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Senate called to order by President Pro Tem Chellie Pingree of Knox County.

Prayer by Senator John W. Benoit of Franklin County.

SENATOR BENOIT: Thank you Madam President. May it please the Senate, Spring is my favorite time of the year because it is the growing season that's here and during my growing up years my parents managed a number of farms; two dairy farms, a pig farm, and even a potato farm. And as the oldest of eight I ended up as the foreman. Inspiration springs from spring and I've had the advantage as well of chatting briefly with the farmer amongst us, the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Nutting. My Prayer poem will be greatly aided if we will be in a prayerful state.

Lord, look on us, dressed in street clothes, but toiling together, in these Senate rows. Word by word, Lord, our sentences grow. Tilled, as though farmed with a hoe. We began our tillage mid winter snows, working still, in spring-weather lows. Our bills are akin to planters' seeds, containing, for sure, some that are weeds. Farmers treat weeds as a nuisance and crass, with us, we report them: "Ought Not To Pass." Lord, make us good gardeners, as we toil. Carefully cultivating the public's soil. Though busy, Lord, as government crops grow, we have not stood out a single scarecrow. Lord, you best know the reason for that: We tip each other, an illusory straw hat!

Amen.

Doctor of the day, James Douglas, D.O., Waterville.

Reading of the Journal of Monday, April 5, 1999.

Off Record Remarks

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: The Chair is pleased to recognize another special guest in the Chamber. Carl Einer Gustafson of New Sweden who helped to launch the Jimmy Fund over 50 years ago. Mr. Gustafson was selected in 1948 by Dr. Sidney Farber to represent every child stricken with cancer. He was nicknamed "Jimmy" by Dr. Farber and the Jimmy Fund was born. As a cancer survivor, Mr. Gustafson is a trucker who travels around the country speaking and raising thousands of dollars for this celebrated fund. We extend to him our congratulations. The

Chair is pleased to recognize the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Paradis.

Senator PARADIS: Thank you Madam President. Men and women of the Chamber, indeed this young man from New Sweden, Maine we have been very privileged to have him in our midst. For many years people, including Dana Farber, thought that he was no longer with us until his sister called them and let him know that he was alive and well. So Jimmy was back just in time for the 50th Anniversary of the fund's birth. Indeed Carl Einer grew up in a small rural community of 800 in New Sweden where people helped care for their neighbors but didn't talk about it. They just made sure that he got back and forth to Boston for check-ups. This man who launched the Jimmy Fund is indeed with us today and his beautiful wife Gloria. They will be meeting us in the Rotunda after Session to say hello.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: Would Mr. Gustafson and his family please rise and accept the greetings of the Chamber.

Off Record Remarks

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber our artist for the month, Nancy Davison of York Beach. Nancy makes representational etchings, linoleum cuts and watercolors. Her subjects include urban landscapes, beach towns, single buildings, interiors and occasionally people. She takes her images from the world around her, finding that 'reality is much more interesting than anything I could invent.' Nancy learned print making from Leonard Baskin at Smith College and set up her own etching studio after graduation. She has her own gallery, Blue Stocking Studio, in York Beach and has had it since 1985. Would she please rise and accept the greetings from the Chamber.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Order

Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

Chef Donald Rossignol, director of the culinary program at Central Maine Technical College, who has been named Maine's Chef of the Year by the Maine Chapter of the American Culinary Federation. We extend our congratulations to him on receiving this award; HLS 204

Comes from the House **READ** and **PASSED**.

READ and **PASSED**, in concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Douglass.

Senator **DOUGLASS**: Madam President, ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I'd like to express my thanks that Gary Crocker brought forward Don Rossignol for us to congratulate and welcome. He was born in Van Buren, he's a lifelong resident of Maine and he's one of those special individuals who's renowned throughout CMTC. He graduated from Southern Maine Technical College in 1963 and was recently named Maine Chef of the Year. We extend our congratulation to him.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: Would Chef Rossignol please rise and accept the greetings of the Chamber. The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Douglass.

