

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
April 23, 1981

CALL TO ORDER

A scheduled meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Speaker of the House's office and called to order by Chairman Elizabeth Mitchell, at 2:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators: Sen. Collins, Sen. Pierce

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

Legislative Officers

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

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the minutes of March 25, April 1, and April 9, 1981 be accepted.

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

LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS AND STAFF

Helen Ginder, Legislative Assistants Coordinator submitted an outline to the Council about Joint Standing Committee Interim Work.

MOTION

Sen. Pierce moved that the outline be tabled until the Council could review it further.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

David Silsby, Legislative Research Director, submitted to the Council informational material concerning computer technology and he recommends that the Legislature expand its computer system at the earliest possible time.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman appoint a subcommittee of 4 Council members to review and make a recommendation to the full Council concerning the computer system.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Rep. Georgette Berube submitted a letter the Council concerning salary increases for members of the Maine-Canadian Legislative Advisory Commission.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the letter be given to the Legislative Administrative Director for review and that he shall report back to the Council.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sen. Teague and Rep. Nelson of the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans submitted a letter to Council concerning recodification of the Maine State Retirement System.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the letter be tabled.

The motion was seconded by Rep. Higgins and carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Rep. Huber submitted an After Deadline Bill Request "AN ACT to Provide Optional Local Funding of the State Retirement System Membership by School Administrative Units and to Allow Out-of-State Service Credits to those Units" to the Council for approval.

MOTION

Sen. Collins moved that the request be voted upon.

Rep. Martin seconded the motion and discussion followed.

A vote was taken with Rep. Diamond, Sen. Collins, Rep. Martin, Rep. Mitchell, Sen. Pierce, Rep. Tarbell and Rep. Higgins voting yea. Sen. Conley, Sen. Pray and Sen. Sewall were absent. The request was accepted.

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Rep. Richard submitted an After Deadline Bill Request, "RESOLVE, Reimbursing the Town of Madison under the Tree Growth Tax Law" for the Council's approval.

MOTION

Sen. Pierce moved that the request be tabled until further into the meeting.

The motion was seconded by Rep. Martin and carried unanimously.

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Rep. Webster submitted an After Deadline Bill Request, "AN ACT to Upgrade the Water Classification of a Portion of Sandy River" for the Council's approval.

MOTION

Sen. Pierce moved that the request be retabled.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Rep. Jackson submitted an After Deadline Bill Request, "AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the North Yarmouth Water District" for the Council's approval.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request be voted upon.

Rep. Higgins seconded the motion and it was voted upon with all members present voting yea. Those absent were Sen. Conley, Sen. Pray, Rep. Tarbell, and Sen. Sewall. The request was accepted.

Rep. Wentworth submitted an After Deadline Bill Request, "AN ACT Creating the North Berwick Water District," for the Council's approval.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the bill be voted upon.

The motion was seconded and a vote taken with all members present voting yea. Those absent were Sen. Conley, Sen. Pray, Rep. Tarbell, and Sen. Sewall. The request was accepted.

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Rep. Higgins submitted an After Deadline Bill Request, "AN ACT to Recover Certain Refund Values Retained under the Beverage Container Law," for the Council's approval.

MOTION

Sen. Collins moved that the request be voted upon.

Rep. Martin seconded the motion and it was voted upon with all members present voting yea. Those absent were Sen. Conley, Sen. Pray, Rep. Tarbell, and Sen. Sewall. The request was accepted.

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Rep. Richard's bill request was re-examined at this time.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request be voted upon.

Rep. Higgins seconded the motion and it was voted upon with all members present voting yea. Those absent were Sen. Conley, Sen. Pray, Rep. Tarbell, and Sen. Sewall. The request was accepted.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the meeting be adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.