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In Senate Chamber
Wednesday
April 25, 2001

Senate called to order by President Pro Tem Beth G. Edmonds of Cumberland County.

Prayer by Reverend Robert Beaumont of Penney Memorial Baptist Church in Augusta.

REVEREND BEAUMONT: Let us pray. We bow before You, humbly, in this legislative chamber. We seek Your wisdom in the work of this Senate and upon the great land in which we reside and work and play. We thank You for the dedication of these elected officials who come to work for the people of Maine. Grant them Your wisdom. Grant to them Your guidance. Place upon them the need to sever the hurting and the helpless of our land. We are thankful that we live in a land absent of violence or war. Help us to keep and preserve the peace that we enjoy in our land. Let us all be peacemakers, doing what we can to protect and to preserve that coveted possession. Amen.

Doctor of the day, Richard Dillihut, M.D., Retired.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, April 24, 2001.

Off Record Remarks

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

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

S.P. 451 L.D. 1505
(C "A" S-50)

In Senate, April 11, 2001, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-50).**

Comes from the House, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-50) AND HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-152), in NON-CONCURRENCE.**

On motion by Senator **KNEELAND** of Aroostook, the Senate **RECEDED** and **CONCURRED.**

ORDERS

Joint Order

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

The University of Maine's Agricultural and Forest Experiment Station, which for 115 years has been conducting research on Maine's natural resources. Along with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, it has been working with Maine people to improve the benefits, quality, value, marketability and sustainability of Maine's agricultural and forest products. We acknowledge their valuable contribution to Maine's agricultural and forest industries and we extend our best wishes to the members who have contributed;

SLS 167

Sponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative THOMAS of Orono,
Representative CHASE of Levant.

READ.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Cathcart.

Senator **CATHCART:** Thank you, Madame President and men and women of the Senate. I'm very pleased today to call your attention to the expression of legislative sentiment recognizing the University of Maine's Agricultural and Forest Experiment Station, which for 115 years has been conducting research on Maine's natural resources. Along with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, it has been working with Maine people to improve the benefits, quality, value, marketability and sustainability of Maine's agricultural and forest products. They have made a tremendous contribution to the State of Maine for the past 115 years. The agricultural and forest experiment station and the Cooperative Extension are part of what makes the University of Maine unique among the higher education campuses of our state and it helps to point out the mission which is statewide of the land grant university. I'm very happy to have representatives from the group here today and urge you to go down to the 2nd floor and meet them and find out about all the wonderful things they are doing for the people all over the state. I'm really proud today to have the Director, Lavon Barel, here. If I may recognize them, John Rebar and Steve Reiling also are here from the University of Maine. Thank you, Madame President.

PASSED.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Require That Wolf Hybrids be Tattooed and to Establish Penalties for Releasing Wolf Hybrids from Captivity"

H.P. 584 L.D. 739

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-150)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-150)**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-150) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-150)**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Establish a Subsidy for Maine Performing Artists at Maine Fairs"

H.P. 861 L.D. 1133

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-143)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-143)**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-143) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-143)**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Promote Efficiency in the Provision of Administrative Services for Child Care Providers"

H.P. 328 L.D. 418

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-148)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-148)**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-148) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-148)**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Resolve, Extending the Reporting Deadline for the Maine Millennium Commission on Hunger and Food Security

H.P. 777 L.D. 1021

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-147)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-147)**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-147) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-147)**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Reinstigate the Auditing of State Agencies by the Department of Audit"

H.P. 331 L.D. 421

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-101)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-101)**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-101) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-101)**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Require the State to Purchase the Initial Flags That are Required for Veterans' Grave Sites"

H.P. 884 L.D. 1176

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-146)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-146)**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-146) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-146)**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Encourage Equity Equivalent Loans or Investments in Nonprofit Community Economic Development Organizations"

H.P. 340 L.D. 430

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-156)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-156)**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-156) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-156)**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** on Bill "An Act to Clarify Access to Private Lines in a Public Way"

H.P. 252 L.D. 288

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-142)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-142)**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-142) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-142)**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** on Bill "An Act Concerning Indemnification and Limitation of Liability Provisions of Managed Care Participating Provider Agreements"

