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ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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13th Legislative Day
Tuesday, February 16, 2016

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

Prayer by Tommy Sylvester, Boy Scout Troop 497, Jackman.
Colors presented by Boy Scout Troop 631 and Cub Scout Pack 684, Augusta.

National Anthem by Emily Lagace, Sidney.

Pledge of Allegiance by Ashton Heald, Boy Scout Troop 419, Madison.

Doctor of the day, David Mackenzie, M.D., Scarborough.

The Journal of Thursday, February 11, 2016 was read and approved.

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Resolution: (S.P. 636)

**JOINT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING
THE CENTENNIAL OF ACADIA NATIONAL PARK**

WHEREAS, Sieur de Monts National Monument was created by proclamation of President Woodrow Wilson in 1916 and was renamed Lafayette National Park in 1919 and Acadia National Park in 1929; and

WHEREAS, Acadia National Park is Maine's only national park and was established to ensure that Maine's natural and cultural heritage, including its rocky coastline, granite mountains, clean water, diverse plants and wildlife and enduring Wabanaki and European histories, is protected and recognized within the National Park System as a part of America's heritage; and

WHEREAS, Acadia National Park is one of Maine's most popular outdoor destinations, with over 2,500,000 visitors annually; and

WHEREAS, Acadia National Park has inspired generations of outdoor enthusiasts to appreciate Maine's natural and historic wonders; and

WHEREAS, Acadia National Park has been named by national public polls as "America's Favorite Place" and is identified as a top destination for hiking, scenic driving and family vacations; and

WHEREAS, visitors to Acadia National Park spent more than \$221,000,000 in Maine during their visits in 2014, supporting almost 3,500 jobs and generating more than \$91,000,000 in labor income and \$154,000,000 in value-added expenditures in Maine; and

WHEREAS, more than 250 Maine organizations, businesses and individuals have joined together to plan and implement a community-based, year-long, statewide celebration of Acadia National Park's founding with an eye toward encouraging the next century of stewardship of Maine's beloved national park; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize the centennial of Acadia National Park; to express gratitude to the founders of the park; to commend the National Park Service, volunteers and park supporters for their commitment of time, financial resources and knowledge to maintain the park for all to enjoy; and to convey our hope that future generations of Maine residents and visitors will continue this commitment to stewardship of Acadia National Park; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to officials at Acadia National Park and the citizens of the surrounding towns in honor of the centennial of Acadia National Park.

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

The following Joint Resolution: (S.P. 638)

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE
200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF GUILFORD**

WHEREAS, the Town of Guilford is situated in the southwestern part of Piscataquis County and was one of the 4 townships conveyed to Bowdoin College on the north shore of the Piscataquis River by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, in 1804, Elder Robert Low, Deacon Robert Herring and Michael Webber of New Gloucester purchased several tracts of land from Bowdoin College to make into lots, and Bowdoin College sold single lots to settlers; and

WHEREAS, the eldest sons of Low and Herring, with axes, hope and the spirit of cooperation, opened the first clearing that summer just west of the spot where Low's Bridge would soon stand, as its successor stands today; and

WHEREAS, in 1805, Low and Herring planted the first crop and built the first cabins to make ready the homes in which their families would settle the next year; and

WHEREAS, by the end of the decade, with 10 families in residence and a sawmill erected, a town meeting was held and self-government begun and in 1812, the settlement of Lowstown was organized as Plantation 6, Range 7; and

WHEREAS, in 1816, the settlers petitioned the General Court of Massachusetts to be incorporated and on February 8, 1816, the Town of Guilford was incorporated by an Act of the General Court; and

WHEREAS, 2016 is the 200th anniversary of the incorporation of the Town of Guilford; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the members of the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, express our congratulations and best wishes to the good citizens of our 215th town; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Town of Guilford.

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

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 637)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall report out, to the Senate, a bill regarding Maine's threatened and endangered species.

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

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 639)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services shall report out, to the Senate, legislation implementing the recommendations of the Commission To Study Difficult-to-place Patients.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 447)

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

February 16, 2016
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (H), I appoint Representative Joan W. Welsh of Rockport to serve as Speaker Pro Tem to convene the House on Thursday, February 18, 2016.

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

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 449)

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

February 11, 2016
Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
Honorable Mark W. Eves
Speaker of the House
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:
Please accept this letter as the report of the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development from its review and evaluation of the Maine State Housing Authority under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

The committee finds that the Maine State Housing Authority is operating effectively and efficiently within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,
S/Senator Amy F. Volk
Senate Chair
S/Representative Erin D. Herbig
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

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Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
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Speaker of the House
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:
Please accept this letter as the report of the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and

Economic Development from its review and evaluation of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

The Committee finds that the Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection and the Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation are operating effectively and efficiently within their statutory authority. In addition, the Committee will be reporting out a bill containing language proposed by the Department for further consideration through the normal legislative process.

