Sponsored by Representative SANBORN of Gorham.

Cosponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and Representatives: BURSTEIN of Lincolnville, Speaker EVES of North Berwick, GATTINE of Westbrook, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, HYMANSON of York, McLEAN of Gorham, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, Senator: MILLETT of Cumberland.

LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill "An Act To Allow Grocery Stores under 10,000 Square Feet To Be Open on Sundays"

(H.P. 589) (L.D. 855)

Sponsored by Representative GILLWAY of Searsport.

Cosponsored by President THIBODEAU of Waldo and Representatives: CHACE of Durham, EDGECOMB of Fort Fairfield, LYFORD of Eddington, WARD of Dedham, WHITE of Washburn.

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

ORDERS

On motion of Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 583) (Cosponsored by Senator EDGECOMB of Aroostook and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, CHAPMAN of Brooksville, DUNPHY of Old Town, EDGECOMB of Fort Fairfield, ESPLING of New Gloucester, Speaker EVES of North Berwick, FREDETTE of Newport, GIDEON of Freeport, KINNEY of Knox, MAREAN of Hollis, McCABE of Skowhegan, McELWEE of Caribou, NOON of Sanford, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, CUSHING of Penobscot, DILL of Penobscot, HILL of York, MASON of Androscoggin, SAVIELLO of Franklin, President THIBODEAU of Waldo)

JOINT RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF THE MULTIFACETED AGRICULTURE OF MAINE

WHEREAS, recent statistics show that farming in Maine has grown, and Maine continues to lead the New England states with 8,174 farms; the value of Maine's crops and livestock grew 24% over the past 5 years; and

WHEREAS, Maine's agricultural enterprises provide more than \$764 million through the sale of farm products and contribute more than \$2 billion annually to the State's economy,

and Maine agricultural products are increasingly available locally in farmers' markets, schools and institutions; and

WHEREAS, Maine farmers are the stewards of 1.45 million acres of land, a vital resource in maintaining Maine's rural economy; and

WHEREAS, Maine is a world leader in the production of wild blueberries and brown eggs, third in the Nation in the production of maple syrup, eighth in the Nation in the production of fall potatoes, first in New England in the production of food, first in New England in the value of aquaculture sales, second in New England in milk and livestock production, and is the fastest-growing artisanal cheese-producing state in the country and is the only state involved in the commercial production of fiddleheads; and

WHEREAS, agriculture has always been a part of Maine's prosperity, comprising much of Maine's scenic open space, providing recreational opportunities and contributing to the character of Maine's rural communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, pause in our deliberations to honor Maine farmers and innovators who have contributed so much to the betterment of our State, to pledge our support and encouragement and to urge the youth of Maine to pursue the growing opportunities for careers in today's technologically advanced agriculture industry; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a suitable copy of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, as a token of the esteem in which those in this vital field are held.

READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Wilton, Representative Black.

Representative **BLACK**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Men and Women of the House, I'd like to just stand up and support this Resolve. Maine is one of the few states in the Union that is actually having an increase in farmers. Our number of small farmers are increasing. We were once the breadbasket of the country, and I believe that we can be that again.

We have the water, the land, and the fiber here to produce the food. And, I just would like to recognize the farmers and the agricultural sector in the State of Maine of the good job they're doing.

And as has been read in the Resolve, you know, some places, we are leading the country. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Turner, Representative Timberlake.

Representative **TIMBERLAKE**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would also just like to acknowledge the Resolve and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, if you ever want to get something free from me, today is your day to get it. My nephew is down there handing out apples, so please stop and visit the people at their booths. They've taken a lot of pride and time to come visit you today. Thank you.

Subsequently, the Joint Resolution was **ADOPTED** and sent for concurrence.

On motion of Representative WELSH of Rockport, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 584) (Cosponsored by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, EVANGELOS of Friendship, HICKMAN of Winthrop, KINNEY of Knox, MAREAN of Hollis, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, Senator: DILL of Penobscot)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF SOILS TO MAINE'S FUTURE PROSPERITY

WHEREAS, soils are a natural resource that supports major economic sectors of our State, including agriculture, forestry and recreation; and

WHEREAS, healthy soils filter, store and release fresh water, and soil management is closely linked to the water quality in our groundwater, lakes, ponds, rivers and oceans; and

WHEREAS, wetland soils mitigate the effects of major storms and protect our coastal and riverine ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, soil is a living ecosystem that provides keys to scientific advances that directly affect human health, such as the development of new medicines, including recent advances in antibiotic technology developed from Maine soil; and

WHEREAS, good soil management can prevent damaging erosion, loss of organic matter, soil compaction and degradation of soil structure, thereby sustaining the essential ecosystem functions performed by soils; and

WHEREAS, soils are renewable only on the scale of geologic time yet support the renewable resources upon which Maine's future depends; and

WHEREAS, the 119th Maine Legislature designated the Chesuncook soil series as our official state soil to promote public awareness and education regarding soil resources; and

WHEREAS, 2015 has been declared by the United Nations General Assembly the International Year of Soils, celebrated by the Soil Science Society of America and many other organizations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity during the International Year of Soils to recognize the essential role of all of Maine's soils in supporting a thriving Maine economy and healthy environment and ensuring a sustainable and productive future for the people of Maine.

