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Off Record Remarks

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In Senate Chamber
Tuesday
January 24, 1995

Senate called to Order by the President, Jeffrey H. Butland of Cumberland.

Prayer by Reverend Sylvanus Jackson of the United Methodist Church in Randolph.

REVEREND SYLVANUS JACKSON: Good morning. I am highly honored by your gracious invitation to be here and I want to thank you very much. I want to thank the people of Maine, especially the Randolph and East Pittston churches, for taking fine care of us. King Solomon, on assuming his reign, had a dream in which God asked him to choose what he would need to govern effectively. Solomon, among other things, said, "Oh God, give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of Yours without your help?" You are assuming office at a time when expectations are very high, and demands are far greater than in the days of Solomon. You need all the blessings and support you can get to carry out the responsibilities of your high office. I believe the good Lord will give you the grace you need to meet the challenges of your office. God will give you the blessings to govern the people of Maine with a wise and understanding heart, and a listening and receptive ear. I pledge my support for your administration and promise to pray, always, for your success.

Almighty and gracious God, we thank you for appointing these, your daughters and sons, as Senators of the State of Maine. Consecrate them for the responsibilities to which you have called them and guide them in their decision making so that the State of Maine will enjoy justice, unity, peace and prosperity. Bless, oh God, our Governor, Angus King, and grant him all the grace he needs to be a great leader. Finally, bless, oh God, our State of Maine, that under our new leadership we may enjoy better days so that our future may be filled with confidence and hope. May God bless these deliberations and may the peace of the Lord be always with you. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by **SENATOR HATHAWAY** of York.

Reading of the Journal of Friday, January 20, 1995.

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, on motion of Senator **KIEFFER** of Aroostook, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 104

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they do so until Friday, January 27, 1995, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Which was **READ** and **PASSED**.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Refund Money Collected from the Disposal Fee on Major Appliances and Tires to Municipalities"

S.P. 23 L.D. 54

In Senate, January 12, 1995, referred to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on **TAXATION**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On motion by Senator **KIEFFER** of Aroostook, the Senate **RECEDED** and **CONCURRED**.

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Develop the Landowner Relations Program"

H.P. 148 L.D. 196

Reference to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Comes from the House, referred to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

On motion by Senator **KIEFFER** of Aroostook, referred to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Reinstate Funding for the Saco River Corridor Commission"
H.P. 125 L.D. 173

Reference to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Comes from the House, referred to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which was referred to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Repeal the 7% Gross Receipts Tax on Nursing Homes"
H.P. 33 L.D. 27

Reference to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

On motion by Senator **KIEFFER** of Aroostook, referred to the Committee on **TAXATION**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify Fresh Start Charges under the Workers' Compensation Laws"
H.P. 135 L.D. 183

Reference to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Which was referred to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Penalty for Child Sexual Abuse Committed within 1,000 Feet of a School"
H.P. 123 L.D. 171

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Private Indecency"
H.P. 131 L.D. 179

Reference to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Comes from the House, referred to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Conferral of Degrees by the Research Institute for Semiological Mathematics"
H.P. 128 L.D. 176

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Schools from Charging Activity Fees for Participation in Extracurricular Events"
H.P. 140 L.D. 188

Bill "An Act to Extend the Probationary Period of New Teachers from 2 Years to 3 Years"
H.P. 146 L.D. 194

Reference to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Comes from the House, referred to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow Municipalities to Dispose of Abandoned Bicycles"
H.P. 133 L.D. 181

Reference to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

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

Which were referred to the Committee on **LABOR**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Make the Workers' Compensation Laws for Temporary Employees Consistent with Those Laws for Permanent Employees"

H.P. 85 L.D. 121

Reference to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

On motion by Senator **KIEFFER** of Aroostook, referred to the Committee on **LABOR**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require an Endorser's Authorization for a Candidate To Use an Endorsement"

H.P. 45 L.D. 39

Bill "An Act to Limit Campaign Contributions in Legislative Races"

H.P. 143 L.D. 191

Reference to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Come from the House, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Exempt Owners of Shooting Ranges from any Civil or Criminal Action Relating to Noise Pollution"

