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In Senate Chamber
Wednesday
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Senate called to Order by the President.

Prayer by The Honorable Barbara A. Gill of Cumberland.

SENATOR BARBARA A. GILL: Heavenly Father, we ask You for enlightenment today. For wisdom to bring this final Budget process to a final end in a Resolution. That we may go on to continue to resolve all of the other issues that this Legislature has before us. We ask this of You. I also, at this time would like to have a special prayer for David Silsby who will be retiring, and I would include him in our prayer today to wish him a long, enjoyable, fruitful retirement as he goes on and leaves this Body. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, February 26, 1991.

Off Record Remarks

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

ORDERS

Joint Resolution

On motion by President **PRAY** of Penobscot (Cosponsored by: Representative **GWADOSKY** of Fairfield, Speaker **MARTIN** of Eagle Lake, Senator **CLARK** of Cumberland, Senator **DUTREMBLE** of York, Senator **WEBSTER** of Franklin, Senator **CAHILL** of Sagadahoc, Representative **MAYO** of Thomaston, Representative **WHITCOMB** of Waldo and Representative **MARSANO** of Belfast) the following Joint Resolution:
S.P. 301

**JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING DAVID S. SILSBY
ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM STATE SERVICE**

WHEREAS, David Shorey Silsby will retire on February 28, 1991 after more than a quarter century of service to the people of Maine and to this Legislature; and

WHEREAS, David Silsby has given this institution the benefit of his wisdom, grace and unfailing courtesy in 23 years of dedicated service as Revisor of Statutes and Director of Legislative Research and in 3 years of exceptional work as Director of the State House and Capitol Park Commission and as a member of the Supreme Judicial Court Plan and Design Commission and the Special Committee on the New Capitol Area Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, he has been a friend and trusted colleague through all the tempests and calms of legislative life and we have always enjoyed the pleasure of his company here in his beloved State House; and

WHEREAS, he most recently provided us with his expertise and advice as a member of the Special Committee on the New Capitol Area Master Plan and the initial recommendations of that committee are due in no small part to David's vision of this historic edifice and the surrounding Capitol Area as a civic and cultural center for Maine's citizens; and

WHEREAS, David's work has created a new awareness of one of the crowning jewels of this State's emerald necklace, Capitol Park, and he has led us to recognize the potential of this park and the importance of rehabilitating and maintaining this inheritance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Fifteenth Legislature, now assembled in the First Regular Session, pause in our deliberations to recognize David Silsby on the occasion of his retirement from State Government; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to David S. Silsby as a token of our appreciation and respect and in recognition of his singular efforts and contributions to this Legislature, to the laws of the State of Maine and to the preservation and enhancement of the State House and its environs.

Which was, **READ.**

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Gauvreau.

Senator **GAUVREAU:** Thank you Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I was very pleased this morning upon my arrival at the State Capitol and read the Calendar and understand that we would be passing judgment upon the Joint Resolution honoring the contributions of David Silsby, not only to this Legislative Body, but also, to the State of Maine.

It is a pleasant task for us to address this morning, the good Senator from Cumberland, Senator Gill, reminded us in her prayer that we have other more somber tasks before us including, hopefully, reaching consensus upon the Budget. As I reviewed the Resolution today, I couldn't help but thinking that in some quarters it is somewhat fashionable to cry at public servants and to cry the efforts of those who would proffer themselves into public

service in attempt to address difficult issues of the day. I think back some twenty years ago, when I was graduating from college, I was a student intern, and one of the jobs that I had was a student intern here in Maine State Government. I was assigned to work in the then Legislative Research Office, and the assistant was David Silsby. I worked many months and enjoyed myself immensely working with David. He taught me many lessons, perhaps, the most important of which was, that there are certain responsibilities in public service which transcend partisan politics, which transcend gratification. We have an obligation in public service to do the public's business, and to do that we must look within ourselves and always ask in a fashion congruent with our own personal consciences.

I think that is a lesson which we should certainly bring forth today. People have worked long and hard over the last few months. I think there are some frayed tempers. Emotions have run high on occasions. Let us not give in to the pressures of the moment. Let us step back for a moment and understand what we are really doing is the public business and that we have to access our work product, not by whether people immediately recognize our contributions, but what we ourselves know that what we have done is right and proper. That is a lesson that David Silsby has taught us. We have been engraced by his presence, and privileged to work with him over these many years. I join with my colleagues this morning in wishing David the best success in his future endeavors. Thank you Mr. President.

