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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE

Tuesday, March 19, 1985 The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Reverend John MacNeill, East Winthrop Baptist Church.

National Anthem by the Leavitt Area High School Band, Turner.

Quorum called; was held.

The Journal of Thursday, March 14, 1985 was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

Bill "An Act to Improve the Benefits under Maine's State Retirement Law" (S.P. 382) (L.D. 1049)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Medicaid Reimbursement Rates for Audiology and Speech Pathology" (Emergency) (S.P. 351) (L.D. 999) Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Technical Assistance under the Community

Technical Assistance under the Community Development Block Grant Program" (S.P. 363) (L.D. 1000)

Bill "An Act to Fund New, Expanded and Innovative Child Care Programs in this State" (S.P. 367) (L.D. 1001)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify and Improve the Laws on Education in the Unorganized Territory" (S.P. 381) (L.D. 1048)

Bill "An Act to Alter the Driver Education Evaluation Program" (S.P. 368) (L.D. 1002) Bill "An Act to Amend the Law Pertaining to Postgraduate Education in the Field of Medicine" (S.P. 369) (L.D. 1003)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Education and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Later Today Assigned

Bill "An Act to Establish a Spent Nuclear Disposal Trust Fund" (S.P. 370) (L.D. 1004) On motion of Representative Michaud of Medway, tabled pending reference and later today assigned.

Bill "An Act to Strengthen the Provision of Technical Forestry Assistance to Forest Landowners" (S.P. 371) (L.D. 1005)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resoursces in concurrence.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Provide for a Clear Right to Bail with a Possible Denial of Bail in Certain Cases (S.P. 373) (L.D. 1007)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Ordered Printed.

(The Committee on Reference of Bills had suggested reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs.)

Was referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurence.

Bill "An Act Concerning the Value of Prizes that may be Awarded on Beano" (S.P. 372) (L.D. 1006)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Ordred Printed.
Was referred to the Committee on Legal

Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Annex the Towns of

Brunswick and Harpswell to Sagadahoc County" (S.P. 374) (L.D. 1008)

Bill "An Act to Authorize Sagadahoc County to Raise Funds to Renovate and Expand the Present Court Facilities at Bath" (S.P. 375) (L.D. 1009)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Local and County Government and Ordered Printed.

Were referred to the Committee on Local and County Government in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide Additional Tax Credits for Businesses Providing New Jobs on the Maine Border or in Areas of High Unemployment" (S.P. 376) (L.D. 1010)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Taxation and Ordered Printed.

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require the Use of Seat Belts in all Motor Vehicles" (S.P. 383) (L.D. 1050) Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Transportation and Ordered Printed. Was referred to the Committee on Transportation in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Maintain Universal Telephone Service" (Emergency) (S.P. 377) (L.D. 1011) Bill "An Act to Provide for an Independent Study of Telephone Service Costs" (Emergency) (S.P. 378) (L.D. 1012)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Utilities and Ordered Printed.

were referred to the Committee on Utilities in concurrence.

Unanimous Leave to Withdraw

Report of the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans reporting "Leave to Withdraw" on Bill "An Act to Provide an Accident and Sickness or Health Insurance Program to Retired Teachers" (S.P. 193) (L.D. 511)

Report of the Committee on Taxation reporting "Leave to Withdraw on Bill "An Act Permitting a Certified Tax Assessor, upon Reaching the Age of 62, to Attend School Every Other Year for 32 Hours Instead of 16 Hours Every Year" (S.P. 102) (L.D. 300)

Were placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 15 in concurrence.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-15) on Bill "An Act Concerning the Holidays on which Courts must Close" (S.P. 48) (L.D. 64) Signed:

Senators

CARPENTER of Aroostook CHALMERS of Knox SEWALL of Lincoln

Representatives:

ALLEN of Washington DRINKWATER of Belfast COOPER of Windham KANE of South Portland PARADIS of Augusta CARRIER of Westbrook LEBOWITZ of Bangor MacBRIDE of Presque Isle PRIEST of Brunswick

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting "Ought Not to Pass" on same Bill. Signed:

Representative: STETSON of Damariscotta Came from the Senate with the Majority "Ought to Pass" as amended Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-15)

Reports were read.

Representative Paradis of Augusta moved that the House accept the Majority "Ought to Pass" Report.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Damariscotta, Representative Stetson.