READ.

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

Representative **WELSH**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Soil, unless we're farmers and serious gardeners, we don't really think about it. Yet, it's so critical to our livelihood and well-being.

This Resolution reminds us of the importance and value of our sustaining soils. Like air and water, our earth, our soil is life sustaining. Please take the time to consider this Resolution. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Winthrop, Representative Hickman.

Representative **HICKMAN**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Women and Men of the House, I rise today to celebrate Maine farmers on what we call Ag Day in Maine AND to properly observe the International Year of Soils.

And I quote:

"Doomsayers have been warning about soil abuse since the dawn of agriculture, at least 5000 years before Christ. We have also known how its fertility gets rebuilt ever since 1882, when Charles Darwin published one of his more obscure discoveries: topsoil is created by none other than the lowly earthworm, at a rate of 10 to 20 tons per acre each year. (Worms manage this feat because, alone among the creatures on the planet, they dine on rocks, mixing their minerals with roots, leaves and biology's other leftovers for a nice, square meal. When it's time to relieve themselves, out comes fertile soil.) But if that soil is beaten into the dusty powder that has become increasingly common across the globe, there is nothing in it anymore for the worms to eat—or, by extension, for the rest of the earth's ecosystem.

Scientists have counted more organisms in a teaspoon of soil than there are human beings on the planet. Under a microscope, the dirt in that teaspoon looks like a cross between an Amazon jungle and some exotic, tropical coral reef teeming with seaweed, plankton, and monstrous creatures from a Jules Verne novel. During the last few decades, soil scientists have found that this ecosystem is far more extensive than anything yet seen on land or in the sea. Some have counted more organisms in a teaspoon of soil than there are human beings on the planet. Others have found the biodiversity of soil to be so vast that it defies tabulation through today's DNA tests. When examined under a microscope, excuse me, all these invisible creatures collaborate, they strengthen the soil to hold water; withstand erosion; store and feed the plants' nutrients; help build their immune systems; and, preliminary research suggests that they stimulate symbiotic microbes in the human gut as we eat these plants, which strengthens our immune systems, as well. Considering all this activity, Paul Kaiser (an urban farmer in Northern California), like a growing number of his peers, cannot understand the way we have treated the world beneath our feet. 'What creates life?' he asks. 'Sun, rain and soil. We can only impact one of these—and that is the soil. It's the only thing on the planet that takes death and converts it back to life. And all we seem to do is destroy it.' "

End Quote.

That is from an article entitled "Drought Farmer" by Todd Oppenheimer published in the *Craftsmanship Magazine* in January of this year.

As an organic farmer, Mr. Speaker, I know firsthand the importance of soil to my own prosperity. I cannot grow wholesome, nutritious food for myself, my family, or my community without healthy soil. And so I build my soil with so much attention and so much care that those who have come to know it call it dark chocolate. And so what a great coincidence it is today to have both of these Joint Resolutions on Agriculture and Soil presented on the exact same day.

If we are going to move Maine toward prosperity, we must continue to invest in our soils and support our farmers. We can NOT take agriculture for granted. We must continue to rebuild Maine's economy from the ground up. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Subsequently, the Joint Resolution was **ADOPTED** and sent for concurrence.

On motion of Representative BECK of Waterville, the following Joint Order: (H.P. 585)

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services shall report out, to the House, a bill relating to the Maine Quality Forum.

On motion of Representative BECK of Waterville, the Joint Order was **TABLED** until later in today's session pending **PASSAGE**.

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

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

Recognizing:

the members of the Maine Center for Entrepreneurial Development's "Top Gun" Class of 2015, Bangor Region. The Maine Center for Entrepreneurial Development is a private nonprofit organization that assists entrepreneurs building Maine businesses. We send our best wishes to the following entrepreneurs and their businesses: Katie Quinn, Ass Over Teakettle; Danielle Demers, Equestrian Culture Magazine; Matt James, CourseStorm; Elizabeth Chabe, High Touch Courses;

Andrew Katon and Vincent Lewis, L&K Manufacturing; Lisa Liberatore, Lisa's Legit Burritos; Nicole Klam, Maine Shellware; Chuck Donnelly, Rockstep Solutions; Kathy and Bruce Chamberlain, Stone Fox Farm Creamery; Spencer Wood, Tip Whippin LLC; James Gallagher, Whoopie Pie Cafe; and Emma Wilson, Zeomatrix;

(HLS 120)

Presented by Representative GROHMAN of Biddeford.

Cosponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Embden, Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset, Representative FREY of Bangor, Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot, Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor, Representative SCHNECK of Bangor, Representative GOODE of Bangor, Representative TIPPING-SPITZ of Orono, Senator DILL of Penobscot, Representative GRANT of Gardiner, Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec, Representative HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, Senator LANGLEY of Hancock, Representative KINNEY of Knox, President THIBODEAU of Waldo.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative GROHMAN of Biddeford, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Biddeford, Representative Grohman.

Representative **GROHMAN**: Colleagues, I may be a little too prone to thinking that growing Maine businesses can solve all of our problems that may or may not be true. But, it's certainly true that growing businesses has the effect of making the pie bigger, which makes the tough decisions we have to make around here that much easier.

That's why I'm so pleased today to host Don Gooding, the Head of the Maine Center for Entrepreneurial Development, at the State House and the 35 Top Gun member companies that they're training this year. The invite-only Top Gun program is delivered by the Maine Center for Entrepreneurial Development, the Maine Technology Institute, and the University of Maine. It pairs fast-growing, high potential businesses with mentors to work on finding new markets, taking on technical challenges, and adding employees and staff. It's kind of like a Big Brothers Big Sisters for business.

I'm pleased to be hosting the head of the Top Gun program, Don Gooding, today who will be around the State House all morning. If you have a fast-growing, high potential star up in your district, please come and introduce yourself. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **PASSED** and sent for 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. 44) (L.D. 50) Bill "An Act To Authorize up to 3 Free Sets of License Plates for 100 Percent Disabled Veterans" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-6)**

(H.P. 131) (L.D. 173) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Gold Star Family Registration Plate and To Establish an Honorable Service Military Family Registration Plate" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-8)**

(H.P. 155) (L.D. 223) Bill "An Act To Eliminate Outdated Provisions of the Laws Governing the Maine Turnpike Authority" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-9)**

(H.P. 160) (L.D. 228) Bill "An Act To Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2016" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-7)**

There being no objections, the above items were ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar tomorrow under the listing of Second Day.

CONSENT CALENDAR
Second Day

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

(S.P. 48) (L.D. 115) Resolve, To Name Interstate 295 from Scarborough to West Gardiner the Richard A. Coleman Highway (H.P. 42) (L.D. 48) 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. 58) (L.D. 64) Bill "An Act To Reduce the Time within Which a Challenge to a Tax Lien Foreclosure May Be Filed"

No objections having been noted at the end of the Second Legislative Day, the Senate Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in concurrence and the House Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** and sent for concurrence.

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.

Bill "An Act To Enhance Forest Ranger Safety"

(H.P. 437) (L.D. 656)

(Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested)

TABLED - March 3, 2015 (Till Later Today) by Representative FOWLE of Vassalboro.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Improve the Health of Maine Citizens and the Economy of Maine by Providing Affordable Market-based Coverage Options to Low-income Uninsured Citizens"

(S.P. 226) (L.D. 633)

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**.

TABLED - March 5, 2015 (Till Later Today) by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan.

PENDING - **REFERENCE IN CONCURRENCE**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Establish a Voluntary Preforeclosure Mediation Program"

(S.P. 265) (L.D. 735)

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**.

TABLED - March 10, 2015 (Till Later Today) by Representative BECK of Waterville.

PENDING - **REFERENCE IN CONCURRENCE**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE** and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a Revenue Bond for a Student Loan Reduction Plan"

(H.P. 533) (L.D. 784)

(Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested)

TABLED - March 10, 2015 (Till Later Today) by Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

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

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

SENATE PAPERS

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Adjust Reimbursement Rates for Dental Services under the MaineCare Program

(S.P. 304) (L.D. 860)

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 Amend the Competitive Skills Scholarship Program To Allow for Participation in Early College and Career and Technical Education Programs"

(S.P. 300) (L.D. 856)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Improve Camping Opportunities in Maine"

(S.P. 303) (L.D. 859)

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

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

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Bill "An Act To Prohibit Public Endorsement of Candidates for Office by County Employees and Elected Officials"

(S.P. 301) (L.D. 857)

Bill "An Act To Better Inform the Public of Election Results"

(S.P. 302) (L.D. 858)

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.

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 306)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development is authorized to report out a bill allowing a licensed independent practice dental hygienist to expose and process radiographs under protocols developed by the Board of Dental Examiners.

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

READ and **PASSED** in concurrence.

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

On motion of Representative WOOD of Sabattus, the House adjourned at 11:49 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 12, 2015, in honor and lasting tribute to a former member of this body, the Honorable Albert G. Stevens, Jr., of Sabattus.