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

Senator **CONLEY:** Thank you Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I am somewhat surprised that I was actually able to get up quicker than the good Senator from Kennebec, who is quick to arise on so many occasions when she feels strongly.

I have not had the pleasure of working with David Silsby, unlike my father, who worked with him for a good twenty years here, and was always pleased with the service which David provided to him in this Chamber. I can only say that David Silsby, his name is known near and far for his public service. I think what really says it all is the fact that the Chamber is filled with so many people who worked with him during his time here in the Legislative Halls. I think that really says about as much as anybody can say about all the work that you have done for us here, David. I wish you well in your retirement.

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

Senator **GILL:** Thank you Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. When I came to the Legislature some fifteen years ago, I came and I found a friend in David Silsby. My husband, who was a Legislator, previously, had served with David and they became great friends. So, when I came into service, the friendship was there and continued. I found David to be a wonderful family man. I found him to be an expert in his field, and well respected throughout the country with all the people in the Legislative Offices throughout the whole country. He

has been looked on as an expert by the law books, the "West Books", we have our statutes in, and the legal part of what we do.

I think he is not only a skilled person in his work area, but he is also talented as an artist. Many of you have seen his different paintings throughout these halls. He is a kind man, he is a gentle man, and yet he is such an expert in his field. New Legislators coming in have been greeted by him through the years, and have been treated very well by him through the years, and I think his staff, and part of his staff is still here, and still upstairs, and I think they are a tribute to him. The individual who brought a lot of those people on board and who worked with him through the years. I think we are fortunate to have them, but it is through David Silsby that we do have some of them.

I hope David enjoys his retirement. We all wish him well. I know that we will see him around from time to time, because I don't think he will ever be able to leave this building.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Washington, Senator Vose.

Senator **VOSE:** Thank you Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I want to point out one thing about David that happened to me a good many years ago when I first came down here. I was told by former Representative Ken Mills, that the first man I should see would be David Silsby, and I did so.

When I first went down to introduce myself, he says, "How do you like it in Augusta?" And I said, "I like it fine, Dave. They have running water down here." And the next time I saw him I said, "You know Dave, one of those things are hot. I like that." And the next time I saw him I said, "You know, it is nice not to have to get up and go outside at night." Dave finally caught on to that I was funning him.

But since that time, he has been a tremendous help to me and one great guy. I am going to miss him, and I know everybody will. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Bustin.

Senator **BUSTIN:** Thank you Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Unlike the good Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Gauvreau, I am not pleased to see this Resolution on the Calendar. What it means is that we are going to be without somebody who has been our wonderful supporter, been willing to give me all kinds of information as a freshman on up. Who has the highest honor and integrity that I think I have ever seen in any person who is so talented that we are going to sorely miss him. Especially, in planning this new Capitol Park Area, and developing what he refers to as the "Jewel" of the Capitol Park.

He has worked with him, and I have worked with him on many Commissions, in developing this concept. He has worked so diligently. He is a man who is very, very sensitive. He gets hurt, really emotionally hurt when people do not understand the farsightedness that he has. And it is

farsightedness. He sees things so far in the future, that it is incredible to me.

I am going to miss him very, very much. I do not want to pass this Resolution because I want him to stay. I understand, however, and he is within ear shot, that I will vote for the Resolution, and I will not ask for the yeas and nays, only because I understand that he has agreed to come back as a consultant and do some part time work on this very, very important project that we are all working on. So, best wishes, good luck, and I hope to hear from the Silsby's, who again, are a very, very honorable family, and have contributed an incredible amount to this fine State of Maine. Thank you.

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

Senator **CLARK:** Thank you Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. We honor today a man who has worked quietly among us for a number of years, and whatever he did, and whatever he touched was improved.

