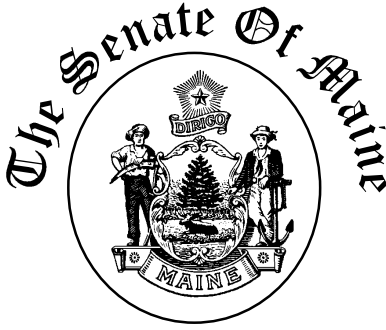


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One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth Legislature First Regular Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

1st Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Wednesday, December 7, 2016.

Pursuant to the Provisions of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Maine, the Senators-elect of the One-Hundred and Twenty-eighth Legislature convened in the Senate Chamber and were called to order by Heather J.R. Priest, Secretary of the Senate of the One-Hundred and Twenty-seventh Legislature.

Prayer by Pastor Justin Thacker, Praise Assembly of God in Rumford.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator-elect Dana L. Dow of Lincoln County.

National Anthem performed by the Samuel L. Wagner Middle School Show Choir of Winterport

Doctors of the day, Charles Pattavina, M.D. of Winterport & Lisa Gouldsbrough D.O. of Biddeford.

Michael D. Thibodeau
Senate President

Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate

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Joint Orders

(4-10) On motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 1

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Rules of the 127th Legislature are the Joint Rules of the 128th Legislature, except that Joint Rule 202 is adopted as follows:

Rule 202. Cloture for Legislators at the First Regular Session.

All requests for bills and resolves submitted by Legislators for a first regular session must be submitted in complete form, as provided in Joint Rule 208, to the Revisor of Statutes by 4:00 p.m. on the 3rd Friday in December, except that for the First Regular Session of the 128th Legislature, the cloture date is December 30, 2016.

(4-11) On motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 2

Ordered, the House concurring, that there be paid to the members of the Senate and the House of Representatives as advances on account of compensation established by statute, 12 payments on a biweekly basis commencing January 4, 2017, according to lists certified to the State Controller by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, respectively.

(4-12) On motion by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 3

Ordered, the House concurring, that the Executive Director of the Legislative Council be authorized and directed to prepare weekly, from expense accounts to be submitted to him by the members of the Senate and House, expense rosters showing the entitlement of each member for meals allowance and lodging reimbursement and to obtain approval thereof by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, respectively, and deliver the same to the State Controller for processing and payment in the manner and form recommended by the Joint Interim Committee of the 101st Legislature created to study and report on a method of implementing the administration of the provision of law relating to the mileage and expenses for members of the Legislature; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Executive Director of the Legislative Council be authorized and directed to provide the forms necessary for such purpose and provide suitable space in his office for the filing and safekeeping of all such expense accounts and other papers and records pertaining thereto.
