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STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
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JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

In Senate Chamber  
Thursday  
February 13, 1997

Senate Called to Order by the President Pro Tem Rochelle Pingree of Knox.

Prayer by Pastor Eric Hanson of the Hosanna New Testament Church in Oxford.

**PASTOR ERIC HANSON:** I bring you greetings from Oxford County and the Town of Oxford, where my church is located, as well as the Town of Paris, where my family and home are located. It's great to be here. Let's pray.

Father we thank You that we are from a great place like the great State of Maine. Thank You for having such a place to live in and to serve in. Father, I pray for Your wisdom to come down and fill this room this afternoon. Lord, regardless of anything partisan or any of the normal definitions that we use, Lord I just pray that Your kingdom come and Your will be done in this room today. Lord thank You for the hard work put in by so many of these who are gathered here today. Lord please bless them and strengthen them. I pray these things in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Doctor of the Day, Robert Haile, M.D., Scarborough.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, February 11, 1997.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland the following Joint Order:  
S.P. 323

**ORDERED**, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate Adjourn they do so until Tuesday, February 18, 1997 at 10:00 in the morning.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

Off Record Remarks

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication: S.C. 33

STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT

February 11, 1997

The Honorable Mark W. Lawrence  
President of the Senate of Maine  
118th Maine Legislature

State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003  
Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the 118th Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Dennis P. King of Hampden, for appointment to the Maine State Housing Authority.

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	Jenkins of Androscoggin, Rand of Cumberland, MacKinnon of York
Representatives	10	Vigue of Winslow, Sirois of Caribou, Farnsworth of Portland, Shannon of Lewiston, Wright of Berwick, Cameron of Rumford, Murphy of Kennebunk, Bodwell of Brunswick MacDougall of North Berwick, Mack of Standish

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

Thirteen 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 Dennis P. King of Hampden, for appointment to the Maine State Housing Authority be confirmed.

Signed:

S/John T. Jenkins  
Senate Chair

S/Marc J. Vigue  
House Chair

Which was **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The President Pro Tem noted the absence of the Senator from York, Senator **LAWRENCE** and further excused the same Senator from today's Roll Call votes.

The President Pro Tem laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151 and with Joint Rule 506 of the 118th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary called the Roll with the following result:

**ROLL CALL**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: ABROMSON, AMERO, BENNETT, BENOIT, BUTLAND, CAREY, CASSIDY, CATHCART, CLEVELAND, DAGGETT, FERGUSON, GOLDTHWAIT, HALL, HARRIMAN, JENKINS, KILKELLY, LAFOUNTAIN, LIBBY, LONGLEY, MICHAUD, MILLS, MITCHELL, NUTTING, O'GARA, PARADIS, PENDLETON, RAND, SMALL, TREAT, THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM CHELLIE PINGREE

ABSENT: Senators: KIEFFER, MACKINNON, MURRAY, RUHLIN

EXCUSED: Senator: LAWRENCE

No Senators having voted in the affirmative and 30 Senators having voted in the negative, with 4 Senators being absent and 1 being 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 **Dennis King**, for appointment to the Maine State Housing Authority, was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House.

**SENATE PAPERS**

Resolve, to Name the Richardson Township Boat Landing "Georges Landing" S.P. 314 L.D. 1054

Presented by Senator FERGUSON, JR. of Oxford  
Cosponsored by Representative BARTH, JR. of Bethel

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

On motion by Senator **KILKELLY** of Lincoln, referred to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Promote Investments in Maine through the Establishment of Merchant Banking Organizations" (Emergency) S.P. 313 L.D. 1022

Presented by President LAWRENCE of York  
Cosponsored by Representative KONTOS of Windham and Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, LAFOUNTAIN III of York, Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, MAYO III of Bath, SAXL of Bangor, VIGUE of Winslow

Bill "An Act to Provide Health Insurance Coverage for Prostate Cancer Screening" S.P. 320 L.D. 1060