Representative STETSON: Mr. Speaker. I move indefinite postponement of this bill. I oppose this Bill for one simple reason,

I oppose this Bill for one simple reason, namely that the law already permits the Chief Justice to keep the court open on any legal holiday, including election day or primary day. I do not like the idea of mandating by legislative fiat, that which can be accomplished by judicial fiat. In other words, there is no necessity for this bill if the Chief Justice feels it is appropriate to keep a particular court open on election day, he may so order it. I don't think that it is the place of the legislature to order it.

I think that the right to vote is a sacred privilege that ought to be protected at every turn. I don't think we should be sitting here as an elected body mandating the impairment of the right to vote. You may say that keeping the court open on an election day is in no sense an impairment. I submit to you that witnesses traveling across the state may be deprived of that right to vote if, in fact, they cannot get back to their polling place in time to cast their ballot. Since the law presently permits the Chief Justice to keep the court open if justice demands, I don't think we as a legislature should mandate that the court be open.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Augusta, Representative Paradis

Representative PARADIS: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Men and Women of the House: I would defer most of what I wanted to say to my friend from Damariscotta, Representative Stetson, as he is quite knowledgeable, being an attorney, appearing in court as often as he has over the years. I have a great deal of respect for him.

I voted "Ought to Pass" on this particular bill and was in the majority on the Judiciary Committee. We felt that there was really no good reason that the courts ought to be closed on a primary day or a general election day. Most business of state government had to go on on those days. If you look across the road, the State Office Building is open. All the state offices are open across the state and we felt that this was an inconsistency on the part of the courts that they be required to be closed. I agree with the good Representative from Damariscotta in saying that the Chief Justice has that leeway. We just think that we ought to remove from the statutes the prohibition of those courts being closed on that day and make it uniform so that the court employees are uniformly treated with all the other state employees. It just makes good sense for us that those courts be open.

Now in regard to those people that have to testify, they certainly know days in advance that they have either been subpoenaed to testify or they have been invited to testify and they can certainly vote in the morning before going to court or in the evening afterwards or vote by absentee ballot, if they know they are going to be out of town on that particular day. So we really mean no injustice to those people who are really being good citizens by appearing in court. We just think that it makes good government to require that these people be working on election days because we have perhaps far too many of them already.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will order a division. The pending question before the House is the motion of the Representative from Damariscotta, Representative Stetson, that this bill and all accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed. Those in favor will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

A vote of the House was taken.

32 having voted in the affirmative and 103 in the negative, the motion to indefinitely postpone did not prevail.

Whereupon, on motion of Representative Paradis of Augusta, the House accepted the Majority "Ought to Pass" Report and the Bill read once.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-15) was read by the Clerk and adopted and the Bill assigned for Second Reading tomorrow.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Amend the Weir Licensing aw" (Emergency) (H.P. 677) (L.D. 939) Law' which was passed to be engrossed in the House on March 12, 1985.

On motion of Representative Crowley of Stockton Springs, tabled pending further consideration and assigned for March 21, 1985.

Messages and Documents

The following Communication: (S.P. 379) 112th Maine Legislature

March 13, 1985

Senator Georgette B. Berube Representative Merle Nelson Committee on Human Resources 112th Legislature Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear Chairs

Please be advised that Governor Joseph E. Brennan has nominated Sandra K. Prescott of Bucks Harbor for reappointment as Chair of the State Health Coordinating Council.
Pursuant to Federal Law, P.L. 96-79 Section

1524 (b) (2) of the Health and Planning and Resources Development Amendments, this renomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Human Resources and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely, S/ CHARLES P. PRAY President of the Senate S/ JOHN L. MARTIN Speaker of the House

Came from the Senate, Read and Referred to

the Committee on Human Resources. Was Read and Referred to the Committee on Human Resources in concurrence.

The following Communication: HEALTH CARE FINANCE COMMISSION State House Station 102 Augusta, Maine 04333

March 14, 1985 The Honorable John L. Martin Speaker, Maine House of Representatives

State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Martin:

The Commission is required to report annually to the Governor and the Legislature regarding its work. It is my pleasure to transmit a copy of our Annual Report for 1984 to you. As you will see, substantial progress was

made during our first full year of operation. To the surprise of many, the hospital financing system we were created to design and administer was implemented by the dates specified in the statute. The early results of our work are most promising. Hospital charges have been reduced. The increase in the income hospitals may earn from their patient care services has been slowed to approximately five per cent per year. While I am very pleased to be able to report that we expect Maine citizens to save at least \$40 million this year, it is equally important to note that the implementation of the hospital financing system has brought a degree of protection and stability to our hospitals which has become increasingly important in light of the changes which have been made in the Medicare program.

