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The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Reverend Donald R. Daigle, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, North Vassalboro.

Pledge of Allegiance.

At this point, the Speaker recognized the Representative from Jay, Representative Samson and he was added to the quorum call of the First Regular Session of the 119th Legislature.

Doctor of the day, John A. James, M.D., Auburn (retired). The Journal of Thursday, January 7, 1999 was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS The Following Communication: (H.C. 19) MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333 COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE OPENING OF A DISCOUNT LIQUOR STORE IN FORT KENT

December 30, 1998 The Honorable Mark W. Lawrence, President Maine State Senate The Honorable G. Steven Rowe, Speaker Maine House of Representatives State House Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Lawrence and Speaker Rowe:

Pursuant to P.L. 1997, chapter 755, the Committee to Study the Opening of a Discount Liquor Store in Fort Kent is pleased to submit its final report. Copies of the report have been transmitted to the Legislative Council and the Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs in accordance with the law. Copies of the report have also been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Judy Paradis, Co-Chair

S/Representative Joseph Driscoll, Co-Chair

Committee to Study the Opening of a Discount

Liquor Store in Fort Kent

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 20) MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

January 6, 1999 The Honorable Mark W. Lawrence, President Maine State Senate The Honorable G. Steven Rowe, Speaker Maine House of Representatives State House Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Lawrence and Speaker Rowe:

Pursuant to Joint Order, Senate Paper 831, the Joint Select Committee on Research and Development is pleased to submit its final report. Copies of the report have been transmitted to the Legislative Council and to the Law and Legislative Reference Library. Sincerely,

S/Sen. Mary R. Cathcart Senate Chair S/Rep. G. Steven Rowe

House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 34) THE SENATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT 3 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

January 5, 1999

Joy J. O'Brien Secretary of the Senate

3 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary O'Brien:

Pursuant to my authority under the Senate Rules and the Joint Rules, I have appointed the following Senators to the Special Committee on Legislative Rules:

Senator Mark Lawrence of York, Chair;

Senator Anne Rand of Cumberland;

Senator Sharon Treat of Kennebec;

Senator Jane Amero of Cumberland;

Senator Peter Mills of Somerset.

Please let me know if you have questions regarding these appointments.

Sincerely,

S/Mark W. Lawrence

President of the Senate

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON** FILE.

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE** in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 40) THE SENATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT 3 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

January 6, 1999 The Honorable Joy J. O'Brien Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333 Dear Secretary O'Brien: Pursuant to my authority under Senate Rule 201.1.C, I have made the following appointments to various Joint Standing Committees as well as the Joint Select Committee on Research and Development. Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

John M. Nutting, Chair (D-Androscoggin) Marge L. Kilkelly (D-Lincoln)

R. Leo Kieffer (R-Aroostook) Appropriations and Financial Affairs Michael H. Michaud, Chair (D-Penobscot) Mary R. Cathcart (D-Penobscot) Philip E. Harriman (R-Cumberland) Banking and Insurance Llovd P. LaFountain III, Chair (D-York) Neria R. Douglass (D-Androscoggin) I. Joel Abromson (R-Cumberland) Business and Economic Development Carol A. Kontos, Chair (D-Cumberland) Susan W. Longley (D-Waldo) Bruce W. MacKinnon (R-York) Education and Cultural Affairs Georgette B. Berube, Chair (D-Androscoggin) Robert E. Murray, Jr. (D-Penobscot) Mary E. Small (R-Sagadahoc) Criminal Justice Robert E. Murray, Jr., Chair (D-Penobscot) William B. O'Gara (D-Cumberland) Paul T. Davis (R-Piscataguis) Health and Human Services Judy Paradis, Chair (D-Aroostook) Georgette B. Berube (D-Androscoggin) Betty Lou Mitchell (R-Penobscot) Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Marge L. Kilkelly, Chair (D-Lincoln) Richard P. Ruhlin (D-Penobscot) R. Leo Kieffer (R-Aroostook) Judiciary Susan W. Longley, Chair (D-Waldo) Sharon Anglin Treat (D-Kennebec) John W. Benoit (R-Franklin) Legal and Veterans Affairs Beverly C. Daggett, Chair (D-Kennebec) Richard J. Carey (D-Kennebec) Norman K. Ferguson, Jr. (R-Oxford) Marine Resources Jill M. Goldthwait, Chair (I-Hancock) Peggy A. Pendleton (D-Cumberland) Bruce W. MacKinnon (R-York) Natural Resources Sharon Anglin Treat, Chair (D-Kennebec) John M. Nutting (D-Androscoggin) James D. Libby (R-York) State and Local Government Peggy A. Pendleton, Chair (D-Cumberland) Jill M. Goldthwait (I-Hancock) Paul T. Davis (R-Piscataquis) Taxation Richard P. Ruhlin, Chair (D-Penobscot) Beverly C. Daggett (D-Kennebec) S. Peter Mills (R-Somerset) Transportation William B. O'Gara, Chair (D-Cumberland) Judy Paradis (D-Aroostook) Vinton E. Cassidy (R-Washington) Utilities and Energy Richard J. Carev, Chair (D-Kennebec) Carol A. Kontos (D-Cumberland) Betty Lou Mitchell (R-Penobscot) Joint Select Committee on Research and Development Carol A. Kontos, Chair (D-Cumberland)

Peggy A. Pendleton (D-Cumberland) Richard A. Bennett (R-Oxford) Sincerely, S/Mark W. Lawrence President of the Senate Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE in concurrence.

The Following Communication: (S.P. 42) THE SENATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT 3 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333 January 6, 1999

The Honorable Joy J. O'Brien Secretary of the Senate **3 State House Station** Augusta, ME 04333 Dear Secretary O'Brien: In compliance with Joint Order (S.P. 32), I am pleased to appoint the following members to the Gubernatorial Vote Committee: Senator Anne Rand of Cumberland Senator Llovd LaFountain of York Senator John Nutting of Androscoggin Senator Jill Goldthwait of Hancock Senator Leo Kieffer of Aroostook Senator Norman Ferguson of Oxford Senator Vinton Cassidy of Washington If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Sincerely, S/Mark W. Lawrence President of the Senate Came from the Senate, READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE. **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE** in concurrence. PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

The following Bills and Resolves were received, and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills were **REFERRED** to the following Committees, ordered printed and sent for Concurrence:

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

Bill "An Act to Fund a Cranberry Specialist Position in the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources"

(H.P. 91) (L.D. 104)

Presented by Representative KNEELAND of Easton. Cosponsored by Senator CASSIDY of Washington and Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, CLARK of Millinocket, DUGAY of Cherryfield, GILLIS of Danforth, GOODWIN of Pembroke, PIEH of Bremen, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, Senator: KILKELLY of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act Regarding Portable Tree Stands" (H.P. 102) (L.D. 133) Presented by Representative PERKINS of Penobscot. (BY REQUEST)

Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY suggested.

On motion of Representative PIEH of Bremen, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

BANKING AND INSURANCE

Bill "An Act to Allow the Maine Association of Realtors to Purchase Insurance under Group Health Insurance Plans"

(H.P. 66) (L.D. 79) Presented by Representative PLOWMAN of Hampden. Cosponsored by Representatives: GOOLEY of Farmington, LEMONT of Kittery, LINDAHL of Northport, POVICH of Ellsworth, SAXL of Bangor, USHER of Westbrook, Senator:

LaFOUNTAIN of York. Bill "An Act to Create a Mandatory Auto Insurance Premium

Discount for Safe, Mature Drivers"

(H.P. 79) (L.D. 92) Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.

Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JACOBS of Turner, MATTHEWS of Winslow, MAYO of Bath, TRUE of Fryeburg, USHER of Westbrook, Senator: MICHAUD of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Require Mortgage Holders Who Escrow Property Taxes to Reduce the Escrow Due to the Homestead Exemption"

(H.P. 84) (L.D. 97)

Presented by Representative GAGNON of Waterville. Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives COLWELL of Gardiner, LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, O'NEIL of Saco, TESSIER of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act to Protect Enrollees of Managed Care Plans" (H.P. 95) (L.D. 108)

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Senator PINGREE of Knox and Representatives: COWGER of Hallowell, HATCH of Skowhegan, KANE of Saco, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, SAXL of Bangor, WILLIAMS of Orono, Senator: RUHLIN of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Health Plan Improvement Act" (H.P. 124) (L.D. 155)

Presented by Representative MAYO of Bath.

Cosponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of York and Representative: McALEVEY of Waterboro.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill "An Act to Create Licensing Requirements for Pipefitters" (H.P. 62) (L.D. 75)

Presented by Representative BOLDUC of Auburn.

Bill "An Act to Promote Business and Economic Development by Helping Sign Manufacturers in Maine"

(H.P. 135) (L.D. 197) Presented by Representative MacDOUGALL of North Berwick. Cosponsored by Representatives: MACK of Standish, MENDROS of Lewiston.

Resolve, to Study Current Regulations Imposed on Small Businesses to Require Greater Efficiency

(H.P. 99) (L.D. 112)

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, CLARK of Millinocket, DESMOND of Mapleton, GERRY of Auburn, WHEELER of Eliot, Senators: BERUBE of Androscoggin, PARADIS of Aroostook, PENDLETON of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Enhance Economic Development in Hancock County"

(H.P. 121) (L.D. 152)

Presented by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth. Cosponsored by Senator RUHLIN of Penobscot and Representatives: DUGAY of Cherryfield, GILLIS of Danforth, O'NEAL of Limestone, PERKINS of Penobscot, ROSEN of Bucksport, STANWOOD of Southwest Harbor, VOLENIK of Brooklin, WHEELER of Eliot.

Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested.

On motion of Representative O'NEAL of Limestone, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Bill "An Act to Ensure Funding for a Replacement Correctional Facility in Washington County"

(H.P. 65) (L.D. 78)

Presented by Representative BAGLEY of Machias. Cosponsored by Senator CASSIDY of Washington and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, DUGAY of Cherryfield, GILLIS of Danforth, GOODWIN of Pembroke, McALEVEY of Waterboro, POVICH of Ellsworth, SHOREY of Calais.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Prohibiting Terrorizing" (H.P. 69) (L.D. 82)

Presented by Representative O'BRIEN of Augusta. Cosponsored by Representatives McALEVEY of Waterboro, MUSE of South Portland, PEAVEY of Woolwich, TOBIN of Dexter, Senator: MURRAY of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Make It a Crime to Solicit a Child by Means of Computer to Commit an Unlawful Sexual Act"

(H.P. 71) (L.D. 84)

Presented by Representative McALEVEY of Waterboro. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, MURPHY of Berwick, O'BRIEN of Augusta, O'NEIL of Saco, PEAVEY of Woolwich, PINKHAM of Lamoine, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senator: MacKINNON of York.

Bill "An Act to Require Auctions for Confiscated Firearms" (H.P. 86) (L.D. 99)

Presented by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth. Cosponsored by Senator MURRAY of Penobscot and Representative: MUSE of South Portland. Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Penalties for the Purchase of Cigarettes by a Minor"

(H.P. 98) (L.D. 111) Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska. Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, MUSE of South Portland, O'NEAL of Limestone, SANBORN of Alton, WHEELER of Bridgewater, WHEELER of Eliot, Senator: PARADIS of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act to Make Corrections to the Laws Governing the County Jail Prisoner Support and Community Corrections Fund" (H.P. 113) (L.D. 144)

Presented by Representative WHEELER of Bridgewater. Cosponsored by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BELANGER of Caribou, CLARK of Millinocket, McALEVEY of Waterboro, O'NEAL of Limestone, PINKHAM of Lamoine, SHERMAN of Hodgdon.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Fee Charged by Bail Commissioners"

(H.P. 122) (L.D. 153)

Presented by Representative MAYO of Bath. Cosponsored by Representatives: ANDREWS of York, CLARK of Millinocket, McALEVEY of Waterboro, SCHNEIDER of Durham, Senator: ABROMSON of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Maine Criminal Justice Academy Certification Requirements for Sheriffs"

(H.P. 139) (L.D. 201)

Presented by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke. Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Winterport, DUGAY of Cherryfield, POVICH of Ellsworth, Senator: CASSIDY of Washington.

Bill "An Act to Criminalize the Negligent or Purposeful Transmission of HIV"

(H.P. 149) (L.D. 211)

Presented by Representative SHIELDS of Auburn. Cosponsored by Representatives: LOVETT of Scarborough, McALEVEY of Waterboro, Senator: MITCHELL of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Taking of Another Person's Legal Identification"

(H.P. 162) (L.D. 224)

Presented by Representative LaVERDIERE of Wilton. Cosponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset and Representatives: BERRY of Belmont, JABAR of Waterville, KNEELAND of Easton, MURPHY of Kennebunk, MUSE of South Portland, NORBERT of Portland, O'NEIL of Saco, Senator: BENOIT of Franklin.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act to Establish the Endowment Incentive Fund" (H.P. 77) (L.D. 90)

Presented by Representative BAKER of Bangor. Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, GOOLEY of Farmington, JABAR of Waterville, RICHARD of Madison, STEVENS of Orono, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, MILLS of Somerset. Bill "An Act to Require That All Schools Employ a Gifted and Talented Teacher"

(H.P. 137) (L.D. 199)

Presented by Representative GAGNE of Buckfield. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, DESMOND of Mapleton.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Definition of Exceptional Student" (H.P. 147) (L.D. 209)

Presented by Representative GAGNE of Buckfield. Cosponsored by Senator BERUBE of Androscoggin and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, BOLDUC of Auburn, COLWELL of Gardiner, JACOBS of Turner, TOWNSEND of Portland.

Bill "An Act to Require Certification in First Aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation for Certain School Personnel" (H.P. 158) (L.D. 220)

Presented by Representative BAKER of Bangor. Cosponsored by Representatives: DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, McKEE of Wayne, SAXL of Bangor, SKOGLUND of St. George, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TOWNSEND of Portland, Senators: CATHCART of Penobscot, FERGUSON of Oxford.

Bill "An Act to Provide Funds for the Repair of Schools" (H.P. 152) (L.D. 214)

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, BERRY of Belmont, HATCH of Skowhegan, LINDAHL of Northport, McALEVEY of Waterboro, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS suggested.

On motion of Representative BRENNAN of Portland, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Bill "An Act to Require the Retention of Medical Records" (H.P. 64) (L.D. 77)

Presented by Representative BAGLEY of Machias. Cosponsored by Senator CASSIDY of Washington and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, DUGAY of Cherryfield, GOODWIN of Pembroke, McALEVEY of Waterboro, POVICH of Ellsworth, SHOREY of Calais.

Bill "An Act to Allow Foster Parents to Be Present When the Department of Human Services Meets with a Foster Child"

(H.P. 67) (L.D. 80) Presented by Representative COTE of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Senator PARADIS of Aroostook and Representatives: COLWELL of Gardiner, COWGER of Hallowell, FISHER of Brewer, MENDROS of Lewiston, POVICH of Ellsworth, SAXL of Portland, TRAHAN of Waldoboro, WATSON of Farmingdale.

Resolve, Directing a Study of the Needs of the Elderly Population with Mental Retardation

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport.