Senator **DOUGLASS**: Madam President, in my haste I neglected to let the Senate know that the President of Central Maine Technical College is also here, Dr. Scott Knapp. I'd like to welcome President Knapp from Central Maine Technical College if I may.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: The Chair would recognize in the rear of the Chamber President Scott Knapp and all of the visitors from Central Maine Technical College. Would they please rise and accept the greetings of the Chamber.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Motor Vehicles on Certain Lakes"
H.P. 1493 L.D. 2137

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES**.

REFERRED to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Concerning Life and Health Insurance"
S.P. 765 L.D. 2157

Sponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of York.
Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, to Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission to Establish a Comprehensive Internet Policy (EMERGENCY)
S.P. 763 L.D. 2155

Sponsored by Senator KONTOS of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative TRIPP of Topsham.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

REFERRED to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Ensure the Availability of Funds for Tobacco Prevention and Control"
S.P. 769 L.D. 2167

Sponsored by Senator RUHLIN of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative MATTHEWS of Winslow and Senators: CATHCART of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: COLWELL of Gardiner, GREEN of Monmouth, LOVETT of Scarborough.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act to Authorize Matinicus Isle Plantation to Implement a Disposal Fee for Motorized Vehicles"
S.P. 768 L.D. 2158

Sponsored by Senator PINGREE of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative SKOGLUND of St. George.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

REFERRED to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Construction of Salt and Sand Storage Facilities"
S.P. 764 L.D. 2156

Sponsored by Senator O'GARA of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative SAVAGE of Union.
Submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

**Pursuant to Statutes
State Compensation Commission**

President LAWRENCE for the **State Compensation Commission**, pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2-B, subsection 5 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the State Compensation Commission"

S.P. 770 L.D. 2168

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent down for concurrence.

ORDERS

Joint Orders

On motion by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, the following Joint Order: S.P. 766

ORDERED, the House concurring, that Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Voting Rights of Persons Residing in Certain Sanitary Districts," S.P. 187, L.D. 580, and all its accompanying papers, be recalled from the legislative files to the Senate.

READ.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Hancock, Senator Goldthwait.

Senator **GOLDTHWAIT:** Thank you Madam Chairman. This is a Bill that met an accidental death due to some confusion about one of the issues involved and with the leave of the Chairs of the Committees, I'm requesting permission to have this Recalled and Reconsidered.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 404 a Division was had. 31 Members of the Senate having voted in the affirmative, and no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 being more than two-thirds of those present and voting, the Joint Order was **PASSED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo (Cosponsored by Representative THOMPSON of Naples), the following Joint Order: S.P. 767

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Select Committee to Review the Maine Tort Claims Act is established as follows.

1. Committee established. The Joint Select Committee to Review the Maine Tort Claims Act, referred to in this order as the "committee," is established.

2. Membership. The committee consists of 13 members appointed as follows.

A. The President of the Senate shall appoint 3 members from the Senate who either serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary or are interested in reviewing the Maine Tort Claims Act.

B. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint 10 members from the House of Representatives who either serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary or are interested in reviewing the Maine Tort Claims Act.

3. Chairs. The first Senate member named is the Senate chair and the first House member named is the House chair.

4. Appointments; convening committee. All appointments must be made no later than 30 days following the effective date of this order. The appointing authorities shall notify the Executive Director of the Legislative Council upon making their appointments. When the appointment of all members is complete, the chairs of the committee shall call and convene the first meeting of the committee no later than 60 days following the effective date of this order.

5. Duties. The committee shall review the Maine Tort Claims Act including, but not limited to, the limitation on damages established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 14, section 8105, subsection 1 and the experience of the Legislature in acting upon claims submitted to the Legislature pursuant to section 8105, subsection 3.

6. Staff assistance. Upon approval of the Legislative Council, the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis shall provide necessary staffing services to the committee.