Presented by Senator ABROMSON of Cumberland  
Cosponsored by Representative MAYO III of Bath and Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, BENOIT of Franklin, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, LAWRENCE of York, Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, FISK, JR. of Falmouth, SAXL of Portland, STEVENS of Orono

Bill "An Act to Authorize State-chartered Community Development Credit Unions" S.P. 321 L.D. 1061

Presented by Senator TREAT of Kennebec  
Cosponsored by Representative BROOKS of Winterport and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, BULL of Freeport, HATCH of Skowhegan, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, TOWNSEND of Portland

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, Directing the Office of Tourism and Community Development and the Maine Tourism Commission to Include Lewiston as Part of Southern or South-central Maine S.P. 315 L.D. 1055

Presented by Senator JENKINS of Androscoggin  
Cosponsored by Representative VIGUE of Winslow and Senators: MACKINNON of York, NUTTING of Androscoggin, RAND of Cumberland, Representatives: CAMERON of Rumford, DUNLAP of Old Town, FARNSWORTH of Portland, MURPHY, JR. of Kennebunk, SHANNON of Lewiston

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Allowing Increased Flexibility of Swing Beds" S.P. 311 L.D. 1020

Presented by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock  
Cosponsored by Senator: HARRIMAN of Cumberland

Bill "An Act to Promote the Establishment of Individual Development Accounts by Low-income Families" S.P. 312 L.D. 1021

Presented by Senator TREAT of Kennebec  
Cosponsored by Representative KONTOS of Windham and Senators: CATHCART of Penobscot, MILLS of Somerset, PINGREE of Knox, Representatives: BULL of Freeport, GREEN of Monmouth, HATCH of Skowhegan, O'NEAL of Limestone, RINES, JR. of Wiscasset

Bill "An Act to Establish the Maine Compassionate Use Act" S.P. 319 L.D. 1059

Presented by Senator RAND of Cumberland  
Cosponsored by Senator: PENDLETON of Cumberland, Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, MUSE of South Portland, QUINT of Portland, SAXL of Portland, STEVENS of Orono, WATSON of Farmingdale

Which were referred to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Wrongful Death and Recoveries for Wrongful Death" S.P. 317 L.D. 1057

Presented by Senator MILLS of Somerset

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Strengthen the Sanctions for Failure to Respond to an Employee's Request for Reason for Termination of Employment" S.P. 309 L.D. 1018

Presented by Senator CLEVELAND of Androscoggin  
Cosponsored by Senators: CATHCART of Penobscot, TREAT of Kennebec, Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, HATCH of Skowhegan, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, SAMSON of Jay

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Authorize Courts to Suspend Driving Privileges for Youth Who Violate Tobacco Laws" S.P. 316 L.D. 1056

Presented by Senator MILLS of Somerset

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow Foam Food and Beverage Containers in School Cafeterias" S.P. 310 L.D. 1019

Presented by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln  
Cosponsored by Senators: MICHAUD of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: HATCH of Skowhegan, HONEY of Boothbay, KNEELAND of Easton, SPEAR of Nobleboro

Bill "An Act to Require Legislative Review of Any Proposed Interstate Agreement Related to the Atmospheric Transport of Ozone" S.P. 318 L.D. 1058

Presented by Senator LIBBY of York  
Cosponsored by Representative TRIPP of Topsham and Representatives: LOVETT of Scarborough, MACK of Standish, SAVAGE of Union

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

Sent down for concurrence.

**Pursuant to Statutes  
Judicial Compensation Commission**

Senator **LONGLEY** for the **Judicial Compensation Commission**, pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes Title 4, section 1701 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Judicial Compensation Commission" S.P. 322 L.D. 1062

Be referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** for Public Hearing and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**House**

**Ought to Pass**

The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Make Technical Changes in Laws Authorizing the Sale of the Pineland Center" H.P. 133 L.D. 175

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**.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act Concerning Dangerous Buildings in the Unorganized Territories" H.P. 38 L.D. 63

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

Signed:

Senators:

GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock  
NUTTING of Androscoggin  
LIBBY of York

Representatives:

AHEARNE of Madawaska  
FISK, JR. of Falmouth  
LEMKE of Westbrook  
BAGLEY of Machias  
BUMPS of China  
SANBORN of Alton  
GIERINGER, JR. of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives:

GERRY of Auburn  
KASPRZAK of Newport

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-2)**.