Cosponsored by Senator ABROMSON of Cumberland and Representatives: BRAGDON of Bangor, COLWELL of Gardiner, HATCH of Skowhegan, KANE of Saco, LOVETT of Scarborough, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, Senators: MITCHELL of Penobscot, PINGREE of Knox.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Foster Parents" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 94) (L.D. 107)

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, BRAGDON of Bangor, BUCK of Yarmouth, COLWELL of Gardiner, HATCH of Skowhegan, McALEVEY of Waterboro, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Family Planning Agencies from Using State Funds for Certain Expenses Related to Abortion Services" (H.P. 103) (L.D. 134)

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska. Cosponsored by Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, BRAGDON of Bangor, CLARK of Millinocket, DAVIS of Falmouth, STANLEY of Medway, STEDMAN of Hartland, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

Bill "An Act to Reduce Prescription Drug Costs and Increase Coverage"

(H.P. 112) (L.D. 143) Presented by Representative TWOMEY of Biddeford. Cosponsored by Representatives: FULLER of Manchester, GAGNE of Buckfield, GERRY of Auburn, JACOBS of Turner, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, NORBERT of Portland, QUINT of Portland, SULLIVAN of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act to Enact a Medicaid Anti-kickback Law"

(H.P. 118) (L.D. 149) Presented by Representative COWGER of Hallowell. Cosponsored by Senator TREAT of Kennebec and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, BRYANT of Dixfield, CAMERON of Rumford, COLWELL of Gardiner, MITCHELL of RICHARDSON Vassalboro. of Brunswick, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, LONGLEY of Waldo.

Bill "An Act to Require a Review of Contracts between Longterm Care Facilities and Consulting Pharmacists"

(H.P. 119) (L.D. 150) Presented by Representative COWGER of Hallowell.

Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, BRYANT of Dixfield, CAMERON of Rumford, COLWELL of Gardiner, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, LONGLEY of Waldo, TREAT of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act to Create the Maine Tax filer's Prescription Medication Plan"

(H.P. 144) (L.D. 206) Presented by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Confidentiality of Health Care Information" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 145) (L.D. 207) Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford. Bill "An Act to Add to the List of Mandatory Reporters of Suspected Child Abuse Children's Summer Camp Employees" (H.P. 75) (L.D. 88)

Presented by Representative McALEVEY of Waterboro. Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, MAILHOT of Lewiston, MURPHY of Berwick, O'BRIEN of Augusta, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senator: MacKINNON of York.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative KANE of Saco, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Bill "An Act to Restrict Large Motors on Small Lakes" (H.P. 70) (L.D. 83)

Presented by Representative BOLDUC of Auburn. Cosponsored by Representative: JACOBS of Turner.

Bill "An Act to Repeal Certain Laws Relating to Personal Watercraft"

(H.P. 93) (L.D. 106)

Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket. Cosponsored by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, GOODWIN of Pembroke, O'NEAL of Limestone, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, USHER of Westbrook, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senator: MICHAUD of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Allow the Use of All-terrain Vehicles on the Extreme Right of a Public Way" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 97) (L.D. 110)

Presented by Representative KNEELAND of Easton. Cosponsored by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, CLARK of Millinocket, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DUNCAN of Presque Isle, O'NEAL of Limestone, PINKHAM of Lamoine, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

Bill "An Act to Promote the "Hooked on Fishing Not on Drugs" Program"

(H.P. 107) (L.D. 138)

Presented by Representative TRUE of Fryeburg. Cosponsored by Senator RUHLIN of Penobscot and Representatives: CIANCHETTE of South Portland, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DUNLAP of Old Town, GOODWIN of Pembroke, KNEELAND of Easton, McNEIL of Rockland, PINKHAM of Lamoine, SHOREY of Calais.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Rewards to Fish and Wildlife Informants"

(H.P. 134) (L.D. 196) Presented by Representative PERKINS of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Posting of Land Against Hunting"

(H.P. 138) (L.D. 200) Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, DUNLAP of Old Town, KANE of Saco, PLOWMAN of Hampden, Senator: MILLS of Somerset. Bill "An Act to Require On-duty Government Employees to Wear the Same Orange Clothing as Hunters When in the Woods during Deer Season"

(H.P. 157) (L.D. 219)

Presented by Representative PERKINS of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, GOOLEY of Farmington, USHER of Westbrook, WHEELER of Eliot, Senator: KIEFFER of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$25,000,000 to Help Increase Fish Production at the State Hatcheries"

(H.P. 104) (L.D. 135)

Presented by Representative DUNLAP of Old Town. Cosponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, O'NEAL of Limestone, PERKINS of Penobscot, TRACY of Rome, TRUE of Fryeburg, WHEELER of Bridgewater, WHEELER of Eliot, Senator: KIEFFER of Aroostook.

Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE suggested.

On motion of Representative DUNLAP of Old Town, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

JUDICIARY

Bill "An Act to Require Small Claims to be Brought in the County where the Transaction Occurred"

(H.P. 59) (L.D. 72) Presented by Representative GOOLEY of Farmington. Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: BELANGER of Caribou, CLOUGH of

Scarborough, FOSTER of Gray, HEIDRICH of Oxford, HONEY of Boothbay, JODREY of Bethel, USHER of Westbrook, Senator: BENOIT of Franklin.

Bill "An Act to Require Parental Notification for Minors Seeking Abortions"

(H.P. 106) (L.D. 137)

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska. Cosponsored by Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DAVIS of Falmouth, DESMOND of Mapleton, JOY of Crystal, TUTTLE of Sanford, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senator: BERUBE of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act to Initiate Covenant Marriage in the State" (H.P. 169) (L.D. 231)

Presented by Representative SNOWE-MELLO of Poland. Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, DESMOND of Mapleton, JOY of Crystal, KASPRZAK of Newport, MacDOUGALL of North Berwick, STEDMAN of Hartland, WESTON of Montville, Senator: BENOIT of Franklin.

LABOR

Bill "An Act to Provide Equitable Benefits to Teacher Assistants"

(H.P. 61) (L.D. 74) Presented by Representative BOLDUC of Auburn. Bill "An Act to Forbid Hiring Replacement Workers during a Strike"

(H.P. 105) (L.D. 136)

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska. Cosponsored by Representative SAMSON of Jay, Senator PARADIS of Aroostook and Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, CLARK of Millinocket, HATCH of Skowhegan, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, STANLEY of Medway, WHEELER of Eliot, Senators: O'GARA of Cumberland, RAND of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Maine Jobs Council"

(H.P. 125) (L.D. 156)

Presented by Representative HATCH of Skowhegan. Cosponsored by Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, JOY of Crystal, STANLEY of Medway, TREADWELL of Carmel, Senator: MILLS of Somerset.

Submitted by the Department of Labor pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act to Allow the Bureau of Labor Standards to Better Secure Payment of Unpaid Wages and Severance Pay for Workers"

(H.P. 128) (L.D. 159)

Presented by Representative HATCH of Skowhegan. Cosponsored by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, COLWELL of Gardiner, GOODWIN of Pembroke, STANLEY of Medway, Senators: CATHCART of Penobscot, MILLS of Somerset, RUHLIN of Penobscot.

Submitted by the Department of Labor pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992 as it Relates to Compensation for Amputation of a Body Part"

(H.P. 163) (L.D. 225)

Presented by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke. Cosponsored by Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, BROOKS of Winterport, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLARK of Millinocket, HATCH of Skowhegan, STANLEY of Medway.

Bill "An Act to Provide Funding to the Maine Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired"

(H.P. 123) (L.D. 154)

Presented by Representative MAYO of Bath. Cosponsored by Senator MURRAY of Penobscot and Representatives: MURPHY of Kennebunk, POVICH of Ellsworth, QUINT of Portland, SAXL of Portland, Senators: DAGGETT of Kennebec, RAND of Cumberland.

Committee on LABOR suggested.

On motion of Representative HATCH of Skowhegan, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act to Require All Voting Places to be Accessible" (H.P. 74) (L.D. 87) Presented by Representative BAKER of Bangor. Cosponsored by Senator TREAT of Kennebec and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, DUNLAP of Old Town, GAGNE of Buckfield, LaVERDIERE of Wilton, RINES of Wiscasset, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senator: KILKELLY of Lincoln.

