

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

May 4, 1983

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Legislative Council Chambers, Room 327, and called to order by Vice-Chairman Elizabeth H. Mitchell at 1:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators: Sen. Carpenter, Sen. Collins, Sen. Conley,
Sen. Gill

Representatives: Rep. Davis, Rep. Diamond, Rep.
Martin, Rep. Mitchell

Legislative Officers and Staff:

Sarah Diamond - Legislative Administrative Director
David Silsby - Legislative Research Director
Ronald Lord - Legislative Finance Officer
Martha Palmer - Law Librarian
Helen Ginder - Legislative Assistants Director

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the minutes of April 20 and April 27, 1983 be approved.

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

LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS' AND STAFF REPORTS

A letter from Martha Palmer, Law Librarian, was submitted to the Council, requesting approval of a merit increase for Laura Goss, Law Library Assistant II, from \$7.10 per hour to \$7.40 per hour, effective May 15, 1983.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the merit increase be approved.

Rep. Diamond seconded the motion and it was carried

unanimously.

A letter of resignation from Paul A. D'alessandro, Associate Law Librarian, effective May 20, 1983 was submitted to the Council.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the resignation be accepted and that a letter be sent to Mr. D'alessandro thanking him for his service to the Legislature.

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

Martha Palmer, Law Librarian, requested approval to fill the position vacated by Paul D'alessandro as soon as possible to enable the Law Library to fulfill its responsibilities as required by statute.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the Law Librarian be authorized to fill the position vacated in conjunction with the Legislative Administrative Director.

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

A letter of resignation from Ronald Lord, Legislative Finance Officer, was submitted to the Council.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the resignation be accepted with deep regret.

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

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the Legislative Administrative Director prepare a proposed plan for filling the vacancy created by Mr. Lord.

Sen. Conley seconded the motion and it was carried

unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

The Committee on Audit and Program Review submitted a letter informing the Council that it has already begun its review of the state agencies as set out in L.D. 1390, which was enacted this session and requesting authorization to proceed with that schedule, which will extend through the interim.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request be approved.

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

The Council discussed the procedure used for reviewing interim studies.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the same procedure for reviewing committee proposals for interim studies used last session be implemented this year and that the study requests be submitted from committees by May 20th.

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

A letter from the Committee on Labor requesting permission to carry over L.D. 1309, "AN ACT to Amend the Municipal Employees Collective Bargaining Law to Make Manpower Issues a Mandatory Subject of Bargaining" until the Second Regular Session of the 111th was submitted to the Council. The Marine Resources Committee had requested permission to carryover, at the April 27th Council meeting, L.D. 1207, "AN ACT Concerning Menhaden Fishing in Casco Bay".

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that both L.D.1309 and L.D. 1207 be approved to go on the carryover joint order that is prepared at the end of the session.

Sen. Collins seconded the motion and it was carried

unanimously.

After deadline bills (see attached list) were presented to the Council and voted upon.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that the Council meeting be adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

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



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May 2, 1983

Senator Charles P. Pray, Chair
Legislative Council

Dear Senator Pray:

The following merited salary adjustment requires Council approval:

Laura Goss	From \$7.10/hour
Law Library Assistant II	TO \$7.40/hour

This increase should be effective May 15, 1983.

Thank you.

Martha L. Palmer
Sincerely,

Martha L. Palmer
State Law Librarian

cc. Sally Diamond, Legislative Administrative Director

SENATE

G. WILLIAM DIAMOND, DISTRICT 6, CHAIR
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JAMES McBREAIRTY, DISTRICT 31

JANET E. WALDRON, SENIOR PROGRAM ANALYST
LARS E. LOREN, PROGRAM ANALYST
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STATE OF MAINE

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE ON AUDIT AND PROGRAM REVIEW

May 2, 1983

Senator Charles Pray
and Legislative Council Members
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Charlie,

With the enactment of L.D. 1390 and the Governor's signing it into law, the Committee's review of the Departments of Mental Health and Corrections, the Maine State Housing Authority, the Division of Community Services and other independent agencies is almost complete. This legislation which saves the General Fund over \$500,000 in the coming biennium, marks the turning point in one review cycle and the beginning of a new one.

The Committee is now beginning its in-depth review of the Departments of Conservation and Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and several other state agencies such as the Baxter State Park Authority. The full Committee has already broken down into three subcommittees which have begun to meet. In the past the subcommittees have not met until after the session's adjournment. By beginning to meet earlier, we hope to increase the depth of our review and to minimize the Committee's expenses during the interim.

This advancement of the review schedule is intended to take full advantage of the time during the legislative session. It also is the result of our emphasis on subcommittee work in an effort to maximize efficiency yet minimize cost. We have invited, as you know, members from the substantive committees, Energy and Natural Resources and Fisheries and Wildlife, that are concerned with the subject areas under review to participate as active subcommittee members. It is our intent that including such individuals on the subcommittees will facilitate a cooperative relationship while drawing from their expertise.

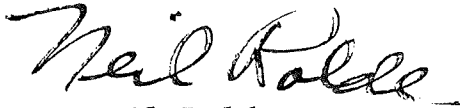
To evaluate these agencies as charged under the Maine Sunset Act in sufficient detail and report back to the legislature as prescribed by law no later than December 31, 1983, the Audit Committee process necessitates periodic meetings throughout the interim. As in the past, we are requesting authorization for

Audit Committee members and those members invited to participate from the substantive committees to meet during the interim. We also expect that both our interim work and work during the remainder of the session will involve site visits to the field operations of the departments under review. We are, therefore, as usual, requesting authorization for these visits.

We realize that this request is being made to you earlier than in previous years. This is a result of our advancement of the review schedule and our increased emphasis on subcommittee work which we feel will greatly improve the committee's efficiency. We feel we have an excellent working committee and are looking forward to a productive year.

Thank you for your consideration and please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



Rep. Neil Rolde
House Chairman



Sen. G. William Diamond
Senate Chairman

SENATE

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KENNETH P. HAYES, DISTRICT 26
CHARLOTTE Z. SEWALL, DISTRICT 20

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STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE ON LABOR

May 2, 1983

Hon. Gerard P. Conley, President of the Senate
Hon. John L. Martin, Speaker of the House
Legislative Council
State House

Dear President Conley and Speaker Martin:

On behalf of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, we request that LD 1309, AN ACT to Amend the Municipal Employees Collective Bargaining Law to Make Manpower Issues a Mandatory Subject of Bargaining, be carried over to the second regular session of the Legislature. A case on this same subject is now pending before the Maine Labor Relations Board and a decision is not expected until after adjournment of the first regular session. It will not be clear until after that time whether or not LD 1309 is a necessary piece of legislation.

We would appreciate a reply on this matter at your earliest convenience. Please contact us if we can be of further assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Dennis L. Dutremble in cursive.

Hon. Dennis L. Dutremble,
Senate Chairman

Handwritten signature of Edith Beaulieu in cursive.

Hon. Edith Beaulieu,
House Chairman

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