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**STATE OF MAINE
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In Senate Chamber
Thursday
January 4, 2001

Senate called to order by President Michael H. Michaud of Penobscot County.

Prayer by Father Michael Seavey of St. Andrews Catholic Church in Augusta.

FATHER SEAVEY: Elizabeth Ann Seton was the first native born American citizen declared a saint in the Roman Catholic Church. Among her great works was her tireless effort educating children. Today is her feast day in my tradition and because education is one of the great challenges before you, I offer this prayer for you in her honor.

Loving God, source of all wisdom, Elizabeth Seton embraced the vocations of wife, mother, and educator. You gave her a great love for Your children and inspired her to work diligently for their intellectual and moral formation. We humbly pray for these members of the Maine State Senate as they debate and discern the great challenges that lay before them. Stir within them the wisdom they have from You and bless them with insight, courage and determination to serve the needs of Your people in our state. We also pray for all in our state dedicated to the vocation of educating Your children and young people. Bless their efforts to impart wisdom and moral truths. Console them in their frustrations. Reward them with affirmation. Encourage them in their challenges. Let Your creative spirit rest upon all of us. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Beverly Daggett of Kennebec County.

Doctor of the day, Phil Tedrick, D.O., Readfield.

Reading of the Journal of Wednesday, December 6, 2000.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by President Pro Tem **BENNETT** of Oxford, the following Joint Order:
S.P. 13

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate Adjourn they do so until Tuesday, January 9, 2001, at 10:00 AM.

READ and PASSED.

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Orders

The following Joint Order: H.P. 1

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Speaker of the House is authorized, at his discretion, to permit radio or television in the Hall of the House of Representatives while the House is in session, or during joint conventions of the Legislature.

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

READ and PASSED, in concurrence.

The following Joint Order: H.P. 2

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that any Town or City Clerk or Board of County Commissioners may, upon written request to the Clerk of the House, receive without charge, copies of all printed bills, so that there may be available to the public during the legislative session a complete and convenient file of all printed bills; and be it further

ORDERED, that any tax supported public library may upon written request to the Clerk of the House receive without charge copies of all printed bills, so that there may be available to the public during the legislative session a complete and convenient file of all printed bills.

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

READ and PASSED, in concurrence.

The following Joint Order: H.P. 3

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the rooms in the State House and State Office Building occupied by the Legislature be reserved for hearing rooms for the One Hundred and Twentieth and succeeding Legislatures and be released for other purposes only upon approval by the Chair of the Legislative Council.

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

READ and PASSED, in concurrence.

The following Joint Order: H.P. 4

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that there be prepared by the Legislative Information Office, under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, after adjournment of the present session, a Register of all the Bills and Resolves considered by both branches of the Legislature, showing the history and final disposition of each Bill and Resolve and that there be printed sufficient copies to meet the needs of the Legislature. A copy shall be mailed to each member and officer of the Legislature and the State Law and Legislative Reference Library.

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

READ.

On motion by Senator **SMALL** of Sagadahoc, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.P. 15

**MAINE SENATE
120TH LEGISLATURE**

January 3, 2001

The Honorable Joy J. O'Brien
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary O'Brien:

Pursuant to our authority under Senate Rule 203.1, we have made the following appointments to various Joint Standing Committees.

Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry
Richard Kneeland, Chair (R-Aroostook)
John M. Nutting, (D-Androscoggin)
Marge L. Kilkelly, (D-Lincoln)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs
Jill M. Goldthwait, Chair (I-Hancock)
Mary Cathcart, (D-Penobscot)
S. Peter Mills, (R-Somerset)

Banking and Insurance
Lloyd P. LaFountain, III, Chair (D-York)
I. Joel Abromson, (R-Cumberland)
Neria R. Douglass, (D-Androscoggin)

Criminal Justice
Michael J. McAlevey, Chair (R-York)
William B. O'Gara, (D-Cumberland)
Paul T. Davis, Sr. (R-Piscataquis)

Education and Cultural Affairs
Betty Lou Mitchell, Chair (R-Penobscot)
John M. Nutting, (D-Androscoggin)

Peggy Rotundo, (D-Androscoggin)

Health and Human Services
Susan W. Longley, Chair (D-Waldo)
Karl W. Turner, (R-Cumberland)
John L. Martin, (D-Aroostook)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
David L. Carpenter, Chair (R-York)
Marge L. Kilkelly, (D-Lincoln)
Chandler E. Woodcock, (R-Franklin)

