

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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The House Calendar

The Advance Journal and Calendar of the House of Representatives

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

23rd Legislative Day

Tuesday, March 24, 2015

Calling of the House to Order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Colonel Andrew Gibson, Senior Army Chaplain, Maine Army National Guard, Augusta.

National Anthem by Technical Sergeant Joel Crowley, Windham.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctors of the day, Dieter Kreckel, M.D., Rumford and Lisa Torgersen, M.D., Canton.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, March 19, 2015.

SENATE PAPERS

(1-1) Bill "An Act Regarding Residential Drinking Water Arsenic Testing"
(S.P. 328) (L.D. 937)

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

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

Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House

Robert B. Hunt, Clerk

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ORDERS

(4-1) On motion of Representative TEPLER of Topsham, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 741) (Cosponsored by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, BABBIDGE of Kennebunk, BEAVERS of South Berwick, BICKFORD of Auburn, BROOKS of Lewiston, BRYANT of Windham, BUCKLAND of Farmington, BURSTEIN of Lincolnville, CHACE of Durham, CHENETTE of Saco, COOPER of Yarmouth, DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, DAVITT of Hampden, DEVIN of Newcastle, DILLINGHAM of Oxford, DOORE of Augusta, DUCHESNE of Hudson, DUNPHY of Old Town, EVANGELOS of Friendship, FARNSWORTH of Portland, FARRIN of Norridgewock, FOLEY of Wells, FOWLE of Vassalboro, GERRISH of Lebanon, GILBERT of Jay, GINZLER of Bridgton, GOLDEN of Lewiston, GOODE of Bangor, GRANT of Gardiner, GROHMAN of Biddeford, HICKMAN of Winthrop, HOBBS of Saco, HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach, HYMANSON of York, JORGENSEN of Portland, KINNEY of Limington, KORNFELD of Bangor, KRUGER of Thomaston, LONG of Sherman, LONGSTAFF of Waterville, MALABY of Hancock, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MARTIN of Sinclair, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, McCABE of Skowhegan, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MELARAGNO of Auburn, MONAGHAN of Cape Elizabeth, NADEAU of Winslow, NOON of Sanford, PETERSON of Rumford, PICKETT of Dixfield, PIERCE of Dresden, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, SCHNECK of Bangor, SEAVEY of Kennebunkport, SKOLFIELD of Weld, STUCKEY of Portland, SUKEFORTH of Appleton, TIMMONS of Cumberland, TIPPING-SPITZ of Orono, TUCKER of Brunswick, TUELL of East Machias, TURNER of Burlington, VEROW of Brewer, WELSH of Rockport, Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, BAKER of Sagadahoc, BRAKEY of Androscoggin, BURNS of Washington, CUSHING of Penobscot, DAVIS of Piscataquis, DIAMOND of Cumberland, GERZOFKY of Cumberland, GRATWICK of Penobscot, HASKELL of Cumberland, JOHNSON of Lincoln, LANGLEY of Hancock, LIBBY of Androscoggin, McCORMICK of Kennebec, MILLETT of Cumberland, PATRICK of Oxford, VALENTINO of York, VOLK of Cumberland, WILLETTE of Aroostook)

JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE MAINE NATIONAL GUARD AND ALL ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL FOR THEIR SERVICE TO THE STATE AND NATION

WHEREAS, patriots from the District of Maine first mustered to form a militia to fight for the colonies in the Revolutionary War and for the nation during the War of 1812; and

WHEREAS, the Maine National Guard has proudly served the citizens of the State during natural disasters such as forest fires, floods and storms and has bravely defended the United States of America during times of war since Maine first entered the Union in 1820, and over the years the highest percentages of volunteers have been Maine people; and

WHEREAS, nearly 12,000 members of the Maine Army National Guard and the Maine Air National Guard have faithfully answered the call to duty in America's Global War on Terror; at times the State has had a larger percentage of personnel mobilized in support of that mission than any other state in the Union; and

WHEREAS, members of the Maine Army National Guard and the Maine Air National Guard continue to defend freedom and democracy around the globe, including in Iraq and Afghanistan, where they are playing a vital role in protecting the safety and security of all Americans; and

WHEREAS, the people of Maine have the utmost respect for the members of the Maine Army National Guard and the Maine Air National Guard for putting their lives in danger for the sake of the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans; and

WHEREAS, the people of Maine are appreciative of the countless personal and professional sacrifices that the active volunteers of the Maine Army National Guard and the Maine Air National Guard and their families have made in order to protect our freedoms; and

WHEREAS, since the tragic events of 9/11, countless Maine citizens have made sacrifices to serve and defend our country through the National Guard and to fight for our freedom, and 55 brave Maine citizens have answered the final call; 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 to express our solidarity with the men and women on active duty in the Maine Army National Guard and the Maine Air National Guard and their families; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Adjutant General of the Maine National Guard.
