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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
MAY 21, 1999
PRELIMINARY AGENDA**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

**REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND COUNCIL
OFFICE DIRECTORS**

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

- **Subcommittee on State House Space**

OLD BUSINESS

Item #1: Smoking Policy: Review of New "Boundaries"

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Requests to Introduce Legislation

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

ADJOURNMENT

COMMITTEE ON STATE HOUSE SPACE

Report to the Legislative Council May 21, 1999

- Committee met following the Council meeting on Wednesday
 - After continued discussion of the issues, asked Stan and Sally to pursue the following.
 1. Alternate locations for the portables with **excluding** the South Lawn.
 2. Additional information regarding the availability and appropriateness of office space in Augusta.
 3. Impact of the various alternatives on parking.
- Our Committee met again yesterday with members of the Kennebec County Delegation, Sally and Stan.
- We bring to you today a **unanimous recommendation**:

To direct Stan to proceed to develop the required engineered drawings to place 7 portable units in Parking Lot O -- the southernmost parking lot -- with the understanding that we may continue to explore other housing options for future phases of the renovation.
- This option
 - Preserves the proximity of the various offices that need to be relocated for the summer and fall.
 - Avoids placement of any portables on the South lawn and does not require removal of any trees.
 - Has **no** impact on legislative parking.
 - Parking Lot O has 94 spaces, the majority of which are used by employees of the Department of Human Services.

- Charlie Jacobs attended our meeting - and has since worked with DHS and found sufficient parking spaces in lots behind the Department of Labor and at the old Naval Reserve Building in the City-owned portion of Capitol Park.
 - Note that some of our legislative employees also park in this lot, and we are assured that there are now ample spaces in the lot behind the Department of Education with the continued relocation of employees in the State Office Building.
- **Hope you will approve our unanimous recommendation.**
- Sure Stan and Sally would be happy to answer questions.

Capitol Park

- Committee also discussed the need to put Capitol Park back together.
 - Ask Stan to give us a brief update on this work.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
REQUESTS TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
May 21, 1999

Action

SPONSOR: Rep. Glynn, Kevin J.

LR 3177 An Act to Protect Medicaid Recipients and Providers
from Unintended Consequences of the Noncompliance
of the Department of Human Services with Y2K
Readiness

SPONSOR: Rep. Richardson, John G.

LR 3157 An Act to Impose a Tax on Attorney's Fees Received in
Connection with the Tobacco Settlement

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SPONSOR: Rep. Etnier, David **TABLED**
02/24/99

LR 3011 Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Amend the Number of Votes Needed in Each House of the Legislature Before the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority may Authorize the Issuance of Securities to Fund the Construction, Reconstruction, Purchase or Acquisition of Facilities

SPONSOR: Rep. Mendros, Stavros J. **TABLED**
04/05/99

LR 3069 An Act to Require Sanitation Trucks to Have a Flashing Yellow Light

SPONSOR: Rep. Perry, Joseph C. **TABLED**
05/14/99

LR 3113 An Act Regarding the Licensing of Restaurants and Bars

SPONSOR: Rep. True, Harry G. **TABLED**
03/08/99

LR 3035 An Act to Implement Certain Recommendations of the Task Force to Review the Applied Technology

SPONSOR: Rep. Tuttle, Jr., John L. **TABLED**
03/08/99

LR 3022 An Act to Allow a Municipality to Designate Roads Off-limits to Commercial Vehicles