Judiciary
Anne M. Rand, Chair (D-Cumberland)
Michael J. McAlevey, (R-York)
Norman K. Ferguson, Jr. (R-Oxford)

Labor
Beth G. Edmonds, Chair (D-Cumberland)
Karl W. Turner, (R-Cumberland)
W. Tom Sawyer, Jr. (R-Penobscot)

Legal and Veterans Affairs
Neria R. Douglass, Chair (D-Androscoggin)
Chandler E. Woodcock, (R-Franklin)
Lynn Bromley, (D-Cumberland)

Marine Resources
Kenneth F. Lemont, Chair (R-York)
Peggy A. Pendleton, (D-Cumberland)
Beth G. Edmonds, (D-Cumberland)

Natural Resources
John L. Martin, Chair (D-Aroostook)
W. Tom Sawyer, Jr., (R-Penobscot)
Kevin L. Shorey, (R-Washington)

State and Local Government
Peggy A. Pendleton, Chair (D-Cumberland)
Edward M. Youngblood, (R-Penobscot)
Peggy Rotundo, (D-Androscoggin)

Taxation
Kenneth T. Gagnon, Chair (D-Kennebec)
Kenneth F. Lemont, (R-York)
Richard Kneeland, (R-Aroostook)

Transportation
Christine R. Savage, Chair (R-Knox)
William B. O'Gara, (D-Cumberland)
Kenneth T. Gagnon, (D-Kennebec)

Utilities and Energy
Norman K. Ferguson, Jr., Chair (R-Oxford)
Sharon A. Treat, (D-Kennebec)
David L. Carpenter, (R-York)

Sincerely,

S/Michael H. Michaud
President of the Senate

S/Richard A. Bennett
Senate President Pro Tempore

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.C. 8

**BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH
A COMPREHENSIVE INTERNET POLICY**

December 6, 2000

The Honorable President Michael H. Michaud
The Honorable Speaker Michael V. Saxl
120th Maine Legislature
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Michaud and Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to Resolves 1999, chapter 89, as amended by Public Law 1999, chapter 762, the Blue Ribbon Commission to Establish a Comprehensive Internet Policy is pleased to submit its final report including legislation. Copies of the report have been transmitted to the Legislative Council and the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development. Copies of the report have also been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Library.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Carol A. Kontos, Senate Chair

S/Representative Thomas M. Davidson, House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 9

**MAINE INDIAN TRIBAL-STATE COMMISSION
PO BOX 87
HALLOWELL, MAINE 04347**

December 15, 2000

The Honorable Michael H. Michaud
President of the Senate
120th Maine Legislature
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Michaud:

The Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission (MITSC) has completed the fourth and final year of its review of the civil laws of Maine, pursuant to Resolves 1997, Chapter 45. I am pleased to submit to you our report and recommendations, entitled "Impact of Maine Civil Laws on the Wabanaki: 1997-2000." Even though this is the final report required by Chapter 45, MITSC's work is ongoing because the laws, programs, and policies of the

State of Maine impinge upon the Tribes and their culture in myriad ways.

In addition to reviewing the civil laws of Maine, Chapter 45 also required MITSC to convene an annual Assembly of Governors and Chiefs. Having organized four Assemblies since 1997, MITSC is happy to report that these have been most successful. MITSC is recommending that they be continued and that there also be an Annual Tribal-State Legislative Assembly.

MITSC has submitted a piece of legislation along with this report. This is entitled "An Act to Authorize the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission to Introduce Legislation and to Organize Annual Assemblies of State and Tribal Leaders."

We look forward to discussing our work with the members of the 120th Legislature. Thank you.

Very Truly Yours,

S/Cushman D. Anthony
Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 10

**STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL
SERVICES
BUREAU OF THE BUDGET
STATE HOUSE STATION 58
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

Date: December 15, 2000

To: Members of the 120th Maine Legislature
James Clair, Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review

From: S/John R. Nicholas, State Budget Officer

Public Law 1995, Chapter 591 requires each department and agency to submit to the Bureau of the Budget a list of any new laws, regulations or other requirements of the Federal Government that may require the State of Maine to comply with a new Federal mandate in FY01 or in the FY02-03 biennium. (New is defined as being any mandate for which the implementation date is September 30, 2000 or later).

Attached please find the report of Federal mandates as submitted from the various state departments and agencies.