H.P. 389 L.D. 510

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

Signed:

Senators:

LaFOUNTAIN of York
DOUGLASS of Androscoggin
ABROMSON of Cumberland

Representatives:

DUDLEY of Portland
CRESSEY of Baldwin
YOUNG of Limestone
MAYO of Bath
O'NEIL of Saco
SULLIVAN of Biddeford
GLYNN of South Portland

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

Signed:

Representatives:

SMITH of Van Buren
CANAVAN of Waterville
MARRACHE of Waterville

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

Reports **READ**.

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

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Allow a Person to Take the Bar Examination without Attending Law School"

H.P. 781 L.D. 1025

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

Signed:

Senators:

RAND of Cumberland
McALEVEY of York
FERGUSON of Oxford

Representatives:

LaVERDIERE of Wilton
BULL of Freeport
JACOBS of Turner
MITCHELL of Vassalboro
MUSE of South Portland
SIMPSON of Auburn
MADORE of Augusta
SHERMAN of Hodgdon

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-113)**.

Signed:

Representatives:

WATERHOUSE of Bridgton
MENDROS of Lewiston

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

Reports **READ**.

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

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Require Proof of Identity in Order to Vote"

H.P. 203 L.D. 238

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

Signed:

Senators:

DOUGLASS of Androscoggin
WOODCOCK of Franklin
BROMLEY of Cumberland

Representatives:

CHIZMAR of Lisbon
COTE of Lewiston
ESTES of Kittery
TUTTLE of Sanford
O'BRIEN of Lewiston
HEIDRICH of Oxford
PATRICK of Rumford
DUNCAN of Presque Isle
MAYO of Bath

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-118)**.

Signed:

Representative:

LABRECQUE of Gorham

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

Reports **READ**.

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

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** on Bill "An Act to Streamline Installation of Private Electrical Lines" H.P. 640 L.D. 840

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

Signed:

Senators:

FERGUSON of Oxford
TREAT of Kennebec
CARPENTER of York

Representatives:

SAVAGE of Buxton
RINES of Wiscasset
PERKINS of Penobscot
BERRY of Belmont
McGLOCKLIN of Embden
DUNCAN of Presque Isle
BLISS of South Portland
HALL of Bristol
CRABTREE of Hope

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

Signed:

Representative:
GOODWIN of Pembroke

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

Reports **READ**.

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

Senate

Change of Committee

Senator **GAGNON** for the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An
Act to Provide Incentives to Families Who Save for College"
S.P. 108 L.D. 334

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on
EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND**
CULTURAL AFFAIRS.

Sent down for concurrence.

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator **KNEELAND** for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE,**
CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY on Bill "An Act to Provide
Loans for the Construction of Potato Storage Facilities"
S.P. 250 L.D. 882

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by**
Committee Amendment "A" (S-70).

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-70) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and
PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE
AMENDMENT "A" (S-70).

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator **O'GARA** for the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** on
Bill "An Act to Amend the Standards Regarding the
Endangerment of the Welfare of a Dependent Person"
S.P. 71 L.D. 277

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by**
Committee Amendment "A" (S-75).

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-75) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and
PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE
AMENDMENT "A" (S-75).

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator **DAVIS** for the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** on
Resolve, Creating the State Fire and Emergency Medical
Services Academy
S.P. 271 L.D. 936

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by**
Committee Amendment "A" (S-74).

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-74) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and
PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE
AMENDMENT "A" (S-74).

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator **DAVIS** for the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** on
Bill "An Act to Allow Victims of Crimes More Access to Inmate
Records"
S.P. 303 L.D. 1050

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by**
Committee Amendment "A" (S-73).

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-73) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and
PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE
AMENDMENT "A" (S-73).

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator GAGNON for the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Tax Expenditure Review Process"
S.P. 179 L.D. 607

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-72)**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-72) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-72)**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Facilitate the Creation of Boat Launch Sites in the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission's Jurisdiction"
S.P. 350 L.D. 1164

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-71)**.