Resolve, to Study Standardized Periods of Military Service for Award of State of Maine Veterans' Benefits (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 76) (L.D. 89)

Presented by Representative McALEVEY of Waterboro. Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: CAMPBELL of Holden, CHICK of Lebanon, LEMONT of Kittery, MURPHY of Berwick, MURPHY of Kennebunk, STEDMAN of Hartland, USHER of Westbrook, Senator: MacKINNON of York.

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Minimum Quota Requirement for a Store to Have a Lottery Machine"

(H.P. 78) (L.D. 91)

Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket. Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of York and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JACOBS of Turner, MAYO of Bath, O'NEAL of Limestone, POVICH of Ellsworth, USHER of Westbrook, Senator: MICHAUD of

Penobscot. Bill "An Act to Prohibit Public Broadcasting Stations from

Auctioning Alcoholic Beverages" (H.P. 116) (L.D. 147)

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska. Cosponsored by Representatives: JOY of Crystal, KNEELAND of Easton, O'NEAL of Limestone, SANBORN of Alton, STEDMAN of Hartland, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

Bill "An Act to Make the Purchase or Sale of Liquor by Direct Shipment, Mail Order or the Internet a Class C Crime"

(H.P. 117) (L.D. 148) Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DUGAY of Cherryfield, O'NEAL of Limestone, STANLEY of Medway, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Mandatory Maine National Guard Membership"

(H.P. 120) (L.D. 151)

Presented by Representative BAKER of Bangor. Cosponsored by Senator RUHLIN of Penobscot and Representatives: BROOKS of Winterport, BRYANT of Dixfield, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, GAGNE of Buckfield, HATCH of Skowhegan, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, SAXL of Bangor, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

Bill "An Act to Require an Elected Town Clerk to Nominate the Registrar of Voters"

(H.P. 127) (L.D. 158) Presented by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach. Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, BUMPS of China, TWOMEY of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act to Require the Secretary of State to Provide Single-sided Ballots upon Request of Municipal Clerks"

(H.P. 142) (L.D. 204)

Presented by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach. Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, BUMPS of China, McDONOUGH of Portland, TWOMEY of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Acceptance of Campaign Contributions during Legislative Sessions"

(H.P. 153) (L.D. 215)

Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco. Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, BUMPS of China, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, MAYO of Bath, THOMPSON of Naples, TUTTLE of Sanford, Senator: LONGLEY of Waldo.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Transportation of Open Containers that Contain Liquor"

(H.P. 154) (L.D. 216)

Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco. Cosponsored by Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, BRENNAN of Portland, COLWELL of Gardiner, COWGER of Hallowell, GAGNON of Waterville, Senators: MILLS of Somerset, O'GARA of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Registration Requirements of the Military Selective Service Act"

(H.P. 168) (L.D. 230)

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Belmont, CLARK of Millinocket, COLWELL of Gardiner, COWGER of Hallowell, GERRY of Auburn, GOODWIN of Pembroke, SANBORN of Alton, WHEELER of Eliot.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Require a Referendum for a People's Veto to Be Held at a Primary or General Election

(H.P. 166) (L.D. 228)

Presented by Representative WILLIAMS of Orono.

Cosponsored by Senator ABROMSON of Cumberland and Representatives: CHIZMAR of Lisbon, DUNLAP of Old Town, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, TOWNSEND of Portland, Senator: CATHCART of Penobscot.

Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested.

On motion of Representative TUTTLE of Sanford, the Resolution was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

MARINE RESOURCES

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Student Lobster License" (H.P. 111) (L.D. 142)

Presented by Representative PERKINS of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representative: PINKHAM of Lamoine.

Bill "An Act to Withdraw from the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 114) (L.D. 145)

Presented by Representative PERKINS of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DUGAY of Cherryfield, DUNLAP of Old Town, GOODWIN of Pembroke, HONEY of Boothbay, PINKHAM of Lamoine.

Bill "An Act to Establish a Sliding Scale for That Portion of the Lobster License Fee Paid to the Lobster Promotion Council" (H.P. 129) (L.D. 160)

Presented by Representative PERKINS of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representatives: DUGAY of Cherryfield, PINKHAM of Lamoine.

Bill "An Act to Clarify That a Person Who Fishes for Lobster May Fish in More than One Zone"

(H.P. 141) (L.D. 203)

Presented by Representative PERKINS of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representatives: DUGAY of Cherryfield, HONEY of Boothbay.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Bill "An Act to Expedite the Permitting Process within the Department of Environmental Protection"

(H.P. 87) (L.D. 100) Presented by Representative KNEELAND of Easton.

Cosponsored by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook and Representatives: BELANGER of Caribou, DUNCAN of Presque Isle, JOY of Crystal, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Appropriation to the Saco River Corridor Commission"

(H.P. 155) (L.D. 217)

Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco. Cosponsored by Representatives: COWGER of Hallowell, KANE of Saco, LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MURPHY of Kennebunk, PIEH of Bremen, SAVAGE of Buxton, Senator: LaFOUNTAIN of York.

Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES suggested.

On motion of Representative COWGER of Hallowell, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Bill "An Act to Establish a Children's Bureau within the Executive Department to Serve the Department of Human Services, the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services, the Department of Education and the Department of Corrections"

(H.P. 73) (L.D. 86) Presented by Representative LOVETT of Scarborough. Cosponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Penobscot and Representatives: BRAGDON of Bangor, BRENNAN of Portland, BROOKS of Winterport, KANE of Saco, QUINT of Portland, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, Senator: PARADIS of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act Requiring Interim Annual Budgets for Municipalities"

(H.P. 80) (L.D. 93)

Presented by Representative MURPHY of Berwick. Cosponsored by Representatives: ANDREWS of York, BRUNO of Raymond, CAMERON of Rumford, GERRY of Auburn. MATTHEWS of Winslow, McALEVEY of Waterboro, Senators: MacKINNON of York, PENDLETON of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Observe Daylight Savings Time Year-round" (H.P. 85) (L.D. 98) Presented by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth. Cosponsored by Representative O'NEAL of Limestone.

Bill "An Act Authorizing County Commissioners to Enact Noise and Animal Control Ordinances in Unorganized Territories"

(H.P. 108) (L.D. 139)

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska. Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: BUMPS of China, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford.

Bill "An Act to Allow Review of Examination-related Issues in Executive Session"

(H.P. 126) (L.D. 157)

Presented by Representative MAYO of Bath. Cosponsored by Senator ABROMSON of Cumberland and Representatives: O'NEIL of Saco, SCHNEIDER of Durham, Senator: LaFOUNTAIN of York.

Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act to Require Notice Prior to the Posting of Roads by Municipalities"

(H.P. 133) (L.D. 164)

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Representatives: COLWELL of Gardiner, HATCH of Skowhegan, McALEVEY of Waterboro.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Fund Mandates Enacted Solely for an Individual's Safety

(H.P. 136) (L.D. 198) Presented by Representative PERKINS of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Require Electronic Recording of Closed Sessions of Public Bodies"

(H.P. 143) (L.D. 205)

Presented by Representative GLYNN of South Portland. Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec.

Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT suggested.

On motion of Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

TAXATION

Bill "An Act to Provide a State Income Tax Checkoff for Contributions to the Maine Veterans' Memorial Cemetery"

(H.P. 60) (L.D. 73)

Presented by Representative GOOLEY of Farmington. Cosponsored by Senator BENOIT of Franklin and Representatives: FOSTER of Gray, HEIDRICH of Oxford, JODREY of Bethel, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, PERKINS of Penobscot, USHER of Westbrook, Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, NUTTING of Androscoggin. RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Provide Tax Relief for Maine Citizens

(H.P. 72) (L.D. 85)

Presented by Representative PLOWMAN of Hampden. Cosponsored by Representatives: BUCK of Yarmouth, LEMONT of Kittery, LINDAHL of Northport, MADORE of Augusta, USHER of Westbrook.

