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

In Senate Chamber Tuesday January 19, 1999

Senate called to order by President Mark W. Lawrence of York County.
Prayer by Senator Paul T. Davis, Sr. of Piscataquis County.
SENATOR DAVIS: Our precious Heavenly Father, we pause before You as we start to do the people's business and we thank You, Lord, for the chance to do this. We thank You for a free country, a country where men and women can get together freely and do the people's business without fear. We ask, Father, that You look over us and that You guide us in all the things that we say and do this day and the days coming. In Jesus name. Amen.
Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Robert E. Murray, Jr. of Penobscot County.
Doctor of the day, Sue St. Pierre, D.O., Bangor.
Reading of the Journal of Thursday, January 14, 1999.
Off Record Remarks
COMMUNICATIONS
The Following Communication: S.P. 174
119 <sup>th</sup> MAINE LEGISLATURE
January 14, 1999
Senator Georgette B. Berube Representative Michael F. Brennan Chairpersons Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs 119 <sup>th</sup> Legislature

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Senator Berube and Representative Brennan:

Please be advised that Governor Angus S. King, Jr. has nominated Bruce N. Shatz of Augusta for appointment as a member of the Maine Public Broadcasting Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Public Law 1998, Chapter 599, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Mark W. Lawrence President of the Senate

S/G. Steven Rowe Speaker of the House

**READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**.

The Following Communication:

Sent down for concurrence.

S.P. 175

#### 119<sup>th</sup> MAINE LEGISLATURE

January 14, 1999

Senator Georgette B. Berube Representative Michael F. Brennan Chairpersons Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs 119<sup>th</sup> Legislature Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Senator Berube and Representative Brennan:

Please be advised that Governor Angus S. King, Jr. has nominated Harrison L. Richardson of South Portland for reappointment as a member of the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees and Kristy Lingley of Dennysville for appointment as the student member of the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to P.L. 1975, Chapter 771, Section 428, these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Mark W. Lawrence President of the Senate

S/G. Steven Rowe Speaker of the House

**READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**.

Sent down for concurrence.

	Bill "An Act Regarding Retainage on Major State and School	
SENATE PAPERS	Construction Projects" S.P. 173 L.D. 529	
Bill "An Act to Exempt Free Clinics from Payment of Pharmaceutical Registration Fees"  S.P. 168 L.D. 505	Sponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representative BUMPS of China, and Senator: MURRAY of Penobscot, Representatives: BROOKS of Winterport, CAMPBELL of Holden, PLOWMAN of Hampden.	
Sponsored by Senator PINGREE of Knox. Cosponsored by Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford and Senators: LaFOUNTAIN of York, LAWRENCE of York.	REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ordered printed.	
REFERRED to the Committee on BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and ordered printed.	Sent down for concurrence.	
Sent down for concurrence.	Bill "An Act to Exempt Clothing from the Sales Tax" S.P. 171 L.D. 508	
Bill "An Act to Extend the Department of Labor Contribution Rate Table"  S.P. 169 L.D. 506	Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of York. Cosponsored by Representative: GERRY of Auburn.	
Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of York. Cosponsored by Representatives: MacDOUGALL of North Berwick, MACK of Standish, NASS of Acton.	REFERRED to the Committee on TAXATION and ordered printed.  Sent down for concurrence.	
REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR and ordered printed.		
Sent down for concurrence.	Bill "An Act to Promote Highway Safety" S.P. 172 L.D. 509	
Bill "An Act to Correct Inequities in Lobster and Crab Fishing Licensure Laws" (EMERGENCY)  S.P. 167 L.D. 504	Sponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin.  REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION and ordered printed.	
Sponsored by Senator PINGREE of Knox. Cosponsored by Senator: ABROMSON of Cumberland, Representatives: POWERS of Rockport, SKOGLUND of St. George, VOLENIK of Brooklin.	Sent down for concurrence.	
REFERRED to the Committee on MARINE RESOURCES and ordered printed.	Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:	
Sent down for concurrence.	SENATE PAPERS  Resolve, to Ensure Equity in Public Land Acquisitions S.P. 184 L.D. 538	
Bill "An Act to Allow Municipalities to Advertise Legal Notices in Weekly Newspapers"  S.P. 170 L.D. 507	Sponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representative COTE of Lewiston and Representative: MATTHEWS of Winslow.	
Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of York. Cosponsored by Representatives: MACK of Standish, McALEVEY of Waterboro.	REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY and ordered printed.  Sent down for concurrence.	