He served the Legislature and his state well. We all recognize this, and because of that we honor him this day. We honor Dave Silsby the man, yes, the truly gentle man. We have fostered and nurtured many friendships over these years. Suffice it to say that yes indeed, Dave Silsby has earned our respect, our admiration, our confidence, and, yes, our love. But as we pass this Resolution this morning honoring a man among us. We share some sadness at this closing of a chapter in his and our lives. But let's join together in wishing this man happiness, fulfillment, comfort, and even more challenges as in his retirement, and we know that it doesn't mean retirement from life, but rather for Dave Silsby, another opportunity to express all that he is to contribute all that he shares so freely with us, to all the citizens of this state. And thank him for his years of service, knowing that in this final chapter as we say good-bye today, that we give him a more opportunity to use all of his many talents and his many kindnesses, and to frankly, spend more time with his wonderful family, and lovely wife, Ellie. We all share in appreciation of the graces that he has been granted and he shared so freely with us over these many years. But David Silsby epitomizes all when you say, "Dave Silsby the man, the man you can trust". Thank you Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Hancock Senator Foster.

Senator **FOSTER:** Thank you Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The name Silsby is very well known in Hancock County, and especially a town in Hancock by the name of Aurora, Maine, USA. And over the years, many Silsby's have come out of Aurora, Maine, and come to the House and the Senate, to judges to doctors. Men and women of vision. You can imagine my delight to come to Augusta eleven years ago, and find a Silsby in Augusta. A Silsby that was bringing also the tradition of service to the people of the State of Maine. I have worked with David over the last eleven years, and especially on one Committee on the Supreme Court Relocation. It has been indeed a pleasure to work with him on this Committee.

As the days of David's service are winding down, I say, "David, come home. Come home to Aurora, Maine, Hancock County, USA. We would love to have you there." Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair would like to add a few comments from this position. In my seventeen years thus far having served in the Legislature, thirteen of those years in leadership, have had the opportunity to share with David comments and conversations about the Institution. David is obviously a dedicated and committed individual to the Legislature as an Institution, and to its preservation as a separate branch of government, part of the Democratic process that we all love and enjoy.

As we look around even in this Chamber, we can see the works of David Silsby. When this Chamber was redone, David lent valuable time and research, researching the history of this Chamber, did countless hours of drawings and colorization of what the Chamber would look like as we attempted to make the decisions as to what to do here. Ellie, David's wife, has shared with another love affair, and that love affair is the Legislature and the State House.

David, I would like to add my own personal congratulations and expression of appreciation for those years of dedication to the people of the State of Maine. As one of those many instances, it was always in the background, never looked for the limelight. Just look to resolve the difficulties that we as an Institution faced, and to make this building, that "Crown Jewel" to the people of the State of Maine.

As it has been said by others, David is not leaving us, he is retiring, but we are in contractual discussions with him now to keep him on to lend that valuable history, experience, and expertise to continue to make this State House something that every citizen of the State of Maine can be proud. To make the state grounds, interestingly as we attempted to work on that, the area became larger and larger, and before we are done, we will have David redesigning the whole state for us, hopefully, if only time would permit.

The Chair is pleased to recognize before we pass this Resolution, the fact, that David is in the rear of the Chamber. But before I have him stand, I need to point out, because at that particular point that he sits, he cannot see that the Senate Gallery is about filled with employees who have worked with him over the years, who have that same sense of fondness of him for his commitment to this facility, to its people, to the Institution as well. The Chair notes that those individuals are in the Chamber because of their respect, appreciation, and love for you, David.

The Chair asked, prior to the Resolution, that David please rise and accept the greeting of the Senate. (Amid prolonged applause, the Members rising.)

Which was, **ADOPTED.**

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication:

**STATE OF MAINE
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS
PO BOX 4820 DOWNTOWN STATION
PORTLAND, MAINE 04112**

February 22, 1991

Dear President Pray:

It is my honor and personal pleasure to transmit to you and each of the other Senators of the 115th Legislature a copy of the Fourteenth Annual Report of the Judicial Department, pursuant to the provisions of 4 MRSA §17.10.

