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

In Senate Chamber Thursday March 8, 2001

Senate called to order by President Pro Tem Paul T. Davis, Sr. of Piscataquis County.

Prayer by Rabbi Carolyn Braun of Temple Beth El of Portland.

**RABBI BRAUN:** Chaverim, friends, I want to thank you for giving me this opportunity to begin your day and I would like to offer my prayer in memory of my mother, who passed away on January 18<sup>th</sup>, who was very active in city politics and who, like you, wanted to make her community, her state, and her nation a better place for us to live. And in honor of my niece who turns 7 today, who knows only the security of family and friends and who wants to grow up too fast. And finally in honor of the festival of Purim, which begins tonight, which is parenthetically the story of government gone awry but in the end is victory over evil. We pray.

We are taught that saving a single life is tantamount to saving the world. May you always remember what lead you on this path and may you have the strength to pursue your highest goals. May you be granted this day and every day the strength and the courage to balance the beliefs of those whom you represent with your own beliefs in order to pursue the greater good for the people of this state.

And finally I offer this prayer from my tradition, which is recited three times a day. Atah choriayn l'adam da'at u'm'lamed le'enosh binah chaneyno me'itcha deah, binah, v'haskel. Barach atah chonayn ha da'at.

Adonai, You graciously endow mortals with intelligence, teaching wisdom and understanding. Grant us knowledge, discernment, and wisdom. Praised are You, Holy One, who graciously grants intelligence and when you finish this day, may you be blessed with the knowledge that you have been true to yourself. Amen.

Doctor of the day, Donald Stanley, D.O. of Nobleboro.

Reading of the Journal of Monday, March 5, 2001.

**Off Record Remarks** 

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by President Pro Tem **BENNETT** of Oxford, the following Joint Order: S.P. 468

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate stand Adjourned they do so until Tuesday, March 13, 2001, at 10:00 in the morning.

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

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

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Require the State to Provide Flags for Persons Who Are Listed on the Memorials Located on State Street in Augusta"

S.P. 363 L.D. 1201

In Senate, February 28, 2001, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed.

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

On motion by Senator MCALEVEY of York, TABLED 1 Legislative Day, pending FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

## Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Allow Families to Request Flags for Deceased Police Officers and Firefighters that have not Died in the Line of Duty"

S.P. 364 L.D. 1202

In Senate, February 28, 2001, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed.

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

On motion by Senator MCALEVEY of York, TABLED 1 Legislative Day, pending FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

## **House Papers**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Law Regarding the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority"

H.P. 430 L.D. 551

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

Comes from the House, Bill and accompanying papers **RULED NOT PROPERLY BEFORE BODY**.

On motion by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook, Bill and accompanying papers INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

Bill "An Act to Restore the Maine Court Facilities Authority" H.P. 511 L.D. 651

Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT suggested and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, Bill and accompanying papers **RULED NOT PROPERLY BEFORE BODY**.

On motion by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook, Bill and accompanying papers INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

Bill "An Act to Enhance, Upgrade and Encourage Passenger Rail Service in Maine through the Creation of a Rail Trust Fund" H.P. 1005 L.D. 1342

Committee on TAXATION suggested and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committees on **TAXATION** and **TRANSPORTATION**.

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

Pursuant to Joint Order Committee to Study Further Decriminalization of the Criminal Laws of Maine

The Committee to Study Further Decriminalization of the Criminal Laws of Maine pursuant to 1999 Joint Order, H.P. 1914 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Committee to Study Further Decriminalization of the Criminal Laws of Maine" H.P. 1086 L.D. 1455

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

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

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

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

#### Pursuant to Public Law Task Force on Educational Programming at Juvenile Correctional Facilities

The Task Force on Educational Programming at Juvenile Correctional Facilities pursuant to Public Law 1999, chapter 770 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force on Educational Programming at Juvenile Correctional Facilities" H.P. 982 L.D. 1306

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 Bill **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.

## COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 82

# STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

March 8, 2001

The Honorable Michael H. Michaud President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0003

Dear President Michaud:

The Maine Department of Transportation is pleased to present its Biennial Transportation Improvement Program (BTIP) for the FY 2002-2003 biennium. It describes how the Department proposes to apply the capital funding included in its biennial budget towards the design and construction of transportation improvements throughout the state.