7. Compensation. Members of the committee are entitled to receive the legislative per diem, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2 and reimbursement for travel and other necessary expenses for attendance at meetings of the committee.

8. Report. The committee shall submit a report along with any recommended legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary no later than November 1, 1999. Following receipt of the report, the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary may introduce legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 119th Legislature. If the committee requires an extension of time to make its report, it may apply to the Legislative Council, which may grant the extension.

9. Committee budget. The chairs of the committee, with assistance from the committee staff, shall administer the committee's budget. Within 10 days after its first meeting, the

committee shall present a work plan and proposed budget to the Legislative Council for its approval. The committee may not incur expenses that would result in the committee exceeding its approved budget.

Upon request from the committee, the Executive Director of the Legislative Council or the Executive Director's designee shall provide the committee chair and staff with a status report on the study budget, expenditures incurred and paid and available funds.

READ and REFERRED to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Senator RUHLIN of Penobscot (Cosponsored by Representative GAGNON of Waterville and Representative CIANCHETTE of South Portland, Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach), the following Joint Order:
S.P. 771

WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that there is a trend in other states to change the way in which income of multistate businesses is apportioned for income tax purposes; and

WHEREAS, the interaction of different apportionment approaches creates a disincentive for capital investment in Maine; and

WHEREAS, this trend may be placing Maine at a competitive disadvantage in attracting and retaining investment and jobs; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Commission to Study Single-sales Factor Apportionment is established as follows:

1. Commission established. The Commission to Study Single-sales Factor Apportionment, referred to in this order as the "commission," is established.

2. Membership. The commission consists of the following 11 members:

A. The State Tax Assessor or the State Tax Assessor's designee;

B. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development or the commissioner's designee;

C. Three members from the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate. Two of these members must be members of the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation and one member must be a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development;

D. Four members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House. Three of these members must be members of the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation and one member must be a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development; and

E. Two members of the business community appointed by the Governor.

3. Chairs. The first Senate member named is the Senate chair. The first House member named is the House chair.

4. Appointments; convening commission. All appointments must be made no later than 30 days following the effective date of this order. The appointing authorities shall notify the Executive Director of the Legislative Council upon making their appointments. When the appointment of all members is complete, the chairs of the commission shall call and convene the first meeting of the commission no later than August 15, 1999.

5. Duties. The commission has the following duties:

A. To gather information pertaining to single-sales factor corporate income tax apportionment, including, without limitation, the experience of other states that have adopted single-sales factor corporate income tax apportionment; and

B. To make recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation as to the advisability of adopting single-sales factor corporate income tax apportionment in the State, including any recommendations for legislation.

6. Staff assistance. Upon approval of the Legislative Council, the Office of Fiscal and Program Review shall provide necessary staffing services to the commission. The Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Revenue Services shall provide information and services as requested by the commission.

7. Compensation. Legislative members of the commission are entitled to receive the legislative per diem, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2 and reimbursement for travel and other necessary expenses for attendance at meetings of the commission.

8. Report. The commission shall submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation by January 1, 2000. The Joint Standing Committee on Taxation may introduce legislation in the Second Regular Session of the 119th Legislature to implement the recommendations of the commission.

9. Commission budget. The chairs of the commission, with assistance from the commission staff, shall administer the commission's budget. Within 10 days after its first meeting, the commission shall present a work plan and proposed budget to the Legislative Council for its approval. The commission may not incur expenses that would result in the commission exceeding its approved budget.

Upon request from the commission, the Executive Director of the Legislative Council or the executive director's designee shall provide the commission chairs and staff with a status report on the study budget expenditures incurred and paid and available funds.

READ and REFERRED to the Committee on TAXATION.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

Senator **RUHLIN** of Penobscot was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate on the Record.