Sincerely,

S/Dana R. Baggett
State Court Administrator

Which was **READ** and with Accompanying Papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act Promoting Cranberry Cultivation in Maine" (Emergency)
S.P. 317 L.D. 855

Presented by Senator **FOSTER** of Hancock
Cosponsored by Representative **LORD** of Waterboro,
Senator **VOSE** of Washington and Representative
DUFFY of Bangor

Which was referred to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**
Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Lemon Law"
S.P. 315 L.D. 853

Presented by Senator **BRANNIGAN** of Cumberland
Cosponsored by Representative **RYDELL** of
Brunswick, Representative **GURNEY** of Portland and
Senator **MATHEWS** of Kennebec

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Restructuring Maine Schools"
S.P. 314 L.D. 852

Presented by Senator **COLLINS** of Aroostook
Cosponsored by Senator **ESTES** of York,
Representative **CROWLEY** of Stockton Springs and
Representative **NORTON** of Winthrop
Submitted by the Department of Education pursuant
to Joint Rule 24.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, to Extend the Reporting Date of the
Commission to Study the Feasibility of Establishing a
Piscataqua River Basin Compact Between Maine and New
Hampshire (Emergency)
S.P. 320 L.D. 858

Presented by Senator **ESTES** of York
Cosponsored by Representative **LAWRENCE** of Kittery

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Ensure Adequate Resources for
Energy Assistance Programs for Low-income Households"
(Emergency)
S.P. 319 L.D. 857

Presented by Senator **BRANNIGAN** of Cumberland
Cosponsored by Representative **PARADIS** of Augusta
and Senator **GILL** of Cumberland

Committee on **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**
suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED.**

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

Bill "An Act to Modify the Law Relating to Continuing Deliberation by a Civil Jury in the Face of Disagreement"

S.P. 313 L.D. 851

Presented by Senator **GAUVREAU** of Androscoggin
Cosponsored by Representative **CARROLL** of Gray,
Representative **MELENDY** of Rockland and
Representative **MAYO** of Thomaston
Submitted by the Office of the Attorney General
pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Confidentiality of Public Employee Disciplinary Records"

S.P. 322 L.D. 878

Presented by Senator **BUSTIN** of Kennebec
Cosponsored by Senator **VOSE** of Washington,
Representative **GRAY** of Sedgwick and
Representative **GREENLAW** of Standish

Which were referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Permit Predetermination of Independent Contractor Status"

S.P. 312 L.D. 850

Presented by Senator **ESTY** of Cumberland
Cosponsored by Representative **PINEAU** of Jay,
Senator **CARPENTER** of York and President **PRAY** of Penobscot

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Definition of Resident Trust"

S.P. 316 L.D. 854

Presented by Senator **CLEVELAND** of Androscoggin
Cosponsored by Representative **DORE** of Auburn and
Senator **GAUVREAU** of Androscoggin

Bill "An Act to Increase the Authority of Municipalities to Levy Service Charges on Certain Tax Exempt Property"

S.P. 318 L.D. 856

Presented by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot
Cosponsored by Representative **NADEAU** of Saco and
Representative **BUTLAND** of Cumberland

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Augusta Sanitary District Charter to Comply with Federal Sewerage Pretreatment Requirements" (Emergency)

S.P. 321 L.D. 877

Presented by Senator **BUSTIN** of Kennebec
Cosponsored by Representative **PARADIS** of Augusta,
Representative **DAGGETT** of Augusta and
Representative **NORTON** of Winthrop

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

Sent down for concurrence.

SECOND READERS

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

House

Bill "An Act to Conform the Maine Income Tax Law for 1990 with the United States Internal Revenue Code" (Emergency)

H.P. 8 L.D. 11

Bill "An Act to Shorten the Tax Abatement Application Period"

H.P. 154 L.D. 239

Which were **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

House As Amended

Bill "An Act to Regulate Further Ozone-depleting Products"

H.P. 90 L.D. 131
(C "A" H-18)

Which was **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, as **Amended**, in concurrence.

Senate

Bill "An Act to Improve the Enforcement of the
Maine Insurance Code"
S.P. 105 L.D. 202

Bill "An Act Relating to Medicare Supplement
Insurance"
S.P. 106 L.D. 203

Which were **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE
ENGROSSED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Chair laid before the Senate the Tabled and
Specially Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Correct Language in the Laws
Governing Intensive Supervision"
H.P. 545 L.D. 782

Tabled - February 26, 1991, by Senator **CLARK** of
Cumberland.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested and **ORDERED
PRINTED.**)

(In House, February 25, 1991, referred to the
Joint Select Committee on **CORRECTIONS** and **ORDERED
PRINTED.**)

Which was referred to the Joint Select Committee
on **CORRECTIONS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules,
the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-concurrent Matter