Because the Joint Committee on Insurance and Financial Services is expected to review the Administrative Services Division, Bureau of Financial Institutions, Bureau of Insurance, and Office of Securities, the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research, and Economic Development makes no findings with regard to those offices.

Sincerely,
S/Senator Amy F. Volk
Senate Chair
S/Representative Erin D. Herbig
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 448)

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

February 16, 2016
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Please be advised that pursuant to Title 3, MRSA §154, Governor Paul R. LePage has withdrawn the following nomination:

On February 11, 2016

Dr. William H. Beardsley of Ellsworth for appointment as the Commissioner of Education. This nomination is currently pending before the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

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

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

**PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING
REFERENCE**

Bill "An Act To Require That Public Postsecondary Educational Institutions in the State Give Preference to Maine Producers When Entering into Contracts Related to Heating Fuel" (H.P. 1079) (L.D. 1588)

Sponsored by Representative SAUCIER of Presque Isle. Cosponsored by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, DUCHESNE of Hudson, MARTIN of Sinclair, SCHNECK of Bangor, Senators: EDGEComb of Aroostook, SAVIELLO of Franklin. Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested.

The Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Exempt from the Sales and Use Tax Sales to Certain Veterans' Organizations Funding Direct Supportive Services to Veterans and Their Families" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1081) (L.D. 1590)

Sponsored by Representative DEVIN of Newcastle.
Cosponsored by Senator JOHNSON of Lincoln and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, BLUME of York, DAVITT of Hampden, HANINGTON of Lincoln, POULIOT of Augusta, POWERS of Naples, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, TEPLER of Topsham.

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

Committee on **TAXATION** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

Resolve, To Name the Essex Street Overpass Bridge in Bangor the Brent Cross Bridge

(H.P. 1080) (L.D. 1589)

Sponsored by Representative FREY of Bangor.
Cosponsored by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot and Representative: KORNFIELD of Bangor, Senator: GRATWICK of Penobscot.

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

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

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

ORDERS

On motion of Representative McCABE of Skowhegan, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 1082) (Cosponsored by President THIBODEAU of Waldo and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, MARTIN of Sinclair, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, SHORT of Pittsfield, WARD of Dedham)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA ON FEBRUARY 16, 2016

WHEREAS, scouting is the largest voluntary youth movement in the world, with a membership totaling more than 32 million; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America is an organization that was incorporated on February 8, 1910, and recognized by federal charter on June 15, 1916, to provide an educational program for boys and young men to build strong moral character, learn the responsibilities of participatory citizenship and develop personal fitness; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America teaches the core values of duty to God and country, personal honor, respect for the beliefs of others, volunteerism and interdependence with the

environment, values that are conducive to good character, citizenship and health; and

WHEREAS, since 1910, more than 114,000,000 people have been members of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America has enhanced the lives of millions of boys and young men from every ethnic, religious and economic background, including those with disabilities and special needs, participating in scouting programs across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America prepares boys and young men for lives of service by providing opportunities for them to help their communities through service to others; and

WHEREAS, more than 980,000 adult volunteer leaders selflessly serve boys and young men in their communities through organizations chartered by the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America has always affirmed faith in God as foundational and essential to its purpose and mission, animated by Lord Baden-Powell's insight that "God has given us...the great Book of Nature to read"; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America enjoys a sustained record of proven success in producing leaders for our nation who are trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize the Boy Scouts of America and express our appreciation for the public service it performs through its contributions to the lives of the nation's boys and young men.

READ.

The **SPEAKER PRO TEM:** The Chair recognizes the Representative from Dedham, Representative WARD.

Representative **WARD:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, and assembled guests, as a Boy Scout since the age of nine who still serves on the Board of the Katahdin Area Council of Boy Scouts, I am proud to speak about scouting today.

What is scouting all about? Simply put, scouting teaches young boys to be good citizens and trains them to become leaders. But how? Since the earliest recorded times, people have looked to the wisdom of law givers, such as us, to guide them along their paths of duty and honor. From the Code of Hammurabi to the modern court system, most laws that most people have written have begun with a "do" or a "don't" or a "you must" or a "you must not." They either command or prohibit.