Signed:

Senators:
KNEELAND of Aroostook
NUTTING of Androscoggin
KILKELLY of Lincoln

Representatives:
LANDRY of Patten
LUNDEEN of Mars Hill
GOOLEY of Farmington
FOSTER of Gray
CARR of Lincoln
JODREY of Bethel

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

Signed:

Representatives:
McKEE of Wayne
VOLENIK of Brooklyn
HAWES of Standish
PINEAU of Jay

Reports **READ**.

Senator **KNEELAND** of Aroostook moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report.

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR** on Bill "An Act to Raise the Minimum Wage, to Expand the Tax Credit for Health Benefits Paid by a Small Business and to Increase the Earned Income Credit"
S.P. 504 L.D. 1591

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-63)**.

Signed:

Senators:
EDMONDS of Cumberland
TURNER of Cumberland
SAWYER of Penobscot

Representatives:
MATTHEWS of Winslow
DAVIS of Falmouth
MacDOUGALL of North Berwick
TREADWELL of Carmel
BUNKER of Kossuth Township
HUTTON of Bowdoinham
NORTON of Bangor
SMITH of Van Buren
TARAZEWICH of Waterboro

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

Signed:

Representative:
CRESSEY of Baldwin

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **TURNER** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-63) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-63)**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** on Bill "An Act to Create the Boothbay Region Water District" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 440 L.D. 1442

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-66)**.

Signed:

Senators:

FERGUSON of Oxford
CARPENTER of York
TREAT of Kennebec

Representatives:

SAVAGE of Buxton
RINES of Wiscasset
PERKINS of Penobscot
BERRY of Belmont
McGLOCKLIN of Embden
DUNCAN of Presque Isle
BLISS of South Portland
HALL of Bristol
CRABTREE of Hope

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

Signed:

Representative:

GOODWIN of Pembroke

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **FERGUSON** of Oxford, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-66) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-66)**.

Sent down for concurrence.

SECOND READERS

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

House As Amended

Bill "An Act to Create a Mandatory Automobile Insurance Premium Discount for Safe, Mature Drivers"

H.P. 34 L.D. 43
(C "A" H-19)

Bill "An Act Regarding Civil Actions Involving Insurance Coverage"

H.P. 40 L.D. 49
(C "A" H-18)

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

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: H.C. 210

April 24, 2001

Honorable Joy J. O'Brien
Secretary of the Senate
120th Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Madam Secretary:

The House voted today to adhere to its former action whereby it Indefinitely Postponed Bill "An Act to Prohibit Smoking in Certain Bingo and Beano Halls"

(H.P. 180) (L.D. 191)

Sincerely,

S/Millicent M. MacFarland
Clerk of the House

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by President Pro Tem **BETH G. EDMONDS** of Cumberland County.

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

Off Record Remarks

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

Off Record Remarks

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 the Legislative Youth Advisory Council" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1315 L.D. 1779

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.

Pursuant to Joint Order

Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development

The Joint Standing Committee on **Business and Economic Development** pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 682 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study Ways to Eliminate Cigarette Litter in Maine (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1314 L.D. 1778

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

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

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

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

Joint Resolution

The following Joint Resolution: H.P. 1316

JOINT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL DAY

WHEREAS, more than 58,000 men and women lost their lives on the battlefields of Vietnam and Southeast Asia defending the ideals on which the United States was founded; and

WHEREAS, in 1982 our nation built a memorial to the lives lost and to the survivors and their families; and

WHEREAS, many people will never have the chance to visit the monument in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, the Lewiston-Auburn Veterans Council will be hosting The Wall That Heals replica in Kennedy Park, which will allow our citizens to experience the great emotion associated with the monument; and

WHEREAS, Governor Angus S. King, Jr., has proclaimed June 2, 2001 as Vietnam Veterans Memorial Day; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twentieth Legislature, now assembled in the First Regular Session, urge citizens throughout the State to observe this occasion; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Lewiston-Auburn Veterans Council.

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

READ and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **CATHCART** of Penobscot, **ADJOURNED** to Thursday, April 26, 2001, at 9:00 in the morning.