

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
JOURNAL OF THE SENATE**

In Senate Chamber  
Friday  
January 4, 2002

Senate called to order by President Richard A. Bennett of Oxford County.

Prayer by Reverend Melissa Post van der Burg, North Turner Union Presbyterian Church and St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Waterville.

**REVEREND POST VAN DER BURG:** Let us be in a spirit of prayer. Gracious creator, we are living in a world filled with anxiety and fear. Let us be reminded that You did not place us on this fragile earth to harm one another. We pray for the leaders of all the nations of the world, that their hearts and minds will yearn to establish peace and justice for all humankind. We pray for our own nation, the United States of America, and especially for George, our President. We pray that he will be inspired with the wisdom of history. We pray that his decisions will promote the welfare of not only our country but of all countries, those who would be our allies and those who would do us harm. We pray that he will remember that there are good and innocent people everywhere. We pray for our beautiful State of Maine, especially for Angus, our Governor. We represent a place of respite in a world that is unsure of its future. Be with those who protect and uphold all that is good and quiet and peaceful here. Let those present in this assembly constantly remember the poor, the elderly, the young, the sick, the displaced, and the unemployed. We, who are members of Maine's diverse and colorful population, pray for our lawmakers and we place our trust in You. In the name of the Creator who takes delight in us and instills us with hope, Amen.

Doctor of the Day, Richard Dillihunt, M.D. of Portland

Reading of the Journal of Wednesday, January 2, 2002

Off Record Remarks

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by President Pro Tem **MICHAUD** of Penobscot, the following Joint Order:  
S.P. 738

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House stands Adjourned it does so until Tuesday, January 8, 2002, at 9:00 in the morning and the Senate Adjourns until Tuesday, January 8, 2002, at 10:00 in the morning.

**READ and PASSED.**

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

Off Record Remarks

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act to Enhance Consumer-directed Personal Assistance Services for Maine Citizens with Disabilities"  
H.P. 1544 L.D. 2045

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

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

Resolve, to Reduce Paperwork for Maine Businesses  
H.P. 1543 L.D. 2044

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committees on **TAXATION** and **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**.

On motion by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **REFERENCE**.

Off Record Remarks

**Pursuant to Statutes  
Maine State Retirement System**

The **Maine State Retirement System** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 17103, subsection 13 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Establish the Administrative Operating Budget for the Maine State Retirement System for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2003" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1526 L.D. 2030

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

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

Report **READ**.

On motion by Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock, Report **REJECTED**.

On further motion by same Senator, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Off Record Remarks

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### ORDERS

#### Joint Resolution

The following Joint Resolution: H.P. 1542

#### JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING MAINE VICTIMS OF THE SEPTEMBER 11TH TRAGEDY

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001 thousands of innocent people from Maine and across the United States lost their lives and their loved ones or were injured in a shocking assault on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon; and

WHEREAS, on the same day an airplane hijacked as a part of those cowardly acts crashed in the countryside outside Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, killing all aboard; and

WHEREAS, these losses were suffered by ordinary people as they were traveling or were working in buildings that had become symbols of America's extraordinary strength; and

WHEREAS, millions more people in this nation, and across the world, were sickened as they witnessed walls collapsing into rubble and faces collapsing into horror; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twentieth Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, join the citizens throughout Maine in acknowledging and expressing our sorrow to all those who have suffered loss through the deaths of loved ones or injury to themselves; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twentieth Legislature, believe that all those who participated in or sponsored these terrible crimes against humanity should be brought to justice without regard to region or border; and be it further

**RESOLVED**: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twentieth Legislature, avow and affirm our love for and belief in this country and its people and principles and its confidence in our President and leaders as they guide us through these difficult days; and be it further

**RESOLVED**: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twentieth Legislature, express the collective grief and anguish of our friends and neighbors throughout the nation and our allies in other countries who suffered loss in the aftermath of the appalling airplane hijackings and attacks on September 11, 2001 and pledge our prayers and our purpose in sustaining the strength and solidarity of this nation, our President and our leaders as we respond to this unprecedented attack on America; and be it further

**RESOLVED**: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, to the governors of the states of Maine and New York and the commonwealths of Pennsylvania and Virginia.

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

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

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### COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: H.P. 1404

**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
CLERK'S OFFICE  
2 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

November 29, 2001

Hon. Michael V. Saxl  
Speaker of the House  
120th Legislature

Hon. Michael H. Michaud  
President of the Senate  
120th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On November 29, 2001, 8 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on November 29, 2001, as follows:

**Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**

Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to Lease a Certain Parcel of Land to the Federal Aviation Administration (H.P. 1400) (L.D. 1839) (Presented by Representative CARR of Lincoln) (Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin) (Submitted by the Department of Conservation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

**Banking and Insurance**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Loan Broker Law" (H.P. 1396) (L.D. 1835) (Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of York) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

**Judiciary**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Uniform Commercial Code, Article 9-A" (H.P. 1401) (L.D. 1840) (Presented by Representative LaVERDIERE of Wilton) (Cosponsored by Senator RAND of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

**Taxation**

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor to Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory (H.P. 1403) (L.D. 1842) (Presented by Representative GREEN of Monmouth) (Cosponsored by Senator GAGNON of Kennebec) (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

**Transportation**

Bill "An Act to Clarify Licensure for the Operation of Antique Trucks" (H.P. 1397) (L.D. 1836) (Presented by Representative FISHER of Brewer) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Allow Sharing of Information to Facilitate Interstate Cooperation Between Toll Agencies" (H.P. 1402) (L.D. 1841) (Presented by Representative FISHER of Brewer) (Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and Representatives: DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, Speaker SAXL of Portland, SCHNEIDER of Durham) (Submitted by the Maine Turnpike Authority pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

**Utilities and Energy**

Bill "An Act to Improve the Ability of the Public Utilities Commission to Enforce State Laws, Rules and Requirements" (H.P. 1398) (L.D. 1837) (Presented by Representative SAVAGE of Buxton) (Submitted by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Eliminate Unnecessary Filing Requirements for Water Utilities" (H.P. 1399) (L.D. 1838) (Presented by Representative SAVAGE of Buxton) (Submitted by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Sincerely,

S/Millicent M. MacFarland  
Clerk of the House

S/Joy J. O'Brien  
Secretary of the Senate

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**, in concurrence.

