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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

One Hundred and Twelfth Legislature

OF THE STATE OF MAINE

VOLUME I

SECOND REGULAR SESSION January 8 - April 2, 1986 The House was called to order by the Speaker. Prayer by Father George Szal, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Brunswick.

The Journal of February 10, 1986 was read and approved.

Quorum call was held.

PETITIONS. BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

The following Bills 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:

Aging. Retirement and Veterans

Bill "An Act to Prevent Discrimination Against Retired Maine Residents who have Previously been Members of the Maine State Retirement System" (H.P. 1429) (L.D. 2020) (Presented by Representative STEVENSON of Unity) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act to Increase the Affordability Accessibility and Quality of Child Care" (H.P. 1432) (L.D. 2023) (Presented by Representative SIMPSON of Casco) (Cosponsors: Representatives MAYO of Thomaston and MANNING of Portland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Law to Provide for Notice to the Mother When an Individual Acknowledges Paternity of a Child Born out of Wedlock" (H.P. 1430) (L.D. 2021) (Presented by Representative INGRAHAM of Houlton) (Cosponsor: Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27)

Bill "An Act to Exempt Prisoners and Adult Offenders who are Performing Court-ordered Public Restitution from the Provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act" (H.P. 1433) (L.D. 2024) (Presented by Representative PARADIS of Augusta) (Cosponsors: Representatives McGOWAN of Canaan, JOSEPH of Waterville and DRINKWATER of Belfast) (Submitted by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

Bill "An Act to Authorize the Creation of Detention Districts" (Emergency) (H.P. 1434) (L.D. 2025) (Presented by Representative MANNING of

Portland) (Cosponsors: Senators CHALMERS of Knox, GAUVREAU of Androscoggin and Representative PARADIS of Augusta) (Submitted by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Labor

Bill "An Act to Improve Retraining Opportunities for Dislocated Workers" (Emergency) (H.P. 1427) (L.D. 2017) (Presented by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake) (Cosponsors: Representative TAMMARO of Baileyville, President PRAY of Penobscot, and Senator DUTREMBLE of York) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Local and County Government

Bill "An Act to Establish Kennebec County Corrections' Improvement Fund" (Emergency) (H.P. 1435) (L.D. 2026) (Presented by Representative PARADIS of Augusta) (Cosponsors: Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec, Representatives JACQUES of Waterville and HICKEY of Augusta) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27)

Bill "An Act Concerning the Waldo County Budget Committee" (Emergency) (H.P. 1436) (L.D. 2027) (Presented by Representative STEVENSON of Unity) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

<u>Taxation</u>

Bill "An Act to Amend Watercraft Excise Tax Laws" (H.P. 1431) (L.D. 2022) (Presented by Representative MAYO of Thomaston) (Cosponsors: Representatives SWAZEY of Bucksport, WALKER of Norway and Senator USHER of Cumberland) (Submitted by the State Planning Office pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

(Ordered Printed) Sent up for concurrence.

Utilities

Bill "An Act to Place in the Unclassified Service 3 Utility Accountant III Positions at the Public Utilities Commission" (H.P. 1437) (L.D. 2028) (Presented by Representative GWADOSKY of Fairfield) (Cosponsors: Senator KANY of Kennebec, Representatives VOSE of Eastport and BOUTILIER of Lewiston) (Submitted by the Public Utilities

Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Study Report - Committee on Human Resources

Representative NELSON from the Committee on <u>Human Resources</u> to which was referred by the Legislative Council the Study Relative to Maine's Certificate of Need Process have had the same under consideration and ask leave to submit its findings and to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Revise the Certificate of Need Process" (H.P. 1428) (L.D. 2018) be referred to this Committee for public hearing and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 19.

Report was read and accepted, and the bill referred to the Committee on <u>Human Resources</u>, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

CONSENT CALENDAR

FIRST DAY

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

(H.P. 1203) (L.D. 1710) Bill "An Act to Clarify the Authority of Municipal Officers to Temporarily Restrict Vehicle Passage over Certain Highways" Committee on <u>Transportation</u> reporting "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-510)

There being no objections, the above item was ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar of Tuesday, February 18, 1986 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. 1193) (L.D. 1690) Bill "An Act to Require Notice of the Smoking Policy in Restaurants" (C. "A" H-504)

(H.P. 1253) (L.D. 1763) Bill "An Act to Clarify the Surety Bonding Process for Contractors" (C. "A" H-505)

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.

(H.P. 1319) (L.D. 1854) Bill "An Act to Regulate Funds Availability for Items Deposited in an Account

with a Financial Institution" (C. "A" H-506)

On motion of Representative Brannigan of Portland, was removed from the Consent Calendar, Second Day.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read once.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-506) was read by the Clerk.

On motion of Representative Brannigan of Portland, tabled pending adoption of Committee Amendment "A" and specially assigned for Tuesday, February 18, 1986.

(H.P. 1189) (L.D. 1686) Bill "An Act to Allow Municipal Officers to Delegate their Authority to License Catered Off-premise Functions" (C. "A" H-507)

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

PASSED TO BE ENACTED

Emergency Measure

An Act to Extend the Deadline for the State Compensation Commission Interim Report to March 7, 1986 (H.P. 1420) (L.D. 2009)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 113 voted in favor of the same and none against and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

By unanimous consent, ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The following matters, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment yesterday, have preference in the Orders of the Day and continue with such preference until disposed of as provided by Rule 24.

The Chair laid before the House the first matter of unfinished business:

HOUSE DIVIDED REPORT - Majority (7) "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-496) - Minority (6) "Ought Not to Pass" - Committee on Utilities on Bill "An Act Concerning Local Telephone Service Rate Structure" (H.P. 1388) (L.D. 1957)

TABLED - February 10, 1986 by Representative VOSE of Eastport.

PENDING - Acceptance of Either Report.

On motion of Representative Vose of Eastport, retabled pending acceptance of either report and specially assigned for Tuesday, February 18, 1986.

The Chair laid before the House the second matter of unfinished business:

Bill "An Act to Encourage Safety on Maine Rivers" (S.P. 697)

- In Senate, Indefinitely Postponed.

(Committee on <u>Business and Commerce</u> suggested.)

TABLED - February 12, 1986 (Till Later Today) by
Representative BRANNIGAN of Portland.

PENDING - Reference.

Subsequently, the Bill was indefinitely postponed in concurrence. $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left$

The following item appearing on Supplement No. 1 was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

PAPER FROM THE SENATE

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 803)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they adjourn to Tuesday, February 18, 1986, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning

Came from the Senate, read and passed.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion of Representative MacBride of Presque Isle,

Adjourned until Tuesday, February 18, 1986, at ten o'clock in the morning pursuant to Joint Order (S.P. 803).