

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
8th Legislative Day  
Thursday, January 25, 2001

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

Prayer by Reverend Dan McNutt, Boothbay Baptist Church.  
National Anthem by Bucksport High School Band.  
Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, John A. James, M.D., Auburn.

The Journal of Tuesday, January 23, 2001 was read and approved.

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**SENATE PAPERS**

Bill "An Act to Reinstate Emergency Assistance for Dependents of Veterans"

(S.P. 60) (L.D. 224)

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.

On motion of Representative BERRY of Livermore, the House **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**.

On further motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

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Bill "An Act to Increase Health Insurance Benefits for Retired Teachers"

(S.P. 43) (L.D. 211)

(Committee on **LABOR** suggested)

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.

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Bill "An Act to Lower the Cost of Health Coverage"

(S.P. 64) (L.D. 235)

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.

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Bill "An Act to Criminalize the Possession of Theft Tools"

(S.P. 62) (L.D. 233)

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

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

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Bill "An Act Regarding Hunts of Nuisance Animals"

(S.P. 63) (L.D. 234)

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.

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Bill "An Act to Improve Allowances for Jury Duty"

(S.P. 57) (L.D. 221)

Bill "An Act Regarding the State's Land Use Mediation Program"

(S.P. 68) (L.D. 264)

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

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

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Bill "An Act Concerning Eligibility Requirements for State Employees, Teachers and Participating Local District Employees to Purchase Military Service Credit"

(S.P. 66) (L.D. 237)

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

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

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Bill "An Act to Clarify When Notice is Effective for Termination of a Tenancy"

(S.P. 58) (L.D. 222)

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

On motion of Representative TUTTLE of Sanford, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

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Bill "An Act to Enable Small Wineries to do Business in Maine"

(S.P. 61) (L.D. 225)

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.

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Bill "An Act to Authorize the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to Receive Real Estate Transfer Tax Forms for Municipalities in its Jurisdiction"

(S.P. 67) (L.D. 263)

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

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

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Bill "An Act to Establish a Light Trailer Transporter Plate and License"

(S.P. 56) (L.D. 220)

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

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

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication: (S.C. 27)

**120TH LEGISLATURE**

**SENATE OF MAINE**

**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

January 23, 2001

The Honorable Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

State House Station 2

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Please be advised the Senate today Insisted to its previous action whereby it Indefinitely Postponed a Joint Study Order relative to Establishing a Joint Select Committee on the Psychiatric Treatment Initiative. (H.P. 122)

Sincerely,

S/Joy J. O'Brien

Secretary of the Senate

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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**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:

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**AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Building Permits in the Unorganized Territories"

(H.P. 239) (L.D. 276)

Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.

Cosponsored by President MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JONES of Greenville, MORRISON of Baileyville, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, USHER of Westbrook, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot.

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**APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

Bill "An Act to Require First Responders to Carry and Administer Epinephrine Autoinjectors" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 247) (L.D. 283)

Presented by Representative TRAHAN of Waldoboro.

Cosponsored by Representative ANDREWS of York, Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln and Representatives: CRABTREE of Hope, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, HEIDRICH of Oxford, O'NEIL of Saco, PINKHAM of Lamoine, RINES of Wiscasset, SKOGLUND of St. George, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

Bill "An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds, and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2002 and June 30, 2003" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 256) (L.D. 300)

Presented by Representative BERRY of Livermore. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Cosponsored by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock and Representative: NASS of Acton, Senator: MILLS of Somerset.

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Bill "An Act to Reimburse Philip Wolley for Litigation Expenses Incurred in Connection with His Termination and Reinstatement as a State Employee"

(H.P. 248) (L.D. 284)

Presented by Representative BAKER of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Senator SAWYER of Penobscot and Representatives: BLANCHETTE of Bangor, PERRY of Bangor.

Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested.

On motion of Representative BERRY of Livermore, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

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**BANKING AND INSURANCE**

Bill "An Act to Create Purchasing Alliances of Small Businesses In Order to Purchase Health Insurance"

(H.P. 238) (L.D. 275)

Presented by Representative BULL of Freeport.

Cosponsored by Senator RAND of Cumberland and Representatives: COWGER of Hallowell, DAIGLE of Arundel, LaVERDIERE of Wilton, SIMPSON of Auburn, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

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**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

Bill "An Act to Establish Parity in Requirements for Exits Among Apartments, Boardinghouses and Lodging Houses"

(H.P. 237) (L.D. 274)

Presented by Representative McNEIL of Rockland.