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The Following Communication: H.P. 1411

**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
CLERK'S OFFICE  
2 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

December 5, 2001

Hon. Michael V. Saxl  
Speaker of the House  
120th Legislature

Hon. Michael H. Michaud  
President of the Senate  
120th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On December 5, 2001, 6 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on December 5, 2001, as follows:

**Criminal Justice**

Bill "An Act to Ensure Victim Safety" (H.P. 1408) (L.D. 1846) (Presented by Representative PEAVEY of Woolwich) (Cosponsored by Representatives: GERZOFKY of Brunswick, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, POVICH of Ellsworth, QUINT of Portland, TOBIN of Dexter) (Submitted by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

**Health and Human Services**

Bill "An Act to Require that Temporary Nurse Agencies Verify Certified Nursing Assistants' Eligibility Before Hiring Certified Nursing Assistants" (H.P. 1405) (L.D. 1843) (Presented by Representative SNOWE-MELLO of Poland) (Cosponsored by Representative FULLER of Manchester) (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act Regarding Fire Inspections for Foster Homes" (H.P. 1409) (L.D. 1847) (Presented by Representative LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford) (Cosponsored by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo and Representatives: DUDLEY of Portland, NUTTING of Oakland, SHIELDS of Auburn) (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Separation of a Husband and Wife Placed in State-funded Nursing Facilities" (H.P. 1410) (L.D. 1848) (Presented by Representative FOSTER of Gray) (Cosponsored by Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, GOOLEY of Farmington, HAWES of Standish, JODREY of Bethel, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, MICHAUD of Fort Kent, PINEAU of Jay) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Transportation

Bill "An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws" (H.P. 1406) (L.D. 1844) (Presented by Representative FISHER of Brewer) (Cosponsored by Senator SAVAGE of Knox) (Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Utilities and Energy

Bill "An Act Authorizing the Town of Waldoboro to Refinance Certain Temporary Bond Anticipation Notes Issued for its Water Project" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1407) (L.D. 1845) (Presented by Representative TRAHAN of Waldoboro) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Sincerely,

S/Millicent M. MacFarland  
Clerk of the House

S/Joy J. O'Brien  
Secretary of the Senate

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**, in concurrence.

The Following Communication: H.P. 1422

**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
CLERK'S OFFICE  
2 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

December 13, 2001

Hon. Michael V. Saxl  
Speaker of the House  
120th Legislature

Hon. Richard A. Bennett  
President of the Senate  
120th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On December 12, 2001, 8 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on December 12, 2001, as follows:

Health and Human Services

Resolve, to Improve the Health of Maine Citizens Through Hepatitis C Prevention and Detection (H.P. 1414) (L.D. 1858) (Presented by Representative BRUNO of Raymond) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act to Restrict the Use of Motors Greater than 10 Horsepower on Certain Ponds in Chain of Ponds Township in Franklin County" (H.P. 1417) (L.D. 1861) (Presented by Representative GOOLEY of Farmington) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act to Amend the Definition of "Governmental Unit" as It Relates to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank Act" (H.P. 1412) (L.D. 1856) (Presented by Representative SHERMAN of Hodgdon) (Cosponsored by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, GOODWIN of Pembroke, MADORE of Augusta, SCHNEIDER of Durham, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, Senator: McALEVEY of York) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Dissolve the Ministerial Accounts in the Town of Readfield's Trust Fund" (H.P. 1416) (L.D. 1860) (Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Transportation

Bill "An Act to Establish the Avon-Phillips Airport Authority" (H.P. 1415) (L.D. 1859) (Presented by Representative LaVERDIERE of Wilton) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Overweight Fine Violation for Trucks Carrying Certain Designated Commodities and Registered for 100,000 Pounds" (H.P. 1419) (L.D. 1863) (Presented by Representative FISHER of Brewer) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Utilities and Energy

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Mount Blue Water District" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1413) (L.D. 1857) (Presented by Representative LaVERDIERE of Wilton) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Winterport Sewerage District" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1418) (L.D. 1862) (Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Sincerely,

S/Millicent M. MacFarland  
Clerk of the House

S/Pamela L. Cahill  
Secretary of the Senate

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**, in concurrence.

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The Following Communication: H.P. 1424

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
1849 C. STREET, N.W.  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240**

Honorable Millicent M. MacFarland  
Clerk of the House  
State of Maine  
2 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Thank you for sending President Bush a copy of HP 1137, a Joint Resolution regarding a study about establishing a national park in Maine's North Woods. Your letter of May 4, 2001 has been forwarded to the National Park Service and we are pleased to acknowledge receipt of this resolution by the Maine Legislature.

The resolution specifically asks that the President and Secretary of Interior "abandon plans to conduct a feasibility study concerning establishing a national park in Maine's north woods." There are no current plans by the National Park Service to conduct such a study. Furthermore, pursuant to Public Law 105-391, any studies of potential new units of the National Park System require specific authorization by Congress.

The National Park Service and the Department of the Interior are not proposing any studies of potential new parks, pending progress in addressing the backlog of needs for maintenance and repairs in the existing units of the system. If at some future

date, the Department resumes suggesting potential study candidates to Congress, we would certainly give full and careful consideration to the concerns that the State legislature has expressed in the resolution you forwarded.

We appreciate your being in touch with us on this matter.

Sincerely,

S/Fran P. Mainella  
Director

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**, in concurrence.