Bill "An Act to Provide a Property Tax Abatement for a Residential Structure Destroyed by Fire or Natural Disaster"

(H.P. 81) (L.D. 94) Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, BERRY of Livermore, McALEVEY of Waterboro, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, VOLENIK of Brooklin, WILLIAMS of Orono, Senator: ABROMSON of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Create a Civil Violation for the Misuse of a Sales Tax Registration Certificate Number"

(H.P. 83) (L.D. 96) Presented by Representative GAGNON of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: COLWELL of Gardiner, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, POVICH of Ellsworth.

Bill "An Act to Provide a State Income Tax Deduction for Rent"

(H.P. 88) (L.D. 101)

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska. Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, CLARK of Millinocket, O'NEAL of Limestone, SANBORN of Alton, STEVENS of Orono, WHEELER of Eliot, Senators: BERUBE of Androscoggin, PARADIS of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act to Change Eligibility for the Elderly Low Cost Drug Program"

(H.P. 89) (L.D. 102) Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska,

Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, CLARK of Millinocket, QUINT of Portland, SANBORN of Alton, TOWNSEND of Portland, WHEELER of Eliot, Senators: BERUBE of Androscoggin, PARADIS of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Commission to Study Poverty Among Working Parents with Regard to State Earned Income Credit"

(H.P. 90) (L.D. 103) Presented by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth. Cosponsored by Representative LEMONT of Kittery, Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, CLARK of Millinocket, COLLINS of Wells, KNEELAND of Easton, PLOWMAN of Hampden, Senator: DAVIS of

Bill "An Act to Provide a Tuition Exemption for Certain State Residents"

Piscataquis.

(H.P. 100) (L.D. 113) Presented by Representative SHIELDS of Auburn. Bill "An Act to Exempt Pension and Retirement Benefits from the Maine Income Tax"

(H.P. 115) (L.D. 146)

Presented by Representative GLYNN of South Portland. Cosponsored by Representatives BELANGER of Caribou, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis, Senator AMERO of Cumberland and Representatives: CAMPBELL of Holden, JACOBS of Turner, LABRECQUE of Gorham, MacDOUGALL of North Berwick, MACK of Standish, McDONOUGH of Portland, McNEIL of Rockland, SHOREY of Calais.

Bill "An Act to Establish a Lead Abatement Revolving Loan Fund and a Tax Credit for Day Care Facilities for Expenditures Required to Comply with the Lead Poisoning Control Act" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 130) (L.D. 161)

Presented by Representative COLWELL of Gardiner. Cosponsored by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock and Representatives: GAGNON of Waterville, HATCH of Skowhegan, O'BRIEN of Augusta, O'NEAL of Limestone, PIEH of Bremen, TWOMEY of Biddeford, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senator: MITCHELL of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Make Minor Substantive Changes in the Tax Laws"

(H.P. 131) (L.D. 162)

Presented by Representative GAGNON of Waterville. Cosponsored by Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland and Senator: DOUGLASS of Androscoggin.

Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Marriage Penalty under the Income Tax Laws"

(H.P. 132) (L.D. 163)

Presented by Representative MACK of Standish. Cosponsored by Representative LEMONT of Kittery, Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, GLYNN of South Portland, MacDOUGALL of North Berwick, MURPHY of Kennebunk, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, BENNETT of Oxford, CAREY of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Property Tax Exemptions for a Parsonage"

(H.P. 150) (L.D. 212)

Presented by Representative SHIELDS of Auburn. Cosponsored by Representative HEIDRICH of Oxford.

Bill "An Act to Exempt Sales of Clothing From Tax for One Week in August"

(H.P. 151) (L.D. 213)

Presented by Representative SNOWE-MELLO of Poland. Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Belmont, BUCK of Yarmouth, GLYNN of South Portland, KASPRZAK of Newport, MACK of Standish, MENDROS of Lewiston, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, Senator: MITCHELL of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Release Estate Tax Liens on Certain Real Estate"

(H.P. 161) (L.D. 223) Presented by Representative LaVERDIERE of Wilton. Cosponsored by Representatives: LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, SAVAGE of Buxton, THOMPSON of Naples.

Bill "An Act to Decrease Individual Income Tax by 20%" (H.P. 164) (L.D. 226)

Presented by Representative GLYNN of South Portland. Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: BUCK of Yarmouth, CAMPBELL of Holden, MacDOUGALL of North Berwick, MACK of Standish, McNEIL of Rockland, MENDROS of Lewiston, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

TRANSPORTATION

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Fee Charged for Certain State Audits"

(H.P. 63) (L.D. 76)

Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket. Cosponsored by Senator CASSIDY of Washington and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, JACOBS of Turner, MAYO of Bath, O'NEAL of Limestone, POVICH of Ellsworth, STANLEY of Medway, USHER of Westbrook, Senator: MICHAUD of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Use of Hand-held Phones by Operators of Moving Motor Vehicles"

(H.P. 68) (L.D. 81)

Presented by Representative BOUFFARD of Lewiston. Cosponsored by Senator BERUBE of Androscoggin and Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, FRECHETTE of Biddeford, MAILHOT of Lewiston, MAYO of Bath, McDONOUGH of Portland, SIROIS of Caribou, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TRIPP of Topsham.

Bill "An Act to Require Insurance Companies to Notify the Secretary of State When the Insurance on a Registered Vehicle has Lapsed"

(H.P. 109) (L.D. 140) Presented by Representative MacDOUGALL of North Berwick. Cosponsored by Representative PINKHAM of Lamoine, Senator MacKINNON of York and Representatives: GLYNN of South Portland, LEMONT of Kittery, MACK of Standish, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, WHEELER of Eliot, Senator: LIBBY of York.

Bill "An Act to Abolish the Maine Turnpike Authority"

(H.P. 140) (L.D. 202)

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, COWGER of Hallowell, GERRY of Auburn, GOODWIN of Pembroke, TRIPP of Topsham.

Bill "An Act to Require Mandatory All-way Stops at Intersections with Nonfunctional Electrical Traffic Signals"

(H.P. 148) (L.D. 210) Presented by Representative SHIELDS of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Representative: SAVAGE of Union.

Bill "An Act Concerning Motor Vehicle Inspection Fees" (H.P. 156) (L.D. 218)

Presented by Representative USHER of Westbrook. Cosponsored by Representatives: GAGNON of Waterville, McDONOUGH of Portland, PIEH of Bremen, Senator: RAND of Cumberland. Bill "An Act to Require Helmets for Children when Riding Bicycles, All-terrain Vehicles or Snowmobiles"

(H.P. 159) (L.D. 221)

Presented by Representative BAKER of Bangor. Cosponsored by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock and Representatives: BROOKS of Winterport, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, HATCH of Skowhegan, MAYO of Bath, McKEE of Wayne, SANBORN of Alton, SAXL of Bangor, Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford.

Bill "An Act to Alter the Firefighter License Plate"

(H.P. 160) (L.D. 222)

Presented by Representative HONEY of Boothbay. Cosponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln and Representatives: GOOLEY of Farmington, PERKINS of Penobscot, PIEH of Bremen, RINES of Wiscasset, TRAHAN of Waldoboro.

Bill "An Act to Aid Enforcement of the Laws Regarding Insurance for Motor Vehicles"

(H.P. 167) (L.D. 229)

Presented by Representative GAGNE of Buckfield. Cosponsored by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford and Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, LABRECQUE of Gorham, McDONOUGH of Portland, SHIELDS of Auburn, TOWNSEND of Portland.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Diesel-powered Motor Vehicle Emission Opacity Testing Program"

(H.P. 110) (L.D. 141)

Presented by Representative GAGNE of Buckfield. Cosponsored by Senator PINGREE of Knox and Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, BULL of Freeport, COWGER of Hallowell, DUDLEY of Portland, McDONOUGH of Portland, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

Committee on TRANSPORTATION suggested.

On motion of Representative JABAR of Waterville, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Further Decriminalize Operating an Unregistered Vehicle"

(H.P. 165) (L.D. 227)

Presented by Representative THOMPSON of Naples. Cosponsored by Representative: DUNLAP of Old Town.

Committee on TRANSPORTATION suggested.

On motion of Representative JABAR of Waterville, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

UTILITIES AND ENERGY

Bill "An Act to Clarify Great Northern Paper, Inc.'s Status to Furnish Electricity" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 92) (L.D. 105)

Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket. Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CAMERON of Rumford, CAMPBELL of Holden, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JOY of Crystal, MAYO of Bath, STANLEY of Medway, USHER of Westbrook.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Mars Hill Utility District"

(H.P. 96) (L.D. 109)

Presented by Representative KNEELAND of Easton. Cosponsored by Senator PARADIS of Aroostook and Representatives: BELANGER of Caribou, DUNCAN of Presque Isle, JOY of Crystal, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Intrastate Telemarketers from Blocking Caller ID"

(H.P. 146) (L.D. 208) Presented by Representative SHIELDS of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Belmont, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

Pursuant to Resolve

Task Force to Study the Need for an Ombudsman for the Department of Human Services and the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services

Representative FULLER for the Task Force to Study the Need for an Ombudsman for the Department of Human Services and the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services, pursuant to Resolve 1997, c. 120 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force to Study the Need for an Ombudsman for the Department of Human Services and the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services Relating to the Department of Human Services"

(H.P. 101) (L.D. 114) Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

ORDERS

On motion of Representative BROOKS of Winterport, the following Joint Order: (H.P. 270)

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services report out, to the House, legislation to delay retroactively the implementation of Public Law 1997, chapter 793 until October 1, 1999.

READ and **PASSED**.

Sent for concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

The following Bills and Resolves were received, and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills were **REFERRED** to the following Committees, ordered printed and sent for Concurrence:

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Bill "An Act to Make Purposeful Misrepresentation and Stolen Identity of Another Person a Class C Crime"

(H.P. 180) (L.D. 258)

Presented by Representative GOOLEY of Farmington. Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMERON of Rumford, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, JODREY of Bethel, WHEELER of Eliot, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, FERGUSON of Oxford.

Bill "An Act to Require Records Checks for Persons Providing Direct Care to Clients of the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services"

(H.P. 188) (L.D. 266)

Presented by Representative WHEELER of Eliot. Cosponsored by President LAWRENCE of York and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, DUGAY of Cherryfield, LEMONT of Kittery, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TUTTLE of Sanford.

Bill "An Act to Restrict Recreational Activities in Cemeteries" (H.P. 174) (L.D. 252)

Presented by Representative WHEELER of Eliot. Cosponsored by President LAWRENCE of York and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, DUGAY of Cherryfield, FISHER of Brewer, LEMONT of Kittery, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, TUTTLE of Sanford.

Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE suggested.

On motion of Representative POVICH of Ellsworth, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Bill "An Act to Enhance the Health of Maine Citizens by Improving Community Health Programs"

(H.P. 178) (L.D. 256)

Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester. Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: COWGER of Hallowell, McKEE of Wayne, SHIELDS of Auburn, TOWNSEND of Portland, Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, LONGLEY of Waldo.

Bill "An Act to Change the Municipal General Assistance Shelter Allowance"

(H.P. 179) (L.D. 257)

Presented by Representative GLYNN of South Portland. Cosponsored by Senator AMERO of Cumberland and Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, DUDLEY of Portland, GERRY of Auburn, JACOBS of Turner, MUSE of South Portland.

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Bill "An Act to Give Citizens 70 Years of Age and Older Free Bear and Duck Hunters Stamps"

(H.P. 171) (L.D. 249)

Presented by Representative WHEELER of Eliot. Cosponsored by Senator MacKINNON of York and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, DUGAY of Cherryfield, LEMONT of Kittery, O'NEAL of Limestone, TUTTLE of Sanford, USHER of Westbrook.

Bill "An Act to Secure Wounded Deer"

(H.P. 181) (L.D. 259) Presented by Representative USHER of Westbrook. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, CHICK of Lebanon, DUNLAP of Old Town, STANLEY of Medway, WHEELER of Eliot.

JUDICIARY

Bill "An Act to Enhance the Enforcement of Civil and Criminal Violations"

(H.P. 182) (L.D. 260)

Presented by Representative THOMPSON of Naples. Cosponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset and Representatives: DUNLAP of Old Town, NASS of Acton.

LABOR

Resolve, to Direct the Department of Labor to Set Up and Operate Employment Offices in the 16 Counties of the State (H.P. 183) (L.D. 261)

Presented by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke. Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Winterport, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, DUGAY of Cherryfield, FISHER of Brewer, HATCH of Skowhegan, PERKINS of Penobscot, STANLEY of Medway.

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act to Require the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices to Report Delinquent Filers"

(H.P. 177) (L.D. 255) Presented by Representative LOVETT of Scarborough. Cosponsored by Representatives: CHICK of Lebanon, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLOUGH of Scarborough, GLYNN of South Portland, LABRECQUE of Gorham, MURPHY of Kennebunk, SAVAGE of Union, SCHNEIDER of Durham.

Bill "An Act to Implement a Recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on Research and Development to Fund the Governor's Marine Studies Fellowship Program"

(H.P. 170) (L.D. 248)

Presented by Representative HONEY of Boothbay. Cosponsored by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock and Representatives: BELANGER of Caribou, COWGER of Hallowell, LEMONT of Kittery, LOVETT of Scarborough, STEVENS of Orono, TESSIER of Fairfield.

Committee on MARINE RESOURCES suggested.

On motion of Representative ETNIER of Harpswell, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Resolve, to Name the State Office Building the Burton M. Cross Building

(H.P. 172) (L.D. 250)

Presented by Representative MADORE of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and Representatives: LOVETT of Scarborough, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MURPHY of Kennebunk, O'BRIEN of Augusta, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senators: BENOIT of Franklin, CAREY of Kennebec, NUTTING of Androscoggin.

Resolve, to Cable Televise the Proceedings of the Legislature

(H.P. 175) (L.D. 253)

Presented by Representative ANDREWS of York. Cosponsored by Representative O'BRIEN of Augusta, Senator MILLS of Somerset and Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, LEMONT of Kittery, MacDOUGALL of North Berwick, MURPHY of Berwick, MURPHY of Kennebunk, STEDMAN of Hartland, WHEELER of Eliot.

Bill "An Act to Establish English as the Official State Language"

(H.P. 186) (L.D. 264)

Presented by Representative SHIELDS of Auburn. Cosponsored by Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, GAGNE of Buckfield, GILLIS of Danforth, NUTTING of Oakland.

TAXATION

Bill "An Act to Increase the Snowmobile Trail Fund" (H.P. 173) (L.D. 251)

Presented by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake. Cosponsored by Senator: MICHAUD of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Exempt Children's Clothing from Sales Tax" (H.P. 176) (L.D. 254)

Presented by Representative LOVETT of Scarborough. Cosponsored by Representative BUCK of Yarmouth and Representatives: CHICK of Lebanon, CLOUGH of Scarborough, GLYNN of South Portland, JOY of Crystal, McALEVEY of Waterboro, SAVAGE of Union, SCHNEIDER of Durham.

Bill "An Act to Amend the BETR Program Regarding Reimbursement and Eligibility"

(H.P. 184) (L.D. 262)

Presented by Representative GAGNON of Waterville. Cosponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset, Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: COLWELL of Gardiner, COWGER of Hallowell.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Cigarette Tax 63 Cents Per Pack" (H.P. 185) (L.D. 263)

Presented by Representative GAGNON of Waterville. Cosponsored by Senator PINGREE of Knox and Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, COWGER of Hallowell, KANE of Saco, MATTHEWS of Winslow, TESSIER of Fairfield, TOWNSEND of Portland.

TRANSPORTATION

Bill "An Act to Provide for License Plates in Support of Domestic Violence Prevention Programs"

(H.P. 187) (L.D. 265)

Presented by Representative BAGLEY of Machias. Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: BROOKS of Winterport, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, DUGAY of Cherryfield, GOODWIN of Pembroke, SANBORN of Alton, Senator: CATHCART of Penobscot.