Senator **RUHLIN**: Thank you Madam President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, this morning it is my pleasure to report to you first of all how well we did as a group in our Legislative Memorial Scholarship fund-raising event recently. But more importantly to provide awards to the recipients of this years scholarship awards.

First of all, I just want to inform you that we did very well this year. We raised over \$16,000, for the Legislative Scholarship Fund. Then subtract about \$3,000 in expenses, and we end up with \$13,000 net going to our fund that will be available for scholarships in the future. We try to give one scholarship annually per county. We have a very stringent selection process, I will remind you, that picks those students who really show academic promise, as well as, a well rounded promise to the future. We believe that we try to support education in this building in many ways. Who budgets support to propose a pro-education legislation. It's something this Legislature has represented to the people, and takes great pride in. But this goes a step beyond. It's our own personal thing that we started some 20 years ago. The Legislature, the staff that supports it, the people who work in this building, the people who are lobbyist, the people who help in many way with what we do in this building all come together to contribute toward the success of this scholarship fund. So this morning we have 11 of those recipients with us and if I may, Madam President, approach the podium to give those awards out. I would ask when the names are given that the Senator from that county also accompany the recipient to the podium. Then they will receive their awards. To the student the most important thing is the money. But before I do that, I do want to thank everybody in the entire building who has participated in it, I also, want to give special thanks to MES for their special help. They provided a pamphlet that is on your desk this morning, very well done, and gives a thumbnail sketch of the program itself, and also how we did this year. I hope you will look at that and just take a moment for self congratulations for a job well done by all of you. Now if I may approach the Well of the Senate.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: The Chair would ask the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Ruhlin to come to the Well of the Senate to distribute these scholarship awards. As each award recipient is called, would they and their Senator come down to receive their scholarship award.

Tara Jeffers of Leeds with Senator Nutting, Jessica Saucier of Ft. Kent with Senator Paradis, Tonya Arnold of Naples with Senator Bennett, Matthew Mellen of Farmington with Senator Benoit, Audrey Minutolo of Bar Harbor with Senator Goldthwait, Joanna Stone of Camden with Senator Pingree, Jeremy Usher of Boothbay with Senator Kilkelly, Melissa Tibbetts of Dover-Foxcroft with Senator Davis, Sharon Hupe of Unity with Senator

Longley, Crystal Hatch of Lubec with Senator Cassidy, Jacob Pelletier of North Berwick with Senator MacKinnon.

There were four recipients who are unable to attend today. Justin Carol of Bingham, Sarah Drury of Canton, Hillary Bouchard of Old Town, and Diane Shorey of Augusta. The Senate is pleased to have this opportunity to participate in supporting higher education. We thank all of the members of the Senate who worked very hard to put the auction together again this year and we thank all of the recipients for tackling higher education and all their family members and friends who are here to support them today. Could all of them please rise at the same time and accept our greetings and congratulations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Increase Payments to Foster Parents" H.P. 871 L.D. 1228

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-131).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-131).**

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-131) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

The Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act Regarding Commercial Beano Halls" H.P. 57 L.D. 71

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-126).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-126).**

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-126) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

Off Record Remarks

The Committee on **TAXATION** on 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

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-119).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-119).**

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-119) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

The Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Change the Tax Treatment of Truck Campers"
H.P. 767 L.D. 1090

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-120).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-120).**

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.
READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-120) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Allow a Car Dealer to Operate a Motorcycle for Purposes of Testing or Transportation"
H.P. 580 L.D. 820

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-123).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-123).**

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-123) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Require Motor Vehicles to Stop for All Pedestrians in a Crosswalk"
H.P. 742 L.D. 1032

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-124).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-124).**

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-124) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Make Public Certain Information Regarding Forest Practices"
H.P. 821 L.D. 1144

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass.**

Signed:

Senators:

NUTTING of Androscoggin
KILKELLY of Lincoln
KIEFFER of Aroostook

Representatives:

CARR of Lincoln
FOSTER of Gray
GOOLEY of Farmington
PIEH of Bremen
GILLIS of Danforth
CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives:

COWGER of Hallowell
VOLENIK of Brooklin
WATSON of Farmingdale
GAGNE of Buckfield

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports **READ**.