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The Following Communication: H.P. 1527

**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
CLERK'S OFFICE  
2 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

December 14, 2001

Hon. Michael V. Saxl  
Speaker of the House  
120th Legislature

Hon. Richard A. Bennett  
President of the Senate  
120th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On December 14, 2001, 5 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on December 14, 2001, as follows:

**Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Resolve, to Allow the Courts to Utilize the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority to Issue a Bond of \$2,500,000 to Finish the Repairs at the Lewiston District Court (H.P. 1425) (L.D. 1866) (Presented by Representative MAILHOT of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin and Representatives: JACOBS of Turner, MENDROS of Lewiston, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, SHIELDS of Auburn, SIMPSON of Auburn, Senator: DOUGLASS of Androscoggin) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Business and Economic Development

Bill "An Act to Provide Enhancements to the Small Enterprise Growth Program" (H.P. 1420) (L.D. 1868) (Presented by Representative RICHARDSON of Brunswick) (Cosponsored by Senator SHOREY of Washington and Representatives: DORR of Camden, ROSEN of Bucksport) (Submitted by the Finance Authority of Maine pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act to Increase the Number of 'Construction-manager-at-risk' Alternative Delivery Pilot Projects for School Construction and to Increase the Maximum Project Cost of Projects Eligible for Alternative Delivery" (H.P. 1426) (L.D. 1864) (Presented by Representative RICHARD of Madison) (Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representative: McDONOUGH of Portland) (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act to Allow the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services to Make Direct Selection of Architects and Engineers Whose Services Do Not Exceed \$25,000" (H.P. 1427) (L.D. 1865) (Presented by Representative WATSON of Farmingdale) (Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representative: McDONOUGH of Portland) (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Transportation

Bill "An Act to Ensure the Safety of Maine Children While Riding in a Vehicle" (H.P. 1421) (L.D. 1867) (Presented by Representative MARLEY of Portland) (Cosponsored by President BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, FISHER of Brewer, Senator: O'GARA of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Sincerely,  
S/Millicent M. MacFarland  
Clerk of the House

S/Pamela L. Cahill  
Secretary of the Senate

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**, in concurrence.

The Following Communication: H.P. 1539

STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
CLERK'S OFFICE  
2 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, ME 04333

December 18, 2001

Hon. Michael V. Saxl  
Speaker of the House  
120th Legislature

Hon. Richard A. Bennett  
President of the Senate  
120th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On December 17, 2001, 57 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on December 17, 2001, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Bill "An Act to Increase the Permit Fees for Pulling Events" (H.P. 1454) (L.D. 1951) (Presented by Representative PINEAU of Jay) (Cosponsored by Senator KNEELAND of Aroostook and Representatives: FOSTER of Gray, JODREY of Bethel) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Pesticide Control to Increase the Pesticide Product Registration Fee" (H.P. 1456) (L.D. 1953) (Presented by Representative LUNDEEN of Mars Hill) (Cosponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln and Representatives: HAWES of Standish, LANDRY of Patten) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Funds for the Seeds of Peace International Camp Scholarships and Property Tax Payment" (H.P. 1434) (L.D. 1931) (Presented by Representative GREEN of Monmouth) (Cosponsored by Representative HEIDRICH of Oxford, Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, MAYO of Bath, Speaker SAXL of Portland, TRAHAN of Waldoboro) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Maintain the Family Caregiver Initiative for Elderly Citizens in Maine" (H.P. 1441) (L.D. 1938) (Presented by Representative DUDLEY of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: DUGAY of Cherryfield, FULLER of Manchester, KANE of Saco, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, NUTTING of Oakland, O'BRIEN of Augusta, SHIELDS of Auburn) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)



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Bill "An Act to Allow the State to Maximize Funds for Meals for the Elderly in the State" (H.P. 1460) (L.D. 1957) (Presented by Speaker SAXL of Portland) (Cosponsored by President Pro Tem MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, DORR of Camden, DUDLEY of Portland, ETNIER of Harpswell, HAWES of Standish, MAYO of Bath, NORTON of Bangor, Senator: TREAT of Kennebec) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Banking and Insurance

Bill "An Act to Eliminate Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance Travel Restrictions for Obtaining Health Care" (H.P. 1462) (L.D. 1959) (Presented by Representative MAYO of Bath) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: CUMMINGS of Portland, DUDLEY of Portland, ETNIER of Harpswell, FULLER of Manchester, GLYNN of South Portland, O'NEIL of Saco, Speaker SAXL of Portland, SULLIVAN of Biddeford) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Modify Investment-related Insurance Company Provisions of the Maine Insurance Code" (H.P. 1475) (L.D. 1976) (Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Representatives: GLYNN of South Portland, MAYO of Bath, SMITH of Van Buren, SULLIVAN of Biddeford) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Business and Economic Development

Bill "An Act Concerning the State Board of Funeral Service" (H.P. 1438) (L.D. 1935) (Presented by Representative MAYO of Bath) (Cosponsored by Senator BROMLEY of Cumberland and Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, CARR of Lincoln, CLOUGH of Scarborough, HATCH of Skowhegan, MICHAUD of Fort Kent, PATRICK of Rumford, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, TRAHAN of Waldoboro) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Method of Sale for Heating Oil and Retail Motor Fuels" (H.P. 1451) (L.D. 1948) (Presented by Representative RICHARDSON of Brunswick) (Cosponsored by Senator SAWYER of Penobscot and Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, CARR of Lincoln, COTE of Lewiston, HAWES of Standish, MICHAUD of Fort Kent, SULLIVAN of Biddeford, Senator: KILKELLY of Lincoln) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act Regarding Trial Offers" (H.P. 1471) (L.D. 1972) (Presented by Representative RICHARDSON of Brunswick) (Cosponsored by Senator SAWYER of Penobscot and Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, DORR of Camden, McDONOUGH of Portland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Criminal Justice

