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In Senate Chamber Monday May 7, 2001

Senate called to order by President Michael H. Michaed of Penobscot County. Prayer by Reverend Carl Geores of the Presbyterian Mission at the Eastward in Monmouth. REVEREND GEORES: Good morning. Let us pray. Living God, it is the beginning of another week, another day. We need Your quidance and help to keep our minds open to Your presence and to the leading of Your spirit. There is still much work to be done and many decisions to be made. Give us wisdom and courage as we ponder the issues that are before us. Help us always to remember that we've been elected to serve all the people of Maine. Raise our concern for the people who depend on this body to ensure that they have at least a small share in the abundant life that they see all around them. Keep us from allowing weariness and cynicism to cloud our collective judgment and at the end of the day may we know that we have used our best judgment, and that we have tried to be fair and just in all our decisions. Amen. Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Norman K. Ferguson, Jr. of Oxford County. Doctor of the day, M. Theodore Silver, M.D. of Bangor. Reading of the Journal of Friday, May 4, 2001. Off Record Remarks

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **Non-Concurrent Matter**

JOINT ORDER - relative to the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development reporting to the House legislation ensuring statewide television broadcast of state high school basketball championship games

H.P. 1317

in House, May 3, 2001, READ and PASSED.

In Senate, May 3, 2001, **READ** and on motion by Senator SHOREY of Washington, **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Comes from the House, that Body ADHERED.

On motion by Senator SHOREY of Washington, TABLED until Later in Today's Session, pending FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

#### **Non-Concurrent Matter**

Resolve, Creating the State Fire and Emergency Medical Services Academy

S.P. 271 L.D. 936 (C "A" S-74)

In Senate, April 25, 2001, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-74).

Comes from the House, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-74) AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-295) thereto, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

On motion by Senator MCALEVEY of York, the Senate RECEDED and CONCURRED.

# **Non-Concurrent Matter**

Bill "An Act to Remove State Road Signs with Offensive Names from Interstate Route 95 and the Maine Turnpike" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 478 L.D. 618 (C "A" H-122)

in Senate, April 24, 2001, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-122), in concurrence.

Comes from the House, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-122) AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-306) thereto, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

On motion by Senator **SAVAGE** of Knox, the Senate **RECEDED** and **CONCURRED**.

# **Non-Concurrent Matter**

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** on Bill "An Act to Require a Life Sentence for Murder
Unless There Are Mitigating Circumstances"

S.P. 203 L.D. 768

Majority - Ought Not to Pass (8 members)

Minority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-95) (3 members)

In Senate, May 1, 2001, the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED.

Comes from the House, the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-95), in NON-CONCURRENCE.

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

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication:

S.C. 260

MAINE RURAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL 5717 CORBETT HALL, UNIVERSITY OF MAINE ORONO, MAINE 04469-5717

April 26, 2001

Dear Members of the 120th Legislature:

Enclosed please find your copy of the Maine Rural Development Council report titled, "Building Community Capacity and Providing Advocacy for Social and Economic Needs in Rural Maine, 2000-2001." This is written for the 120th Legislature pursuant to PL 1999, C. 731, S. VVV-15 and 20, requiring a report about MRDC's community capacity building projects funded under the one-time appropriation made by the second regular session of the 119th Legislature.

We hope the document will help inform your deliberation in the current session on LD 1142 - "An Act to Provide Annual Support to the Maine Rural Development Council and its Community Capacity Work in Distressed Areas of the State."

If you have any questions or need more information, please do not hesitate to contact the Maine Rural Development Council

Sincerely yours,

S/Robert P. Ho

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

House

Ought to Pass
Pursuant to Joint Order

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Joint Study Order to Establish the Committee to Study the Authorization of Specialty License Plates

H.P. 1327

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**, pursuant to Joint Order (H.P. 1327).

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Joint Order **PASSED**.

Report READ.

On motion by President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford, placed on the SPECIAL STUDY TABLE, pending ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT.

# Ought to Pass Pursuant to Joint Order

The Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Joint Study Order to Establish The Task Force to Study the Costs and Design of a Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Program H.P. 878

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**, pursuant to Joint Order (H.P. 878).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Joint Order PASSED.

Report READ.

On motion by President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford, placed on the SPECIAL STUDY TABLE, pending ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT.

# **Ought to Pass As Amended**

The Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Create Certainty in Maine's Air Quality Program"

H.P. 938 L.D. 1252

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-298)**.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-298).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

#### READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-298) 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-298), in concurrence.

The Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Provide Equity in the Payment of Excise Tax on Rented Equipment"

H.P. 724 L.D. 944

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-305).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-305).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

#### READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-305) 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-305), in concurrence.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Provide Specialty Plates for Modified Show Vehicles"

H.P. 753 L.D. 972

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-304).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-304).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

# READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-304) 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-304), in concurrence.

The Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Establish the Maine Building Rehabilitation Code"

H.P. 994 L.D. 1331

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-299).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-299).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

# READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-299) 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-299), in concurrence.

The Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Bill "An Act to Ensure the Financial Stability and Effectiveness of Certain Pollution Abatement Programs Administered by the Department of Environmental Protection"

H.P. 1011 L.D. 1348

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-300).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-300).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

# READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-300) **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-300), in concurrence.

The Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** on Resolve, to Create a Stakeholders Group to Modernize Maine's Clean Air Policy

H.P. 1047 L.D. 1404

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-301).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-301).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

# **READ ONCE.**

Committee Amendment "A" (H-301) 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-301), in concurrence.

The Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Bill "An Act to Ensure Municipal Authority over Sludge and Septage Land Spreading Sites"

H.P. 1080 L.D. 1449

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-302).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-302).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

# READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-302) 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-302), in concurrence.

The Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Bill "An Act to Provide for State Monitoring and Management of Conservation Easements"

H.P. 1252 L.D. 1700

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-303).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-303).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

## READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-303) **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-303)**, in concurrence.

**Divided Report** 

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Authorize the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission to Introduce Legislation and to Organize Assemblies of State and Tribal Leaders"

H.P. 879 L.D. 1171

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-284).

Signed:

Senator:

RAND of Cumberland

Representatives:

LaVERDIERE of Wilton BULL of Freeport JACOBS of Turner MITCHELL of Vassalboro MUSE of South Portland SIMPSON of Auburn

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

Signed:

Senators:

McALEVEY of York FERGUSON of Oxford

Representatives:

MADORE of Augusta WATERHOUSE of Bridgton SHERMAN of Hodgdon MENDROS of Lewiston

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-284) AND HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-311).

Reports READ.

Senator **RAND** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

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, in concurrence.

# **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** on Resolve, Authorizing Sharon Huff and Raymond Huff to Sue the State

H.P. 357 L.D. 447

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

DOUGLASS of Androscoggin WOODCOCK of Franklin BROMLEY of Cumberland

Representatives:

LABRECQUE of Gorham
CHIZMAR of Lisbon
COTE of Lewiston
ESTES of Kittery
TUTTLE of Sanford
O'BRIEN of Lewiston
HEIDRICH of Oxford
PATRICK of Rumford

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"** (H-296).

Signed:

Representatives: DUNCAN of Presque Isle MAYO of Bath

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

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator LAFOUNTAIN of York, the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

# **Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Tort Claims Act"

H.P. 747 L.D. 966

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-279).

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 MENDROS of Lewiston

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

Signed:

Representative:

**WATERHOUSE of Bridgton** 

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-279).

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator RAND of Cumberland, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

#### READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-279) **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-279), in concurrence.

# **Divided Report**

10 members of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Encourage and Support a Mother's Decision to Breast-feed in this State"

H.P. 1039 L.D. 1396

Reported in Report "A" that the same Ought 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 SHERMAN of Hodgdon

2 members of the same Committee on the same subject reported in Report "B" that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives:

MADORE of Augusta

WATERHOUSE of Bridgton

1 member of the same Committee on the same subject reported in Report "C" that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-278).

Signed:

Representatives: MENDROS of Lewiston

Comes from the House with Report "A", OUGHT TO PASS READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator RAND of Cumberland, Report "A", OUGHT TO PASS ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

# Senate

# Ought to Pass Pursuant to Joint Order

The Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** on Joint Study Order to Establish a Blue Ribbon Commission on Electric Energy Production, Demand and Cost

S.P. 566

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-138),** pursuant to Joint Order (S.P. 566).

Report READ.

On motion by President Pro Tem BENNETT of Oxford, placed on the SPECIAL STUDY TABLE, pending ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT.

# **Ought to Pass As Amended**

Senator MARTIN for the Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force to Study Growth Management"

S.P. 380 L.D. 1278

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-139)**.

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

**READ ONCE.** 

Committee Amendment "A" (S-139) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-139).

Sent down for concurrence.