The Department continues to be committed to a policy of providing a balanced and integrated multimodal transportation system that meets the diverse needs of the state's citizens while preserving the significant investment Maine has made in its existing transportation infrastructure. In preparing the BTIP, a thorough review of the State's transportation needs was conducted to assure that available resources are being used in a manner that promotes the overall transportation goals of safety, preservation, efficiency, environmental protection, multimodal integration, and economic vitality. The BTIP establishes pavement preservation and bridge rehabilitation and replacement as the highest priority for funding.

The proposed capital improvement program presented herein represents a total investment of \$613 million in federal, state, and local funding. Nearly 67 percent of this funding is anticipated to come from various federal transportation programs. The state share, approximately 29%, has been set forth under Governor King's Highway Fund budget and bonding proposals.

Under this proposed program, 123 state and local bridges and nearly 222 miles of arterial and collector highways will be improved, while pavement preservation treatments will be applied to over 400 miles of Maine highways. Passenger transportation capital funding is directed to priority projects relative to air transportation, ferry service, highway mass transit, passenger rail, and bicycle/pedestrian facilities. The freight transportation element of this program emphasizes improvements in rail freight, motor carrier, and marine transportation.

The Department looks forward to working with all interested parties in accomplishing the goals of this program.

Sincerely,

S/John G. Melrose Commissioner

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 83

STATE OF MAINE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND INSURANCE

March 2, 2001

Honorable Michael H. Michaud, President of the Senate Honorable Michael V. Saxl, Speaker of the House 120th Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Michaud and Speaker Saxi:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 66 An Act to Prohibit Cancellation of an Automobile Insurance Policy after an Accident Involving a Deer or Moose
- L.D. 318 An Act to Clarify the Law Concerning Representations Made in Insurance Contracts

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

# Sincerely,

S/Sen. Lloyd P. LaFountain III Senate Chair S/Rep. Christopher P. O'Neil House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 84

## STATE OF MAINE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

March 2, 2001

Honorable Michael H. Michaud, President of the Senate Honorable Michael V. Saxl, Speaker of the House 120th Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Michaud and Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 215 An Act Regarding Out-of-district Placement
- L.D. 337 Resolve, to Create a Study Commission on the Problems Created By Inadequate Funding for Special Education Services
- L.D. 405 An Act to Account for Homeschooled Children Under the School Funding Formula and to Require the Maine Educational Assessment for Homeschooled Children

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

#### Sincerely,

S/Sen. Betty Lou Mitchell S/Rep. Shirley K. Richard Senate Chair House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 85

## STATE OF MAINE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

March 2, 2001

Honorable Michael H. Michaud, President of the Senate Honorable Michael V. Saxl, Speaker of the House 120th Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Michaud and Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 295 An Act to Prohibit the Display of Liquor in Windows

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsors of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Neria R. Douglass Senate Chair S/Rep. John L. Tuttle, Jr. House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 86

# STATE OF MAINE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

March 2, 2001

Honorable Michael H. Michaud, President of the Senate Honorable Michael V. Saxl, Speaker of the House 120th Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Michaud and Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 212 An Act to Improve Child Care Funding

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsors of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Christine R. Savage Senate Chair S/Rep. Charles D. Fisher House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 87

# STATE OF MAINE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES AND ENERGY

March 2, 2001

Honorable Michael H. Michaud, President of the Senate Honorable Michael V. Saxl, Speaker of the House 120th Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Michaud and Speaker SaxI:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 357 An Act to Protect the State's Heating Oil Consumers
- L.D. 386 An Act Regarding the Use of Revenues Collected by the Public Utilities Commission

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

#### Sincerely,

S/Sen. Norman K. Ferguson, Jr. S/Rep. V Senate Chair House C

S/Rep. William R. Savage House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 88

# STATE OF MAINE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

March 2, 2001

Honorable Michael H. Michaud, President of the Senate Honorable Michael V. Saxl, Speaker of the House 120th Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Michaud and Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 469 An Act to Provide Funding for an Educational Component at Historic Fort Knox in the Town of Prospect We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsors of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Richard Kneeland Senate Chair S/Rep. Linda Rogers McKee House Chair

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

#### SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Commercial Large Game Shooting Areas"

S.P. 447 L.D. 1501

Sponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representative TREADWELL of Carmel and Senator: YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot, Representatives: LEDWIN of Holden, ROSEN of Bucksport.

Bill "An Act to Streamline the Administration of the Potato Marketing Improvement Fund"

S.P. 451 L.D. 1505

Sponsored by Senator KNEELAND of Aroostook. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Cosponsored by Representative LUNDEEN of Mars Hill and Senator: KILKELLY of Lincoln, Representatives: FOSTER of Gray, HAWES of Standish, LANDRY of Patten, McKEE of Wayne, PINEAU of Jay.