Bill "An Act to Protect Police Horses" (H.P. 1435) (L.D. 1932) (Presented by Representative DUDLEY of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln and Representatives: COTE of Lewiston, GERZOFKY of Brunswick, HAWES of Standish, MAYO of Bath, NORBERT of Portland, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, SIMPSON of Auburn) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Sunset Provision Regarding the State Police Providing Services at Cost to Governmental and Nongovernmental Entities" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1457) (L.D. 1954) (Presented by Representative PEAVEY of Woolwich) (Cosponsored by Representative BERRY of Livermore) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Allow Federal Law Enforcement Officers to Enforce Maine Statutes" (H.P. 1458) (L.D. 1955) (Presented by Representative PEAVEY of Woolwich) (Cosponsored by Representative BERRY of Livermore) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Clarify Rule-making Authority for the Office of the State Fire Marshal" (H.P. 1459) (L.D. 1956) (Presented by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth) (Cosponsored by Senator O'GARA of Cumberland and Representatives: QUINT of Portland, RINES of Wiscasset) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Allow Private Psychiatric Hospitalization of Residents of Department of Corrections Juvenile Facilities" (H.P. 1464) (L.D. 1961) (Presented by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth) (Cosponsored by Representatives: GERZOFKY of Brunswick, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, PEAVEY of Woolwich, QUINT of Portland, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TOBIN of Dexter) (Submitted by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Prohibit a Convicted Sexual Offender From Acquiring Custody or Obtaining Visitation Rights Without Adult Supervision" (H.P. 1468) (L.D. 1969) (Presented by Representative CARR of Lincoln) (By Request) (Cosponsored by President Pro Tem MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, GOODWIN of Pembroke, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, STANLEY of Medway, TREADWELL of Carmel, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, KILKELLY of Lincoln) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Allow Maine to Participate in the Federal Pilot Program for Drivers Delivering Home Heating Oil" (H.P. 1477) (L.D. 1978) (Presented by Representative MARLEY of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, COLWELL of Gardiner, HALL of Bristol, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, McNEIL of Rockland, PARADIS of Frenchville, PERRY of Bangor) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Protect Children from Sexual Predators" (H.P. 1482) (L.D. 1983) (Presented by Representative MENDROS of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator McALEVEY of York and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, CLOUGH of Scarborough, MICHAEL of Auburn, NORBERT of Portland, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, SCHNEIDER of Durham, Senators: President BENNETT of Oxford, SAWYER of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Fully Reimburse Center-based Developmental Therapy Programs under Contract with Child Development Services (H.P. 1461) (L.D. 1958) (Presented by Representative NORBERT of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: CUMMINGS of Portland, FULLER of Manchester, WATSON of Farmingdale, WESTON of Montville, Senator: TURNER of Cumberland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act Concerning Student Threats Against School Personnel" (H.P. 1474) (L.D. 1975) (Presented by Representative NORTON of Bangor) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: CUMMINGS of Portland, DAVIS of Falmouth, PARADIS of Frenchville, RICHARD of Madison, SULLIVAN of Biddeford, TARAZEWICH of Waterboro, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senator: SAWYER of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Designate Department of Education Chapter 180 Rules as Major Substantive Rules" (H.P. 1476) (L.D. 1977) (Presented by Representative WESTON of Montville) (Cosponsored by Representative CLOUGH of Scarborough, Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, CUMMINGS of Portland, ESTES of Kittery, FULLER of Manchester, McNEIL of Rockland, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, STEDMAN of Hartland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Health and Human Services

Resolve, to Extend the Reporting Deadline for the Maine Millennium Commission on Hunger and Food Security (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1428) (L.D. 1925) (Presented by Representative SNOWE-MELLO of Poland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DAVIS of Falmouth, GERZOFSKY of Brunswick, JACOBS of Turner, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, QUINT of Portland, Senator: O'GARA of Cumberland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Ensure the Fair Collection of Overpayments" (H.P. 1433) (L.D. 1930) (Presented by Representative SIMPSON of Auburn) (Cosponsored by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo and Representatives: COLWELL of Gardiner, DUDLEY of Portland, HALL of Bristol, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, MURPHY of Berwick, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, PATRICK of Rumford, Senator: DOUGLASS of Androscoggin) (Approved for

introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Resolve, to Establish a Blue Ribbon Commission to Address Financing of Long-term Care Costs (H.P. 1436) (L.D. 1933) (Presented by Representative KANE of Saco) (Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: DUDLEY of Portland, FULLER of Manchester, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, LOVETT of Scarborough, MAYO of Bath, NUTTING of Oakland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Resolve, to Provide Access to Personal Care Assistant Home Care Services (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1437) (L.D. 1934) (Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester) (Cosponsored by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo and Representatives: DUDLEY of Portland, JACOBS of Turner, KANE of Saco, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, TWOMEY of Biddeford) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Repatriation of Native American Remains" (H.P. 1443) (L.D. 1940) (Presented by Representative SOCTOMAH of the Passamaquoddy Tribe) (Cosponsored by Representatives: COTE of Lewiston, GERZOFSKY of Brunswick, HAWES of Standish, LORING of the Penobscot Nation, McKEE of Wayne, TWOMEY of Biddeford) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Resolve, Concerning Unfunded Mandates in the Provision of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Services (H.P. 1450) (L.D. 1947) (Presented by Representative NASS of Acton) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Clarify Roles and Positions within the Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services" (H.P. 1452) (L.D. 1949) (Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester) (Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and Representatives: BROOKS of Winterport, DUDLEY of Portland, DUGAY of Cherryfield, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, NUTTING of Oakland, O'BRIEN of Augusta) (Submitted by the Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Eligibility for General Assistance" (H.P. 1466) (L.D. 1963) (Presented by Representative DUNCAN of Presque Isle) (Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: GOODWIN of Pembroke, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, PERKINS of Penobscot, PINKHAM of Lamoine, ROSEN of Bucksport, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, WHEELER of Bridgewater) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

**Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

Bill "An Act to Stabilize the Funding of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife" (H.P. 1432) (L.D. 1929) (Presented by Representative DUNLAP of Old Town) (Cosponsored by Senator CARPENTER of York and Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, COTE of Lewiston, ETNIER of Harpswell, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis) (Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Allow Landowner Permits to be Issued for Turkey Hunting" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1442) (L.D. 1939) (Presented by Representative CHICK of Lebanon) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, BRYANT of Dixfield, CARR of Lincoln, DUNLAP of Old Town, JACOBS of Turner, NORTON of Bangor, PINKHAM of Lamoine, TARAZEWICH of Waterboro) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Require the Owner of a Submerged Snowmobile or Boat to Remove the Snowmobile or Boat" (H.P. 1467) (L.D. 1968) (Presented by Representative CLOUGH of Scarborough) (Cosponsored by President Pro Tem MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, CHICK of Lebanon, COLWELL of Gardiner, DUNLAP of Old Town, HATCH of Skowhegan, LaVERDIERE of Wilton, NORBERT of Portland, PERKINS of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

**Judiciary**

Bill "An Act to Authorize the Trial of Child Custody Cases Involving the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians in the Penobscot Nation Tribal Court" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1431) (L.D. 1928) (Presented by Representative LORING of the Penobscot Nation) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, COTE of Lewiston, DORR of Camden, HALL of Bristol, SCHNEIDER of Durham, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, SOCTOMAH of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, TWOMEY of Biddeford) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Change the Requirement for Court-ordered Mental Examination" (H.P. 1453) (L.D. 1950) (Presented by Representative LaVERDIERE of Wilton) (Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and Representatives: DUGAY of Cherryfield, FULLER of Manchester, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, MADORE of Augusta, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, NUTTING of Oakland, O'BRIEN of Augusta, Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford) (Submitted by the Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Extend the Period During Which the Passamaquoddy Tribe May Acquire Land in the City of Calais" (H.P. 1479) (L.D. 1980) (Presented by Representative MORRISON of Baileyville) (Cosponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke, Senator YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot and Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, LABRECQUE of Gorham, SOCTOMAH of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, Senator: SMALL of Sagadahoc) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

**Labor**

Bill "An Act to Promote Organ Donation" (H.P. 1448) (L.D. 1945) (Presented by Representative MARLEY of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator BROMLEY of Cumberland and Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, COLWELL of Gardiner, HALL of Bristol, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, McNEIL of Rockland, MICHAUD of Fort Kent, PARADIS of Frenchville, PERRY of Bangor) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Safeguard Volunteer Firefighters' Regular Employment" (H.P. 1449) (L.D. 1946) (Presented by Representative HUTTON of Bowdoinham) (Cosponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln and Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, HALL of Bristol, SMITH of Van Buren, TARAZEWICH of Waterboro, TRAHAN of Waldoboro, Senators: BROMLEY of Cumberland, EDMONDS of Cumberland, TREAT of Kennebec) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Promote Safety of Families through the Workplace" (H.P. 1463) (L.D. 1960) (Presented by Speaker SAXL of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: DUDLEY of Portland, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, MATTHEWS of Winslow, MAYO of Bath, NORTON of Bangor, SIMPSON of Auburn, Senator: President Pro Tem MICHAUD of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Status of Retirees Who Return to Service Under the Maine State Retirement System" (H.P. 1469) (L.D. 1970) (Presented by Representative NORTON of Bangor) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: CUMMINGS of Portland, DAVIS of Falmouth, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, MATTHEWS of Winslow, PARADIS of Frenchville, SULLIVAN of Biddeford, TARAZEWICH of Waterboro, Senator: SAWYER of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

**Legal and Veteran Affairs**

Bill "An Act to Support Businesses Engaged in Both Off-premises and On-premises Retail Sales of Malt Liquor and Wine" (H.P. 1470) (L.D. 1971) (Presented by Representative SIMPSON of Auburn) (Cosponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin and Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville, COLWELL of Gardiner, DORR of Camden, HALL of Bristol, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, MICHAUD of Fort Kent, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, NORBERT of Portland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Marine Resources

Resolve, Directing the Department of Marine Resources to Participate in a Scientific Assessment of the Activities in the Great Salt Bay (H.P. 1478) (L.D. 1979) (Presented by Representative HALL of Bristol) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, LANDRY of Patten, PARADIS of Frenchville, RINES of Wiscasset) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Natural Resources

Bill "An Act to Regulate Lead Smart Renovators and Lead Sampling Technicians" (H.P. 1439) (L.D. 1936) (Presented by Representative DUPLESSIE of Westbrook) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Restrict the Availability of Products with Excessive Levels of Arsenic" (H.P. 1447) (L.D. 1944) (Presented by Representative COWGER of Hallowell) (Cosponsored by Representative McKEE of Wayne, Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: DAIGLE of Arundel, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, Senators: KILKELLY of Lincoln, NUTTING of Androscoggin, SAWYER of Penobscot, TREAT of Kennebec) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Reduce Pollution of Androscoggin Lake by Repairing and Altering the Existing State-owned Barrier on the Dead River in Leeds" (H.P. 1465) (L.D. 1962) (Presented by Representative McKEE of Wayne) (Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin and Representatives: COWGER of Hallowell, DAIGLE of Arundel, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, TWOMEY of Biddeford, Senators: President BENNETT of Oxford, SAWYER of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Create and Fund a Household Hazardous Waste Collection System" (H.P. 1473) (L.D. 1974) (Presented by Representative COWGER of Hallowell) (Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: DAIGLE of Arundel, DUDLEY of Portland, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, TWOMEY of Biddeford, Senators: SAWYER of Penobscot, TREAT of Kennebec) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act to Amend the Boundaries Between Ripley and St. Albans" (H.P. 1429) (L.D. 1926) (Presented by Representative STEDMAN of Hartland) (Cosponsored by Representative TOBIN of Dexter, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Modify the Time of Constituent Service Allowance Payments" (H.P. 1444) (L.D. 1941) (Presented by Representative CLOUGH of Scarborough) (Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, COLWELL of Gardiner, LaVERDIERE of Wilton, LESSARD of