JOINT RESOLUTIONS

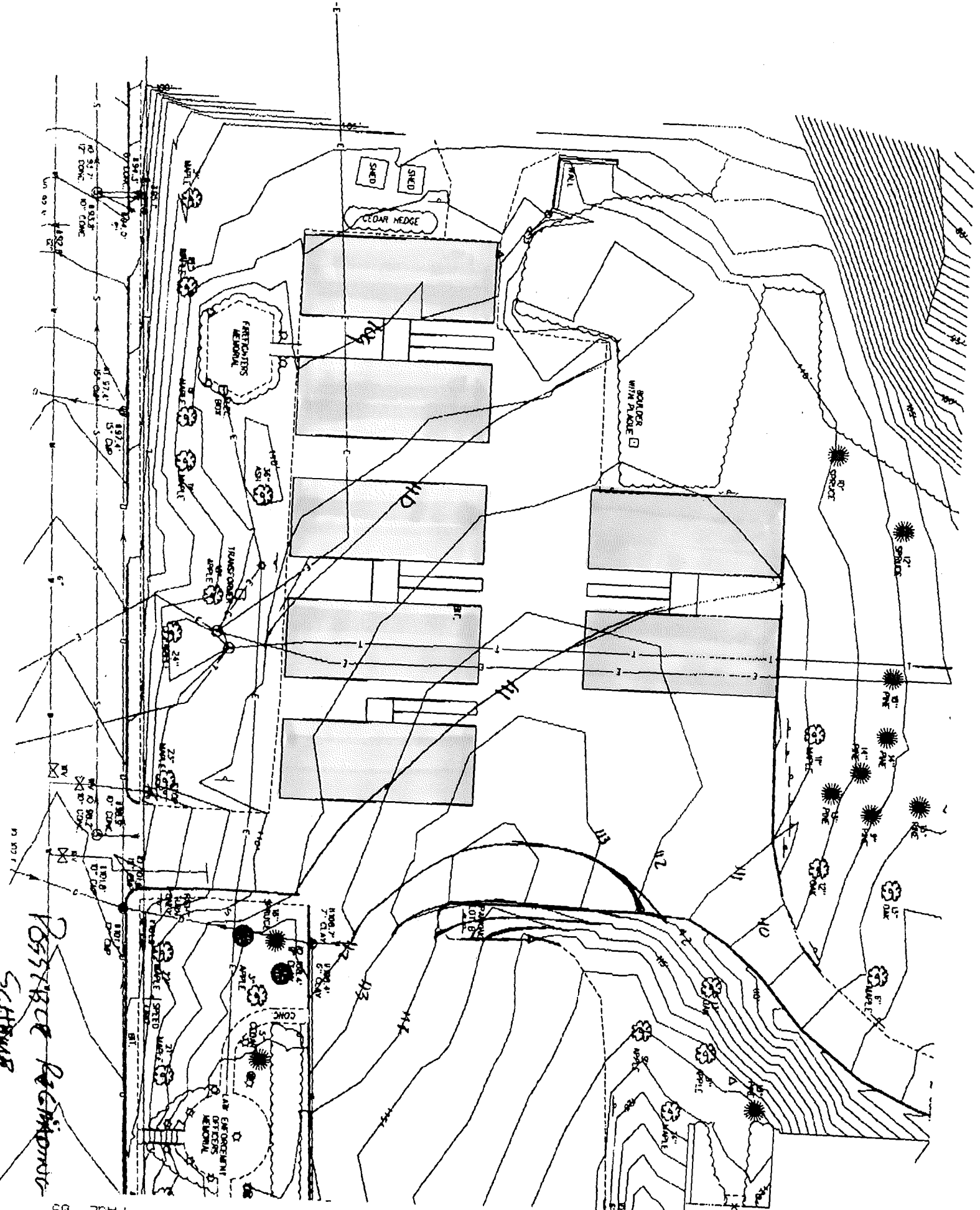
SPONSOR: Sen. Kilkelly, Marge L. **TABLED**
04/05/99

LR 3059 JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO REAFFIRM STATES' RIGHTS TO A SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS FROM THE LIQUIDATION OF NONRENEWABLE RESOURCES

SPONSOR: Sen. Pingree, Chellie **TABLED**
01/27/99

LR 2678 JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO COMMIT TO IMMEDIATE REDUCTIONS OF DOMESTIC GREENHOUSE GAS

POSTHOLE REVISIONS
S. HUBBARD



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
May 19, 1999

Motion: That the Legislative Council cease work in Capitol Park.
(Motion by Representative Murphy; second by Rep. Saxl; unanimous).

Motion: That the Committee on State House Space meet with members of the Kennebec County Delegation and other interested legislators to review the options for relocating South Wing Offices and present a recommendation to the Council by Friday, May 21.
(Motion by Speaker Rowe; second by Representative Murphy; unanimous).

Motion: That the Capitol Park site be repaired; and, further, that a drainage system be installed in this area and improvements made to the southwest entrance into the Park from State Street to make it accessible.
(Motion by Speaker Rowe; second by Representative Shiah; unanimous).