Bill "An Act to Support Family Farms"

S.P. 463 L.D. 1516

Sponsored by Senator TREAT of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative McKEE of Wayne and Senators: KILKELLY of Lincoln, KNEELAND of Aroostook, NUTTING of Androscoggin, Representatives: CHICK of Lebanon, COWGER of Hallowell, GREEN of Monmouth, Speaker SAXL of Portland, Representative WATSON of Farmingdale.

Bill "An Act to Ensure that the State Board of Pesticides Control has Sufficient Resources to Provide Accurate Information About the Use of Pesticides in the State"

S.P. 476 L.D. 1540

Sponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representative PINEAU of Jay and Senators: KILKELLY of Lincoln, KNEELAND of Aroostook, Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, McKEE of Wayne, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Animal Welfare Laws"

S.P. 483 L.D. 1547

Sponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of York. Cosponsored by Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford and Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, CATHCART of Penobscot, DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, KILKELLY of Lincoln, McALEVEY of York, SMALL of Sagadahoc, Representatives: O'NEIL of Saco, RICHARDSON of Brunswick.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Use of Funds for Reclassifications and Temporary Positions"

S.P. 472 L.D. 1536

Sponsored by President MICHAUD of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representative BERRY of Livermore.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, Creating the Commission to Study Health Insurance Costs for Small Businesses

S.P. 449 L.D. 1503

Sponsored by Senator BROMLEY of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco and Senators: DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, SHOREY of Washington, Representatives: MAYO of Bath, MICHAUD of Fort Kent.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, to Require the Collection of Health Care Practitioner Workforce Data

S.P. 444 L.D. 1498

Sponsored by Senator SAVAGE of Knox. Cosponsored by Senators: SHOREY of Washington, TURNER of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Encourage the Profession of Nursing by Establishing a Nursing Education Loan Fund" S.P. 460 L.D. 1513

Sponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative FULLER of Manchester and Senators: GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, RAND of Cumberland, SAVAGE of Knox, Representatives: ANDREWS of York, CHICK of Lebanon, DUDLEY of Portland, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, McNEIL of Rockland.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Place a 2% Surcharge on all Criminal and Traffic Fines to Fund the Efforts of the Maine Computer Crimes Task Force"

S.P. 455 L.D. 1508

Sponsored by Senator McALEVEY of York. Cosponsored by Representative CHIZMAR of Lisbon and Senators: LaFOUNTAIN of York, PENDLETON of Cumberland, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, GERZOFSKY of Brunswick, O'BRIEN of Augusta, O'BRIEN of Lewiston.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Contracts for Energy Conservation and Air Quality Improvements in School Buildings" (EMERGENCY) S.P. 448 L.D. 1502

Sponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representative RICHARD of Madison and Senators: CARPENTER of York, FERGUSON of Oxford, NUTTING of Androscoggin, Representatives: DESMOND of Mapleton, LEDWIN of Holden, STEDMAN of Hartland.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, to Preserve Elderly Congregate Housing Demonstration Services

S.P. 442 L.D. 1496

Sponsored by Senator O'GARA of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representative MAYO of Bath and Senators: EDMONDS of Cumberland, SMALL of Sagadahoc, Representatives: BRANNIGAN of Portland, KANE of Saco, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, USHER of Westbrook.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Human Services to Adopt Rules Regarding the Reimbursement of Podiatrists (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 445 L.D. 1499

Sponsored by Senator SAVAGE of Knox.

Bill "An Act to Ban Powdered Latex Gloves"

S.P. 453 L.D. 1506

Sponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representative ANDREWS of York and Senators: RAND of Cumberland, SAVAGE of Knox, Representatives: LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, CHICK of Lebanon, DUDLEY of Portland, FULLER of Manchester, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, McNEIL of Rockland.

Bill "An Act to Clarify Inconsistent Regulatory Requirements Affecting Newly Constructed Nursing Facilities and to Further Support a Continuum of Quality Long-term Care Services" S.P. 457 L.D. 1510

Sponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook. Cosponsored by Representative KANE of Saco and President MICHAUD of Penobscot, Senator TURNER of Cumberland, Representatives: ANDREWS of York, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, FULLER of Manchester.