Topsham, MAYO of Bath, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, MURPHY of Berwick, NORBERT of Portland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Provide Property Tax Relief in Cumberland County" (H.P. 1445) (L.D. 1942) (Presented by Representative McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth) (Cosponsored by Senator YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot and Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, CUMMINGS of Portland, GLYNN of South Portland, MARLEY of Portland, MURPHY of Berwick, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Clarify Municipal Reapportionment Authority" (H.P. 1446) (L.D. 1943) (Presented by Representative SCHNEIDER of Durham) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, LABRECQUE of Gorham) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to Convey a Crossing Easement (H.P. 1455) (L.D. 1952) (Presented by Representative SMITH of Van Buren) (Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook) (Submitted by the Department of Conservation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Transportation

Resolve, to Rename the Highland Avenue Bridge the Major General Henry Merriam Bridge (H.P. 1430) (L.D. 1927) (Presented by Representative SHERMAN of Hodgdon) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, DUNCAN of Presque Isle, McKENNEY of Cumberland, NUTTING of Oakland, PINKHAM of Lamoine, ROSEN of Bucksport) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Reduce the Economic Impact of Seasonally Posted Roads" (H.P. 1481) (L.D. 1982) (Presented by Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford) (Cosponsored by President BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: MAYO of Bath, McDONOUGH of Portland, MICHAUD of Fort Kent, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, Speaker SAXL of Portland, Senator: President Pro Tem MICHAUD of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Modernize the Procurement Practices at the Department of Transportation" (H.P. 1483) (L.D. 1984) (Presented by Representative FISHER of Brewer) (Cosponsored by Senator SAVAGE of Knox) (Submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Utilities and Energy

Bill "An Act to Benefit Maine's Economy" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1440) (L.D. 1937) (Presented by Representative McGLOCKLIN of Embden) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, COLWELL of Gardiner, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, Senators: SAWYER of Penobscot, TREAT of Kennebec) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act Regarding Utility Easements" (H.P. 1472) (L.D. 1973) (Presented by Representative HALL of Bristol) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, COWGER of Hallowell, CRABTREE of Hope, DORR of Camden, GOODWIN of Pembroke, MARLEY of Portland, RINES of Wiscasset, Senator: CARPENTER of York) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Charging of Tolls for Phone Calls Made Between Contiguous Communities" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1480) (L.D. 1981) (Presented by Representative MICHAUD of Fort Kent) (Cosponsored by Representative CRESSEY of Baldwin, Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, DUNCAN of Presque Isle, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, MAYO of Bath, O'NEIL of Saco, PARADIS of Frenchville, SMITH of Van Buren, Senator: EDMONDS of Cumberland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Avoid Incompatible Employment of Water Utility Employees" (H.P. 1484) (L.D. 1985) (Presented by Representative SAVAGE of Buxton) (Submitted by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Sincerely,

S/Millicent M. MacFarland  
Clerk of the House

S/Pamela L. Cahill  
Secretary of the Senate

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**, in concurrence.

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The Following Communication: H.P. 1540

**STATE OF MAINE  
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December 20, 2001

Hon. Michael V. Saxl  
Speaker of the House  
120th Legislature  
Hon. Richard A. Bennett  
President of the Senate  
120th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On December 19, 2001, 52 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on December 19, 2001, as follows:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act to Support the State's Homeless Youth" (H.P. 1528) (L.D. 2031) (Presented by Representative DUDLEY of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and Representatives: DUGAY of Cherryfield, FULLER of Manchester, KANE of Saco, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, O'BRIEN of Augusta, Senator: MARTIN of Aroostook) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Create the Adult Education Outreach Grant Program" (H.P. 1530) (L.D. 2033) (Presented by Speaker SAXL of Portland) (Under suspension of the rules, cosponsored by President Pro Tem MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: BELANGER of Caribou, BLISS of South Portland, DUDLEY of Portland, ESTES of Kittery, ETNIER of Harpswell, JONES of Greenville, NORTON of Bangor, RICHARD of Madison, TESSIER of Fairfield, WINSOR of Norway, Senators: SMALL of Sagadahoc, TREAT of Kennebec) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Provide funding for the Advisory Commission on Women Veterans" (H.P. 1532) (L.D. 2035) (Presented by Representative O'BRIEN of Lewiston) (Under suspension of the rules, cosponsored by Senator: DAGGETT of Kennebec, Representatives: ASH of Belfast, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, COLWELL of Gardiner, DORR of Camden, HATCH of Skowhegan, JACOBS of Turner, KANE of Saco, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, MAILHOT of Lewiston, McGOWAN of Pittsfield, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, MICHAUD of Fort Kent, O'NEIL of Saco, QUINT of Portland, VOLENIK of Brooklin, WATSON of Farmingdale) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Increase Home Ownership" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1533) (L.D. 2036) (Presented by Speaker SAXL of Portland) (Under suspension of the rules, cosponsored by President BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, COLWELL of Gardiner, NORBERT of Portland, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, SCHNEIDER of Durham, Senators: DAGGETT of Kennebec, DAVIS of Piscataquis, SHOREY of Washington, SMALL of Sagadahoc, TREAT of Kennebec) (Submitted by the Maine State Housing Authority pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Banking and Insurance

Bill "An Act to Clarify Recent Amendments to the Maine Consumer Credit Code" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1496) (L.D. 1999) (Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Representatives: GLYNN of South Portland, MAYO of Bath, SMITH of Van Buren, SULLIVAN of Biddeford) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Business and Economic Development

Bill "An Act to Regulate Professional Boxing" (H.P. 1487) (L.D. 1990) (Presented by Representative RICHARDSON of Brunswick) (Cosponsored by Representative MICHAUD of Fort Kent, Senator: YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Licensing Fee Caps of the Board of Osteopathic Licensure" (H.P. 1514) (L.D. 2017) (Presented by Representative RICHARDSON of Brunswick) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CLOUGH of Scarborough, MICHAUD of Fort Kent, Senator: SHOREY of Washington) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Control Internet 'Spam'" (H.P. 1538) (L.D. 2041) (Presented by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke) (Under suspension of the rules, cosponsored by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford and Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, BRUNO of Raymond, COLWELL of Gardiner, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, HALL of Bristol, NORBERT of Portland, SAVAGE of Buxton, Speaker SAXL of Portland, SCHNEIDER of Durham, Senators: CARPENTER of York, DAGGETT of Kennebec, DAVIS of Piscataquis, McALEVEY of York, SMALL of Sagadahoc, TREAT of Kennebec) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Criminal Justice