H.P. 60 L.D. 96

Reference to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

On motion by Senator **KIEFFER** of Aroostook, referred to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Restrict the Taking of Eels Less than 6 Inches in Length from Maine Coastal Waters" (Emergency)

H.P. 137 L.D. 185

Reference to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

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

Bill "An Act to Amend the Misconduct Provisions of the Unemployment Compensation Law"

H.P. 130 L.D. 178

Bill "An Act to Require the Maine Retirement System to Buy Stock in the Paper Companies"

H.P. 136 L.D. 184

Bill "An Act to Protect the Rights of Maine State Retirement System Employees"

H.P. 147 L.D. 195

Reference to the Committee on **LABOR** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Financial Assurance Provisions Applicable to Solid Waste Disposal Facilities"

H.P. 129 L.D. 177

Reference to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Come from the House, referred to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which was referred to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide Equity and Affordability in Code Enforcement for Small Communities"
H.P. 124 L.D. 172

Bill "An Act to Permit Full-time Deputies To Hold Local Public Office"
H.P. 138 L.D. 186

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Establish a Limit on Increases in the Local Property Tax
H.P. 145 L.D. 193

Reference to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Reduce Income Taxes"
H.P. 126 L.D. 174

Bill "An Act to Establish a Job Creation and Retention Tax Credit"
H.P. 132 L.D. 180

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Snack Tax"
H.P. 144 L.D. 192

Reference to the Committee on **TAXATION** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

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

Bill "An Act to Increase Safety in Highway Construction and Work Maintenance Areas"
H.P. 134 L.D. 182

Bill "An Act to Create a Separate License Plate for Sheriffs"
H.P. 139 L.D. 187

Bill "An Act to Install Rumble Strips on the Maine Turnpike"
H.P. 141 L.D. 189

Resolve, to Install Rumble Strips along Interstate 95
H.P. 142 L.D. 190

Reference to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Which were referred to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent forthwith.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Provide the Maine Legislature with Additional Financial Information" (Emergency)
S.P. 95 L.D. 235

Presented by Senator **LONGLEY** of Waldo
Cosponsored by Senator: **ABROMSON** of Cumberland,
Representatives: **AULT** of Wayne, **KERR** of Old Orchard Beach, **SIMONEAU** of Thomaston

Reference to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Reciprocity in the Licensure of Pharmacists"
S.P. 96 L.D. 236

Presented by Senator **LAWRENCE** of York
Cosponsored by Senator: **BUTLAND** of Cumberland

Reference to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which was referred to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Ensure Appropriate Resource and Referral Services for Families Needing Child Care" (Emergency)

S.P. 93 L.D. 233

Presented by Senator **PARADIS** of Aroostook
Cosponsored by Representative **SHIAH** of Bowdoinham and, Representatives: **CHARTRAND** of Rockland, **GERRY** of Auburn, **JOHNSON** of South Portland, **KNEELAND** of Easton

Reference to the Committee on **HUMAN RESOURCES** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Legalize Cannabis for Medical Treatment of Patients With HIV/AIDS"

S.P. 85 L.D. 204

Presented by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland
Cosponsored by Senator: **MCCORMICK** of Kennebec

Bill "An Act to Provide Statutory Procedures for Grievances against Attorneys"

S.P. 97 L.D. 237

Presented by Senator **SMALL** of Sagadahoc

Reference to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Liquor Licensing Laws for Certain Eating Establishments"

S.P. 94 L.D. 234

Presented by Senator **STEVENS, JR.** of Androscoggin
Cosponsored by Senator: **HALL** of Piscataquis,
Representatives: **BAILEY** of Township 27, **LIBBY** of Kennebunk, **WINGLASS** of Auburn

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Registering to Vote on Election Day"

S.P. 99 L.D. 239

Presented by Senator **HALL** of Piscataquis
Cosponsored by Senators: **ABROMSON** of Cumberland, **CAREY** of Kennebec, **CARPENTER** of York, **CASSIDY** of Washington, **FERGUSON, JR.** of Oxford, **KIEFFER** of Aroostook, **PENDEXTER** of Cumberland, **STEVENS, JR.** of Androscoggin, Representatives: **BARTH, JR.** of Bethel, **DONNELLY** of Presque Isle, **HEINO** of Boothbay