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 11

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON
SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CARE SERVICES**

December 2000

The Honorable President Michael H. Michaud
The Honorable Speaker Michael V. Saxl,
120th Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Michaud and Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to Joint Order, House Paper 1864, the Joint Select Committee on School-based Health Care Services is pleased to submit its final report. Copies of the report have been transmitted to the Legislative Council and the Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance. Copies of the report have also been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Neria R. Douglass, Co-chair

S/Rep. Elaine Fuller, Co-chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 12

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP A COMPENSATION PROGRAM
FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE AT THE GOVERNOR BAXTER
SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND TO CONTINUE OVERSIGHT
OF MULTIAGENCY COOPERATION**

December 15, 2000

The Honorable President Michael H. Michaud
The Honorable Speaker Michael V. Saxl
120th Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Michaud & Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to Resolve 1999, c. 127, Part B, the Committee to Develop a Compensation Program for Victims of Abuse at the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf and to Continue Oversight of Multiagency Cooperation is pleased to submit its final report including legislation. Copies of the report have been transmitted to the Legislative Council and the Joint Standing Committees on

Judiciary and Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Copies of the report have also been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Sharon Anglin Treat, Senate Chair

S/Representative Richard H. Thompson, House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 13

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE CREATION OF
A PUBLIC/PRIVATE PURCHASING ALLIANCE TO ENSURE
ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE FOR ALL MAINE CITIZENS**

December 2000

The Honorable President Michael H. Michaud
The Honorable Speaker Michael V. Saxl,
120th Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Michaud and Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to Joint Order, House Paper 1857, the Joint Select Committee to Study the Creation of a Public/Private Purchasing Alliance to Ensure Access to Health Care for All Maine Citizens is pleased to submit its final report. Copies of the report have been transmitted to the Legislative Council and the Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance. Copies of the report have also been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Jill M. Goldthwait, Co-chair

S/Representative Jane Saxl, Co-chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 14

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

December 5, 2000

Honorable Mark W. Lawrence
Senate President
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Honorable G. Steven Rowe
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Bill "An Act to Phase Out Community Income Considerations from the School Funding Formula"

S.P. 9 L.D. 1

Dear President Lawrence and Speaker Rowe:

We are pleased to transmit to you the report of the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation on "Income Tax Expenditure Review" as required by 36 M.R.S.A. §199. We hope that this report provides information that will be of use to the 120th Legislature.

If you have any questions or if we can be of assistance in any other way, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Richard P. Ruhlin, Chair

S/Representative Kenneth T. Gagnon, Chair

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

Sponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representative LaVERDIERE of Wilton and Senators: CATHCART of Penobscot, MARTIN of Aroostook, MILLS of Somerset, Representatives: BELANGER of Caribou, BUMPS of China, DESMOND of Mapleton, GREEN of Monmouth, WESTON of Montville.

Bill "An Act to Establish Guidelines for High School Sports"

S.P. 11 L.D. 3

Sponsored by President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford.

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

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Ban Steel Leg-hold Traps"

S.P. 12 L.D. 4

Sponsored by Senator ABROMSON of Cumberland.

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

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.C. 15

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE
JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON JOINT RULES**

December 5, 2000

Members, Maine Senate and House of Representatives
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Members:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 354, the Joint Select Committee on Joint Rules is pleased to submit its final report including recommended changes to the Joint Rules. The committee met six times. This report contains the unanimous recommendations of those members who were present and voting. Copies of the report have also been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Lloyd P. LaFountain III, Co-chair

S/Representative Michael V. Saxl, Co-chair

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

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Division Line Between the Towns of Deer Isle and Stonington"

S.P. 10 L.D. 2

Sponsored by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock. Cosponsored by Representative VOLENIK of Brooklin.

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

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

Senator **DAGGETT** of Kennebec was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Senator **SMALL** of Sagadahoc was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

SENATE PAPERS

Off Record Remarks

On motion by the Chair, **RECESSED** until 11:15 in the morning.