Cosponsored by Senator LEMONT of York and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, COWGER of Hallowell, SCHNEIDER of Durham, USHER of Westbrook, Senators: MITCHELL of Penobscot, SAVAGE of Knox.

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**EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

Bill "An Act to Award High School Diplomas to World War II Veterans"

(H.P. 246) (L.D. 282)

Presented by Representative COLWELL of Gardiner.

Cosponsored by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo and Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, COTE of Lewiston, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, PATRICK of Rumford, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, STEDMAN of Hartland, Senator: TREAT of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act to Require Teaching of Maine Native American History and Culture in Maine's Schools"

(H.P. 255) (L.D. 291)

Presented by Representative LORING of the Penobscot Nation.

Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, BERRY of Livermore, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, KASPRZAK of Newport, SOCTOMAH of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senators: President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford, TREAT of Kennebec.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Duties of the Maine Developmental Disabilities Council"

(H.P. 250) (L.D. 286)

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport.  
Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and Representatives: DUDLEY of Portland, DUGAY of Cherryfield, FULLER of Manchester, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, LOVETT of Scarborough.

Submitted by the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

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**INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

Bill "An Act to Allow the Use of Cage Traps for Bear"

(H.P. 251) (L.D. 287)

Presented by Representative SMITH of Van Buren.  
Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook.

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**JUDICIARY**

Bill "An Act to Clarify that Polluters Who Violate the Environmental Laws on Private Land are Liable for Their Actions"

(H.P. 236) (L.D. 273)

Presented by Representative LaVERDIERE of Wilton.  
Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representative: DAIGLE of Arundel, Senator: SAWYER of Penobscot.

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**LABOR**

Bill "An Act Concerning Recordkeeping in Relation to Employment of Minors"

(H.P. 244) (L.D. 280)

Presented by Representative BUMPS of China.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: MacDOUGALL of North Berwick, MATTHEWS of Winslow, MUSE of South Portland, MUSE of Fryeburg, TREADWELL of Carmel, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, NUTTING of Androscoggin.

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**LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Time the Registrar is Required to be at a Municipal Caucus"

(H.P. 243) (L.D. 279)

Presented by Representative CRESSEY of Baldwin.  
Cosponsored by Senator McALEVEY of York and Representatives: GOOLEY of Farmington, MICHAEL of Auburn, MUSE of South Portland, MUSE of Fryeburg, SMITH of Van Buren, TARAZEWICH of Waterboro, TREADWELL of Carmel, Senator: SAWYER of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Reform Lobbyist Disclosure Requirements"

(H.P. 249) (L.D. 285)

Presented by Representative DAIGLE of Arundel.  
Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, MADORE of Augusta, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, MURPHY of Kennebunk,

Senators: KILKELLY of Lincoln, LONGLEY of Waldo, MARTIN of Aroostook, SMALL of Sagadahoc.

Bill "An Act Regarding Horse Racing"

(H.P. 253) (L.D. 289)

Presented by Representative McKENNEY of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford and Representatives: CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CRABTREE of Hope, DUNCAN of Presque Isle, GOODWIN of Pembroke, PERRY of Bangor.

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**MARINE RESOURCES**

Bill "An Act to Clarify Where a Public Hearing Involving Dredging Activity by the Department of Marine Resources Must be Held"

(H.P. 245) (L.D. 281)

Presented by Representative ETNIER of Harpswell.

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**NATURAL RESOURCES**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Mercury Discharge Law"

(H.P. 254) (L.D. 290)

Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.  
Cosponsored by Senator SAWYER of Penobscot and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, DAIGLE of Arundel, TOBIN of Windham, Senator: SHOREY of Washington.

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**TRANSPORTATION**

Resolve, to Change the Name of the Maine Turnpike to the Ronald Reagan Highway

(H.P. 242) (L.D. 278)

Presented by Representative CRESSEY of Baldwin. (BY REQUEST)  
Cosponsored by Representatives: DUPREY of Hampden, GOOLEY of Farmington, KASPRZAK of Newport, MENDROS of Lewiston, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TREADWELL of Carmel, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

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Bill "An Act to Seize the Cars of Habitual Offenders"

(H.P. 235) (L.D. 272)

Presented by Representative BULL of Freeport.

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested.

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

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**UTILITIES AND ENERGY**

Bill "An Act to Clarify Access to Private Lines in a Public Way"

(H.P. 252) (L.D. 288)

Presented by Representative TRACY of Rome.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: GOODWIN of Pembroke, SKOGLUND of St. George.