Copies of our Annual report have also been forwarded to a number of your colleagues in-cluding the members of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and the Committee on Human Resources. We would welcome an opportunity to meet with you to discuss any questions you may have regarding either its content or our work.

Sincerely, S/ DAVID WIHRY

Chairman Was read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file.

The following Communication: STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION State House Station 16 Augusta, Maine 04333

March 18, 1985 Governor Joseph E. Brennan and Members of the 112th Legislature

Transmitted herewith is a copy of Maine's Transportation Investment Program for Fiscal Years 1986 and 1987.

This Program is submitted in support of requests for funding in the areas of Federallysupported Highways and Bridges, Collector Roads, Highway Maintenance Resurfacing, and

Air Transportation. This document describes the intended use of the funding requested. The Highway and Bridge section of this Program requires \$48.70 Million in State funds to match available Federal Highway funds. Of that amount, \$29.70 Million would be taken from current revenues and the remaining \$19.00 Million we suggest be included in a proposed Highway Bond Issue.

Collector Road Capital Improvements and Maintenance Resurfacing are totally State funded programs, for which \$10.69 Million and \$12.20 Million respectively have been requested.

The \$1.00 Million requested for Air Transportation projects would generate an estimated \$11.26 Million in federal matching funds and additional \$0.84 Million in local matching monies, providing sufficient funding for a total Program of approximately \$13.10 Million.

In summary, with \$77.64 Million in State and Local funds, \$153.03 Million in Federal funding is generated, for a total Investment Program of \$230.67 Million for capital improvements associated with highway and air transpor-

Also, included in this document is a proposed needs study and pier rehabilitation and construction program for the second year of the biennium, which will require State funding, as well at a proposed program to implement the recommendations of the State Railroad Transportation Policy and Plan requiring \$3.30 Million in State funding over the forthcoming biennium.

In examining this Program, we trust you will find it to represent a realistic and balanced effort to maintain and improve transportation service within Maine in a manner in keeping with today's economic climate.

Sincerely. S/ DANA F. CONNERS Commissioner of Transportation Was read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file.

> Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bills and Resolves were received and, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees, Ordered Printed and Sent up for Concurrence:

Judiciary Bill "An Act to Amend and Clarify the Maine Juvenile Code" (H.P. 746) (Presented by Representative PRIEST of Brunswick) (Cosponsors: Senator CHALMERS of Knox, Representatives LEBOWITZ of Bangor and COOPER of Windham) (Submitted by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Joint Rule 24) (Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Taxation

Bill "An Act to Change the Frequency of Determination of Stumpage Value for Purposes of the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law'' (H.P. 747) (Presented by Representative RACINE of Biddeford) (Cosponsors: Representatives LORD of Waterboro, KIMBALL of Buxton and RICHARD of Madison)

Bill "An Act to Exempt Veterans' Memorial Cemetery Associations from Maine Sales and Use Tax'' (H.P. 748) (Presented by Representative HICKEY of Augusta) (Cosponsor: Representative PERRY of Mexico) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27)

Bill "An Act to Establish the Costs of Forest Prevention" (Emergency) (H.P. 750) (Presented by Representative CASHMAN of Old Town) (Cosponsors: Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland, Representatives ARMSTRONG of Wilton and LANDER of Greenville) (Submitted by the Department of Conservation pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

(Ordered Printed) Sent up for concurrence.

Transportation

An Act to Increase Public Safety on Roads" (H.P. 749) (Presented by Representative WEBSTER of Cape Elizabeth) (Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Orders

On motion of Representative McSWEENEY of Old Orchard Beach, the following Order: ORDERED, that Representative John Telow of Lewiston be excused March 25 and 26 for

personal reasons.

Was read and passed.

Reports of Committees Unanimous Leave to Withdraw
Representative COLES from the Committee

on Energy and Natural Resources on An Act to Amend the Subdivision Law" (H.P. 164) (L.D. 198) reporting "Leave to Withdraw

Representative BROWN from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on An Act to Provide Technical Assistance to Water Utilities in Developing Ground Water Source Protection Plans' (H.P. 291) (L.D. 380) reporting "Leave to Withdraw"

Were placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 15 and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass in New Draft
Representative BONNEY from the Committee on Labor on Bill "An Act to Restrict the Payment of Unemployment Compensation Benefits to Workers Who are on Strike" (H.P. 175) (L.D. 209) reporting "Ought to Pass" in New Draft (H.P. 751) (L.D. 1057) Report was read and accepted. The New

Draft was read once and assigned for Second

Reading tomorrow.