After Recess

Senate called to order by the President.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act to Eliminate Fees for the Use of State Parks by Residents of the Municipalities in Which Those Parks Are Located"

H.P. 16 L.D. 16

Comes 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.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Require Credit Card Issuers to Provide Greater Notice of Changes in Terms"

H.P. 10 L.D. 10

Bill "An Act to Allow a Person to Obtain Personal Insurance instead of Per Vehicle Insurance"

H.P. 18 L.D. 18

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** 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 Allow Local Boards of Education the Option to Grant a High School Diploma to Former Students Who Are Honorably Discharged World War II Veterans" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 21 L.D. 21

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 Papers

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Use of Juveniles in the Enforcement of Laws Governing Tobacco Sales"

H.P. 14 L.D. 14

Bill "An Act to Raise the Minimum Age to Buy Tobacco Products to 21 Years of Age"

H.P. 23 L.D. 23

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.

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 Complimentary Hunting and Fishing Licenses to Resident Active Military Personnel"

H.P. 8 L.D. 8

Comes 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 Papers

Resolve, Authorizing Bonnie Dunn to Sue the State
H.P. 7 L.D. 7

Bill "An Act to Regulate Exit Polling"
H.P. 9 L.D. 9

Bill "An Act to Revoke the Voting Privileges of Persons Convicted
of Murder or a Class A Crime"
H.P. 19 L.D. 19

Bill "An Act to Increase the Pay-out Limit for Bingo Events"
H.P. 20 L.D. 20

Come 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.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act to Allow Persons Completing the Lobster Apprentice
Program Admission to Limited-entry Zones"
H.P. 15 L.D. 15

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 Exempt Clothing and Wearing Apparel from the
State Sales Tax"
H.P. 11 L.D. 11

Bill "An Act to Provide a Tax Credit for Certain Educational
Materials used by Homeschoolers" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 12 L.D. 12

Bill "An Act to Amend the Definition of Agricultural Land for
Taxation at its Current Use"
H.P. 13 L.D. 13

Bill "An Act to Increase the State Earned Income Tax Credit from
5% to 10% of the Federal Earned Income Credit"
H.P. 17 L.D. 17

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

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the South Berwick Sewer
District"
H.P. 24 L.D. 24

Comes 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.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

**Pursuant to Joint Study Order
Commission on Child Abuse**

The **Commission on Child Abuse** pursuant to Joint Study Order
H.P. 1930 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An
Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Commission on
Child Abuse"
H.P. 27 L.D. 27

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.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

**Pursuant to Resolve
Task Force to Reduce the Burden of Home Heating Costs
on Low-income Households**

The **Task Force to Reduce the Burden of Home Heating Costs on Low-income Households** pursuant to Resolve 1999, chapter 132 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force to Reduce the Burden of Home Heating Costs on Low-income Households" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 29 L.D. 29

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** 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 **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

**Pursuant to Resolve
Commission to Study Equity in the Distribution of Gas Tax
Revenues Attributable
to Snowmobiles, All-terrain Vehicles and Watercraft**

The **Commission to Study Equity in the Distribution of Gas Tax Revenues Attributable to Snowmobiles, All-terrain Vehicles and Watercraft** pursuant to Resolve 1999, chapter 131 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, to Extend the Commission to Study Equity in the Distribution of Gas Tax Revenues Attributable to Snowmobiles, All-terrain Vehicles and Watercraft (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 28 L.D. 28

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

**Pursuant to Statutes
Maine State Retirement System**

The **Maine State Retirement System**, pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 17103, subsection 13 asked leave to report that the accompanying 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

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** 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 **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

**Pursuant to Statutes
Criminal Law Advisory Commission**

The **Criminal Law Advisory Commission**, pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, section 1354, subsection 2 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Correct a Reference in the Maine Juvenile Code"

H.P. 31 L.D. 5

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

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

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

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

**Pursuant to Statutes
Department of Education**

The **Department of Education**, pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 125.17D: Regulations Governing Timeout Rooms, Therapeutic Restraints and Aversives in Public Schools and Approved Private Schools, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 22 L.D. 22

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

**Pursuant to Statutes
Department of Human Services, Community Services Center**

The **Department of Human Services, Community Services Center**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter (unassigned): Rules Providing for the Licensing of Child Placing Agencies With and Without Adoption Programs, Addition of Home Certification Process, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Human Services, Community Services Center (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 6 L.D. 6

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 Resolve **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.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

**Pursuant to Statutes
Revisor of Statutes**

The **Revisor of Statutes**, pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 94 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine" (EMERGENCY)

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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.

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On motion by President Pro Tem **BENNETT** of Oxford,
ADJOURNED, pursuant to the Joint Order, to Tuesday, January
9, 2001, at 10:00 in the morning.