# **ENACTORS**

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

#### **Acts**

An Act to Make an Owner Responsible for Injuries Caused by a Dog

S.P. 189 L.D. 661 (C "A" S-98)

An Act to Prohibit Negative Option Sales Without a Consumer's Express Agreement

S.P. 324 L.D. 1092 (C "A" S-106)

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

# 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 (5/4/01) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Eliminate Maine Employers' Mutual Insurance Company Industry and Geographic Divisions and Related Advisory Boards and Other Outdated Provisions"

> H.P. 471 L.D. 599 (C "A" H-198)

Tabled - May 4, 2001 by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec

**Pending - FURTHER CONSIDERATION** 

(In Senate, April 30, 2001, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-198), in concurrence.)

(In House, May 3, 2001, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-198) AND HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-266), in NON-CONCURRENCE.)

On motion by Senator LAFOUNTAIN of York, the Senate RECEDED and CONCURRED.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Today Assigned matter:

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Resolve, to Create a State-run Pharmacy Benefits Manager

H.P. 706 L.D. 921

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-251) (11 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (1 member)

Tabled - May 3, 2001, by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo

Pending - motion by same Senator to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report, in concurrence

(In House, May 3, 2001, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-251).)

(In Senate, May 3, 2001, Reports READ.)

On motion by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report ACCEPTED, in concurrence

# READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-251) 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-251), in concurrence.

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

# **PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

# **Joint Resolutions**

The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1335

JOINT RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY
AS BICYCLE MONTH

WHEREAS, the bicycle is a clean and healthy form of transportation and recreation; and

WHEREAS, residents of Maine are among the millions of Americans who will experience the fun and joy of bicycling during the month of May through educational programs in schools, safety events, helmet promotion, trail work days and charity rides; and

WHEREAS, bicycling is a significant part of tourism in the State, reportedly bringing in \$36,000,000 annually to the State's economy; and

WHEREAS, residents of the State and other Americans in record number are turning to bicycling for recreation, exercise and transportation; and

WHEREAS, bicycle clubs, schools, parks and recreation departments, police departments, hospitals, companies and civic groups throughout the State are promoting bicycling as a leisure activity as well as an environmentally friendly alternative to the automobile during the month of May 2001; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That, We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twentieth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to proclaim the month of May as Bicycle Month throughout our State and urge all who support bicycling to participate in planned events; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a suitable copy of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Bicycle Coalition of Maine.

Comes from the House, READ and ADOPTED.

**READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1336

# JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF SECURING STEWARDSHIP FUNDS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND EASEMENTS

WHEREAS, there exist a number of state agencies and boards that engage in the purchase or acquisition of land or easements; and

WHEREAS, once acquired, state lands and easements generally require management; and

WHEREAS, management needs for various parcels of land and easements vary according to the State's interest and the management needs of the specific parcel; and

WHEREAS, state agencies and boards that engage in purchasing or acquiring land or easements include the Land for Maine's Future Board, the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund, the Department of Conservation and the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; and

WHEREAS, state entities are authorized to accept stewardship funds to manage state-held land and easements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That, We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twentieth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, encourage all state agencies and boards that engage in the purchase or acquisition of land or easements to attempt to secure stewardship funds for management of lands and easements at the time of the purchase or acquisition; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Land for Maine's Future Board, the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, the Department of Conservation, the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the Department of Transportation.

Comes from the House, READ and ADOPTED.

**READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

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

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### House

# **Ought to Pass As Amended**

The Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Assist Municipalities in Developing and Using Geographic Information Systems to Track Development and Promote Smart Growth"

H.P. 457 L.D. 578

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-315).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-315).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

# READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-315) **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-315), in concurrence.

The Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Bill "An Act to Amend Certain Laws Regarding Land and Water Quality Protection"

H.P. 1108 L.D. 1477

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-314).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-314).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

#### READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-314) **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-314), in concurrence.

The Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Improve the Inspection and Maintenance of Underground Oil Storage Tanks"

H.P. 1225 L.D. 1666

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-316).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-316).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

# READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-316) **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-316), in concurrence.