Which Reports were **READ**.

On motion by Senator **NUTTING** of Androscoggin, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

House Amendment "A" (H-2) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill, as **Amended**, **TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

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

**ORDERS**

**Joint Resolution**

On motion by Senator **CAREY** of Kennebec (Cosponsored by: Representative **BUMPS** of China, Representative **VIGUE** of Winslow) the following Joint Resolution: S.P. 324

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ALBION LIONS CLUB**

WHEREAS, the Albion Lions Club is celebrating its 20th Anniversary on February 15, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the Albion Lions Club is a service organization dedicated to helping citizens throughout the greater Albion area; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Albion Lions Club have contributed countless hours to the Albion Field Days; and

WHEREAS, the Albion Lions Club service also extends to providing eyewear for those in need; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Albion Lions Club deserve our gratitude and respect for their dedicated service to the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Eighteenth Legislature, now assembled in the First Regular Session, take this opportunity to offer our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the Albion Lions Club on the occasion of their organization's 20th anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Albion Lions Club as a token of our high esteem.

Which was **READ**.

**THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM PINGREE:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Carey.

Senator **CAREY:** Thank you Madam President, members of the Senate. While you may or may not have Supplement #6 in front of you, and have had it long enough to be able to read it, what it is, is a resolution congratulating the Lions Club of Albion on its twentieth anniversary.

Which was **ADOPTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent down forthwith.

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**Unfinished Business**

The following matters in the consideration of which the Senate was engaged at the time of Adjournment had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by Senate Rule 516.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (2/11/97) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Responsibilities of Directors of Nonprofit Corporations" H.P. 672 L.D. 924

Tabled - February 11, 1997, by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, February 11, 1997, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.)

On motion by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

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The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (2/11/97) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Put to Referendum the Option of Authorizing a Tribe-owned Casino" H.P. 706 L.D. 970

Tabled - February 11, 1997, by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, February 11, 1997, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.)

On motion by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

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The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (2/11/97) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Protect Private Enterprise from Tax-subsidized Competition" H.P. 707 L.D. 971

Tabled - February 11, 1997, by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, February 11, 1997, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.)

On motion by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

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The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (2/11/97) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Establish the Rider Safety Act" H.P. 713 L.D. 977

Tabled - February 11, 1997, by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, February 11, 1997, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.)

On motion by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

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The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (2/11/97) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Provide Equal Political Rights for Classified State Employees" H.P. 740 L.D. 1004

Tabled - February 11, 1997, by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, February 11, 1997, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.)

On motion by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

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The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (2/11/97) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Promote Snowmobile Safety by Restricting the Transport of Alcoholic Beverages to Sleds Pulled by Snowmobiles" H.P. 673 L.D. 925

Tabled - February 11, 1997 by Senator **PINGREE** of Knox.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, February 11, 1997, referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.)

On motion by Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec, referred to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Senate at Ease

Senate called to order by the President Pro Tem.

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Off Record Remarks

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Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for 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 Provide Information to the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission" H.P. 757 L.D. 1034

Comes from the House, referred to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which was referred to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Directing the Bureau of Insurance to Develop Standards of Conduct for Insurance Adjusters" H.P. 763 L.D. 1040

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** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

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Resolve, Establishing a Task Force to Examine the Desirability of a Model Municipal Building Code (Emergency) H.P. 775 L.D. 1052

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

On motion by Senator **ABROMSON** of Cumberland, **TABLED** 1 Legislative Day, pending **REFERENCE**.