Senator **NUTTING** of Androscoggin moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** on Bill "An Act to Improve the Delivery of Services in Insurance" H.P. 246 L.D. 350

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

LaFOUNTAIN of York
ABROMSON of Cumberland

Representatives:

JONES of Pittsfield
NUTTING of Oakland
SAXL of Bangor
PERRY of Bangor
GLYNN of South Portland
MAYO of Bath

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-98)**.

Signed:

Senator:

DOUGLASS of Androscoggin

Representatives:

RICHARDSON of Brunswick
DUDLEY of Portland
O'NEIL of Saco
SULLIVAN of Biddeford

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **LAFOUNTAIN** of York, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** on Bill "An Act to Improve Insurance Company Practices Pertaining to Collision Appraisals"

H.P. 425 L.D. 567

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

LaFOUNTAIN of York
DOUGLASS of Androscoggin
ABROMSON of Cumberland

Representatives:

JONES of Pittsfield
RICHARDSON of Brunswick
NUTTING of Oakland
DUDLEY of Portland
O'NEIL of Saco
SULLIVAN of Biddeford
PERRY of Bangor
MAYO of Bath
SAXL of Bangor

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-99)**.

Signed:

Representative:

GLYNN of South Portland

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **LAFOUNTAIN** of York, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** on Bill "An Act to Ensure that Persons Issuing Bad Checks are Solely Responsible for Overdraft Charges"

H.P. 657 L.D. 913

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

LaFOUNTAIN of York
DOUGLASS of Androscoggin
ABROMSON of Cumberland

Representatives:

JONES of Pittsfield
RICHARDSON of Brunswick
NUTTING of Oakland
DUDLEY of Portland
O'NEIL of Saco
SAXL of Bangor
SULLIVAN of Biddeford
PERRY of Bangor
MAYO of Bath

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Signed:

Representative:

GLYNN of South Portland

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **LAFOUNTAIN** of York, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Initiate Covenant Marriage in the State"

H.P. 169 L.D. 231

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

LONGLEY of Waldo
TREAT of Kennebec
BENOIT of Franklin

Representatives:

THOMPSON of Naples
BULL of Freeport
LaVERDIERE of Wilton

JACOBS of Turner
MITCHELL of Vassalboro
NORBERT of Portland
MADORE of Augusta
SCHNEIDER of Durham

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-100)**.

Signed:

Representatives:

PLOWMAN of Hampden
WATERHOUSE of Bridgton

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **LONGLEY** of Waldo, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Create a Senior Lobster and Crab Fishing License" H.P. 1006 L.D. 1417

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock

Representatives:

ETNIER of Harpswell
STANWOOD of Southwest Harbor
VOLENIK of Brooklin
BAGLEY of Machias
LEMONT of Kittery
McNEIL of Rockland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-128)**.

Signed:

Senators:

PENDLETON of Cumberland
MackINNON of York

Representatives:

USHER of Westbrook
HONEY of Boothbay
PINKHAM of Lamoine
PIEH of Bremen

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports **READ**.

Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act Concerning Sheriffs' Annual Meetings with Municipal Officers"

H.P. 583 L.D. 823

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:
PENDLETON of Cumberland

Representatives:

- AHEARNE of Madawaska
- BAGLEY of Machias
- McDONOUGH of Portland
- TWOMEY of Biddeford
- BUMPS of China
- KASPRZAK of Newport
- JODREY of Bethel
- RICHARDSON of Greenville
- GERRY of Auburn

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-122)**.