Bill "An Act Regarding Fire Safety Laws for Residential Care Facilities" (H.P. 1494) (L.D. 1997) (Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester) (Cosponsored by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo and Representatives: DAIGLE of Arundel, DUDLEY of Portland, JACOBS of Turner, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, MAYO of Bath, NUTTING of Oakland, TWOMEY of Biddeford, WESTON of Montville) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Resolve, Establishing a Commission to Study County Jail Population, Cost and Reimbursement by the State (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1499) (L.D. 2002) (Presented by Representative PEAVEY of Woolwich) (Cosponsored by Senator TREAT of Kennebec and Representatives: POVICH of Ellsworth, QUINT of Portland, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TOBIN of Dexter, Senators: McALEVEY of York, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, SMALL of Sagadahoc) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act of 1999" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1518) (L.D. 2022) (Presented by Representative O'BRIEN of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Representative BERRY of Livermore) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Exclude Court Holidays from the Time Required in Which a Juvenile Detention Hearing Must be Held" (H.P. 1529) (L.D. 2032) (Presented by Representative PEAVEY of Woolwich) (Cosponsored by Representatives: GERZOFISKY of Brunswick, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, QUINT of Portland, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TOBIN of Dexter) (Submitted by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Administration of Epinephrine by Emergency Medical Personnel" (H.P. 1536) (L.D. 2039) (Presented by Representative TRAHAN of Waldoboro) (Cosponsored by Representatives: GREEN of Monmouth, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, MARLEY of Portland, SKOGLUND of St. George) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act to Require that the State Board of Education Have One Student Member" (H.P. 1489) (L.D. 1992) (Presented by Representative JACOBS of Turner) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: LANDRY of Patten, MAILHOT of Lewiston, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, PARADIS of Frenchville, TWOMEY of Biddeford, WATSON of Farmingdale) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act Regarding Provisional Certification for Teachers and Administrators" (H.P. 1517) (L.D. 2021) (Presented by Representative RICHARD of Madison) (Cosponsored by Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc) (Submitted by the Department of Education pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act to Establish the Asthma Prevention and Control Program in the Department of Human Services, Bureau of Health" (H.P. 1495) (L.D. 1998) (Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester) (Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and Representatives: DAIGLE of Arundel, DUDLEY of Portland, JACOBS of Turner, KANE of Saco, MAYO of Bath, NORTON of Bangor, TWOMEY of Biddeford, Senator: CATHCART of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Human Services to Apply for a Federal Waiver to Provide Medicaid Benefits to Uninsured Residents with a Diagnosis of Cancer (H.P. 1497) (L.D. 2000) (Presented by Representative SHIELDS of Auburn) (Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and Representatives: LOVETT of Scarborough, NUTTING of Oakland, O'BRIEN of Augusta) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Resolve, to Address the Crisis of a Shortage in Direct-care Staff in the Long-term Care System (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1504) (L.D. 2007) (Presented by Representative KANE of Saco) (Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: DUDLEY of Portland, FULLER of Manchester, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, LOVETT of Scarborough, MAYO of Bath, NUTTING of Oakland) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Promote the Health of Maine Women and Girls" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1510) (L.D. 2013) (Presented by Representative COLWELL of Gardiner) (Cosponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Penobscot, Senator TREAT of Kennebec and Representatives: FULLER of Manchester, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, MAILHOT of Lewiston, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, McNEIL of Rockland, O'BRIEN of Augusta, SIMPSON of Auburn, Senator: MARTIN of Aroostook) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Transfer Responsibility for Determining Eligibility for the Elderly Low-cost Drug Program from the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to the Department of Human Services" (H.P. 1522) (L.D. 2026) (Presented by Representative O'BRIEN of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and Representatives: FULLER of Manchester, KANE of Saco) (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act Regarding Child Care Facility Laws" (H.P. 1523) (L.D. 2027) (Presented by Representative SIMPSON of Auburn) (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Public Health" (H.P. 1525) (L.D. 2029) (Presented by Representative KANE of Saco) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: COTE of Lewiston, FULLER of Manchester, MAILHOT of Lewiston, MATTHEWS of Winslow, Senator: MARTIN of Aroostook) (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Assist the Maine Lead Advisory Council in Testing High-risk Children for Lead Poisoning" (H.P. 1535) (L.D. 2038) (Presented by Representative MATTHEWS of Winslow) (Under suspension of the rules, cosponsored by Representative KANE of Saco, Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, COLWELL of Gardiner, COTE of Lewiston, CUMMINGS of Portland, DUDLEY of Portland, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, PATRICK of Rumford, SIMPSON of Auburn, TARAZEWICH of Waterboro) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

#### Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act to Change the Registration Requirement for Certain Motorboats Used in Maine Waters" (H.P. 1537) (L.D. 2040) (Presented by Representative BRUNO of Raymond) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

#### Judiciary

Bill "An Act Concerning Passamaquoddy Land in Grand Lake Stream Plantation" (H.P. 1491) (L.D. 1994) (Presented by Representative SOCTOMAH of the Passamaquoddy Tribe) (Cosponsored by Representatives: COTE of Lewiston, LORING of the Penobscot Nation, McKEE of Wayne, TWOMEY of Biddeford) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Background Checks on Prospective Adoptive Parents" (H.P. 1507) (L.D. 2010) (Presented by Representative TESSIER of Fairfield) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Make Certain Changes to the State's Child Support Enforcement Laws" (H.P. 1521) (L.D. 2025) (Presented by Representative NASS of Acton) (Cosponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset and Representative BERRY of Livermore, Senator: MARTIN of Aroostook) (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