But the scout law does neither. It is simply a statement of fact of what's natural for a scout and what a scout is. And I'd ask every scout in the room with me here today to recite with me the scout law. "A scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent." Teaching scouts to live by these words in every part of their daily lives is how scouting makes good citizens and leaders. Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of scouting, said, "Scouting is a game with a purpose." You've all seen pictures of a Boy Scout helping an old lady across the street.

Yes, a scout is helpful. But there is so much more to it than that. Scouting provides opportunities for boys that they probably would never get to try otherwise. As a younger scout, I canoed the Allagash and unexpectedly went swimming. I white water rafted the Penobscot, rappelled Otter Cliffs and hiked to the top of Katahdin. I camped in the pouring rain, the freezing cold and the sweltering heat. I looked through a telescope for the first time. I shot a model rocket, toured a paper mill, and researched

my own family tree. Where else can you get to try all of these things?

Now, some say that playing sports makes a man by teaching boys good sportsmanship and making boys strong. However, each time a Boy Scout says the scout oath, he promises, in part, to keep himself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight. So, contrary to sports, scouting is for everyone. It's not the most capable part of the group on an outing while others wait on the bench hoping for a turn. Everyone goes. Everyone works together. Older scouts teach while younger scouts learn, until they are the older scouts and then they become the teachers. Everyone has something to contribute.

Scouting also provides opportunities to explore areas of personal interest through Cub Scout arrow points and activity pins and Boy Scout merit badges. Cubs begin with simple skills like cooking meals or making kites. As Webelos, they can study geology, build tool boxes from wood, perform plays, and explore the law of gravity. Boy Scout merit badges are meant to prepare boys for adulthood. Last year, over 96,000 American Boy Scouts earned their first aid merit badge. I know I would definitely want to be with one of them if I were faced with an emergency.

Citizenship in the community, citizenship in the nation, and citizenship in the world merit badges teach boys what we do affects others and what is happening on the other side of the world affects us all. The personal management merit badges teaches us how to prepare a budget and that a budget is not just writing down that you spent the entire contents of your wallet, it is not hoarding all your money in a box, it's planning what you're going to save and what you're going to spend. Well, lessons that could be valuable right here in the Legislature.

Swimming, hiking, and cycling merit badges encourage fitness for life, but beyond that, there are badges to explore hobbies like gardening, theatre, model-building, radio, coin collecting. There are badges to explore public service, fire safety, emergency preparedness and crime prevention. Other badges explore careers, like engineering—and I really enjoyed that one—architecture, journalism, auto mechanics, medicine, and law. And, of course, what would scouting be without outdoor skills like wilderness survival, camping, pioneering, and hiking?

All along the way, the work, the learning and the fun are put into two main awards that scouts earn. The Arrow of Light is the highest award in Cub Scouting and the Eagle Scout Rank is the highest award in Boy Scouts. Boys that have taken the time and had the perseverance to earn these patches show everyone that they are ready to become a useful part of society. Not only have Eagle Scouts learned about the skills they need as adults, they have also served as leaders to others. They have performed an Eagle Project—a service project of their choice. That project isn't that boy being helpful to others; it's that boy serving as the crew boss while his friends and scouts perform the service. The Eagle candidate has to arrange the work schedule, make sure supplies will be ready, make sure workers will be there on time, and deal with any last-minute problems that will always arise. And when it is all through, he has to provide a report detailing the project and work completed. It sounds like a lot of our careers, doesn't it?

But when they turn 18 years old, when boys are ready to be good citizens, what will they do and how will they put their scouting to use? Well, here's some examples: 26 of the first 29 astronauts and 181 of all NASA astronauts were former scouts, 39 of them were Eagles; of the 12 men to walk on the moon's surface, 11 were scouts; the 113th Congress contains 191 former scouts and 28 Eagles and 60 percent of women in Congress were girl scouts; 18 current US governors were scouts; four of them were Eagle. Gerald Ford, an Eagle Scout, became President of the United States. And Steven Spielberg, the

famous movie producer, is also an Eagle Scout. Hank Aaron, Walter Cronkite, Harrison Ford, Bill Gates, John F. Kennedy, Ross Perot, Sam Nunn, Donald Rumsfeld, Mike Rowe, Sam Walton, Rick Perry, and Michael Dukakis all wore the uniform. Bill Bennet, Lloyd Bentsen, Jimmy Buffet, George W. Bush, Bill Clinton, Richard Gere, Bill Bradley, Andy Griffith, and the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. all pledged the scout oath. Sir Paul McCartney was a British scout. Justice Stephen Breyer, Jim Morrison, Barack Obama, Nolan Ryan, Mark Spitz, James Brady, Jimmy Stewart, George Strait, Joe Theismann, and John Ritter, and the list goes on and on.