Consent Calendar First Day

In accordance with House Rule 49, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 81) (L.D. 101) Bill "An Act Relating to Retirement Benefits of Superior Court Employees" Committee on Aging, Retirement

and Veterans reporting "Ought to Pass" (H.P. 301) (L.D. 390) Bill "An Act Concerning the Shellfishing Industry" Committee on Marine Resources reporting "Ought to Pass'

There being no objections, the above items were ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar of Wednesday, March 20, 1985 under the listing of Second Day.

Consent Calendar Second Day

In accordance with House Rule 49, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the Second Day:

(H.P. 230) (L.D. 271) Bill "An Act to Clarify

Accidental Death Benefits Payable to Spouses and Children of Members' (C. "A" H-21)

(H.P. 325) (L.D. 442) Bill "An Act to Clarify Restoration to Service Provisions for Recipients

of Disability Allowances and Recipients of Retirement Allowances" (C. "A" H-22) (H.P. 35) (L.D. 37) Bill "An Act to Allow the Department of Corrections to Release Certain Information Pertaining to its Inmates which is a Matter of Public Record" (C. "A"

(H.P. 294) (L.D. 383) Bill "An Act to Assess the Impact of Agricultural Chemicals and Practices on Ground Water" (C. "A" H-24) (H.P. 165) (L.D. 199) Bill "An Act to Ex-

tend the Shoreline Zon Municipalities" (C. "A" H-25) Zone in some

No objections having been noted at the end of the Second Legislative Day, the House Papers were Passed to be Engrossed as Amended and sent up for concurrence.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to Legislative Plate Assignments Under the Motor Vehicle Laws"

(Emergency) (H.P. 740) (L.D. 998) Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading and read a second time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Making Appropriations to the State Planning Office to Conduct Inventories of Natural Areas Worthy of Preservation for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1987 and to Authorize the State Planning Office to Charge for Publication" (H.P. 739) (L.D. 997) Was reported by the Committee on Bills in

the Second Reading and read a second time. Representative Bost of Orono offered House

Amendment "A" (H-27) and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "A" (H-27) was read by the Clerk and adopted.

The Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" and sent up for concurrence.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act to Revise the License Suspension Penalities Relating to Marine Resources (H.P. 47) (L.D. 53) (C. "A" H-16)

An Act Concerning Recordation of Iterment (H.P. 130) (L.D. 155)

An Act Concerning Deliveries of Annual Estimates for County Taxes (H.P. 190) (L.D.

An Act Amending the Municipal Public Employees Labor Relations Act to Provide for Newly Recognized or Certified Bargaining Agent to Bargain Fiscal Matters within 120 Days of Conclusion of Current Fiscal Operating Budget (S.P. 164) (L.D. 433) (C. "A" S-11)

An Act Concerning the Licensing of Victuallers, Innkeepers and Tavernkeepers (S.P. 357) (L.D. 938)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day

The Chair laid before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Wood Measurement Law" (Emergency) (H.P. 721)

(Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested.)

TABLED-March 13, 1985 by Representative MICHAUD of Medway.

PENDING-Reference.

Whereupon, was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Ordered Printed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the second tabled and today assigned matter.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Use of Chemical

Insecticides in the State Budworm Suppression Program after 1985" (S.P. 350) (L.D. 978)

In Senate, Referred to Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

(The Committee on Reference of Bills had suggested reference to the Committee on

Agriculture.)
TABLED—March 14, 1985 by Representative MICHAEL of Auburn.

PENDING-Reference in concurrence.

Whereupon, was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources in concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the third tabled and today assigned matter:

An Act to Establish a Maine Rivers Grants Program (Emergency) (H.P. 100) (L.D. 125) (C. "A" H-12)

TABLED—March 14, 1985 by Representative JACQUES of Waterville.

PENDING-Motion of same Representative to Reconsider Passage to be Enacted

On motion of Representative Michaud of Medway, retabled pending the motion of Representative Jacques of Waterville to reconsider passage to be enacted and tomorrow assigned.

BILL HELD

An Act Pertaining to Law Enforcement Officers and Public Office Holding (H.P. 467) (L.D. 616) (S. "A" S-8)

In House, Passed to be Enacted on March 14, 1985.