**Pursuant to Resolve  
Committee to Develop a Compensation Program for Victims  
of Abuse at the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf**

Representative LaVERDIERE for the **Committee to Develop a Compensation Program for Victims of Abuse at the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf** pursuant to Resolve 1999, chapter 127 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement the Funding Recommendations of the Committee to Develop a Compensation Program for Victims of Abuse at the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf"

(H.P. 241) (L.D. 293)

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

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

**Pursuant to Statute  
Criminal Law Advisory Commission**

Representative POVICH for the **Criminal Law Advisory Commission** pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, section 1354, subsection 2 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Add Prior Conviction for Burglary of a Motor Vehicle to Enhancement of Theft Penalties"

(H.P. 240) (L.D. 292)

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

**ORDERS**

On motion of Representative FULLER of Manchester, the following House Order: (H.O. 15)

**ORDERED**, that Representative Christina L. Baker of Bangor be excused Tuesday, January 23, 2001 for personal reasons.

**AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED**, that Representative Shirley K. Richard of Madison be excused January 18, 2001 for personal reasons.

**READ** and **PASSED**.

The following item was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

**ENACTORS**

**Emergency Mandate**

An Act to Establish the Washington County Emergency Medical Services Authority

(H.P. 85) (L.D. 92)

(C. "A" H-6)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed.

On motion of Representative COLWELL of Gardiner, **TABLED** pending **PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED** and later today assigned.

On motion of Representative MATTHEWS of Winslow, the House **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby Bill "An Act to Increase Health Insurance Benefits for Retired Teachers"

(S.P. 43) (L.D. 211)

Was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**.

The same Representative moved that the Bill be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR**.

On motion of Representative BERRY of Livermore, **TABLED** pending the motion of Representative MATTHEWS of Winslow to **REFER** the Bill to the Committee on **LABOR** and later today assigned.

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

An Act to Establish the Washington County Emergency Medical Services Authority

(H.P. 85) (L.D. 92)

(C. "A" H-6)

Which was **TABLED** by Representative COLWELL of Gardiner pending **PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED**.

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. In accordance with the provisions of Section 21 of Article IX of the Constitution, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 141 voted in favor of the same and 3 against, and accordingly the Mandate was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The following matters, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment Tuesday, January 23, 2001, had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

Bill "An Act to Offer Reciprocity Concerning Concealed Firearms Permits"

(H.P. 224) (L.D. 259)

(Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** suggested)

**PENDING - REFERENCE**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide Funds to Purchase Thermal Imaging Cameras"

(H.P. 225) (L.D. 260)

(Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** suggested)

**PENDING - REFERENCE**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Requirement That a Person Have a Permit for Concealed Firearms"

(H.P. 230) (L.D. 267)

(Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Implement the Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Act of 2000"

(H.P. 208) (L.D. 243)

(Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Continue the Privacy Protection of Health Care Information"

(H.P. 209) (L.D. 244)

(Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Ensure Appropriate Audit Procedures"

(H.P. 211) (L.D. 246)

(Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Expand Access to Prescription Drugs with a State Toll-free Number"

(H.P. 212) (L.D. 247)

(Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Consolidate All Aspects of Licensing and Enforcement of Agricultural Fairs Under the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources"

(H.P. 229) (L.D. 266)

(Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Pertaining to the Discharge of Firearms Near Certain Buildings"

(H.P. 197) (L.D. 227)

(Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and sent for concurrence.

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Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Submit a Proposal to Encourage the Harvest of Coyotes

(H.P. 199) (L.D. 229)

(Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Regulate the Marking and Placement of Baitfish Traps, Baitfish Holding Boxes and Buoys in Inland Waters"

(H.P. 202) (L.D. 232)

(Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Freedom of Access Laws"

(H.P. 207) (L.D. 242)

(Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Law Pertaining to the Solvency of the Unemployment Compensation Fund"

(H.P. 218) (L.D. 253)

(Committee on **LABOR** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Require Proof of Identity in Order to Vote"

(H.P. 203) (L.D. 238)

(Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and sent for concurrence.

