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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
April 6, 1993
AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

SECRETARY'S REPORT

*Summary of March 30, 1993, Council Meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Legislative Budget Committee

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Memorandum from Senator Bustin regarding Parking in the
State House Complex

Item #2: After Deadline Bill Requests

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

ADJOURNMENT

* Agenda items preceded by this symbol are items for the Council's review and information. The usual motion on these items is to "accept and place on file"; in other cases, the item requires no Council action at all.

Lynn Randall
Legislative Council Info.



REP. DAN A. GWADOSKY
CHAIR

SEN. DENNIS L. DUTREMBLE
VICE-CHAIR

STATE OF MAINE

116th LEGISLATURE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

DONALD E. ESTY, JR.
PAMELA L. CAHILL
SEN. BEVERLY MINER BUSTIN
SEN. DAVID L. CARPENTER
REP. JOHN L. MARTIN
REP. WALTER E. WHITCOMB
REP. PATRICK E. PARADIS
REP. STEPHEN M. ZIRNKILTON

SARAH C. TUBBESING
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 30, 1993

MEETING SUMMARY

Approved April 6, 1993

CALL TO ORDER

The Council meeting was called to order by the Chair, Rep. Gwadosky, at 3:12 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators:	Sen. Dutremble, Sen. Esty, Sen. Cahill, Sen. Bustin, Sen. Carpenter
Representatives:	Speaker Martin, Rep. Gwadosky, Rep. Whitcomb, Rep. Paradis, Rep. Zirnkilton
Legislative Officers:	Sally Tubbesing, Executive Director, Lynn Randall, State Law Librarian John Wakefield, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review Martha Freeman, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis David Kennedy, Revisor of Statutes Joy O'Brien, Secretary of the Senate Joseph Mayo, Clerk of the House

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Summary of the March 16, 1993, Council meeting was approved and placed on file. (Motion by Sen. Dutremble; second by Sen. Cahill; unanimous).

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Sally Tubbesing noted that David Kennedy and Martha Freeman were prepared to give Council members a general status report on both bill drafting and committee work at the appropriate time. The Chair asked the two Office Directors to proceed.

Mr. Kennedy reported that of the 2,250 legislative instruments filed to date, only 150 remain to be drafted, of which 103 are pre-cloture bills. Ms. Freeman noted that the work load had now shifted to the committees. She reported that while committees were, at this point, keeping pace with the session 2 years ago, they still have about 80% of the total bills referred before them. She suggested that the Council consider establishing staggered deadlines for completion of committee work as previous Councils had, noting that this has been a useful way to encourage the small workload committees to complete their work so their staff can be reassigned to the larger committees. Sen. Dutremble observed that the Committee workload had been increased this year by the new rules related to consideration of the budget. Ms. Freeman concurred, noting that most committees had already reached the level of activity that usually comes only in the closing weeks of the session.

The Chair, Rep. Gwadosky, thanked Ms. Freeman and Mr. Kennedy for their reports and asked that they keep Council members posted.

No formal Council action was required on this item.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Legislative Budget Committee

The Chair, Sen. Dutremble, reported that the Committee would be meeting.

Personnel Committee

Rep. Gwadosky, Committee Chair, reported that he would be scheduling a meeting within the next week to review the draft regarding the development of a Sick Leave Bank.

OLD BUSINESS

Item #1: Revenue Forecasting Committee Created by Executive Order 4 FY 92/93. (Tabled at February 2 Council meeting)

Motion: That this item be placed on file. (Motion by Speaker Martin; second by Sen. Dutremble; unanimous).

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: After Deadline Bill Requests

After deadline requests were considered by the Legislative Council. The Council's action on these requests is included on the attached list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The Council meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m., on the motion of Sen. Cahill.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
ACTION ON REQUESTS TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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	Action
SPONSOR: Rep. Adams	ACCEPTED
LR 1601 An Act Regarding Cable Television	
SPONSOR: Rep. Gean	ACCEPTED
LR 2278 An Act to Consolidate all Substance Abuse Programs within the Office of Substance Abuse	
SPONSOR: Rep. Joseph	WITHDRAWN
LR 0670 An Act to Improve the State's Fiscal Forecasting Capabilities	
SPONSOR: Rep. Joseph	FAILED
LR 0672 An Act to Create the Department of Children and Families and the Department of Health and Developmental Services	
SPONSOR: Rep. Joseph	WITHDRAWN
LR 0674 An Act to Reform the Budget Process	
SPONSOR: Rep. Joseph	ACCEPTED
LR 0675 An Act to Reform the Audit and Program Review Process	
SPONSOR: Rep. Joseph	ACCEPTED
LR 0678 An Act to Promote Electronic Transfer of Funds and Other Information System Improvements in State Government	
SPONSOR: Rep. Joseph	ACCEPTED
LR 0680 An Act to Require Renegotiation of State Leases for Real Property	