Signed:

Senators:
GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock
DAVIS of Piscataquis

Representative:
RINES of Wiscasset

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **PENDLETON** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator MICHAUD for the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Centers for Innovation Program"

S.P. 329 L.D. 983

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-62)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-62) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

Senator MICHAUD for the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Strengthen the Criminal Justice Response to Domestic Violence"

S.P. 342 L.D. 996

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-61)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-61) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

Senator MICHAUD for the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, to Provide Incentives for School Breakfast Programs in Maine Public Schools

S.P. 524 L.D. 1558

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-64)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-64) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Expand Opportunities for Education, Training and Employment for Displaced Homemakers"

S.P. 409 L.D. 1198

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

Signed:

Senators:

MICHAUD of Penobscot
CATHCART of Penobscot
HARRIMAN of Cumberland

Representatives:

TOWNSEND of Portland
STEVENS of Orono
BERRY of Livermore
MAILHOT of Lewiston
POWERS of Rockport
TESSIER of Fairfield

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

Signed:

Representatives:

KNEELAND of Easton
WINSOR of Norway
BRUNO of Raymond
NASS of Acton

Reports **READ.**

On motion by Senator **MICHAUD** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED.**

READ ONCE.

TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

SECOND READERS

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

House

Bill "An Act to Fund Maine Agricultural Education Programs"
H.P. 407 L.D. 549

Bill "An Act to Amend Agency Disclosure within the Real Estate Brokerage Laws"
H.P. 1028 L.D. 1450

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

House As Amended

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Department of Electric Works Within the Town of Madison"

H.P. 229 L.D. 333
(C "A" H-114)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Membership of the State Board of Funeral Service"

H.P. 305 L.D. 421
(C "A" H-118)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Law Regarding Executive Sessions of Public Bodies"

H.P. 321 L.D. 437
(C "A" H-104)

Bill "An Act to Exempt Election Officials and Workers from Serving on Juries One Month Prior to an Election"

H.P. 325 L.D. 441
(C "A" H-103)

Bill "An Act Relating to Transfer of Ownership of Dams" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 373 L.D. 498
(C "A" H-106)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Pertaining to Conveyance and Reservation of Real Estate"

H.P. 426 L.D. 568
(C "A" H-101)

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 64: Maine School Facilities Program and School Revolving Renovation Fund, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 469 L.D. 632
(C "A" H-107)

Bill "An Act to Fund Public School Alliances"

H.P. 474 L.D. 681
(C "A" H-95)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Number of Elm Trees in the State"

H.P. 487 L.D. 694
(C "A" H-94)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Law Relating to School Construction and School Facilities"

H.P. 509 L.D. 716
(C "A" H-108)

Bill "An Act to Establish a Marine Recreation Fishing Conservation and Management Fund"

H.P. 516 L.D. 723
(C "A" H-116)

Bill "An Act to Make the Laws Governing State Ambient Air Quality for Ozone and Particulate Matter Consistent with Federal Requirements"

H.P. 549 L.D. 770
(C "A" H-105)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Pulling Event Laws"

H.P. 623 L.D. 863
(C "A" H-110)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Scallop Fishing Season and Scallop Fishing Gear Requirements"

H.P. 651 L.D. 901
(C "A" H-115)

Bill "An Act to Increase Public Trust in Medical Care"

H.P. 722 L.D. 1012
(C "A" H-93)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Site Evaluator Licensing Laws"

H.P. 853 L.D. 1210
(C "A" H-102)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Governance of Soil and Water Conservation Districts"

H.P. 882 L.D. 1239
(C "A" H-111)

Bill "An Act to Create the Telemarketing Registration and Fraud Prevention Act"

H.P. 1004 L.D. 1402
(C "A" H-113)

Resolve, to Authorize the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands to Exchange Land between the State and Pownal Relating to Bradbury Mountain State Park (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1045 L.D. 1467
(C "A" H-109)

READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in concurrence.

Senate

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Definition of "Area of Operation" for Municipal Housing Authorities"

S.P. 512 L.D. 1513

Bill "An Act to Expand Term Limits of Maine Employers' Mutual Insurance Company Directors"

S.P. 540 L.D. 1602

READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate As Amended

Bill "An Act to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 18 L.D. 3
(C "A" S-53)

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

S.P. 45 L.D. 116
(C "A" S-59)

Bill "An Act to Include a Denturist on the Board of Dental Examiners"

S.P. 163 L.D. 483
(C "A" S-58)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Crime of Theft by Deception to Include False Impressions as to Identity"

S.P. 228 L.D. 650
(C "A" S-60)

Bill "An Act to Update Insurance Financial Standards"

S.P. 401 L.D. 1192
(C "A" S-54)

READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Provisions Relating to Executive Sessions in Connection with the Transaction of Public or Government Business"

S.P. 94 L.D. 233
(C "A" S-55)

READ A SECOND TIME.

On motion by Senator MURRAY of Penobscot, the Senate **SUSPENDED THE RULES.**

On further motion by same Senator, the Senate **RECONSIDERED** whereby it **ADOPTED** Committee Amendment "A" (S-55).

On further motion by same Senator, Senate Amendment "A" (S-65) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-55) **READ and ADOPTED.**

Committee Amendment "A" (S-55) as Amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-65) thereto, **ADOPTED.**

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY Committee Amendment "A" (S-55) **AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-65)** thereto

Sent down for concurrence.

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

An Act to Create a Seamless Treatment Plan for the Adult Offender with Substance Abuse Problems
H.P. 621 L.D. 861
(C "A" H-82)

On motion by Senator **MICHAUD** of Penobscot, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **ENACTMENT**.

Emergency Measure

An Act to Clarify the Laws Governing Service of Protection from Abuse Orders in Court
H.P. 798 L.D. 1121

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 33 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 33 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 Pro Tem, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency Resolve

Resolve, Establishing a Commission to Study High-speed Chases and Emergency Responses
H.P. 194 L.D. 272
(C "A" H-63)

On motion by Senator **MICHAUD** of Penobscot, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

Acts

An Act to Amend the Beano and Games of Chance Statutes
S.P. 61 L.D. 131
(C "A" S-25)

An Act to Amend the Law regarding Reportable Motor Vehicle Accidents
S.P. 123 L.D. 320

An Act to Clarify the Probate Code Regarding Durable Financial Powers of Attorney
H.P. 442 L.D. 605

An Act Concerning Minors' Consent for Services
H.P. 492 L.D. 699

An Act to Increase Adoptions
H.P. 515 L.D. 722

An Act to Allow the State's Laboratory Certification Program to be Consistent with National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program Standards
S.P. 263 L.D. 758
(C "A" S-23)

An Act to Amend the Law Regarding the Evaluation of Juvenile Sex Offenders
H.P. 571 L.D. 811

An Act to Change the Percent of Gross Sales of Tri-State Lotto That May Be Paid Out As Prizes
S.P. 373 L.D. 1074
(S "A" S-30)

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President Pro Tem were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

An Act to Establish the Maine Communities in the New Century Program
H.P. 467 L.D. 630
(C "A" H-66)

On motion by Senator **MICHAUD** of Penobscot, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act to Enhance Tourism Promotion and Provide Additional State Revenue
H.P. 914 L.D. 1292

On motion by Senator **MICHAUD** of Penobscot, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

Resolve

Resolve, to Study Current Regulations Imposed on Small Businesses to Require Greater Efficiency
H.P. 99 L.D. 112
(C "A" H-79)

On motion by Senator **MICHAUD** of Penobscot, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, 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 Reimburse Androscoggin County for Shortfalls in State Reimbursement for Jail Costs"

H.P. 1511 L.D. 2159

Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

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

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

Bill "An Act to Require Contractor Registration"

H.P. 1515 L.D. 2163

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.

Bill "An Act to Stop the Construction of the Prison at Warren"

H.P. 1512 L.D. 2160

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.

