

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LEGISLATIVE RECORD**

**OF THE**

***One Hundred and Ninth***

***Legislature***

**OF THE**

**STATE OF MAINE**

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**THIRD SPECIAL SESSION**

**May 22, 1980**

**THIRD CONFIRMATION SESSION**

**July 17, 1980**

**FOURTH CONFIRMATION SESSION**

**July 24, 1980**

**FIFTH CONFIRMATION SESSION**

**September 12, 1980**

**REPORT, HEARING TRANSCRIPT AND  
RELATED MEMORANDA OF THE JOINT  
SELECT COMMITTEE ON INDIAN LAND  
CLAIMS**

STATE OF MAINE  
One Hundred and Ninth Legislature  
Second Regular Session  
JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

January 16, 1980

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Terence E. McKinley of the United Methodist Church of Corinna.

Reverend McKINLEY: Let us pray! O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. When we look at the heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars which you have established, what is humanity that you are mindful of us?

Yet you have made us a little less than God and have crowned us with glory and honor. You have given us dominion over the works of your hands, and have put all things under our feet.

Almighty God, you are the author of law and justice. You have called each of us to a special place of service in this State. We ask your blessing on the covenant that exists between us and the people who have affirmed our calling, by electing and assigning us to positions of responsibility and trust.

Permit us, dear Lord, to be aware of our limitations and to accept them graciously. Allow us to look beyond our humanity and to reach out to you as we struggle with the many issues before us. We know that you will come to all who call upon your holy name.

We cherish the words contained in the scriptures, because you are revealed in them. We ask dear Lord, that you come to us as you did to the prophets, the palmists, and the great figures of divine history. Be the unseen member of this assembly.

Send your sustaining spirit to be among us, and within us revealing your will to us, as we make decisions.

Fill us with the comfort of your steadfast love, the guidance of your wisdom, and the knowledge of your will. Give us the insight of faith to know that as we legislate in a manner that is consistent with your will, we are fulfilling the covenant of trust, by administering justice and righteousness.

Allow us to forsake personal pride and to come out of self in order that we can be faithful children of yours. Use us in your continuing process of creation. Take our lives and let them be, consecrated Lord to thee. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

**Papers from the House**  
**Joint Orders**

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing that:

Florence Michaud has served for the past 23 years as Town Manager of Frenchville and through her outstanding loyal and devoted service has contributed immeasurably to that community. (H. P. 1694)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.  
Which was Read.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Martin.

Senator MARTIN: Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate: In reference to H. P. 1694, we have discovered a technicality. I would therefore move its Indefinite Postponement.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Aroostook, Senator Martin, moves that H. P. 1694, be Indefinitely Postponed in non-concurrence.

Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

It is a vote.

Nancy Caroline Haggett of South Portland will celebrate her 100th birthday on January 29, 1980. (H. P. 1695)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.  
Which was Read and Passed, in concurrence.

**Communications**  
**State of Maine**  
**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 10, 1980

To: The Honorable Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the 109th Legislature.

I am pleased to transmit herewith a special message on the issue of funding the Maine Department of Transportation.

Sincerely,

S/JOSEPH E. BRENNAN  
Governor  
(H. P. 1696)

Comes from the House, and with accompanying papers, Read and Ordered Placed on File.

Which was Read, and with accompanying papers, Ordered Placed on File in concurrence.

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE**

January 15, 1980

Ms. May Ross  
Secretary of the Senate  
State House  
Augusta, Maine  
Dear Ms. Ross:

Would you please distribute the attached copies of the "Chancellor's Report" to members of the Senate.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

S/PATRICK E. MCCARTHY  
Chancellor

Which was Read, and with accompanying papers, Ordered Placed on file.

**Senate Papers**

Senator Najarian of Cumberland (Cosponsors: Senators Chapman of Sagadahoc, Perkins of Hancock and Conley of Cumberland) presented, Bill, "An Act to Amend Support and Enforcement of Support Laws in Divorce and Related Cases." (S. P. 693)

(Approved by a Majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.)

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Ordered Printed.  
Sent down for concurrence.

Senator Gill of Cumberland presented, Bill, "An Act to Create a Board for Barrier Free Design." (S. P. 692)

(Approved by a Majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.)

Which was referred to the Committee on State Government and Ordered Printed.  
Sent down or concurrence.

**Orders**

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing that:

On January 5, 1980, Officer Bruce Bristow of the Waterville Police Department, by quickly using emergency medical techniques, heroically acted to save the life of Wayne Rowe of Farmingdale. (S. P. 689) is presented by Senator Pierce of Kennebec, (Cosponsor: Representative Jacques of Waterville.)

On January 5, 1980, Officer Lee Gilbert of the Waterville Police Department, without regard to his own safety, heroically acted to save the life of Wayne Rowe of Farmingdale. (S. P. 690) is presented by Senator Pierce of Kennebec, (Cosponsor: Representative Jacques of Waterville.)

On January 5, 1980, Sgt. Norman Michaud of the Waterville Police Department, by quickly using emergency medical techniques, heroically acted to save the life of Wayne Row of Farmingdale. (S. P. 691) is presented by Senator Pierce of Kennebec, (Cosponsor: Representative Jacques of Waterville.)

Which were Read and Passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Committee Reports**

**House**

The following Ought Not to Pass Report shall

be placed in the legislative files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 22 of the Joint Rules:

Bill, "An Act to Establish the Insurance Regulatory Commission." (H. P. 1305) (L. D. 1586)

**Second Readers**

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

**House**

Bill, "An Act to Dissolve Patten Academy." (H. P. 1604) (L. D. 1715)

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

(Off Record Remarks)

**Orders of the day**

The President laid before the Senate the first tabled and specially assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act Concerning Right of Access, Performance Standards, Public Farm Workers, Supervisory Salaries and Firemen's Wages Under the Labor Laws." (H. P. 1663) (L. D. 1772)

Tabled—January 15, 1980 by Senator Pierce of Kennebec.

Pending—Motion of Senator Pierce of Kennebec to Indefinitely Postpone.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz.

Senator KATZ: Mr. President, I want to apologize to the Senate. This Bill has been here a little longer than we had hoped. It is our intention to dispose of it one way or another tomorrow. I would hope that somebody would table it for one more Legislative Day.

On Motion by Senator Pierce of Kennebec. Retabled for 1 Legislative Day.

(Off Record Remarks)

On Motion by Senator Pierce of Kennebec, adjourned until 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning.