



STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

> In Senate Chamber Wednesday February 13, 1991

Senate called to Order by the President.

Prayer by The Honorable Robert R. Gould of Waldo.

SENATOR ROBERT R. GOULD: Dear Heavenly Father, teach us Your will. Guide us to do the right things for the citizens of this state. Be with us everyday. Protect those who are in the Mid-East. Watch over them and bring them home safely. Bring us as a Legislature together in order that we may solve the problems which we are facing. Please help us in these needs. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, February 12, 1991.

Off Record Remarks

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Improve Inspection and Grading of Maine Sardines" (Emergency) S.P. 187 L.D. 496

Committee on MARINE RESOURCES suggested and ORDERED PRINTED.

In Senate, February 11, 1991, referred to the Committee on TAXATION and ORDERED PRINTED.

Comes from the House RULED NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

The Senate RECEDED and CONCURRED.

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Permit Portability of Teacher Retirement Credits"

H.P. 374 L.D. 528

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on AGING, RETIREMENT AND VETERANS and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which was referred to the Committee on AGING, RETIREMENT AND VETERANS and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Emergency Funds for the Maine Potato Breeding Program" (Emergency) H.P. 394 L.D. 568

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which was referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Promote a Continuing Technological Update and Assessment of State Agencies and Institutions"

H.P. 365 L.D. 519

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on $\ensuremath{\textbf{AUDIT}}$ and $\ensuremath{\textbf{PROGRAM}}$ REVIEW and $\ensuremath{\textbf{ORDERED}}$ PRINTED.

Which was referred to the Committee on AUDIT AND PROGRAM REVIEW and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Include Smokers in Rehabilitation Treatment Insurance Coverage" H.P. 362 L.D. 516

Bill "An Act Concerning the Payment of Interest on Mandatory Escrow Balances"

H.P. 363 L.D. 517

Come from the House referred to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Real Estate Brokerage Licensing Law" H.P. 358 L.D. 512

Bill "An Act to Expand Consumer Membership on the Board of Osteopathic Examination and Registration" H.P. 361 L.D. 515 Bill "An Act to Expand the Availability of Automatic Liens to Certain Businesses" H.P. 399 L.D. 573

Come from the House referred to the Committee on **BUSINESS LEGISLATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on **BUSINESS** LEGISLATION and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Revoke Drivers' Licenses of Students Who Do Not Complete High School" H.P. 373 L.D. 527

Bill "An Act to Improve Eye Care in the Schools" H.P. 382 L.D. 556

Bill "An Act to Amend the Composition of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Technical College System" H.P. 395 L.D. 569

Come from the House referred to the Committee on EDUCATION and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which were referred to the Committee on EDUCATION and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Control Emissions of Refrigerants that Damage the Ozone" H.P. 360 L.D. 514

Bill "An Act to Encourage the Use of Water Conservation Devices" H.P. 364 L.D. 518

Bill "An Act to Protect Stone Walls, Stone Impoundments and Timber Bridges of Historical Significance" H.P. 379 L.D. 553

Bill "An Act to Amend the Natural Resources Protection Laws" (Emergency) H.P. 398 L.D. 572

Come from the House referred to the Committee on ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which were referred to the Committee on **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence. Bill "An Act Concerning Renewal of Hunting Licenses for Older Citizens" H.P. 380 L.D. 554

Bill "An Act to Abolish the Pheasant Stamp Program" H.P. 396 L.D. 570

Come from the House referred to the Committee on FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which were referred to the Committee on **FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Establish a Center for Nonprofit Development" (Emergency) H.P. 357 L.D. 487

Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT suggested and ORDERED PRINTED.

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which was referred to the Committee on **HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

(See Action Later Today)

Bill "An Act Concerning Late Support Payments" H.P. 384 L.D. 558

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Licensing Status of Acute Care Units at State Mental Health Institutes" H.P. 391 L.D. 565

Come from the House referred to the Committee on HUMAN RESOURCES and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which were referred to the Committee on HUMAN RESOURCES and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide More Adequate Funding for Contracted Human Service Programs" (Emergency) H.P. 400 L.D. 574

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS suggested and ORDERED PRINTED.

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on HUMAN RESOURCES and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which was referred to the Committee on **HUMAN RESOURCES** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Requiring the Provision of Information to Victims of Gross Sexual Assault" H.P. 359 L.D. 513

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which was referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regulating the Working Hours of Minors During School Vacations" H.P. 381 L.D. 555

Bill "An Act Requiring Overtime Pay on Sunday for Retail Sales Employees" H.P. 397 L.D. 571

Come from the House referred to the Committee on LABOR and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which were referred to the Committee on LABOR and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Charging of Rent in Advance by Landlords" (Emergency) H.P. 370 L.D. 524

Bill "An Act to Amend the Campaign Finance Reporting Laws" H.P. 375 L.D. 529

Bill "An Act Concerning Campaign Sign Posts" H.P. 378 L.D. 552

Bill "An Act Concerning the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices" H.P. 383 L.D. 557

Bill "An Act Concerning Municipal Clerk Office Hours on the Saturday Preceding a Statewide Election" H.P. 386 L.D. 560

Bill "An Act Regarding Local Option Questions on the Sale of Beer and Wine" H.P. 388 L.D. 562 Bill "An Act to Increase Mobile Home Park License Fees" (Emergency) H.P. 392 L.D. 566

Come from the House referred to the Committee on LEGAL AFFAIRS and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which were referred to the Committee on LEGAL AFFAIRS and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **CLARK** of Cumberland, the Senate **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby it **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**:

Bill "An Act to Establish a Center for Nonprofit Development" (Emergency) H.P. 357 L.D. 487

(Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT suggested and ORDERED PRINTED.)

On further motion by same Senator, Tabled 1 Legislative Day, pending **REFERENCE**.

Bill "An Act to Allow the County Administrator to Assume the Duties of County Treasurer in Counties with an Administrator"

H.P. 387 L.D. 561

Resolve, to Establish the Special Commission to Study the Operations of State Government (Emergency) H.P. 401 L.D. 575

Come from the House referred to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Benefit Volunteer Fire and Rescue Personnel" H.P. 366 L.D. 520

Bill "An Act to Improve Collections of Sales Taxes on Mail Order Sales" H.P. 367 L.D. 521

Bill "An Act Regarding the Real Estate Transfer Tax" H.P. 371 L.D. 525 Bill "An Act to Change the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law" H.P. 393 L.D. 567

Bill "An Act to Provide Comprehensive Property Tax Relief" H.P. 402 L.D. 576

Come from the House referred to the Committee on TAXATION and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which were referred to the Committee on **TAXATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Protect the Safety of Motorcycle Passengers" H.P. 368 L.D. 522

Bill "An Act to Amend the Minimum Age for Obtaining a Driver's License" H.P. 372 L.D. 526

Bill "An Act to Expand the Law Concerning Disabled Veteran Registration Plates" H.P. 377 L.D. 551

Resolve, to Name the Bridge Crossing the Sebasticook River in Benton the Benton Veterans' Memorial Bridge

H.P. 385 L.D. 559

Bill "An Act to Amend the Auctioneer Licensing Law Relating to the Sale of Motor Vehicles at Public Auction" H.P. 389 L.D. 563

Resolve, to Provide for a Commemorative Motor Vehicle Plate to Celebrate the Bicentennial of the Town of Bucksport

H.P. 390 L.D. 564

Come from the House referred to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Spent Fuel and High-level Radioactive Waste Requirements" H.P. 369 L.D. 523

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on UTILITIES and ORDERED PRINTED.

On motion by Senator **CLARK** of Cumberland, Tabled 1 Legislative Day, pending **REFERENCE**.

Pursuant to Resolves COMMISSION TO STUDY THE USE OF HERBICIDES

The COMMISSION TO STUDY THE USE OF HERBICIDES, pursuant to Resolves 1989, Chapter 98, ask leave to submit its findings and to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act Regarding the Use of Pesticides and Placing the Board of Pesticides Control under the Authority of the Department of Environmental Protection"

H.P. 403 L.D. 577

Be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES** for Public Hearing and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 18.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill referred to the Committee on **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, pursuant to Joint Rule 18.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill referred to the Committee on **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, pursuant to Joint Rule 18, in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.P. 233

115TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

February 12, 1991

Senator N. Paul Gauvreau Rep. Patrick E. Paradis Chairpersons Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary 115th Legislature Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Chairs:

Please be advised that Governor John R. McKernan, Jr. has nominated the Honorable Douglas A. Clapp of Bucks Harbor for appointment as Judge of the Maine District Court, District XII. Pursuant to Title 4, MRSA Section 157, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Charles P. Pray President of the Senate

S/John L. Martin Speaker of the House

Which was **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication:

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGING, RETIREMENT AND VETERANS

February 11, 1991

The Honorable Charles P. Pray President of the Senate of Maine State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151, and with Joint Rule 38 of the 115th Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans has had under consideration the nomination of David S. Wakelin of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment to the Maine State Retirement Board of Trustees.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

> YEAS: Senators 3 Representatives 9

NAYS:

ABSENT: 1 Rep. Lapointe of Auburn

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Twelve members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of David S. Wakelin of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment to the Maine State Retirement Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Dale McCormick S/Rep. John Jalbert Senate Chair House Chair Which was **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

THE PRESIDENT: The Joint Standing Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans has recommended the nomination of David S. Wakelin of Cape Elizabeth be confirmed.

The pending question before the Senate is: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on Agriculture be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151 and with Joint Rule 38 of the 115th Legislature, the vote will be taken by the Yeas and Nays.

A vote of Yes will be in favor of overriding the recommendation of the Committee.

A Vote of No will be in favor of sustaining the recommendation of the Committee.

Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Kennebec, Senator **KANY**, and further excused her from today's Roll Call votes.

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Aroostook, Senator THERIAULT, and further excused him from today's Roll Call votes.

The Doorkeepers will secure the Chamber.

The Secretary will call the Roll.

ROLL CALL

- YEAS: Senators None
- NAYS: Senators BALDACCI, BERUBE, BOST, BRANNIGAN, BRAWN, BUSTIN, CAHILL, CARPENTER, CLARK, CLEVELAND, COLLINS, CONLEY, DUTREMBLE, EMERSON, ESTES, ESTY, FOSTER, GILL, GOULD, HOLLOWAY, LUDWIG, MATTHEWS, MCCORMICK, MILLS, RICH, SUMMERS, TITCOMB, TWITCHELL, VOSE, THE PRESIDENT - CHARLES P. PRAY

ABSENT: Senators GAUVREAU, PEARSON, WEBSTER

EXCUSED: Senators KANY, THERIAULT

No Senators having voted in the affirmative and 30 Senators having voted in the negative, with 3 Senators being absent, and 2 Senators having been excused, and None being less than two-thirds of the Membership present, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be ACCEPTED and the nomination of David S. Wakelin, was CONFIRMED.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$5,000,000 to Finance the Acquisition of Public Access Lands in Northern Maine" S.P. 231 L.D. 585

Presented by Senator **COLLINS** of Aroostook Cosponsored by Senator **LUDWIG** of Aroostook, Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Representative ANDERSON of Woodland

Which was referred to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and ORDERED PRINTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Insurance Law Relating to the Type of Coverage Provided by Insurance Carriers"

S.P. 228 L.D. 582

Presented by President **PRAY** of Penobscot Cosponsored by Senator **DUTREMBLE** of York, Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Representative RYDELL of Brunswick

Which was referred to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE and ORDERED PRINTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require Each Person Licensed for the Practice of Funeral Service to Participate in Continuing Professional Education"

S.P. 227 L.D. 581

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot

Which was referred to the Committee on **BUSINESS** LEGISLATION and ORDERED PRINTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide Greater Local Review of Proposed Low-Level Radioactive Waste Sites" S.P. 229 L.D. 583

Presented by Senator **THERIAULT** of Aroostook Cosponsored by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Representative MARTIN of Van Buren

Which was referred to the Committee on ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES and ORDERED PRINTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Ensure That Inflationary and Demographic Trends Are Reflected in Home-based Care Funding"

S.P. 224 L.D. 578

Presented by Senator **BRANNIGAN** of Cumberland Cosponsored by Representative MANNING of Portland, Senator **CONLEY** of Cumberland and Senator **GILL** of Cumberland

Which was referred to the Committee on HUMAN RESOURCES and ORDERED PRINTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Funds for At-risk Youths and Families"

S.P. 225 L.D. 579

Presented by Senator **BRANNIGAN** of Cumberland Cosponsored by Representative CHONKO of Topsham, Representative POULIOT of Lewiston and Representative DUTREMBLE of Biddeford

Committee on HUMAN RESOURCES suggested and ORDERED PRINTED.