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

# ORDERS OF THE DAY

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

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE on Bill "An Act to Clarify Certain Provisions of the Laws Governing Health Maintenance Organizations and Health Plans"	Off Record Remarks		
S.P. 26 L.D. 126	The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (5/4/01) Assigned matter:		
Majority - Ought Not to Pass (9 members)	HOUSE DEPONTS from the Committee on Childhall		
Minority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-129) (4 members)	HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE on Bill "An Act to Prevent Theft of Motor Fuels" H.P. 907 L.D. 1221		
Tabled - May 3, 2001, by Senator LAFOUNTAIN of York	Majority - Ought Not to Pass (9 members)		
Pending - motion by same Senator to ACCEPT the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report	Minority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-272) (3 members)		
(In Senate, May 3, 2001, Reports READ.)	Tabled - May 4, 2001, by Senator MCALEVEY of York		
On motion by Senator <b>LAFOUNTAIN</b> of York, Bill and accompanying papers <b>INDEFINITELY POSTPONED</b> .	Pending - motion by same Senator to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report, in concurrence		
Sent down for concurrence.	(In House, May 3, 2001, the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED.)		
Off Record Remarks	(In Senate, May 3, 2001, Reports READ.)		
——————————————————————————————————————	Senator MCALEVEY of York requested and received leave of the Senate to withdraw his motion to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report, in concurrence.		
Senator <b>DAGGETT</b> of Kennebec was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.	On further motion by same Senator, the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report ACCEPTED, in NON-CONCURRENCE.		
Senator <b>SMALL</b> of Sagadahoc was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.	READ ONCE.		
	Committee Amendment "A" (H-272) READ and ADOPTED, in NON-CONCURRENCE.		
Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.	Under suspension of the Rules, READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-272), in NON-CONCURRENCE.		
Off Record Remarks	Sent down for concurrence.		
RECESSED until the sound of the bell.	The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Today Assigned matter:		
After Recess	HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on JUDICIARY on Bill		
Senate called to order by the President.	"An Act to Authorize the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission to Introduce Legislation and to Organize Assemblies of State and Tribal Leaders"		
	H.P. 879 L.D. 1171		
The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from York, Senator <b>LEMONT</b> and further excused the same Senator from today's Roll Call votes.	Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-284) (7 members)		
	Minority - Ought Not to Pass (6 members)		

Tabled - May 7, 2001, by Senator RAND of Cumberland

Pending - motion by same Senator to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report, in concurrence

(In House, May 4, 2001, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-284) AND HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-311).)

(In Senate, May 7, 2001, Reports READ.)

The Chair ordered a Division. 15 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion by Senator RAND of Cumberland to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report, in concurrence, PREVAILED.

#### READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-284) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

House Amendment "A" (H-311) 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-284) AND HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-311), in concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (4/25/01) Assigned matter:

SENATE REPORTS - from 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

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-71) (9 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (4 members)

Tabled - April 25, 2001, by Senator KNEELAND of Aroostook

Pending - motion by same Senator to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report

(In Senate, April 25, 2001, Reports READ.)

On motion by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook, Bill and accompanying papers COMMITTED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (4/12/01) Assigned matter:

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Allow Washington
County to Elect Its Own District Attorney"

H.P. 354 L.D. 444

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-77) (10 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (3 members)

Tabled - April 12, 2001, by Senator SHOREY of Washington

Pending - ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT

(In House, April 11, 2001, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-77) AND HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-111).)

(In Senate, April 12, 2001, Reports READ.)

On motion by Senator SHOREY of Washington, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report ACCEPTED, in concurrence. Subsequently, the Senate RECONSIDERED whereby it ACCEPTED the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report, in concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Hancock, Senator Goldthwait.

Senator GOLDTHWAIT: Thank you, Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen of the Senate. I've been trying for a couple of days to sort out the implications of the bill for both Hancock and Washington Counties. I don't plan to support the pending motion and I just would like to explain why. Hancock and Washington County are a single prosecutorial district at this point. They have one District Attorney. I have not heard that there are any particular issues regarding coverage. It seems to me a bit of an awkward time to be splitting that office into two prosecutorial districts with the attendant costs that would be involved, and there is likely to be an increase in costs for both counties through this proposal. Currently there is some staff that serves in an overlapping capacity. The difficulty in constructing a fiscal note for the bill, as I understand it, is because whether or not this happens would be dependent on an election. The bill provides that the District Attorney who served in either of those counties could be a resident of either county. So in other words, a person from Hancock County could actually be elected district attorney for Washington County. It's hard to sort out what the costs would be. But it's fairly clear that there would be some. For instance. the computer server that now serves both counties but resides in Hancock County, would be clearly the property of Hancock County, would not be available to Washington County, and that would be one cost. Other issues about what additional staff needs this might generate are not clear, but there would be

some. Certainly the cost of an additional prosecutorial district, and therefore another District Attorney, would be a clear cost to the state. So, in the absence of any input that I have had from anyone residing in either of those counties regarding a problem with the way it is currently constructed, not to mention the fact that one would wonder whether other counties would decide that their own prosecutorial district would be a good thing, I would urge you to oppose the pending motion, and request a division.