By unanimous consent, all reference matters requiring Senate concurrence having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Create a Toll-free Telephone Line for the State Parks System" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 95) (L.D. 234)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Cap on the Maine Rainy Day Fund"

(S.P. 62) (L.D. 132)

Bill "An Act to Provide State Funding for the Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve"

(S.P. 68) (L.D. 171)

Bill "An Act to Enhance Maine's Relationship with Aomori, Japan by Hosting a Cultural Exchange"

(S.P. 69) (L.D. 172)

Bill "An Act to Designate the Allagash Wilderness Waterway as a Separate Program for Budgeting Purposes"

(S.P. 87) (L.D. 190) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Protect Consumers in Real Estate Mortgage Transactions"

(S.P. 45) (L.D. 116)

Bill "An Act to Amend Maine's Insurance Laws Regarding Gifts and Rebates"

(S.P. 46) (L.D. 117)

Bill "An Act to Make Maine Medicare Supplement Insurance Laws Consistent with Federal Laws" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 48) (L.D. 119)

Bill "An Act Requiring Life Insurers to Have a Return of Premium Provision"

(S.P. 49) (L.D. 165)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Banking Code as it Pertains to ATM Surcharges"

(S.P. 101) (L.D. 240) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** and ordered printed. **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Lower the Age of Consent for the Donation of Blood" $% \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{A})$

(S.P. 55) (L.D. 125)

Bill "An Act to Increase Eligibility for the Elderly Low Cost Drug Program"

(S.P. 66) (L.D. 169)

Bill "An Act Regarding a Prescription Drug Consortium" (S.P. 67) (L.D. 170)

Bill "An Act to Enhance Senior Volunteerism in Maine" (S.P. 98) (L.D. 237)

Bill "An Act to Ensure that Autopsies and Toxicology Tests are Performed on Commercial Drivers Killed in the Course of Employment"

(S.P. 102) (L.D. 241)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Providing for Post-adoption Contact in Limited Situations"

(S.P. 78) (L.D. 181)

Bill "An Act to Inform Traffic Violators in Court of Potential Parallel Administrative Sanctions"

(S.P. 103) (L.D. 242)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Exclude Claims for Intentional Criminal Acts from the Application of the Workers' Compensation Act of 1992" (S.P. 47) (L.D. 118)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR in concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the following item which was **TABLED** earlier in today's session:

Bill "An Act to Provide Funds for the Repair of Schools"

(H.P. 152) (L.D. 214)

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, BERRY of Belmont, HATCH of Skowhegan, LINDAHL of Northport, McALEVEY of Waterboro, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS suggested.

Which was **TABLED** by Representative BRENNAN of Portland pending **REFERENCE**.

On motion of the same Representative, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the following item which was **TABLED** earlier in today's session:

Bill "An Act to Increase the Appropriation to the Saco River Corridor Commission"

(H.P. 155) (L.D. 217) Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COWGER of Hallowell, KANE of Saco, LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MURPHY of Kennebunk, PIEH of Bremen, SAVAGE of Buxton, Senator: LaFOUNTAIN of York.

Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES suggested.

Which was **TABLED** by Representative COWGER of Hallowell pending **REFERENCE**.

On motion of the same Representative, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

SENATE PAPERS

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Amend the Timing of Elections Following the Submission of a Petition for People's Veto

(S.P. 52) (L.D. 122)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Beano and Games of Chance Statutes"

(S.P. 61) (L.D. 131)

Bill "An Act to Establish Limits on Contributions to Political Action Committees That Support Candidates"

(S.P. 72) (L.D. 175)

Bill "An Act to Reduce Lobbying Fees"

(S.P. 76) (L.D. 179)

Bill "An Act to Enhance Enforcement of the Gambling Laws" (S.P. 82) (L.D. 185)

Bill "An Act to Allow Unenrolled Voters to Serve as Election Workers at Polling Places"

(S.P. 85) (L.D. 188)

Resolve, to Allow Zelma Rudge to Sue the State

(S.P. 104) (L.D. 243) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Elderly Low Cost Drug Program"

(S.P. 44) (L.D. 115)

Bill "An Act to Include Investment in Agricultural Building Improvements in the Business Property Tax Reimbursement Program"

(S.P. 50) (L.D. 120)

Bill "An Act to Exempt Pregnancy Care Centers from the Sales Tax"

(S.P. 58) (L.D. 128)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Public Property Tax Exemption" (S.P. 63) (L.D. 166)

Bill "An Act to Modify the Eligibility Standards for Medicaid and Elderly Low-Cost Drug Programs by Discounting the Amount Spent for Prescription Drugs from the Computation of Eligible Income"

(S.P. 71) (L.D. 174)

Bill "An Act to Provide Certain Small Businesses a Tax Credit Against Health Care Costs"

(S.P. 73) (L.D. 176)

Bill "An Act to Extend the Tree Growth Plan Filing Deadline" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 74) (L.D. 177)

Bill "An Act to Eliminate Duplicate Benefits from the Tax Increment Financing and Business Equipment Reimbursement Programs"

(S.P. 79) (L.D. 182)

Bill "An Act to Exempt Food and Lodging Property from the Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement Program"

(S.P. 80) (L.D. 183)

Bill "An Act to Exempt Retail Store Property from the Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement Program" (S.P. 81) (L.D. 184)

Bill "An Act to Exempt Articles of Clothing Costing Less than \$200 from the Sales Tax"

(S.P. 89) (L.D. 192)

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Sales Tax on Textbooks" (S.P. 90) (L.D. 193)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law" (S.P. 100) (L.D. 239)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow Persons with Disabilities to Obtain More than One Disability Registration Plate"

(S.P. 64) (L.D. 167)

Bill "An Act to Require Seat Belts on School Buses" (S.P. 86) (L.D. 189) Bill "An Act to Increase Nonregular Island Ferry Service from 24 to 36 Trips" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 91) (L.D. 194)

Resolve, to Name the Bridge Between Bath and Woolwich the Sagadahoc Bridge

(S.P. 97) (L.D. 236)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** in concurrence.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

The following Bills and Resolve were received, and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills were **REFERRED** to the following Committees, ordered printed and sent for Concurrence:

BANKING AND INSURANCE

Bill "An Act to Make it an Unfair Claims Practice for Insurers Who Fail to Deal in Good Faith with Claimants to Resolve Claims"

(H.P. 202) (L.D. 280) Presented by Representative MAYO of Bath.

Cosponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset and Representatives: ANDREWS of York, McKEE of Wayne, NUTTING of Oakland, O'NEIL of Saco, TRUE of Fryeburg.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Misuse of Laser Pointers" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 190) (L.D. 268)

Presented by Representative USHER of Westbrook. Cosponsored by Senator O'GARA of Cumberland and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, CLOUGH of Scarborough, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, LEMONT of Kittery, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MUSE of South Portland, PLOWMAN of Hampden, POVICH of Ellsworth.

Bill "An Act to Impose Stricter OUI Penalties on Operators of Watercraft, ATVs and Snowmobiles"

(H.P. 209) (L.D. 287)

Presented by Representative CAMERON of Rumford. Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CLARK of Millinocket, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DAVIS of Falmouth, DUNLAP of Old Town, JOY of Crystal, POVICH of Ellsworth.

Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE suggested.

On motion of Representative POVICH of Ellsworth, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for the Repair and Renovation of Schools"

(H.P. 191) (L.D. 269) Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland. Cosponsored by Representatives: MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MURPHY of Kennebunk, O'NEIL of Saco, SAXL of Portland, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, SKOGLUND of St. George, Senators: KONTOS of Cumberland, SMALL of Sagadahoc.

Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS suggested.