Bill "An Act to Establish the Trust Fund for a Healthy Maine"

H.P. 1519 L.D. 2169

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

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

Bill "An Act to Enhance Communications Between the Department of Corrections, the Judiciary and Law Enforcement Agencies" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1518 L.D. 2166

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

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

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Allow Persons with Mental Illness to Vote

H.P. 1514 L.D. 2162

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide a Sales Tax Credit on the First \$2000 of the Purchase Price of Certain Automobiles"

H.P. 1517 L.D. 2165

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

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

Bill "An Act to Prohibit a Telephone Utility from Charging a Toll-call Rate for a Telephone Call Made from a Municipality to a Point in that same Municipality"

H.P. 1513 L.D. 2161

Bill "An Act to Enhance Access to Technology for Maine Schools and Libraries"

H.P. 1516 L.D. 2164

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

**Pursuant to Public Law
Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy**

The **Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy** pursuant to Public Law 1997, chapter 316, section 12 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Amend the Electric Industry Restructuring Laws"

H.P. 1509 L.D. 2154

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** 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 **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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

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

Off Record Remarks

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

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

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/31/99) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Expand Pretrial Services for the Bail and Supervision of Criminal Defendants Statewide"
H.P. 1446 L.D. 2067

Tabled - March 31, 1999, by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, March 30, 1999, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.)

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

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/31/99) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Improve Responsible Check Writing"
H.P. 1477 L.D. 2117

Tabled - March 31, 1999, by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, March 30, 1999, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.)

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

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/31/99) Assigned matter:

JOINT ORDER - relative to establishing the Joint Select Committee to Ensure Accountability in the Legislature
H.P. 1457

Tabled - March 31, 1999, by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, March 30, 1999, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.)

(In Senate, March 31, 1999, **READ**.)

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

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (4/5/99) Assigned matter:

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Expand the Number of Lights Firefighters May Use on Their Motor Vehicles"
H.P. 38 L.D. 52

Majority - **Ought Not to Pass** (9 members)

Minority - **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-84)** (2 members)

Tabled - April 5, 1999, by Senator **O'GARA** of Cumberland.

Pending - motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**

(In House, March 31, 1999, the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-84)**.)

(In Senate, April 5, 1999, Reports **READ**.)

On motion by Senator **O'GARA** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (4/5/99) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Transfer the Regulatory Responsibilities of the Arborist Examining Board to the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources"
H.P. 1025 L.D. 1436

Tabled - April 5, 1999, by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland.

Pending - **PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence

(In House, March 30, 1999, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.**)

(In Senate, April 5, 1999, **READ A SECOND TIME.**)

On motion by Senator **KONTOS** of Cumberland, Senate Amendment "A" (S-63) **READ** and **ADOPTED.**

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-63), in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Today Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Reimburse Androscoggin County for Shortfalls in State Reimbursement for Jail Costs"

H.P. 1511 L.D. 2159

Tabled - April 7, 1999, by Senator **MURRAY** of Penobscot.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.)

(In House, April 7, 1999, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE.**)

REFERRED to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE.**

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Today Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Enhance Communications Between the Department of Corrections, the Judiciary and Law Enforcement Agencies" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1518 L.D. 2166

Tabled - April 7, 1999, by Senator **MURRAY** of Penobscot.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, April 7, 1999, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.)

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

The Chair removed from the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** the following:

Resolve, Authorizing the Transfer of Certain State Historic Site Property

H.P. 398 L.D. 540
(C "A" H-22)

Tabled - March 17, 1999, by Senator **MICHAUD** of Penobscot.

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE**

(In Senate, March 10, 1999, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-22)**, in concurrence.)

(In House, March 16, 1999, **FINALLY PASSED.**)

FINALLY PASSED and having been signed by the President Pro Tem, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Senator **AMERO** of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Senator **RAND** of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland, **ADJOURNED**, until Thursday, April 8, 1999, at 10:00 in the morning.