

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
April 1, 1981

CALL TO ORDER

A scheduled meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Legislative Council Chambers, Room 327, and called to order by Chairman Elizabeth Mitchell, at 2:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators: Sen. Collins, Sen. Conley, Sen. Pray, Sen. Sewall

Representatives: Rep. Diamond, Rep. Higgins, Rep. Martin,  
Rep. Mitchell, Rep. Tarbell

Legislative Officers

and Staff: David Silsby - Legislative Research Director  
William Garside - Legislative Administrative Director  
Ronald Lord - Legislative Finance Officer  
Helen Ginder - Legislative Assistants Coordinator

COMMUNICATIONS

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the letter from the National Science Foundation be accepted and placed on file.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Collins and carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

An After Deadline Bill, "AN ACT to Upgrade the Water Classification of a Portion of Sandy River" was submitted by Rep. Webster of Farmington.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the bill be voted upon.

Sen. Pray seconded the motion and discussion followed.

MOTION

Rep. Higgins moved to table the bill.

Sen. Collins seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Rep. Salsbury submitted an After Deadline Bill "AN ACT to Limit Scallop Dragging" to the Council.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the bill be voted upon.

Rep. Higgins seconded the motion and it was voted upon with all members present voting yea and those absent were Rep. Diamond, Sen. Pierce, and Sen. Sewall. The bill was accepted.

NEW BUSINESS

Rep. Berube submitted an After Deadline Bill "AN ACT to Require that County Employees be Hired by Merit" to the Council.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the bill be voted upon.

Rep. Higgins seconded the motion and it was voted upon with Sen. Conley, Sen. Collins, Rep. Martin, Rep. Mitchell, Rep. Tarbell, and Rep. Higgins voting yea, Sen. Pray voted nay, and Rep. Diamond, Sen. Pierce and Sen. Sewall were absent. The bill was accepted.

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Sen. Pierce submitted two After Deadline Bills "AN ACT to Clarify the Election Laws" and "AN ACT to Amend the Election Laws Pertaining to Nomination of Candidates by Petition" to the Council.

MOTION

Sen. Collins moved that the bills be voted upon.

Sen. Conley seconded the motion and discussion followed.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the bills be tabled.

Sen. Pray seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Sen. Sewall moved that the meeting be adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENED

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The meeting was called to order once again by Chairman, Elizabeth Mitchell at 3:45 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

The Council discussed a May, 1, 1981 deadline for all bills to be out of committee. Sen. Sewall and Rep. Martin stated that all public hearings should be done by April 24th following all day committee meetings on April 21, 22, 23 and 24th if necessary instead of legislative sessions. They requested David Silsby, Legislative Research Director to prepare a letter concerning this for time suggesting.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that this discussion be accepted.

Rep. Diamond seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the meeting be adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Rep. Tarbell seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.