On motion of Representative BRENNAN of Portland, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Bill "An Act to Allow Registered Lab Technicians and Certified Phlebotomists to Draw Blood for Forensic Purposes" (H.P. 196) (L.D. 274)

(H.P. 196) (L.D. 274) Presented by Representative CAMERON of Rumford.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DUNLAP of Old Town, MAYO of Bath, MURPHY of Berwick, MURPHY of Kennebunk, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, MacKINNON of York, RAND of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Require Review under the Certificate of Need Law When Health Care Services Are Terminated"

(H.P. 198) (L.D. 276)

Presented by Representative MAYO of Bath. Cosponsored by Representative: McALEVEY of Waterboro, Senators: LaFOUNTAIN of York, SMALL of Sagadahoc.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Concerning Release of Information on Hospitalized Individuals" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 208) (L.D. 286)

Presented by Representative STANWOOD of Southwest Harbor. Cosponsored by Representatives: DAVIS of Falmouth, PINKHAM of Lamoine, POVICH of Ellsworth, Senators: LONGLEY of Waldo, MITCHELL of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$25,000,000 to Build or Rehabilitate Regional Psychiatric Facilities"

(H.P. 193) (L.D. 271)

Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland. Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and Representatives: FULLER of Manchester, KANE of Saco, O'NEAL of Limestone, O'NEIL of Saco, POWERS of Rockport, QUINT of Portland, TESSIER of Fairfield, TOWNSEND of Portland.

Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES suggested.

On motion of Representative KANE of Saco, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Bill "An Act to Allow a Person Hunting with a Muzzle-loader to Take an Antlerless Deer"

(H.P. 197) (L.D. 275)

Presented by Representative WHEELER of Eliot. Cosponsored by Representative O'BRIEN of Augusta, Senator CASSIDY of Washington and Representatives: FISHER of Brewer, LINDAHL of Northport, O'NEAL of Limestone, TRACY of Rome, TUTTLE of Sanford, USHER of Westbrook.

JUDICIARY

Bill "An Act to Amend the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act concerning Tangible Property Held by Landlords or by State Institutions"

(H.P. 211) (L.D. 289) Presented by Representative THOMPSON of Naples.

LABOR

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Relative to Vesting in the Maine State Retirement System"

(H.P. 189) (L.D. 267)

Presented by Representative HATCH of Skowhegan. Cosponsored by Senator KONTOS of Cumberland and Representatives: DUNLAP of Old Town, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, TRACY of Rome, Senator: RAND of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Employment of Minors in Places Providing Nude Entertainment"

(H.P. 199) (L.D. 277) Presented by Representative HATCH of Skowhegan.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JOY of Crystal, STANLEY of Medway, TREADWELL of Carmel.

Submitted by the Department of Labor pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Number of Members of the Board of Trustees of the Maine State Retirement System"

(H.P. 206) (L.D. 284) Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester.

Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, JACOBS of Turner, TRUE of Fryeburg.

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$5,000,000 to Assist Municipalities to Provide Water and Sewer Service to Areas Zoned by Municipalities for Industrial and Light Industrial Uses"

(H.P. 210) (L.D. 288)

Presented by Representative WHEELER of Eliot. Cosponsored by President LAWRENCE of York and Representatives CLARK of Millinocket, DUGAY of Cherryfield, LEMONT of Kittery, TUTTLE of Sanford, Senator: MacKINNON of York.

Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES suggested.

On motion of Representative SAXL of Portland, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

TAXATION

Bill "An Act to Adjust the Taxation of Public Pensions"

(H.P. 201) (L.D. 279)

Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester. Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and Representatives: COLWELL of Gardiner, GREEN of Monmouth, MURPHY of Berwick, TRIPP of Topsham. Bill "An Act to Protect Municipalities from Property Tax Loss when Land is Acquired by the State"

(H.P. 205) (L.D. 283)

Presented by Representative CARR of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, GILLIS of Danforth, JOY of Crystal, RICHARDSON of Greenville, STANLEY of Medway, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataguis.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Required Sales Tax on the Purchase of Firearms"

(H.P. 207) (L.D. 285)

Presented by Representative WHEELER of Eliot. Cosponsored by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook and Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, CARR of Lincoln, DUGAY of Cherryfield, O'NEAL of Limestone, PERKINS of Penobscot, TUTTLE of Sanford, USHER of Westbrook, Senator: LIBBY of York.

TRANSPORTATION

Bill "An Act to Require New and Reconstructed Bridges to Provide for Safe Recreational Use"

(H.P. 195) (L.D. 273)

Presented by Representative CAMERON of Rumford. Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CLARK of Millinocket, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DAVIS of Falmouth, DUNLAP of Old Town, GOOLEY of Farmington, HEIDRICH of Oxford, JODREY of Bethel.

Bill "An Act to Place Direction Signs on I-95 for the Lakeland Trail"

(H.P. 200) (L.D. 278)

Presented by Representative CARR of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: GILLIS of Danforth, RICHARDSON of Greenville, STANLEY of Medway.

Bill "An Act to Dedicate the Revenue from the Increase in the Inspection Fee to the State Police and to Establish a Safety Inspection Advisory Board"

(H.P. 203) (L.D. 281)

Presented by Representative McKENNEY of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representatives: BUCK of Yarmouth, JOY of Crystal, McALEVEY of Waterboro, NASS of Acton.

Bill "An Act to Allow Motor Vehicle Safety Inspection Stations to Set Their Own Fees for Inspections and to Require the Inspection of Brake Friction Material"

(H.P. 204) (L.D. 282)

Presented by Representative McKENNEY of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Senator AMERO of Cumberland and Representatives: COLLINS of Wells, HATCH of Skowhegan, LEMONT of Kittery, MACK of Standish.

Resolve, Establishing a Commission to Study High-speed Chases (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 194) (L.D. 272)

Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland. Cosponsored by Senator O'GARA of Cumberland and Representatives: GAGNON of Waterville, MUSE of South Portland, O'NEAL of Limestone, O'NEIL of Saco, POVICH of Ellsworth, QUINT of Portland, THOMPSON of Naples, WHEELER of Eliot.

Committee on TRANSPORTATION suggested.

On motion of Representative JABAR of Waterville, the Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

UTILITIES AND ENERGY

Bill "An Act to Create the Washington County Electricity Agency"

(H.P. 192) (L.D. 270) Presented by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke. Cosponsored by Representative: DUGAY of Cherryfield.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to License Home Inspectors"

(S.P. 65) (L.D. 168)

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Block Grants for Regional Tourism Promotion"

(S.P. 75) (L.D. 178) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Prevent Children from Acquiring Gunpowder" (S.P. 60) (L.D. 130)

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Sex Offenders from Being near Schools or Day Care Facilities"

(S.P. 92) (L.D. 195) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide for Direct Reimbursement for Special Education Costs"

(S.P. 54) (L.D. 124)

Bill "An Act to Restrict the Posting on the Internet of Personal Information About Public School Students"

(S.P. 93) (L.D. 232)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Amount of State Contribution to Out-of-district Placements"

(S.P. 96) (L.D. 235) Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed. **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Expand Maine's Moose Hunt" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 56) (L.D. 126)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Pertaining to Juvenile Hunters"

(S.P. 83) (L.D. 186)

Bill "An Act to Change the Dates of the Moose Hunting Season"

(S.P. 84) (L.D. 187)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Harvesting of Elvers" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 59) (L.D. 129)

Bill "An Act to Outlaw the Use of Fyke Nets in the Taking of Elvers" $% \left[{{\left[{{{\rm{TAN}}} \right]}_{{\rm{TAN}}}} \right]_{{\rm{TAN}}}} \right]$

(S.P. 70) (L.D. 173)

Bill "An Act to Require Criehaven Lobster Fishing Boats to Have Propeller Cages" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 99) (L.D. 238)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Terminate the Authority of the Governmental Facilities Authority"

(S.P. 57) (L.D. 127)

Bill "An Act to Improve Access to Electronic Filing for Businesses"

(S.P. 77) (L.D. 180)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** in concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

On motion of Representative RICHARD of Madison, the House adjourned at 6:02 p.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 14, 1999.