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Resolve, Authorizing Charles O'Conner to Sue the State

(H.P. 219) (L.D. 254)

(Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Require the State Harness Racing Commission to Appoint Judges for Harness Races"

(H.P. 220) (L.D. 255)

(Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Discourage Underage Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor"

(H.P. 222) (L.D. 257)

(Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Concerning Wetlands Use"

(H.P. 204) (L.D. 239)

(Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Change the Fiscal Year of Sagadahoc County"

(H.P. 206) (L.D. 241)

(Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Establish Destroyer Escort Day" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 210) (L.D. 245)

(Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Fee Paid When Purchasing a New Tire or Battery"

(H.P. 200) (L.D. 230)

(Committee on **TAXATION** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

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

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Bill "An Act to Establish the Maine Resident Homestead Property Tax Rebate Program"

(H.P. 226) (L.D. 261)

(Committee on **TAXATION** suggested)  
**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Reduce the Time Permissible for Displaying Political Signs"

(H.P. 217) (L.D. 252)

(Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested)

**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Permit an Unspent Balance in the Public Advocate Regulatory Fund to be Carried Forward in Full for Fiscal Years 2000-01 and 2001-02"

(H.P. 205) (L.D. 240)

(Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** suggested)

**PENDING - REFERENCE.**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and sent for concurrence.

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HOUSE REPORT – Refer to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** pursuant to Joint Study Order 1999 (H.P. 1938) – **Joint Study Committee to Study Bomb Threats in Maine Schools** on Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations Relating to Education Made by the Joint Study Committee to Study Bomb Threats in Maine Schools" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 232) (L.D. 269)

**PENDING – ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT.**

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

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HOUSE REPORT – Refer to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** pursuant to Resolve 1999, chapter 127, Part B – **Committee to Develop a Compensation Program for Victims of Abuse at the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf** on Bill "An Act to Establish the Baxter Compensation Program" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 234) (L.D. 271)

**PENDING – ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT.**

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

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Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing Charlene Chase of Norway

(HLS 38)

**PENDING – PASSAGE.**

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **PASSED** and sent for concurrence.

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Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing Joseph Cummings, of Norway

(HLS 39)

**PENDING – PASSAGE.**



Subsequently, the Sentiment was **PASSED** and sent for concurrence.

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Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing Murray and Zelma Oppenheim, of Bangor

(HLS 40)

PENDING – **PASSAGE**.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **PASSED** and sent for concurrence.

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Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing Jean Marshall, of Phippsburg

(HLS 41)

PENDING – **PASSAGE**.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **PASSED** and sent for concurrence.

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HOUSE REPORT – Refer to the Committee on **LABOR** – Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Establish the Administrative Operating Budget for the Maine State Retirement System for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2002" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 25) (L.D. 25)

PENDING – **ACCEPTANCE OF COMMITTEE REPORT**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR**.

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Appropriate Funds for the Bath Higher Education Center"

(H.P. 107) (L.D. 111)

- In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** on January 11, 2001.

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

TABLED – January 18, 2001 (Till Later Today) by Representative BERRY of Livermore.

PENDING – **FURTHER CONSIDERATION**.

Subsequently, the House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

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Bill "An Act to Reduce the Tax on Gasoline"

(H.P. 133) (L.D. 144)

- In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** on January 16, 2001.

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

TABLED – January 18, 2001 (Till Later Today) by Representative COLWELL of Gardiner.

PENDING – Motion of Representative GREEN of Monmouth to **ADHERE**.

Subsequently, the House voted to **ADHERE**.

Resolve, to Implement the Saco Bay Regional Beach Management Plan (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 186) (L.D. 197)

(Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested)

TABLED - January 18, 2001 (Till Later Today) by Representative BERRY of Livermore.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

On motion of Representative BERRY of Livermore, the Resolve was referred to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES**.

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Establish Returnable Tobacco Products and to Create the Returnable Tobacco Products Fund"

(H.P. 223) (L.D. 258)

(Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested)

TABLED – January 23, 2001 (Till Later Today) by Representative RICHARDSON of Brunswick.

PENDING – **REFERENCE**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**.

Sent for concurrence.

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The following item was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

**SENATE PAPERS**

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 80)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate Adjourn they do so until Tuesday, January 30, 2001, at 10:00 in the morning.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **PASSED**.

**READ** and **PASSED** in concurrence.

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

Bill "An Act to Increase Health Insurance Benefits for Retired Teachers"

(S.P. 43) (L.D. 211)

Which was **TABLED** by Representative BERRY of Livermore pending the motion of Representative MATTHEWS of Winslow to **REFER** the Bill to the Committee on **LABOR**.

Representative MATTHEWS of Winslow **WITHDREW** his motion to **REFER** the Bill to the Committee on **LABOR**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**.

Sent for concurrence.

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The House recessed until the Sound of the Bell.

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(After Recess)

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The House was called to order by the Speaker.

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**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**First Day**

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following item appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 227) (L.D. 262) Bill "An Act to Make Additional Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and Change Certain Provisions of State Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2001" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"** (H-7)

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the House Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

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

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On motion of Representative WINSOR of Norway, the House adjourned at 11:58 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 30, 2001 pursuant to the Joint Order (S.P. 80).