SPONSOR: Rep. Joseph **WITHDRAWN**

LR 0681 An Act to Promote Efficiency in the Judicial
Department and to Revise the Mandate of the Maine
Criminal Justice Commission

SPONSOR: Rep. Joseph **ACCEPTED**

LR 2281 An Act Creating the Commission to Establish a
Comprehensive Policy on Political Activities by
Members of State Boards and Commissions

SPONSOR: Rep. Kilkelly **FAILED**

LR 2271 An Act to Amend the Law Governing Review of the
Legislative Budget

SPONSOR: Sen. Luther **FAILED**

LR 2273 An Act to Allow Landowners to Open their Property
to the Public for Purposes Other than Hunting

SPONSOR: Sen. Luther **ACCEPTED**

LR 2279 An Act Related to the State Valuation of the Town of
Mexico

SPONSOR: Rep. Murphy **FAILED**

LR 2262 An Act to Require School Districts and School Boards
to Provide Transportation to Students in Private
Schools

SPONSOR: Rep. Murphy **ACCEPTED**

LR 2263 An Act to Allow the Town of Berwick to Rebuild
Certain Private Roads

SPONSOR: Rep. Plowman **FAILED**

LR 2234 An Act to Permit Municipal Government Oversight of
the Budget Making Process for School Administrative
Districts

SPONSOR: Rep. Poulin

WITHDRAWN

LR 2253 An Act to Control Costs of Refinancing Commercial Loans

SPONSOR: Rep. Vigue

ACCEPTED

LR 2246 An Act to Improve the Business Climate in the State by Making Power Available at a Lower Rate

SPONSOR: Rep. Walker

WITHDRAWN

LR 2244 An Act Concerning the Distribution of Interest Earned on School Construction Projects

SPONSOR: Rep. Whitcomb

ACCEPTED

LR 2260 An Act to Require Employee Leasing Companies to Post Security Bonds or Deposit Securities

SPONSOR: Rep. Zirnkilton

FAILED

LR 2285 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Require a 2/3 Vote to Increase the Income or Sales Taxes

TABLED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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03/02/93**

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SPONSOR: Sen. McCormick

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**LR 2200 An Act to Encourage Economic Recovery in the
Construction Industry**

SPONSOR: Rep. Mitchell, James

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03/02/93**

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of a Contract for Disposal of Low-level Radioactive
Waste Generated in this State**

SPONSOR: Sen. Paradis, Judy

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SPONSOR: Rep. Plowman

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LR 2229 An Act to Provide Work-study Jobs for Maine Students

JOINT RESOLUTION

SPONSOR: Rep. Simoneau

**TABLED
01/07/93**

**LR 0960 JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS ALLOWING
STATES TO SET THEIR OWN TAX POLICIES FOR CREDIT UNIONS**

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MEMORANDUM

Date: 1 April 1993

From: Senator Beverly Bustin
To: Legislative Council

BB

Subj: PARKING

On March 31st, I received a call from an exasperated State worker who had spent the better part of a half hour driving around the various parking lots in and adjacent to the State House Complex in a futile attempt to find a place to park.

This event is even more lamentable given the fact that we weren't in session on that day.

We have talked before about doing something about parking - do we want to address it now (no money, no time, etc.) or wait for a more favorable climate?

When we pay State workers an hourly wage to drive around looking for places to park, perhaps we need to examine alternatives.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
REQUESTS TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION
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Action

SPONSOR: Rep. Jacques

LR 2296 An Act to Improve Environmental Protection and
Support Economic Development under the State's
Land Use Laws

SPONSOR: Rep. Oliver

LR 2293 An Act to Prohibit Discrimination in the Assignment
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SPONSOR: Rep. Rotondi

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ADDENDUM

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Action

SPONSOR: Rep. Gray

LR 2300 An Act to Abolish the Castine Water District

SPONSOR: Rep. Rand

**LR 2306 An Act to Clarify the Powers and Duties of
Municipal Officials of the New Town of Long Island**

SPONSOR: Sen. Webster

LR 2308 An Act Relating to Publication of Legal Notices