At the request of Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock a Division was had. 17 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 15 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion by Senator SHOREY of Washington to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report, in concurrence, PREVAILED.

#### READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-77) READ.

On motion by Senator **SHOREY** of Washington, Senate Amendment "A" (S-85) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-77) **READ**.

On motion by Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock, supported by a Division of at least one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from Washington, Senator Shorey.

Senator **SHOREY**: Thank you, Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. I stand today in front of you offering this amendment. The amendment calls for \$40,000 for the position. The good Senator from Hancock, Senator Goldthwait, made a lot of good points. I think it deserves scrutiny by the Appropriations Committee. I will be voting for my district and for my county, because I believe a District Attorney will service us well. With the problems we have down there with the drugs currently, we have a lot of problems. I would urge each and every one of you to vote your conscience.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is the motion by the Senator from Washington, Senator Shorey to Accept the Majority Ought to Pass Report. A Roll Call has been ordered. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

# ROLL CALL (#38)

YEAS:

Senators: BENNETT, BROMLEY, CARPENTER, DAVIS, GAGNON, KILKELLY, MARTIN, MCALEVEY, MILLS, ROTUNDO, SAVAGE, SHOREY, SMALL, THE PRESIDENT - MICHAEL H. MICHAUD

NAYS: Senators: ABROMSON, CATHCART,

DAGGETT, DOUGLASS, EDMONDS, FERGUSON, GOLDTHWAIT, LAFOUNTAIN, LONGLEY,

MITCHELL, NUTTING, O'GARA, RAND, SAWYER, TREAT, TURNER, WOODCOCK, YOUNGBLOOD

ABSENT: Senators: KNEELAND, PENDLETON

EXCUSED: Senator: LEMONT

14 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 18 Senators having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators being absent and 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator SHOREY of Washington to ADOPT Senate Amendment "A" (S-85) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-77), FAILED.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-77) ADOPTED, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-77), in NON-CONCURRENCE.
Subsequently, the Senate RECONSIDERED whereby the Bill was PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-77), in NON-CONCURRENCE.

House Amendment "A" (H-111) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

Senator MILLS of Somerset requested a Roll Call.

On further motion by same Senator, TABLED 1 Legislative Day, pending PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-77) AND HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-111), in concurrence. (Roll Call Requested)

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

#### **ENACTORS**

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

# **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Amend the Rule-making Process Regarding the State's Plumbing Code

H.P. 214 L.D. 249 (C "A" H-222)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 32 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 32 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, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

# **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Amend the Lobster Fishing Owner and Operator Laws to Allow Limited Charter Vessel Operation

H.P. 301 L.D. 379 (C "A" H-254)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 32 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 32 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, 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:

# **ENACTORS**

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

### Resolves

Resolve, to Provide for the Transfer of Funds to the Tire Management Fund and Require a Plan to Permanently Dedicate Fees Paid When Purchasing a New Tire or Battery to Tire Stockpile Abatement, Remediation and Cleanup

H.P. 200 L.D. 230 (C "A" H-225)

Resolve, to Coordinate and Improve Access To Health Care for Women

H.P. 419 L.D. 540 (C "A" H-242)

Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Health to Develop a Comprehensive Plan for the Detection and Treatment of Hepatitis C

H.P. 531 L.D. 686

Resolve, to Assess the Consequences of Climate Change in the State

H.P. 1066 L.D. 1429 (C "A" H-230)

**FINALLY PASSED** and having been signed by the President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

Resolve, Establishing a Commission to Study the Laws Governing the Sentencing of a Person Convicted of a Crime Involving a Child

> H.P. 670 L.D. 870 (C "A" H-263)

On motion by Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

Resolve, Establishing a Criminal Code Revision Commission H.P. 1093 L.D. 1462 (C "A" H-261)

On motion by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, placed on the SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE, pending FINAL PASSAGE, in concurrence.