HELD at the Request of Representative HALE of Sanford. On motion of Representative Hale of Sanford,

the House reconsidered its action whereby the Bill was passed to be enacted.

Representative Hale of Sanford requested a roll call.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been requested. For the Chair to order a roll call, it must have the expressed desire of more than one-fifth of the members present and voting. Those in favor will vote yes; those opposed will

A vote of the House was taken and, obviously, more than one-fifth of the members present and voting having expressed a desire for a roll call, a roll call was ordered.

The SPEAKER: The pending question before the House is passage to be enacted. Those is favor will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

RÖLL CALL No. 10 YEAS:—Aliberti, Allen, Armstrong, Baker, A.L.; Beaulieu, Begley, Bell, Bonney, Bott, Bragg, Brannigan, Brodeur, Brown, D.N.; Cahill, Callahan, Carrier, Carroll, Carter, Cashman, Chonko, Clark, Conners, Cooper, Cote, Crouse, Crowley, Daggett, Davis, Dellert, Descoteaux, Dexter, Diamond, Dillenback, Drinkwater, Duffy, Erwin, Farnum, Foss, Greenlaw, Gwadosky, Handy, Harper, Hayden, Hepburn, Hichborn, Hickey, Higgins, H.C. Hepburn, Hichborn, Hickey, Higgins, H.C.; Hillock, Ingraham, Jackson, Jacques, Jalbert, Joseph, Kimball, Lacroix, Lander, Law, Lawrence, Lebowitz, Lisnik, Lord, MacBride, Manning, Martin, H.C.; Masterman, Matthews, Mayo, McGowan, McPherson, McSweeney, Melendy, Michaud, Mills, Moholland, Murphy, T.W.; Nadeau, G.R.; Nicholson, Nickerson, O'Gara, Paradis, E.J.; Paradis, P.E.; Parent, Paul, Perry, Pines, Pouliot, Priest, Racine, Ran-Paul, Perry, Pines, Pouliot, Priest, Racine, Randall, Richard, Rolde, Rotondi, Ruhlin, Rydell, Salsbury, Seavey, Sherburne, Simpson, Smith, C.W.; Soucy, Sproul, Stetson, Stevens, A.G.; Stevens, P.; Stevenson, Strout, Swazey, Tam-maro, Tardy, Telow, Theriault, Vose, Walker, Warren, Webster, Weymouth, Whitcomb,

NAYS:-Baker, H.R.; Bost, Brown, A.K.; Coles, Connolly, Foster, Hale, Higgins, L.M.; Hoglund, Holloway, Kane, Macomber, McCollister, McHenry, Mitchell, Murphy, E.M.; Murray, Reeves, Rice, Rioux, Roberts, Scarpino, Small, Taylor, Wentworth.

ABSENT:-Boutilier, Michael, Nadeau, G.G.; Nelson, Ridley, Smith, C.B.; Zirnkilton, The Speaker.

118 having voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative, with 8 being absent, the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Later Today Assigned

The Chair laid before the House the following matter: Bill "An Act to Establish a Spent Nuclear Fuel Disposal Trust Fund (S.P. 370) (L.D. 1004) which was tabled earlier and later today assigned pending reference.

On motion of Representative Michaud of Medway, referred to the Committee on Utilities, Ordered Printed, and sent up for concurrence.

Unassigned

On motion of Representative Diamond of Bangor, removed from the unassigned table: Bill "An Act to Amend the Eastport Port

Authority Charter (H.P. 629)
TABLED—March 6, 1985 by Representative Diamond of Bangor.

PENDING-Reference

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Eastport, Representative

Representative VOSE: Mr. Speaker: I move indefinite postponement of this bill and all of its accompanying papers.

I was asked to sponsor this bill by the Chairman of the Eastport Port Authority, They had not yet voted whether or not the Port Authority itself wanted the bill. They have now voted and they would prefer that the bill was not entered in, so that is the reason for my motion.

On motion of Representative Vose of Eastport, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Representative Carter of Winslow moved that the House reconsider its action whereby Bill "An Act Making Appropriations to the State Planning Office to Conduct Inventories of Natural Areas Worthy of Preservation for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1987 and to Authorize the State Planning Office to Charge for Publication" (H.P. 739) (L.D. 997) was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of the same Representative, tabled pending his motion to reconsider and tomor-

row assigned.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion of Representative Macomber of South Portland.

Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.