Bill "An Act to Increase Access to Primary and Preventive Services for Maine's Underserved Citizens"

S.P. 458 L.D. 1511

Sponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook. Cosponsored by Representative BERRY of Livermore and President MICHAUD of Penobscot, Senators: MILLS of Somerset, SHOREY of Washington, TREAT of Kennebec, Representatives: CRESSEY of Baldwin, DUGAY of Cherryfield, NASS of Acton, ROSEN of Bucksport.

Bill "An Act to Increase Long-term Care Options for Low-income Citizens of the State"

S.P. 459 L.D. 1512

Sponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representative ETNIER of Harpswell and Senators: SAVAGE of Knox, SMALL of Sagadahoc, Representatives: BELANGER of Caribou, GERZOFSKY of Brunswick, KANE of Saco, MAYO of Bath, McNEIL of Rockland, Speaker SAXL of Portland.

Bill "An Act to Ensure Fairness in the Regulation and Reimbursement of Nursing Facilities"

S.P. 461 L.D. 1514

Sponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook. Cosponsored by Representative KANE of Saco and President MICHAUD of Penobscot, Representatives: ANDREWS of York, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, FULLER of Manchester.

Bill "An Act to Support the Medical Ride Volunteer Service" S.P. 462 L.D. 1515

Sponsored by President MICHAUD of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representative JONES of Greenville and Senators: CATHCART of Penobscot, EDMONDS of Cumberland, KNEELAND of Aroostook, Representatives: BELANGER of Caribou, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, DUDLEY of Portland. Resolve, to Allow Medicaid Reimbursement for Certain Drugs Without Requiring Prior Authorization

S.P. 471 L.D. 1535

Sponsored by President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford. Cosponsored by Representative: QUINT of Portland.

Bill "An Act to Create the Prescription Assistance Program" S.P. 478 L.D. 1542

Sponsored by Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc. Cosponsored by Representative PEAVEY of Woolwich and President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, TURNER of Cumberland, Representatives: ROSEN of Bucksport, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Supply of Medical Services to Consumers"

S.P. 481 L.D. 1545

Sponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, Representative SCHNEIDER of Durham.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require Proof of Health Insurance for Operators of ATVs and Snowmobiles"

S.P. 446 L.D. 1500

Sponsored by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock.

Bill "An Act to Allow Children Less than 16 Years of Age to Hunt, Fish and Trap without a License"

S.P. 466 L.D. 1519

Sponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.

Cosponsored by Representative CARR of Lincoln and President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford, Senators: FERGUSON of Oxford, SMALL of Sagadahoc, WOODCOCK of Franklin, Representatives: PEAVEY of Woolwich, POVICH of Ellsworth, STANLEY of Medway, TOBIN of Dexter.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify and Make Technical Corrections to Retirement Laws"

S.P. 456 L.D. 1509

Sponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representative MATTHEWS of Winslow and Senators: EDMONDS of Cumberland, MILLS of Somerset, SAWYER of Penobscot, Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, McDONOUGH of Portland, SIMPSON of Auburn, TREADWELL of Carmel.

Bill "An Act to Increase Access to Unemployment Compensation for School Bus Drivers"

S.P. 473 L.D. 1537

Sponsored by President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford. Cosponsored by Representative COLWELL of Gardiner and Senators: EDMONDS of Cumberland, MILLS of Somerset, SAWYER of Penobscot, TURNER of Cumberland, Representatives: DAVIS of Falmouth, TREADWELL of Carmel.

Bill "An Act to Fund the Workers' Compensation Advocate Program"

S.P. 477 L.D. 1541

Sponsored by Senator TREAT of Kennebec. Cosponsored by Senators: DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, EDMONDS of Cumberland, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville, MATTHEWS of Winslow, McKEE of Wayne.

REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Continue the Peer Support Program" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 467 L.D. 1520

Sponsored by Senator TREAT of Kennebec. Cosponsored by Representative WINSOR of Norway and President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford, Senators: CATHCART of Penobscot, DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, President MICHAUD of Penobscot, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, Representatives: GREEN of Monmouth, MAYO of Bath, McKEE of Wayne.