Bill "An Act to Require External Review of Coverage Decisions by Health Plans"

S.P. 177 L.D. 531

Sponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of York.
Cosponsored by Representative SAXL of Bangor and Senators:
DAGGETT of Kennebec, LAWRENCE of York, PINGREE of
Knox, RAND of Cumberland, Representatives: HATCH of
Skowhegan, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require the State to Pay the Salaries of Sheriffs and County Jail Employees"

S.P. 176 L.D. 530

Sponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, GOODWIN of Pembroke.

Bill "An Act to Limit Children's Access to Firearms"

S.P. 178 L.D. 532

Sponsored by Senator RAND of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representative NORBERT of Portland and Senator: DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, Representative: MUSE of South Portland.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Improve Wild Game Transportation Laws" S.P. 182 L.D. 536

Sponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln.
Cosponsored by Representative DUNLAP of Old Town and
Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, LaFOUNTAIN of York,
Representatives: TRUE of Fryeburg, USHER of Westbrook.

REFERRED to the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Burial at the Veterans' Memorial Cemetery"

S.P. 181 L.D. 535

Sponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative WILLIAMS of Orono and
Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, FERGUSON of Oxford,
RUHLIN of Penobscot, Representatives: MITCHELL of
Vassalboro, TRACY of Rome, TUTTLE of Sanford.

REFERRED to the Committee on LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the State from Competing with Private industry"

S.P. 179 L.D. 533

Sponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative CIANCHETTE of South Portland and Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, BENOIT of Franklin, DAVIS of Piscataquis, FERGUSON of Oxford, Representatives: CAMPBELL of Holden, LOVETT of Scarborough, MACK of Standish, QUINT of Portland.

REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Bring Equity to the Vehicle Excise Tax" S.P. 180 L.D. 534

Sponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln.
Cosponsored by Representative PIEH of Bremen and Senators
AMERO of Cumberland, CASSIDY of Washington, RUHLIN of
Penobscot, CATHCART of Penobscot, KONTOS of Cumberland,
RAND of Cumberland, Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn,
GLYNN of South Portland, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JONES of
Pittsfield, MacDOUGALL of North Berwick, MURPHY of
Kennebunk, PLOWMAN of Hampden, RICHARDSON of
Brunswick, STANLEY of Medway, BUMPS of China, ETNIER of
Harpswell, KNEELAND of Easton, O'NEAL of Limestone,
SKOGLUND of St. George.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Money to Extend Water Lines to Families in Gorham Whose Wells Were Polluted by Highway Construction Activity" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 183 L.D. 537

Sponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset. Cosponsored by Representative CLOUGH of Scarborough and Representative: SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

Bill "An Act to Establish a Citizen Road Watch Program" S.P. 185 L.D. 539	Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.	
Sponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representative COTE of Lewiston and Representative: MATTHEWS of Winslow.	The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (1/11/99) Assigned matter:	
REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION and ordered printed.	Bill "An Act to Ensure Funding for a Replacement Correctional	
Sent down for concurrence.	Facility in Washington County"  H.P. 65 L.D. 78	
	Tabled - January 11, 1999, by Senator MURRAY of Penobscot.	
Senate at Ease.	Pending - REFERENCE	
Senate called to order by the President.	(In House, January 11, 1999, REFERRED to the Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE and ordered printed.)	
Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.	On motion by Senator <b>MURRAY</b> of Penobscot, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>CRIMINAL JUSTICE</b> and ordered printed, in concurrence.	
ORDERS OF THE DAY	Senate at Ease.	
Unfinished Business	Senate called to order by the President.	
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.	Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:	
The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (1/11/99) Assigned matter:	PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE	
Bill "An Act to Amend the Provisions Relating to Executive	House Paper	
Sessions in Connection with the Transaction of Public or Government Business"	Bill "An Act to Restore and Improve Family Planning and Pregnancy Prevention Services"	
S.P. 94 L.D. 233	H.P. 385 L.D. 516	
Tabled - January 11, 1999, by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.	Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and ordered	
Pending - REFERENCE	printed.	
(Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT suggested and ordered printed.)	REFERRED to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed, in concurrence.	
Senator LONGLEY of Waldo moved to REFER to the Committee on JUDICIARY.		
On motion by Senator RAND of Cumberland, TABLED until Later in Today's Session, pending motion by Senator LONGLEY of	Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:	
Waldo to REFER to the Committee on JUDICIARY.	PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE	
	House Paper	
Off Record Remarks	Resolve, Creating the Commission to Study Economic Development Opportunities for Lewiston and Auburn H.P. 395 L.D. 526	

Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **House Paper**

Bill "An Act to Increase the Length of Probation for a Person Convicted of Domestic Violence"

H.P. 381 L.D. 512

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **House Paper**

Bill "An Act to Amend the School Funding Formula by Taking Sales Tax into Account"

H.P. 386 L.D. 517

Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **House Paper**

Bill "An Act to Provide Additional Health Care Options to Disabled Persons and the Elderly"

H.P. 384 L.D. 515

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

REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

#### **House Papers**

Bill "An Act to Require Resident Moose Lottery Applicants to Hold Big Game Hunting Licenses"

H.P. 382 L.D. 513

Bill "An Act to Restrict a Landowner's Right to Kill Nuisance Animals"

H.P. 383 L.D. 514

Bill "An Act to Increase the Number of Moose Hunting Permits to 3.000"

H.P. 389 L.D. 520

Bill "An Act to Reauthorize and Expand the Special Archery Season on Deer" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 393 L.D. 524

Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

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

#### **House Paper**

Bill "An Act to Regulate the Harvesting of Rockweed and Seaweed in Maine Waters" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 391 L.D. 522

Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on MARINE RESOURCES and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** 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 Favor Maine Companies in Awarding Bids" H.P. 379 L.D. 510 Bill "An Act to Increase the Amount Below Which Counties Do Not Need to Solicit Bids for Purchases"

H.P. 380 L.D. 511

Bill "An Act to Establish Recall Provisions for Elected County and Municipal Officials"

H.P. 394 L.D. 525

Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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 Eliminate the Local Property Tax on Homes for Individuals 65 Years of Age or Older"

H.P. 388 L.D. 519

Bill "An Act to Decrease the Mahogany Quahog Tax from \$1.20 per Bushel to \$.40 per Bushel"

H.P. 390 L.D. 521

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

**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 Paper**

Resolve, to Build Interchanges from the Maine Turnpike to Lincoln and Grove Streets in Lewiston

H.P. 387 L.D. 518

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** 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**

## Pursuant to Resolve Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission

The Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission pursuant to Resolve 1997, chapter 45, section 3 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement Recommendations of the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission Relating to Child Welfare Services for Indian Children"

H.P. 392 L.D. 523

Be REFERRED to the Committee on JUDICIARY and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House, with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill REFERRED to the Committee on JUDICIARY and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

Pursuant to Statute
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

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, chapter 120 asked 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 Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services"

H.P. 397 L.D. 528

Be REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

## Pursuant to Statute Maine Turnpike Authority

The Maine Turnpike Authority, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 1961, subsection 6 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2000"

H.P. 396 L.D. 527

Be REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

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

#### **ENACTORS**

The Committee on **Engrossed Bills** reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following:

#### **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Transfer Funds from the Service Retirement Benefit Reserve to the Maine State Retirement System in Order to Fund the Modification of Retirement Laws for Certain Law Enforcement Personnel

> S.P. 12 L.D. 1 (C "A" S-7)

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator **MICHAUD**.

Senator MICHAUD: Thank you, Mr. President. Men and women of the Senate. Normally this bill is an Appropriation Table item and I would refer it to the Appropriation Table. The Committee voted last week unanimously to exempt this from the process so that they can transfer the funds by February 1<sup>st</sup>. So it's ready for enactment if this body so chooses.

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

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 30 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 30 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

 Off Record Remarks

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

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

#### **House Papers**

Resolve, Authorizing the Transfer of Certain State Historic Site Property

H.P. 398 L.D. 540

Bill "An Act to Provide for Increased Penalties, Enforcement and Education Regarding Dangerous Dogs"

H.P. 433 L.D. 575

Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$30,000,000 for Infrastructure Improvements for the Maine Technical College System"

H.P. 423 L.D. 565

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Funds for Conservation at the Local Level"

