

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
September 25, 1981

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Legislative Council Chambers, Room 327 and called to order by Chairman Elizabeth Mitchell at 9:15 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

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  
Edith Hary - Law Librarian  
Helen Ginder - Legislative Assistants Coordinator  
Ronald Lord - Legislative Finance Officer

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MOTION

Rep. Diamond made a motion to accept the minutes of August 13, 1981 with the following corrections:

On page 4 the correct Present salary for Brian K. Blaisdell should have been \$475.71;

On page 6, 3rd paragraph, 3rd line, the H.P. number should have been 1676 not H.P. 1677;

To be added at the end before Adjournment the following paragraph;

'Helen Ginder reported to the Council for joint orders that had been approved or not approved for funding pursuant to the memo of Rep. Mitchell, June 23, 1981.

Joint Orders Approved funding:

1. S.P. 700
2. H.P. 1694
3. H.P. 1693
4. State Housing Policy

Joint Orders funding not approved:

1. H.P. 1676
2. H.P. 1677

MOTION

Rep. Mitchell moved that the report be accepted.

Sen. Pierce seconded the motion. The motion was voted upon and carried unanimously.'

The motion was seconded by Rep. Higgins to make the above corrections and it was carried unanimously.

LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS AND STAFF REPORTS

William Garside, Legislative Administrative Director, submitted a letter to the Council requesting that a merit increase be granted to the following:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kevin Madigan	\$358.17	\$377.50	9/26/81

MOTION

A motion was made by Rep. Martin to accept the request.

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

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Helen Ginder, Legislative Assistants Coordinator, requested permission to participate as Vice Chairman on the Management Team of the Conference of State Legislators.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request be granted.

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

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Helen Ginder, Legislative Assistants Coordinator, presented a memo to the Council from Haven Whiteside, Legislative Assistant, to request authorization to attend the New England Section of the American Physical Society on October 2nd and 3rd and to reimburse him for conference expenses.

MOTION

Sen. Collins moved that the request be approved.

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

David Silsby, Legislative Research Director, submitted to the Council a request for merit increases for the following persons:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Joan Gagne	\$195.60	\$202.40	10/6/81
Kathryn Dostie	\$195.60	\$202.40	10/20/81
Charlotte Carrie	\$291.60	\$304.40	10/18/81

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that the merit increase be approved.

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

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David Silsby, also submitted to the Council a letter concerning reappointment to his position as Legislative Research Director which expires October 5, 1981.

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that David Silsby be reappointed as the Director of Legislative Research. Discussion.

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

TABLED AND UNASSIGNED ITEMS

A letter from Ronald Lord, Legislative Finance Officer, requesting the Council's approval to transfer Kevin Madigan who is presently a Program Analyst in the Finance Office to fill the position for Budget Analyst and to fill the position left vacant by the transfer. Discussion followed.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the letter be approved and that the Finance Office will provide the fiscal assistance to the Transportation Committee in the future.

Sen. Sewall seconded the motion and it was carried with 2 opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

A memo from Rep. Merle Nelson concerning expenditures for conferences by the Maine Legislature was discussed.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the memo be submitted to the Legislative Administrative Director to be studied.

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

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Rep. Jalbert's Second Special Session Request, "AN ACT to Require State Bond Issues Passed at the First Regular Session and the First Special Session of the 110th Legislature to Include all Interest Involved for each Question and to be Placed on the Ballot," was submitted for the Council's approval.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request be accepted.

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

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Rep. E. Paradis's Second Special Session Request, "AN ACT Concerning the Sale and Use of Drug Paraphernalia," was submitted for the Council's approval.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request be accepted.

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

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

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