Committee on LABOR suggested and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator TREAT of Kennebec, REFERRED to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Establish the Maine Military Authority" S.P. 441 L.D. 1495

Sponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representative BELANGER of Caribou and Senators: KNEELAND of Aroostook, President MICHAUD of Penobscot, Representatives: DUNCAN of Presque Isle, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, MICHAUD of Fort Kent, TUTTLE of Sanford, WHEELER of Bridgewater. Submitted by the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Resolve, to Create a Commission to Review the Landlord-tenant Laws in the State

S.P. 464 L.D. 1517

Sponsored by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Concerning Direct Initiative of Legislation S.P. 465 L.D. 1518

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Sponsored by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo. Cosponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford and Senator: DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, Representatives: O'BRIEN of Lewiston, PERKINS of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Establish a Lottery Game to Improve Purses for Maine Harness Racing and to Enhance Penalties for Use of Illegal Gambling Machines"

S.P. 480 L.D. 1544

Sponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Reduce the Release of Dioxin from Consumer Products into the Environment"

S.P. 479 L.D. 1543

Sponsored by Senator TREAT of Kennebec. Cosponsored by Representative COWGER of Hallowell and Senators: DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, LaFOUNTAIN of York, SAWYER of Penobscot, Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, TOBIN of Windham.

Bill "An Act to Establish the Waste Motor Oil Disposal Site Remediation Program" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 482 L.D. 1546

Sponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Definition of Commercial Agricultural Production"

S.P. 443 L.D. 1497

Sponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln. Cosponsored by Representative CARR of Lincoln and Senators: KNEELAND of Aroostook, NUTTING of Androscoggin, Representatives: McKEE of Wayne, PINEAU of Jay, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Grocery Stores From Charging Maine Farmers Access Fees, Slotting Fees and Rebates" S.P. 470 L.D. 1534

Sponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representative McKEE of Wayne and Senators: GAGNON of Kennebec, KILKELLY of Lincoln, Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, GREEN of Monmouth, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

Bill "An Act to Promote Charitable Giving in the State" S.P. 475 L.D. 1539

Sponsored by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo. Cosponsored by Representative GREEN of Monmouth and Senator: GAGNON of Kennebec.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study Ways to Improve Transportation for Senior Citizens

S.P. 454 L.D. 1507

Sponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook. Cosponsored by Representative KANE of Saco and Senators: President MICHAUD of Penobscot, Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, Representative FULLER of Manchester.

Resolve, to Direct the Secretary of State to Establish a Task Force to Create a New Design for Veterans License Plates S.P. 469 L.D. 1533

Sponsored by Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc. Cosponsored by Senator: SAVAGE of Knox, Representatives: ANDREWS of York, PEAVEY of Woolwich.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

#### LEGISLATIVE RECORD - SENATE, THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2001

Bill "An Act to Authorize Department of Transportation Bond Issues in the Amount of \$61,000,000 to Match Available Federal Funds for Improvements to Highways and Bridges, Airports, Fublic Transit and Ferry Facilities; Development of Rail, Trail and Marine Infrastructure; and Improvements to Intermodal Facilities Statewide"

S.P. 450 L.D. 1504

Sponsored by President MICHAUD of Penobscot. (GOVERNOR'S BILL) Cosponsored by Representative FISHER of Brewer and President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford, Senators: GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, O'GARA of Cumberland, SAVAGE of Knox, Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, COLLINS of Wells, McKENNEY of Cumberland, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

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

On motion by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, REFERRED to the Committees on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and TRANSPORTATION.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Promote Retail Electricity Competition" S.P. 474 L.D. 1538

Sponsored by President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

## ORDERS

#### Joint Orders

On motion by Senator MCALEVEY of York, the following Joint Order: S.P. 452

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice report out, to the Senate, a bill establishing a cold case homicide squad.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES** 

#### House

## **Ought to Pass**

The Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 11: Rules for the Maine Biomedical Research Program, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Economic and Community Development (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 150 L.D. 161

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

## Senate

## **Ought to Pass As Amended**

Senator KNEELAND for the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY on Bill "An Act to Increase the Fine for Allowing a Dog to Roam at Large"

S.P. 22 L.D. 38

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-3).** 

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

## READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-3) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator ROTUNDO for the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Clarify the Division Line Between the Towns of Deer Isle and Stonington"

S.P. 10 L.D. 2

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (S-2).

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-2) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Off Record Remarks

#### SECOND READERS

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

#### House

Bill "An Act to Allow the Transfer of a Valid Turkey Permit to a Juvenile or Senior Citizen"

H.P. 45 L.D. 54

Resolve, to Simplify the System of Licenses Issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

H.P. 67 L.D. 76

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

Senate

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Laws Prohibiting Consumption or Possession of Alcohol by a Minor"

S.P. 74 L.D. 294

## **READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

#### ENACTORS

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

#### **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Establish Maine Lighthouse Week

H.P. 102 L.D. 106

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 28 Members of the Senate, with 2 Senators having voted in the negative, and 28 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.