Of any 100 boys who became scouts, it must be confessed that 30 will drop out in their first year. And perhaps this may be regarded as a failure, but later in life all of these will remember that they were scouts and they will speak well of the program. Of the 100, only rarely will one ever appear before a juvenile court judge. Twelve of the 100 will be from families that belong to no church. But through scouting, these 12 and many of their families will be brought into contact with the church and will continue to be active all their lives. Six of those 100 will become pastors. Each of the 100 will learn something from scouting. Almost all will develop hobbies that will add interest throughout the rest of their lives. Approximately one half will serve in the military and in varying degrees profit from their scout training. At least one will use it to save another person's life and many will credit it with saving their own. Four of the 100 will reach Eagle rank and at least one will later say that he valued his Eagle above his own college degree. Many will find their future vocation through merit badge work and scouting contacts. Seventeen of the 100 boys will later become scout leaders and will give leadership to thousands of additional boys. And only one of four boys in America will become a scout, but it's interesting to note that of the leaders of this nation, Mr. Speaker, in business and religion and politics, three out of four were scouts.

Mr. Speaker, I ask permission to ask every Member of this body convened here today, and indeed every member of the legislative staff here today and every spectator watching from the balcony above that has ever belonged to Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts to please stand and be recognized and remain standing.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair would advise the Member we will be moving into that momentarily as well. The Member may proceed.

Representative **WARD**: Sorry to steal your thunder, Mr. Speaker. This story will never end. Like the golden pebble of service dropped into the human sea, it will continue to ripple in ever-widening circles, influencing the character of our nation down through unending time. Thank you to all scouts, past and present. There are few acts more important to the future of America. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Glenburn, Representative Guerin.

Representative **GUERIN**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Boy Scouting started early in Maine with two local chapters in operation by February 1915. The popularity of scouting's mission to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes allowed for the quick spreading of scout troops throughout Maine.

As the mother of three Eagle Scouts, I have seen firsthand the many leadership skills and opportunities available through scouting. Nationally, 1.1 million youth attend a council camp or high adventure camp each year. Maine is blessed with three nationally recognized camps that attract scouts from around the globe. Camp Roosevelt, Camp Hinds, and Maine High Adventure Camp showcase the best Maine has to offer in

outdoor recreation and character building, and are a wonderful resource for our youth for meaningful summer activity. I have seen firsthand in my family the life changing leadership skills that my sons learned at camp. I am pleased to extend my thanks to the many volunteer leaders around Maine and to congratulate the scouts here today on a job well done.

Subsequently, the Joint Resolution was **ADOPTED**.
Sent for concurrence.

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

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

Recognizing:

Candice Simeoni, of Lyman, who has been named the *Kennebunk Post's* Great Person of 2015. Ms. Simeoni has been a full-time patrol officer for 10 years, 3 in Kennebunkport and 7 in Eliot, and has worked for the past 2 years at the Kennebunk Police Department, where she serves as the administrative supervisor and a court officer. She founded the department's citizen's policing academy and the Police Explorers program in Eliot, works as a self-defense instructor, organizes coat drives for the elderly, works as a counselor for Camp Postcard for needy and troubled teens and is a child passenger safety seat technician. She is also chair of the York County Elder Abuse Task Force, a leader in its Lifelong Wish program and a baker for Icing Smiles, where she makes cakes for terminally ill children. We extend to Ms. Simeoni our appreciation for all she does and our congratulations on her receiving this recognition;

(SLS 912)

On **OBJECTION** of Representative BABBIDGE of Kennebunk, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The **SPEAKER PRO TEM**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Kennebunk, Representative Babbidge.

Representative **BABBIDGE**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I stand to speak for the record to congratulate Candice Simeoni for her winning the Great Person of the Year award given annually. But first, I want to thank the *Kennebunk Post* for instituting this annual recognition awarded according to the votes of the community. Many wonderful contributors to the quality of life in the Kennebunk area have been nominated, including Kennebunk residents Roger Hanson, Daryl Conant, Steven Spofford, Geraldine Waterhouse, Father Tom Murphy, and Linda Johnson. Twelve community volunteers and town board members were nominated and the *Post* deserves credit for offering the platform by which all of their good works are recognized.