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Bill "An Act Concerning Licensing and Recertification of Licensed Counseling Professionals" H.P. 748 L.D. 1025

Bill "An Act to Amend the Real Estate Brokerage Laws" H.P. 772 L.D. 1049

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** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

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

#### **PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

##### **House Papers**

Bill "An Act to Reduce the Presumptive Amount for Trafficking in Marijuana from 2 Pounds to One Pound" H.P. 749 L.D. 1026

Bill "An Act to Provide Conflict Resolution Education for Juvenile Offenders" H.P. 756 L.D. 1033

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

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

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Resolve, to Study the Implementation of a Statewide Criminal Record Check of Home Care Providers to Ensure Safety for Citizens Receiving Care in Community-based Settings H.P. 769 L.D. 1046

Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES**.

On motion by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **REFERENCE**.

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Resolve, to Review the Components of the Operating Costs in the School Finance Formula H.P. 759 L.D. 1036

Resolve, to Create the Task Force on Research and Development Investment H.P. 768 L.D. 1045

Resolve, to Establish a Task Force to Review the Regional Applied Technology Centers H.P. 771 L.D. 1048



Come 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** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Clarify Requirements Pertaining to the Maine Certificate of Need Act" H.P. 767 L.D. 1044

Comes from the House, referred to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act to Enhance the State's Moose Hunt" H.P. 774 L.D. 1051

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

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

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Probate Code" H.P. 751 L.D. 1028

Bill "An Act to Simplify the Filing of Claims in Probate Estates" H.P. 755 L.D. 1032

Bill "An Act to Protect People with Limited Mental Capacity" H.P. 765 L.D. 1042

Bill "An Act to Revise the Prelitigation Malpractice Screening Panel Procedures, Criteria and Composition" H.P. 773 L.D. 1050

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.

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Bill "An Act to Clarify the Definition of Total Incapacity for the Purpose of Workers' Compensation" H.P. 746 L.D. 1023

Bill "An Act To Provide That Disability Benefits for Partial Incapacity Be Continued for the Full Duration of Disability" H.P. 747 L.D. 1024

Bill "An Act to Permit Teachers to Transfer Retirement System Creditable Service Earned as a Teacher's Aide while Employed by a School and Covered by a Participating Local District" H.P. 750 L.D. 1027

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.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act to Provide Fairness in Ballot Access" H.P. 752 L.D. 1029

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Persons Registering to Vote from Voting unless they Provide Adequate Identification" H.P. 770 L.D. 1047

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** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Relating to the Use and Reclamation of Number One Pond in Sanford" H.P. 754 L.D. 1031

Bill "An Act Regarding Board of Environmental Protection Reports" H.P. 758 L.D. 1035

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

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

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Bill "An Act to Require That the Attorney General Be an Attorney in Good Standing in Maine" H.P. 753 L.D. 1030

Come 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.

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Bill "An Act to Provide a Tax Credit to Water and Sewer District Customers Equal to Increased Charges for Unfunded Mandates" H.P. 764 L.D. 1041

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

Which was referred to the Committee on **TAXATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, 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 Require That a Person under 16 Years of Age Wear Protective Headgear when Riding a Bicycle" H.P. 761 L.D. 1038

Bill "An Act Relating to the Use of Railbeds as Recreational Trails" H.P. 762 L.D. 1039

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 Modify the Prohibition against Bathing in Sebago Lake within 2 Miles of the Intakes of the Portland Water District" H.P. 760 L.D. 1037

Bill "An Act to Expand Local Calling Areas" H.P. 766 L.D. 1043

Come from the House, referred to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

**Pursuant to Public Law  
Family Law Advisory Commission**

The **Family Law Advisory Commission**, pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 694, Part A, asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Family Law Advisory Commission Concerning Parental Rights and Responsibilities" H.P. 776 L.D. 1053

Be referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** for Public Hearing and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House, Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**. The Bill referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

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

The Bill referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence, pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Off Record Remarks

Senator **LONGLEY** of Waldo was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

Senator **CAREY** of Kennebec was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator **AMERO** of Cumberland, **ADJOURNED**, pursuant to the Joint Order, until Tuesday, February 18, 1997, at 10:00 in the morning.