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SENATE

January 9, 1978

Senate called to Order by the President Prayer by the Reverend Howell K. Lind of Winthrop Street Universalist Church in Augus-

REVEREND LIND: We pause at the onset of these proceedings to seek a moment of medita-tion and prayer. With the weather windy and blustery on the outside, may we find the calm in our own hearts to listen to the inner voices that guide and motivate our deeds and words. O Lord of life, grant to these, Thy servants and the representatives of the people of this great state of ours, the strength of their convictions, the resoluteness of their faith in the purposes of their coming together, and the courage to act and speak out for the general welfare of all Thy people. In Thy name we pray and invoke Thy blessing upon this Session of the Senate. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

Out Of Order and Under Suspension of the Rules:

On motion by Mr. Huber of Cumberland. Ordered, the House concurring, that when the House adjourns, it adjourns to Friday, January 13, at one o'clock in the afternoon and when the Senate adjourns, it adjourns to Friday, January 13, at two o'clock in the afternoon, (S. P. 663)

Which was Read and Passed.

Sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Senate Papers

Mrs. Snowe of Androscoggin presented, Bill, An Act to Clarify Statutes Relating to the Confidentiality of the Records of Mental Health and Corrections. (S. P. 662) Which was referred to the Committee on

Health and Institutional Services and Ordered Printed.

Sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Second Readers

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following:

Senate Bill, An Act to Increase the Limits of Authorized Indebtedness of the Brunswick Sewer District. (S. P. 618) (L. D. 1906)

Which was Read a Second Time and Passed to be Engrossed.

Sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, the Senate voted to consider the following:

Papers From the House

Joint Order An expression of Legislative sentiment rec-

ognizing that: John T. Jenkins of Lewiston was one of seven U. S. Karate Team members chosen to rep-resent the United States at the World Championships of Karate (H. P. 1955) Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read and Passed in concurrence.

House Papers

Bills received requiring reference to Committee where acted upon in concurrence.

Study Report - Business Legislation

The Committee on Business Legislation to which was referred the study relative to Insur-ance Companies and Financial Insitutions, have had the same under consideration and ask leave to submit its findings and to report that the accompanying Bill, An AcT to Amend the Credit Life and Credit Health Insurance Laws (H. P. 1954) (L, D. 2033) be referred to this Committee for public hearing and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 17.

Comes from the House, the report Read and Accepted and the Bill referred to the Committee on Business Legislation.

Which Report was read and accepted and the Bill referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in concurrence.

Committee Reports House

Leave to Withdraw

The Committee on Business Legislation on Bill, An Act to Extend Coverage of the Returnable Beverage Statutes to Beverages Sold in a Bottle or Can Containing no more than Eighteen Ounces. (H. P. 1903) (L. D. 1964)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Comes from the House, the report Read and Accepted

Which Report was Read and Accepted in concurrence.

Orders of the Day

Senate Reports — from the Comm Health and Institutional Services from the Committee on Health and Institutional Services — Bill, "An Act Relating to Certificate of Need." (S. P. 384) (L. D. 1358) Majority Report — Ought to Pass in New Draft under Same Title (S. P. 652) (J. 2019). Misciel Part

(S. P. 652) (L. D. 2013); Minority Report

Ought to Pass in New Draft under Same Title (S. P. 653) (L. D. 2014)

Tabled January 4, 1978 by Senator Speers of Kennebec

Pending — Accpetance of Either Report On Motion of Mr. Conley of Cumberland, retabled for one Legislative Day.

On Motion of Mr. Huber of Cumberland, ad-journed until 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, Friday, January, 13, 1978.