This year's winner, Candice Simeoni, as you heard the Clerk read, is an outstanding person of energy who makes Kennebunk a better place. She's an officer in the Kennebunk Police Department, "a person everyone needs in their lives," it has been said. The final sentiment, as printed in your calendar, as often happens, includes some contributions of which many of us were unaware. I congratulate Candi and thank her for all she does for young and old to earn this award, the *Kennebunk Post's* Great Person of the Year. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Representative **BEAVERS**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would like to express my thanks to Candi for her seven years that she served in the police department in Eliot. Thank you.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **PASSED** in concurrence.

In Memory of:

Richard Bilodeau, Sr., of Dexter, a veteran of the United States Air Force. Mr. Bilodeau graduated from Skowhegan High School in 1947 and served 4 years in the Air Force. He worked for several years as a grocer and then for Norrwock Shoe Company in Skowhegan. He then worked at Dexter Shoe Company for 33 years, retiring as Plant Manager in 1993. He was a communicant at St. Anne's Catholic Church and served as Lector and Eucharistic Minister. He also served on Our Lady's Kitchen, a program providing free meals on Sundays. He was a member of Cardinal Mercier Council 2625 Knights of Columbus, serving 42 years as Grand Knight, District Deputy, Financial Secretary and Faithful Navigator of the 4th Degree Assembly. He volunteered for 32 years for the Maine Highlands Federal Credit Union, serving as chairman of the board of directors. Mr. Bilodeau will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends;

(HLS 1021)

Presented by Representative WALLACE of Dexter.
Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative WALLACE of Dexter, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The **SPEAKER PRO TEM**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Dexter, Representative Wallace.

Representative **WALLACE**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, as you've heard, Dick had a very busy life. But, in truth, his life was all family. He raised three boys, two of which are in the audience today. The third is in Florida. His wife passed three years before he did and he missed her greatly.

Dick was a great follower of local sports. I don't think he ever missed any sporting event in Dexter. If you went to one, he was there either working in the ticket taking. He was doing something always for the sports program in Dexter and he's greatly missed in that position.

And as far as the credit union goes, he served 32 years there and when he got done as Chair, I moved into his position and without his help in the background, I'll tell you, I would've been lost. So Dick was very, very involved in the credit union. The Dexter Credit Union has a special plaque in his office. He's the one that actually did the construction of the office and he was involved in also in the Brownville office. And he will be greatly missed by Dexter, the people of Dexter, so thank you.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **ADOPTED** 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:

(S.P. 564) (L.D. 1466) Bill "An Act To Exempt Certain Liquor Sales Representatives from Licensing Requirements" Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-357)**

(H.P. 1047) (L.D. 1522) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of the Final Repeal 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. 1064) (L.D. 1568) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 373: Financial and Technical Capacity Standards of the Site Location of Development Act, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection (EMERGENCY) Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 1065) (L.D. 1569) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 375: No Adverse Environmental Effect Standards of the Site Location of Development Act, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection (EMERGENCY) Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 1066) (L.D. 1570) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 380: Long-term Construction Projects Under the Site Location of Development Act, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection (EMERGENCY) Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 1004) (L.D. 1463) Bill "An Act To Allow Members of the State Employee and Teacher Retirement Program To Reapply for Disability Retirement Benefits after Denial and To Allow the Board of Trustees of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System To Offer Long-term Disability Insurance Coverage" Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-517)**

(H.P. 1053) (L.D. 1546) Bill "An Act To Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2017" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-518)**

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. 562) (L.D. 1461) Bill "An Act To Allow All Manufacturers Licensed by the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations To Provide Samples of Products to Retail Licensees" (C. "A" S-353)

(H.P. 1058) (L.D. 1555) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 101: Maine Unified Special Education Regulation Birth to Age 20, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 124) (L.D. 166) Bill "An Act To Allow York County To Better Provide Rescue and Ambulance Services" (C. "B" H-513)

(H.P. 690) (L.D. 995) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Participating Local Districts in the Maine Public Employees Retirement System" (C. "A" H-514)

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

ENACTORS

Emergency Measure

An Act To Align the Child and Family Services and Child Protection Act with the Federal Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act

(H.P. 1020) (L.D. 1497)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 124 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker Pro Tem and sent to the Senate.

Acts

An Act To Promote Private Fund-raising for the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf

(S.P. 567) (L.D. 1469)

An Act To Revise the Charter of the Rumford Water District

(S.P. 580) (L.D. 1482)

(C. "A" S-347; S. "A" S-349)

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

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

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Veterinary Practice Act"

(S.P. 640) (L.D. 1591)

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.

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

On motion of Representative WALLACE of Dexter, the House adjourned at 12:14 p.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, February 18, 2016, in honor and lasting tribute to Richard Bilodeau, Sr., of Dexter.