H.P. 406 L.D. 548

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE and

ordered printed, in concurrence. Bill "An Act to Fund Maine Agricultural Education Programs" H.P. 407 L.D. 549 Bill "An Act to Prohibit the University of Maine System from Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on Financially Supporting Greek Organizations" H.P. 417 L.D. 559 **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed. Bill "An Act Relating to the Construction of a Locally Funded Arts and Technology Center in Maine School Administrative District On motion by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln, TABLED until Later No. 49" (EMERGENCY) in Today's Session, pending REFERENCE. H.P. 431 L.D. 573 Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed. Bill "An Act to Improve Insurance Company Practices Pertaining to Collision Appraisals" REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL H.P. 425 L.D. 567 AFFAIRS and ordered printed, in concurrence. Bill "An Act to Require Insurance Companies to Cover Cervical Cancer Screening" H.P. 427 L.D. 569 Bill "An Act to Create Accountability for Money Spent on Auto Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on Insurance for Participants in the TANF Program" BANKING AND INSURANCE and ordered printed. H.P. 421 L.D. 563 REFERRED to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on and ordered printed, in concurrence. **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed. REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed, in concurrence. Bill "An Act to Update and Amend the Maine Pharmacy Act" H.P. 434 L.D. 576 Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on Bill "An Act to Allow Persons 65 Years of Age and Older to Shoot **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered a Deer of Either Sex" printed. H.P. 419 L.D. 561 REFERRED to the Committee on BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC Bill "An Act to Exempt Donnell Pond and Tunk Lake from **DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed, in concurrence. Personal Watercraft Prohibition" H.P. 422 L.D. 564 Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on Bill "An Act to Exempt Certain Law Enforcement Officers from the INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and ordered printed. Full Course of Training at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy" H.P. 404 L.D. 546 REFERRED to the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and ordered printed, in concurrence. Bill "An Act to Ensure a Continuum of Proper Medical Care for Prisoners with Mental Disabilities or Mental Illness" H.P. 408 L.D. 550 Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Pertaining to Conveyance and Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Surveillance of the Interior of Dressing Reservation of Real Estate<sup>®</sup> Rooms" H.P. 426 L.D. 568 H.P. 415 L.D. 557 Bill "An Act to Prohibit Partial-birth Abortion" Bill "An Act Concerning Consecutive Sentencing" H.P. 429 L.D. 571 H.P. 420 L.D. 562 Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on JUDICIARY and ordered printed. CRIMINAL JUSTICE and ordered printed. REFERRED to the Committee on JUDICIARY and ordered

printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Veterans' Property Tax Exemption"

H.P. 430 L.D. 572 Resolve, to Require the Department of Labor to Establish a Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on Living Wage TAXATION and ordered printed. H.P. 413 L.D. 555 REFERRED to the Committee on TAXATION and ordered RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of printed, in concurrence. Maine to Establish a Contractual Obligation for Members of the Maine State Retirement System H.P. 424 L.D. 566 Bill "An Act to Change the Minimum Time for Issuing a Bill "An Act to Repeal the Chemical Substance Identification Law" Temporary Registered Gross Weight Increase from 2 Months to H.P. 432 L.D. 574 One Month" H.P. 410 L.D. 552 Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR and ordered printed. Bill "An Act Concerning Rules of the Road Governing Traffic Rotaries\* REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR and ordered printed, in H.P. 414 L.D. 556 concurrence. Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION and ordered printed. Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Purchase of Liquor REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION and by Commercial Entities" ordered printed, in concurrence. H.P. 401 L.D. 543 Bill "An Act to Promote Ballot Clarity" H.P. 418 L.D. 560 Bill "An Act to Clarify the Jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission with Regard to Wireless Carriers" Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on LEGAL H.P. 399 L.D. 541 AND VETERANS AFFAIRS and ordered printed. Bill "An Act to Amend the Lien Enforcement Procedure for the **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS** Topsham Sewer District" AFFAIRS and ordered printed, in concurrence. H.P. 409 L.D. 551 Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Kennebec Water District" H.P. 411 L.D. 553 Bill "An Act to Clarify the Membership of the Somerset County **Budget Committee**\* Bill "An Act to Provide Affordable Computer-based Information H.P. 416 L.D. 558 Networks" H.P. 412 L.D. 554 Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ordered printed. Bill "An Act Relating to the Protection of Maine Consumers in the Telecommunications Market" (EMERGENCY) H.P. 428 L.D. 570 REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL **GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed, in concurrence. Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY and ordered printed. REFERRED to the Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY and Bill "An Act to Increase the Income Eligibility Limits for the Elderly ordered printed, in concurrence. Low Cost Drug Program" H.P. 400 L.D. 542 Bill "An Act to Value Homestead Exemption Farm Land at **Current Use**" Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate H.P. 402 L.D. 544 considered the following: **PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE** Bill "An Act to Increase the Homestead Tax Exemption" H.P. 403 L.D. 545 **House Paper** 

#### LEGISLATIVE RECORD - SENATE, TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1999

Disabilities"

H.P. 405 L.D. 547

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS suggested and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS.

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

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

On motion by Senator RAND of Cumberland, ADJOURNED, until Thursday, January 21, 1999, at 10:00 in the morning.

Bill "An Act to Restore Advocacy Services for Children with