Bill "An Act to Require Reporting by Political Action Committees That Endorse or Provide Funds to Local Municipal Candidates"

S.P. 100 L.D. 240

Presented by Senator **AMERO** of Cumberland
Cosponsored by Senators: **ABROMSON** of Cumberland, **FERGUSON, JR.** of Oxford, **KIEFFER** of Aroostook, Representatives: **DIPIETRO** of South Portland, **O'GARA** of Westbrook, **PENDLETON, JR.** of Scarborough, **SAXL** of Bangor, **TOWNSEND** of Portland

Reference to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Reduce Clam Digger License Fees for Clam Diggers with a Municipal License"

S.P. 92 L.D. 232

Presented by Senator **BEGLEY** of Lincoln
Cosponsored by Senator: **SMALL** of Sagadahoc, Representatives: **CARLETON, JR.** of Wells, **HEINO** of Boothbay, **LEMKE** of Westbrook, **RICE** of South Bristol, **SPEAR** of Nobleboro

Bill "An Act to Enhance the Clam Industry in the State"

S.P. 103 L.D. 243

Presented by Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock
Cosponsored by Senators: **BUTLAND** of Cumberland, **CASSIDY** of Washington, **HATHAWAY** of York, **PINGREE** of Knox, Representatives: **BUNKER, JR.** of Kossuth Township, **DRISCOLL** of Calais, **ETNIER** of Harpswell, **FISHER** of Brewer, **LOOK** of Jonesboro, **PERKINS** of Penobscot, **PINKHAM** of Lamoine

Reference to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Repeal Point-of-sale Fees for Future Disposal of Certain Items"
S.P. 84 L.D. 203

Presented by Senator HATHAWAY of York
Cosponsored by Representative: JOYCE of Biddeford

Reference to the Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES suggested and ORDERED PRINTED.

Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook moved that this Bill be referred to the Committee on TAXATION and ORDERED PRINTED.

Senate at Ease

Senate called to order by the President.

On motion by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook, Bill referred to the Committee on TAXATION and ORDERED PRINTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Create an Income Tax Stabilization Program" (Emergency)
S.P. 98 L.D. 238

Presented by Senator BUTLAND of Cumberland
Cosponsored by Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, CARPENTER of York, HALL of Piscataquis, HANLEY of Oxford, HATHAWAY of York, KIEFFER of Aroostook, LORD of York, MILLS of Somerset, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, Representatives: AULT of Wayne, DIPIETRO of South Portland, FARNUM of South Berwick, MURPHY of Berwick, REED of Falmouth, SPEAR of Nobleboro

Reference to the Committee on TAXATION suggested and ORDERED PRINTED.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Concerning Reporting Powers of Fire/Police Units"
S.P. 101 L.D. 241

Presented by Senator AMERO of Cumberland
Cosponsored by Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, CASSIDY of Washington, HALL of Piscataquis, SMALL of Sagadahoc, Representatives: CAMPBELL of Holden, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, MCALEVEY of Waterboro

Bill "An Act to Increase the Bonding Limits of the Maine Turnpike Authority"
S.P. 102 L.D. 242

Presented by Senator STEVENS, JR. of Androscoggin
Cosponsored by Representative O'GARA of Westbrook and Senator: LORD of York, Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DRISCOLL of Calais, LIBBY of Kennebunk, POULIOT of Lewiston, RICKER of Lewiston, STROUT of Corinth, WINGLASS of Auburn

Reference to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION suggested and ORDERED PRINTED.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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

Bill "An Act to Require Indirect Economic Analysis of Tax Expenditures"
H.P. 78 L.D. 114

Tabled - January 20, 1995, by Senator HANLEY of Oxford.

Pending - REFERENCE.

(In House January 17, 1995, referred to the Committee on TAXATION.)

On motion by Senator HANLEY of Oxford, Bill and Accompanying Papers referred to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and ORDERED PRINTED in NON-CONCURRENCE.

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

Off Record Remarks

Senate at Ease

Senate called to order by the President.

Senate at Ease

Senate called to order by the President.

On motion by THE PRESIDENT, the Senate removed from the Unassigned Table the following matter:

Off Record Remarks

JOINT ORDER - relative to the Joint Rules of the 117th Legislature.