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

# **ENACTORS**

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

## **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Define and Ensure Coverage of Basic Health Services by Health Maintenance Organizations

H.P. 749 L.D. 968 (C "A" H-200)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 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, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

#### **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Increase the Dedicated Wild Blueberry Tax H.P. 961 L.D. 1274 (C "A" H-243)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 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, 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:

#### **ENACTORS**

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

# **Emergency Resolve**

Resolve, to Amend the National Guard Education Assistance Pilot Program

H.P. 429 L.D. 550 (C "A" H-232)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 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, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

# **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Increase the Borrowing Capacity of the Topsham Sewer District

H.P. 985 L.D. 1322 (C "A" H-228)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 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, 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:

# **ENACTORS**

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

# **Emergency Resolve**

Resolve, to Amend Certain Dates for the Issuance of Bonds H.P. 1002 L.D. 1339

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **FINALLY PASSED** and having been signed by the President, 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:

#### **ENACTORS**

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

#### Mandate

Resolve, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Kennebec County for the Year 2001

H.P. 1309 L.D. 1772 (S "A" S-108)

This being a Mandate, in accordance with the provisions of Section 21 of Article IX of the Constitution, having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 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, 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:

#### **ENACTORS**

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

# Acts

An Act Regarding Prisoner Participation in Public Work Projects or Improvements to Charitable Organizations' Property

H.P. 264 L.D. 313

(C "A" H-262)

An Act to Exempt from the Definition of "Watercraft" Permanently Affixed Boats

H.P. 350 L.D. 440

An Act to Prevent Damage to Lobsters

H.P. 359 L.D. 449 (C "A" H-255)

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

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

# **ENACTORS**

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

#### Acts

An Act Exempting Prehistoric and Historic Archaeological Work from Permitting Requirements under the Natural Resource Protection Laws and the Shoreland Zoning Laws

H.P. 395 L.D. 516 (C "A" H-226)

An Act to Amend Certain Laws Administered by the Department of Environmental Protection

H.P. 406 L.D. 527

An Act to Repeal the Requirement that the Kennebec County Budget be Approved by the Legislature

H.P. 427 L.D. 548 (C "A" H-176)

**PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

An Act to Improve Access to Residential Care in Rural Maine H.P. 404 L.D. 525 (C "A" H-240)

On motion by Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

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

# **ENACTORS**

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

# Acts

An Act to Establish the Maine Cave Protection Act

H.P. 439 L.D. 560 (C "A" H-227)

An Act to Ensure that Fishways on Tidal Waters are Working H.P. 464 L.D. 592

(C "A" H-256)

An Act to Establish the Office of Securities within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation

H.P. 465 L.D. 593 (C "A" H-238)

An Act to Clarify the Rights of Residents Within Wildlife Sanctuaries

H.P. 516 L.D. 655 (C "A" H-259) An Act to Strengthen the Ground Water Oil Clean-up Fund H.P. 657 L.D. 857 (C "A" H-229)

**PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

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

#### **ENACTORS**

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

## Acts

An Act to Increase Funding for the Maine Dental Education Loan Program

H.P. 692 L.D. 896

An Act to Restrict the Commercial Harvest of Snapping Turtles in Order to Ensure Sustainability of the Resource

H.P. 824 L.D. 1078

An Act to Amend the Health Care Facility Immunization Laws H.P. 1044 L.D. 1401 (C "A" H-241)

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

An Act to Exempt Maine State Retirement System Employee Contributions from State Income Tax

H.P. 808 L.D. 1063 (C "A" H-215)

On motion by Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act Creating the New Crime of Aggravated Attempted Murder H.P. 867 L.D. 1147 (C "A" H-260)

On motion by Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

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

# **ENACTORS**

The Committee on Engrossed	Bills reported	as truly a	nd strictly
engrossed the following:			

#### Acts

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Secretary of State and the Maine State Police Regarding Low-speed Vehicles
H.P. 1191 L.D. 1614
(C "A" H-220)

An Act to Amend the Laws Pertaining to Municipal Shellfish Management

H.P. 1266 L.D. 1717 (C "A" H-257)

An Act to Amend the Maine Banking Code

H.P. 1271 L.D. 1729 (C "A" H-247)

**PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Veterans Commemorative Decal Task Force

H.P. 1238 L.D. 1683 (C "A" H-221)

On motion by Senator SAVAGE of Knox, placed on the SPECIAL HIGHWAY TABLE, pending ENACTMENT, in concurrence.

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

Senator **TURNER** of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

On motion by President Pro Tem **BENNETT** of Oxford, **ADJOURNED** to Tuesday, May 8, 2001, at 9:00 in the morning.