On motion by Senator **CLARK** of Cumberland, Tabled 1 Legislative Day, pending **REFERENCE**.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Provisions Regarding Prejudgment Interest"

S.P. 230 L.D. 584

Presented by Senator **HOLLOWAY** of Lincoln Submitted by the Judicial Department pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

Which was referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY and ORDERED PRINTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require the State to Pay Municipal Permit Fees for New Construction or Improvements to State-owned Buildings" S.P. 226 L.D. 580

Presented by Senator **BUSTIN** of Kennebec Cosponsored by Representative PARADIS of Augusta, Representative DAGGETT of Augusta and Representative MAYO of Thomaston Which were referred to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ORDERED PRINTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide the Legislature with Revenue Forecasting Capabilities" (Emergency) S.P. 232 L.D. 586

Presented by President **PRAY** of Penobscot Cosponsored by Senator **BRANNIGAN** of Cumberland, Representative CHONKO of Topsham and Representative MAYO of Thomaston

Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT suggested and ORDERED PRINTED.

On motion by Senator **CLARK** of Cumberland, Tabled 1 Legislative Day, pending **REFERENCE**.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

House

Leave to Withdraw

The following **Leave to Withdraw** Reports shall be placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Rule 15 of the Joint Rules:

From the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** Bill "An Act Concerning the Season for Harvesting Scallops" H.P. 66 L.D. 94

From the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** Bill "An Act to Require That Children Riding in the Back of Pickup Trucks Be Secured"

H.P. 22 L.D. 25

HELD BILL

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator CLARK.

Senator **CLARK**: Mr. President, is the Senate in possession of L.D. 536?

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair would answer in the affirmative, the Bill having been held at the Senators request.

On motion by Senator **CLARK** of Cumberland, the Senate **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby it **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION**:

Bill "An Act to Ensure Access to Land Located on Discontinued Roads" S.P. 209 L.D. 536

(In Senate, February 12, 1991, referred to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.)

On further motion by same Senator, referred to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ORDERED PRINTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

The following matters in the consideration of which the Senate was engaged at the time of Adjournment, have preference in the Orders of the Day and continue with such preference until disposed of as provided by Senate Rule 29.

The Chair laid before the Senate the Tabled and Specially Assigned (2/12/91) matter:

NOMINATION - of Lai Orenduff of Farmington for appointment as the Chair of the Cultural Affairs Council

Tabled - February 11, 1991, by Senator **CLARK** of Cumberland

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, February 7, 1991, Communication from the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.)

THE PRESIDENT: The Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has recommended the nomination of Lai Orenduff of Farmington be confirmed.

The pending question before the Senate is: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on State and Local Government be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151 and with Joint Rule 38 of the 115th Legislature, the vote will be taken by the Yeas and Nays.

A vote of Yes will be in favor of overriding the recommendation of the Committee.

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Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Kennebec, Senator **KANY**, and further excused her from today's Roll Call votes.

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Aroostook, Senator **THERIAULT**, and further excused him from today's Roll Call votes.

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ROLL CALL

YEAS: Senators None

NAYS: Senators BALDACCI, BERUBE, BOST, BRANNIGAN, BRAWN, BUSTIN, CAHILL, CARPENTER, CLARK, CLEVELAND, COLLINS, CONLEY, DUTREMBLE, EMERSON, ESTES, ESTY, FOSTER, GILL, GOULD, HOLLOWAY, LUDWIG, MATTHEWS, MCCORMICK, MILLS, RICH, SUMMERS, TITCOMB, TWITCHELL, VOSE, THE PRESIDENT - CHARLES P. PRAY

ABSENT: Senators GAUVREAU, PEARSON, WEBSTER

EXCUSED: Senators KANY, THERIAULT

No Senators having voted in the affirmative and 30 Senators having voted in the negative, with 3 Senators being absent, and 2 Senators having been excused, and None being less than two-thirds of the Membership present, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be ACCEPTED and the nomination of Lai Orenduff, was CONFIRMED.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House.

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator **TITCOMB** of Cumberland, **ADJOURNED** until Thursday, February 14, 1991, at 9:30 in the morning.