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

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

#### **House Papers**

## Pursuant to Statutes Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices

The **Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 1007 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Amend the Lobbyist Disclosure Procedures Laws Administered by the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices"

H.P. 983 L.D. 1307

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

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

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

#### Pursuant to Statutes Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices

The Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 1007 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Amend the Provisions Governing Reports by Political Action Committees Administered by the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices"

H.P. 1013 L.D. 1350

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

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

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

## Pursuant to Statutes Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices

The Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 1007 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Amend Provisions Governing Reports on Campaigns for Office in the Laws Administered by the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices"

H.P. 1014 L.D. 1351

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

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

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

## **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 (2/8/01) Assigned matter:

JOINT STUDY ORDER - relative to the examination of the laws governing the operation of emergency vehicles. H.P. 720

Tabled - February 28, 2001, by Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc

Pending - PASSAGE, in NON-CONCURRENCE

(In House, February 22, 2001, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION**.)

(In Senate, February 28, 2001, READ.)

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

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/5/01) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Criminal Extradition Laws" H.P. 951 L.D. 1265

Tabled - March 5, 2001, by Senator TREAT of Kennebec

Pending - REFERENCE

(Committee on JUDICIARY suggested and ordered printed.)

(In House, February 28, 2001, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**.)

On motion by Senator MCALEVEY of York, REFERRED to the Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE and ordered printed, in concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/5/01) Assigned matter:

JOINT STUDY ORDER - relative to the necessity for legislation requiring public access to rest rooms by service stations owned by large, out-of-state corporations. H.P. 868

Tabled - March 5, 2001, by Senator TREAT of Kennebec

Pending - PASSAGE, in NON-CONCURRENCE

(In House, February 28, 2001, READ and REFERRED to the Committee on BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.)

(In Senate, March 5, 2001, READ.)

On motion by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec, REFERRED to the Committee on BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, in concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/5/01) Assigned matter:

JOINT STUDY ORDER - relative to establishing a task force to study the costs and design of a Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Program. H.P. 878

Tabled - March 5, 2001, by Senator TREAT of Kennebec

Pending - PASSAGE, in NON-CONCURRENCE

(In House, February 28, 2001, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES**.)

(In Senate, March 5, 2001, READ.)

On motion by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook, REFERRED to the Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES, in concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/5/01) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Restrict the Use of the Term "Maine Water" to Water From Maine"

S.P. 410 L.D. 1354

Tabled - March 5, 2001, by Senator TREAT of Kennebec

Pending - REFERENCE

(Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY suggested and ordered printed.)

On motion by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook, REFERRED to the Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/5/01) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Require Truth in Advertising of Natural Water" S.P. 414 L.D. 1358

Tabled - March 5, 2001, by Senator TREAT of Kennebec

Pending - REFERENCE

(Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY suggested and ordered printed.)

On motion by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook, REFERRED to the Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/5/01) Assigned matter:

JOINT STUDY ORDER - relative to establishing a Joint Study Committee to Study the Need for Additional Civil Legal Resources S.P. 423

Tabled - March 5, 2001, by Senator TREAT of Kennebec

Pending - motion by same Senator to PASS

(Committee on JUDICIARY suggested.)

(In Senate, March 5, 2001, READ.)

**REFERRED** to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Specially (3/5/01) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Extend Landowner Limited Liability to Environmental Liability"

S.P. 390 L.D. 1286

Tabled - February 28, 2001, by Senator MCALEVEY of York

Pending - REFERENCE

(Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** suggested and ordered printed.)

On motion by Senator RAND of Cumberland, REFERRED to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by President Pro Tem **PAUL T. DAVIS, SR.** of Piscataquis County.

Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock 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.

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

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

**RECESSED** until the sound of the bell.

After Recess

Senate called to order by President Pro Tem **PAUL T. DAVIS, SR.** of Piscataquis County.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY** 

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/5/01) Assigned matter:

JOINT RESOLUTION - Memorializing the President of the United States and the Congress of the United States to Fulfill the Original Intent to Fund 40% of the Costs of Special Education Mandates to the States Under the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act H.P. 958

Tabled - March 5, 2001, by Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc

Pending - ADOPTION, in concurrence

(In House, February 28, 2001, READ and ADOPTED.)