H.P. 7

On motion by Senator LAWRENCE of York, RECESSED until 11:30 this morning.

Tabled - December 8, 1994 by Senator AMERO of Cumberland.

Pending - PASSAGE.

(In House, December 8, 1994, READ and PASSED.)

After Recess

Senate called to order by the President.

On motion by Senator AMERO of Cumberland, Joint Order INDEFINITELY POSTPONED in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

On motion by THE PRESIDENT, the Senate removed from the Unassigned Table the following matter:

Joint Order

JOINT ORDER - relative to Joint Rule 27.
S.P. 27

The following Joint Order: H.P. 184

Tabled - January 12, 1995 by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook.

Pending - PASSAGE.

(In Senate, January 12, 1995, READ.)

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs report out a bill or bills related to emergency appropriations or allocations for Fiscal Year 1994-95, including, but not limited to, armory repairs and agricultural matters, to the House of Representatives.

Comes from the House READ and PASSED.

Which was INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

Which was READ.

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

Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent forthwith.

Senator BUSTIN: Thank you Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Could somebody tell us what this is about? Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The Senator from Kennebec, Senator Bustin, has posed a question through the

Chair to any Senator who may care to respond. The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Hanley.

Senator HANLEY: Thank you Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. To address the good Senator from Kennebec, Senator Bustin's, question, the House Chair of the Appropriations Committee, Representative Kerr, had put forth this Joint Order to assist us in the appropriations process in dealing with the emergency budget. There may be some items in the emergency budget that we want to have exacted from the budget itself to have them fly on their own merits. It is basically to assist the Appropriations Committee in our dealing with the budget. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair would remind the body that we do not refer to members from the other chamber in our debate. The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Cleveland.

Senator CLEVELAND: Thank you Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I certainly won't refer to any other bodies that exist, other than this one of course. I would like to pose a question. Could we be a little more specific in regards to the armory issues and the agricultural issues that are likely to need to be dealt with? I assume, from the language in the bill, that there has been identified some potential issues that may need to be addressed, either in an Appropriations bill or in a separate bill. I think it would be useful if we could identify them a little bit more specifically. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Cleveland, has posed a question through the Chair to any Senator who may care to respond. The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Hanley.

Senator HANLEY: Thank you Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. To answer the good Senator from Androscoggin's question, as far as specificity, the reason why the Order is drafted in a more general fashion is that we are not sure at this point in time exactly what portions of the budget we may want to have ride on their own merits, rather than being kept in the aggregate for the supplemental emergency budget that has been put forward by Governor King. You are more than welcome to look through L.D. 155. Basically, we are allowing anything to be taken out of that budget document specifically to have it ride on its own merits through the legislative process. Thank you.

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

Senator CLEVELAND: Thank you Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Recognizing that in a few moments we are likely to have to vote on the issue, I really don't have the time to peruse the bill at this moment to identify those areas. I would find it a tremendous courtesy from those who are more familiar with the bill and might be able to identify both armory issues and agricultural issues currently in the bill, if they might be included in the separate bills. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Hanley.

Senator HANLEY: Thank you Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Whenever I can be of assistance to my good colleague from Androscoggin I would be more than happy to oblige. As far as those items that are referenced in this Joint Order, there is a portion of the supplemental budget dealing with repairs that have been proposed over the last four years, with respect to the Norway Armory. Some reconstruction that would take place, utilizing federally money that would have to be matched by some State contribution. The other issue is not in the budget but was presented as an amendment to the Committee from the Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner Shaw, regarding an appropriation to the dairy industry in the amount of \$375,000 per month. I hope that answers the good Senator's questions. Thank you.

Which was PASSED, in concurrence.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Amend the Law Regarding Mandatory Insurance Coverage for Mental Illness" (Emergency)
H.P. 150 L.D. 198

Bill "An Act to Increase Access to Affordable Health Insurance for Citizens of Maine"
H.P. 179 L.D. 227

Reference to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation Laws Regarding Small Businesses"
H.P. 175 L.D. 223

Reference to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Which was referred to the Committee on **LABOR**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Expand the Membership of the Loring Development Authority of Maine"
H.P. 162 L.D. 210

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Laws Regarding the Sale of Recreational Vehicles on Sunday"
H.P. 163 L.D. 211

Reference to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Come from the House, referred to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow the Suspension of Driving Privileges of Persons Bringing Firearms on Public School Property"
H.P. 149 L.D. 197

Bill "An Act to Allow the Issuance of Life Sentences for Violent Crimes"
H.P. 152 L.D. 200

Reference to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Come from the House, referred to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**, in concurrence.

