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

Prayer by Chaplain Dave A. Michaud, Passadumkeag Baptist Church and Air National Guard 101st Air Refueling Wing, Bangor. National Anthem by Fryeburg Academy Singers. Pledge of Allegiance.

At this point, the Speaker recognized the Representative from Bangor, Representative BAKER, the Representative from Kittery, Representative ESTES, the Representative from Scarborough, Representative LOVETT, the Representative from Rockland, Representative McNEIL and the Representative from Augusta, Representative O'BRIEN, and they were added to the quorum call of the Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature.

The Journal of Friday, January 4, 2002 was read and approved.

SENATE PAPERS
Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Establish the Administrative Operating Budget for the Maine State Retirement System for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2003" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1526) (L.D. 2030)

Unanimous **REFER** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** Report from the **Maine State Retirement System** was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** in the House on January 2, 2002.

Came from the Senate with the Unanimous **REFER** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** Report of the **Maine State Retirement System** **READ** and **REJECTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act to Fund the Collective Bargaining Agreements and Benefits of State Employees Who are Members of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Council No. 93" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1554) (L.D. 2057)

Sponsored by Speaker SAXL of Portland. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)
Cosponsored by President BENNETT of Oxford.

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

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

The following Bills 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:

BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill "An Act to Strengthen the Laws Governing Inspections of Boilers, Pressure Vessels, Elevators and Tramways"

(H.P. 1553) (L.D. 2056)

Sponsored by Representative RICHARDSON of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Senator SHOREY of Washington and Representative: MICHAUD of Fort Kent, Senator: YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot.

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

LABOR

Bill "An Act Regarding the Payment of Severance Pay"

(H.P. 1551) (L.D. 2054)

Sponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford.

Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CLARK of Millinocket, COLWELL of Gardiner, MATTHEWS of Winslow, McDONOUGH of Portland, PINEAU of Jay, Speaker SAXL of Portland, TARAZEWICH of Waterboro.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act to Delay the Date by Which the Use of Tokens or Tickets is Required for Games of Chance at Agricultural Fairs" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1552) (L.D. 2055)

Sponsored by Representative CHICK of Lebanon.

Cosponsored by Senator WOODCOCK of Franklin and Representatives: GERZOFKY of Brunswick, GOODWIN of Pembroke, GOOLEY of Farmington, HEIDRICH of Oxford, JACOBS of Turner, MURPHY of Berwick, SULLIVAN of Biddeford, TUTTLE of Sanford.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Pursuant to Statute
Worker's Compensation Board

Representative BUNKER for the **Worker's Compensation Board** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 39-A, section 152, subsection 11 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Increase the Workers' Compensation Insurance Assessment to Fund a Hearing Officer Position"

(H.P. 1548) (L.D. 2051)

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

**Pursuant to Statute
Worker's Compensation Board**

Representative BUNKER for the **Worker's Compensation Board** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 39-A, section 152, asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Clarify the Application of Workers' Compensation Coverage Requirements to Wood Harvesters"

(H.P. 1549) (L.D. 2052)

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

**Pursuant to Statute
Worker's Compensation Board**

Representative BUNKER for the **Worker's Compensation Board** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 39-A, section 152, subsection 11 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Clarify the Treatment of Members of Limited Liability Companies Under the Workers' Compensation Laws"

(H.P. 1550) (L.D. 2053)

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

On motion of Representative O'BRIEN of Augusta, the House adjourned at 9:38 a.m., until noon, Friday, January 11, 2002.