(In Senate, March 5, 2001, READ.)

On motion by Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc, Senate Amendment "A" (S-4) READ and ADOPTED.

On motion by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot, TABLED until Later in Today's Session, pending ADOPTION AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-4), in NON-CONCURRENCE.

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

# PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **House Papers**

Bill "An Act Regarding Forest Sustainability" H.P. 1089 L.D. 1458

Bill "An Act to Regulate Clear-cutting"

H.P. 1090 L.D. 1459

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

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

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

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

#### **House Paper**

Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Develop and Finance Health Care Coverage for All Maine People (EMERGENCY) H.P. 1121 L.D. 1490 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 Papers**

Bill "An Act to Revise the Maine Science and Technology Foundation's Charter and Revise the Charter of the Centers for Innovation"

H.P. 1094 L.D. 1463

Bill "An Act to Create Limited Licenses for Retired Physicians" H.P. 1103 L.D. 1472

Bill "An Act to Require Continuing Education in the Cosmetology, Manicuring, Aesthetics and Barbering Fields" H.P. 1107 L.D. 1476

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

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

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

# PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **House Papers**

Resolve, Establishing a Criminal Code Revision Commission H.P. 1093 L.D. 1462

Bill "An Act to Enhance Enforcement and Prosecution of Computer-related Crimes"

H.P. 1101 L.D. 1470

Bill "An Act to Protect Minors from Sexual Exploitation" H.P. 1122 L.D. 1491

Bill "An Act to Improve Treatment of Persons with Mental Illness in Maine's Jails and Prisons"

H.P. 1123 L.D. 1492

Bill "An Act to Improve the Delivery of Religious Services to Prisoners in the Maine Correctional System" H.P. 1131 L.D. 1528 Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed.

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

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

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **House Papers**

Bill "An Act to Create a Digital Library to Meet the Educational, Research, Business and Economic Needs of Maine" H.P. 1102 L.D. 1471

Bill "An Act to Provide Students Tuition Grants Based on Performance on the Maine Educational Assessment" H.P. 1105 L.D. 1474

Bill "An Act to Permit the Ten Commandments to be Posted in Public Schools"

H.P. 1112 L.D. 1481

Bill "An Act to Create the Child Development Services Advisory Committee"

H.P. 1117 L.D. 1486

Resolve, to Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission to Review Special Education Laws

H.P. 1118 L.D. 1487

Bill "An Act to Enable Formation of Public Charter Schools" H.P. 1134 L.D. 1531

Bill "An Act to Amend the School Funding Formula by Adding a Hold-harmless Provision"

H.P. 1145 L.D. 1548

Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Education" (EMERGENCY) H.P. 1150 L.D. 1553

Come 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** 

Resolve, to Establish a Commission to Respond to the Crisis in Access to Oral Health Services for Residents of the State (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1106 L.D. 1475

Resolve, to Require Medicaid Reimbursement for Hearing Aids and Dental Care for Adults

H.P. 1115 L.D. 1484

Resolve, Regarding Calculation of Consumer Income in Homebased Care Programs

H.P. 1127 L.D. 1524

Come 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 Amend the Laws Governing the Suspension and Revocation of Hunting and Fishing Licenses" H.P. 1095 L.D. 1464

H.F. 1095 L.D. 1404

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**

Bill "An Act to Exclude Credit Balances Between Business Associations from Unclaimed Property"

H.P. 1088 L.D. 1457

Bill "An Act to Make Uniform the Language Governing Parental Rights and Responsibilities in the Maine Revised Statutes" H.P. 1104 L.D. 1473

Bill "An Act to Authorize a School Board to Deliberate in Private" H.P. 1113 L.D. 1482

Bill "An Act to Require Parental Notification of Abortion" H.P. 1125 L.D. 1494 Bill "An Act Concerning Real Estate Titles"

H.P. 1128 L.D. 1525

Bill "An Act to Improve the Health Care and Forensic Response for Victims of Sexual Assault"

H.P. 1133 L.D. 1530

Bill "An Act to Bring the Takings Law into Compliance with the Constitution of Maine and the United States Constitution" H.P. 1147 L.D. 1550

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

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

Bill "An Act to Reinstate the Death Penalty for the Murder of Children"

H.P. 1124 L.D. 1493

Committee on JUDICIARY suggested and ordered printed.