JOINT RESOLUTION - Recognizing the Establishment
of Children's Castle
S.P. 300

In Senate, February 22, 1991, **READ** and **ADOPTED.**

Comes from the House **READ** and **INDEFINITELY
POSTPONED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE.**

On motion by Senator **CLARK** of Cumberland, Tabled
Unassigned, pending **FURTHER CONSIDERATION.**

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Sunset Provision of
Simulcasting Laws"
H.P. 582 L.D. 833

Bill "An Act to Stabilize the Maine Dairy
Industry" (Emergency)
H.P. 598 L.D. 849

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

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

Bill "An Act to Promote Choice for Bank
Customers" (Emergency)
H.P. 580 L.D. 831

Bill "An Act Relating to Workers' Compensation
Self-insurance"
H.P. 585 L.D. 836

Bill "An Act to Establish a Consumer Advocate for
Insurance"
H.P. 596 L.D. 847

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 Require Voter Approval for
Disposal of School Property"
H.P. 573 L.D. 824

Bill "An Act to Provide Full Pupil Subsidies for
Home School Students"
H.P. 579 L.D. 830

Bill "An Act to Ensure Early Intervention Services to Eligible Special Needs Children from Birth to Age 5"

H.P. 588 L.D. 839

Bill "An Act to Establish a School Choice Program"

H.P. 597 L.D. 848

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 Establish Equitable Environmental Relicensing Fees"

H.P. 584 L.D. 835

Bill "An Act to Allow Reconstruction of Structures Destroyed by Acts of God"

H.P. 587 L.D. 838

Bill "An Act to Provide Greater Public Input into Public Lands Management"

H.P. 589 L.D. 840

Bill "An Act to Facilitate Municipal Review of Commercial Hazardous Waste License Applications and the Collection of Municipal Fees Levied on Commercial Hazardous Waste Facilities"

H.P. 590 L.D. 841

Bill "An Act to Modify the Ban on Plastic Rings and Other Plastic Holding Devices" (Emergency)

H.P. 591 L.D. 842

Bill "An Act Concerning Training and Certification for Land Use Code Enforcement Officers"

H.P. 595 L.D. 846

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 to Extend the Bow Hunting Season"

H.P. 569 L.D. 820

Bill "An Act to Issue Doe Permits to Physically Disabled Persons Upon Request from the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife"

H.P. 571 L.D. 822

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 Provide More Equitable Reimbursement for Boarding Homes Serving Persons with Mental Retardation"

H.P. 575 L.D. 826

Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Certain Mental Health Services"

H.P. 583 L.D. 834

Resolve, to Create a Demonstration Program to Increase Utilization of the Food Stamp Program by the Elderly

H.P. 586 L.D. 837

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 Amend the Wrongful Death Laws"

H.P. 572 L.D. 823

Bill "An Act to Amend the Law Dealing with Foot Pursuit"

H.P. 578 L.D. 829

Bill "An Act to Assist Victims of Crime"

H.P. 592 L.D. 843

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

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

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Definition of State Employee in the State Employee Labor Relations Laws"

H.P. 574 L.D. 825

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Definition of Public Employer under the Municipal Public Employees Labor Relations Laws"

H.P. 577 L.D. 828

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Employers from Harassing Employees Who Are Absent from Work Due to Illness"
H.P. 581 L.D. 832

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 Reduce Marine Pollution"
H.P. 594 L.D. 845

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

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

Bill "An Act to Regulate the Disposition of State Surplus Property"
H.P. 570 L.D. 821

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

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

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Laws Relating to Property Tax Abatements"
H.P. 576 L.D. 827

Bill "An Act Concerning Taxation of Time-share Condominiums"
H.P. 593 L.D. 844

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.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

House

Ought to Pass

The Committee on **AGRICULTURE** on Bill "An Act to Continue Milk Pool Payments to Dairy Farmers Affected by the Newport Plant Closure" (Emergency)
H.P. 130 L.D. 186.

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

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

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

The Bill **TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Authorize Certified Reserve Officers to Enforce Motor Vehicle Registration Laws"
H.P. 65 L.D. 93

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

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

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

The Bill **TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

Off Record Remarks

Senator **WEBSTER** of Franklin was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Senate at Ease

Senate called to order by the President.

Off Record Remarks

On motion of Senator **CAHILL** of Sagadahoc, **ADJOURNED** until Thursday, February 28, 1991, at 10:00 in the morning.