Resolve, to Change the Nature of the Commission to Study the Feasibility of a Capital Cultural Center and Its Powers (Emergency)
H.P. 154 L.D. 202

Reference to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Comes from the House, referred to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which was referred to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Reduce Costs in the Department of Human Services by Reducing Functions to the Federally Mandated Level"
H.P. 161 L.D. 209

Bill "An Act to Establish Standards for Medical Eligibility Determination for Applicants to Nursing Homes"
H.P. 170 L.D. 218

Bill "An Act to Restrict the Duration and Amount of Welfare Benefits"
H.P. 180 L.D. 228

Reference to the Committee on **HUMAN RESOURCES** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Which were referred to the Committee on **HUMAN RESOURCES**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow Maine Residents over 70 Years of Age to Hunt Antlerless Deer"
H.P. 171 L.D. 219

Bill "An Act to Strengthen the Laws Pertaining to Poaching"
H.P. 178 L.D. 226

Reference to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Which were referred to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Adopting the Uniform Health-care Decisions Act"
H.P. 182 L.D. 230

Reference to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

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

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Provision of Law Voiding a Lease for Premises Defined as a Common Nuisance"

H.P. 158 L.D. 205

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Eviction of Mobile Home Park Tenants"

H.P. 159 L.D. 206

Bill "An Act to Require the Return of Interest Earned on Security Deposits"

H.P. 177 L.D. 225

Reference to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Come from the House, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Change the Definition of Pollutant in the Environmental Laws"

H.P. 164 L.D. 212

Bill "An Act to Change the Activities Requiring a Permit from the Department of Environmental Protection"

H.P. 165 L.D. 213

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Assessment of Penalties for Environmental Violations"

H.P. 166 L.D. 214

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Consent Agreements of the Department of Environmental Protection"

H.P. 167 L.D. 215

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Laws Regarding the Location of Transfer Stations on Islands"

H.P. 176 L.D. 224

Bill "An Act to Abolish the Maine Waste Management Agency"

H.P. 181 L.D. 229

Reference to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Come from the House, referred to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Concerning the Competitive Bidding Process in Cooperative Projects between the State and the Maine Technical College System"

H.P. 151 L.D. 199

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Require the Popular Election of the Attorney General

H.P. 153 L.D. 201

Bill "An Act to Amend the Sewer Lien Law to Provide Clear Title"

H.P. 169 L.D. 217

Reference to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow a Municipality To Enact a Local Option Tax"

H.P. 157 L.D. 207

Bill "An Act to Enhance the Title to Real Estate Acquired by Municipalities for Nonpayment of Taxes"

H.P. 168 L.D. 216

Bill "An Act to Provide a Rental Deduction from State Income Tax"

H.P. 174 L.D. 222

Reference to the Committee on **TAXATION** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

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

Bill "An Act to Simplify the Procedure for Making Anatomical Gifts under the Motor Vehicle Laws"
H.P. 160 L.D. 208

Resolve, to Reduce the Paperwork Required in the Purchase of a Vehicle
H.P. 172 L.D. 220

Bill "An Act to Allow Municipal Officials to Approve the Use of Flashing Lights by Fire Department Members"
H.P. 173 L.D. 221

Bill "An Act to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies Related to the Recodification of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 29" (Emergency)
H.P. 183 L.D. 231

Reference to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

Which were referred to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION**, in concurrence.

Senate at Ease

Senate called to order by the President.

Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

Senate at Ease

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Off Record Remarks

The **ADJOURNMENT ORDER** having been returned from the House **READ** and **PASSED**, in concurrence, on motion by Senator **MILLS** of Somerset, **ADJOURNED** until Friday, January 27, 1995, at 10 o'clock in the morning.