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

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

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

# PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **House Papers**

Bill "An Act to Revise the Health Insurance Benefits Available to Retired Legislators"

H.P. 1092 L.D. 1461

Bill "An Act to Provide a Death Benefit to the Survivors of a Law Enforcement Officer or Firefighter Killed in the Line of Duty" H.P. 1096 L.D. 1465

Resolve, to Study the Benefits and Costs for Increasing Access to Family and Medical Leave for Maine Families H.P. 1097 L.D. 1466

Bill "An Act to Change the Retirement Plan for Marine Patrol Officers"

H.P. 1099 L.D. 1468

Bill "An Act to Restore Teacher and State Employee Retirement Benefits"

H.P. 1100 L.D. 1469

Bill "An Act to Allow Flexibility in Payment of School Year Employee Wages"

H.P. 1110 L.D. 1479

Bill "An Act to Provide Parity of Representation in Workers' Compensation Claims"

H.P. 1130 L.D. 1527

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

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** 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 Establish a Deadline for New Voter Registrations" H.P. 1091 L.D. 1460

Bill "An Act to Institute a Citizens' Guide to Elections" H.P. 1129 L.D. 1526

Bill "An Act to Improve Elections"

H.P. 1132 L.D. 1529

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 Papers**

Bill "An Act to Expand the Options for a Lobster Management Zone"

H.P. 1114 L.D. 1483

Resolve, to Create a Task Force to Make Recommendations Regarding Loss of Commercial Fishing Waterfront Access and Other Economic Development Issues Affecting Commercial Fishing (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1120 L.D. 1489

Come 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 Amend Certain Laws Regarding Land and Water Quality Protection"

H.P. 1108 L.D. 1477

Bill "An Act to Amend Maine's Growth Management Law and Related Laws"

H.P. 1109 L.D. 1478

Bill "An Act to Require Major Water Users to Provide Public Information About Their Annual Water Withdrawals from Public Water Resources"

H.P. 1119 L.D. 1488

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

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL 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 Preserve the Right to Air-dry Laundry" H.P. 1126 L.D. 1523

Bill "An Act to Amend the Organization of Washington County Government"

H.P. 1146 L.D. 1549

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

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

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE** 

**House Papers** 

Bill "An Act to Require That the Excise Tax on Motor Vehicles Be Reasonably Linked to the Value of the Motor Vehicle" H.P. 1148 L.D. 1551 Resolve, to Reduce the Property Tax on Business Equipment H.P. 1149 L.D. 1552

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 Papers**

Bill "An Act Relating to Restricted Licenses for Certain Drivers" H.P. 1087 L.D. 1456

Bill "An Act to Promote Driver Responsibility" H.P. 1111 L.D. 1480

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Pupil Transportation" H.P. 1116 L.D. 1485

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

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

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

# PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **House Paper**

Bill "An Act to Facilitate the Implementation of the Enhanced 9-1-1 Emergency System" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1098 L.D. 1467

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 Statutes** 

# Family Law Advisory Commission

The Family Law Advisory Commission, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 19-A, section 354, subsection 2 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Clarify the Status of Support Obligations if an Obligor Begins to Receive Public Assistance"

H.P. 1136 L.D. 1522

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.

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

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **House Paper**

## Pursuant to Statutes Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices

The Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 1007 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Amend the Governmental Ethics Laws Administered by the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices"

H.P. 1144 L.D. 1532

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

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

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS 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

#### **Joint Order**

The following Joint Order:

H.P. 1142

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs report out, to the House, an emergency bill providing \$110,000 to complete the upgrades to the State of Maine Building at the Eastern States Exposition.

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.

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

# PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **Joint Orders**

The following Joint Order: H.P. 1154

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the First Regular Session of the 120th Legislature accept the report of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Establish a Comprehensive Internet Policy and that the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary report out, to the House, a bill relating to a person's right to privacy and its relationship to personal information collected over the Internet and through other means by governmental agencies.

Comes from the House, READ and PASSED.

READ and PASSED, in concurrence.

The following Joint Order: H.P. 1155

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development consider the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Establish a Comprehensive Internet Policy and consider the inclusion of analysis and review of information practices in the State Government Evaluation Act process and report out, to the House, legislation relating to privacy of information collected over the Internet and through other means by businesses and private entities.

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

READ and PASSED, in concurrence.

**Off Record Remarks** 

# LEGISLATIVE RECORD - SENATE, THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2001

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On motion by President Pro Tem **BENNETT** of Oxford, **ADJOURNED**, pursuant to the Joint Order, to Tuesday, March 13, 2001, at 10:00 in the morning.