#### Labor

Bill "An Act to Amend the Law Regarding Severance Pay" (H.P. 1498) (L.D. 2001) (Presented by Representative BOWLES of Sanford) (Cosponsored by Senator CARPENTER of York and Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, DAVIS of Falmouth, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, LABRECQUE of Gorham, MATTHEWS of Winslow, MAYO of Bath, PATRICK of Rumford, STANLEY of Medway) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Protect Retirement Income" (H.P. 1503) (L.D. 2006) (Presented by Representative COLWELL of Gardiner) (Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: COTE of Lewiston, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, McDONOUGH of Portland, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, NORBERT of Portland, SMITH of Van Buren, STEDMAN of Hartland, TARAZEWICH of Waterboro) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Provide Retirement Equity for Capital Security Officers" (H.P. 1524) (L.D. 2028) (Presented by Representative COLWELL of Gardiner) (Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, CARR of Lincoln, DAVIS of Falmouth, GERZOFISKY of Brunswick, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, MATTHEWS of Winslow, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)



Bill "An Act to Provide Fairness in State Bid Criteria" (H.P. 1531) (L.D. 2034) (Presented by Representative CARR of Lincoln) (Under suspension of the rules, cosponsored by President Pro Tem MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, COLWELL of Gardiner, GOODWIN of Pembroke, LaVERDIERE of Wilton, MAYO of Bath, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, STANLEY of Medway, TREADWELL of Carmel, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, KILKELLY of Lincoln) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

#### Legal and Veterans Affairs

Bill "An Act to Amend Certain Statutes Regarding Beano and Games of Chance" (H.P. 1512) (L.D. 2015) (Presented by Representative CHIZMAR of Lisbon) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Election Laws" (H.P. 1519) (L.D. 2023) (Presented by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford) (Cosponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin) (Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

#### Marine Resources

Bill "An Act to Establish Educational Requirements for Granting Noncommercial Lobster Licenses" (H.P. 1493) (L.D. 1996) (Presented by Representative ETNIER of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: DAVIS of Falmouth, DUNLAP of Old Town, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, MAYO of Bath, Senator: GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

#### Natural Resources

Bill "An Act to Phase Out the Availability of Mercury-added Products" (H.P. 1501) (L.D. 2004) (Presented by Representative COWGER of Hallowell) (Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, ESTES of Kittery, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, TWOMEY of Biddeford, Senator: TREAT of Kennebec) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Ensure the Public Benefits of Solid Waste Facilities" (H.P. 1502) (L.D. 2005) (Presented by Representative CUMMINGS of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DAVIS of Falmouth, DUNLAP of Old Town, McDONOUGH of Portland, NORBERT of Portland, NORTON of Bangor, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TOBIN of Dexter) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Stabilize Funding for the Air Quality Program within the Department of Environmental Protection" (H.P. 1511) (L.D. 2014) (Presented by Representative COWGER of Hallowell) (Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook) (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Facilitate Compliance with Spill Prevention Requirements and Authorize Reimbursement for Certain Oil Spill Remediation Expenses" (H.P. 1513) (L.D. 2016) (Presented by Representative CRABTREE of Hope) (Cosponsored by Senator YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot) (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Retroactive Effect of Changes Made to the Subdivision Laws" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1534) (L.D. 2037) (Presented by Representative SNOWE-MELLO of Poland) (Under suspension of the rules, cosponsored by Senator SAWYER of Penobscot and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, COLWELL of Gardiner, CUMMINGS of Portland, DAVIS of Falmouth, LESSARD of Topsham, MAYO of Bath, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, WESTON of Montville, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

#### State and Local Government

Bill "An Act Regarding Criminal History Record Checks" (H.P. 1486) (L.D. 1989) (Presented by Representative PEAVEY of Woolwich) (Cosponsored by Representative BERRY of Livermore) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Resolve, to Establish a Commission to Erect a Memorial in Capitol Park to the Victims and Heroes of the September 11, 2001 Tragedy (H.P. 1488) (L.D. 1991) (Presented by Representative ETNIER of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, DAVIS of Falmouth, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, MAYO of Bath, NORBERT of Portland, PERKINS of Penobscot, Speaker SAXL of Portland, Senator: DAGGETT of Kennebec) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Washington County Emergency Medical Services Authority" (H.P. 1490) (L.D. 1993) (Presented by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke) (Cosponsored by Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Create the Office of the Maine-Canada Envoy" (H.P. 1505) (L.D. 2008) (Presented by Representative STANLEY of Medway) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, CARR of Lincoln, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JONES of Greenville, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, TREADWELL of Carmel, Senator: President Pro Tem MICHAUD of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Restructure the Advisory Council on Tax-deferred Arrangements" (H.P. 1508) (L.D. 2011) (Presented by Representative COLWELL of Gardiner) (Cosponsored by President BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, MARLEY of Portland, McDONOUGH of Portland, NORBERT of Portland, NORTON of Bangor, Speaker SAXL of Portland, SIMPSON of Auburn, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)



Bill "An Act to Protect Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking" (H.P. 1515) (L.D. 2019) (Presented by Speaker SAXL of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator RAND of Cumberland and Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth Township, DORR of Camden, JACOBS of Turner, MADORE of Augusta, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, SIMPSON of Auburn, Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford) (Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Taxation

Bill "An Act to Expand the Maine Seed Capital Tax Credit Program" (H.P. 1509) (L.D. 2012) (Presented by Representative TESSIER of Fairfield) (Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, MURPHY of Berwick, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, STANLEY of Medway, Senators: GAGNON of Kennebec, MILLS of Somerset, SHOREY of Washington) (Submitted by the Finance Authority of Maine pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Transportation

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Concerning Specialty License Plates" (H.P. 1506) (L.D. 2009) (Presented by Representative McNEIL of Rockland) (Cosponsored by Senator O'GARA of Cumberland and Representatives: COLLINS of Wells, COLWELL of Gardiner, FISHER of Brewer, PARADIS of Frenchville, Speaker SAXL of Portland, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senators: DAGGETT of Kennebec, SAVAGE of Knox) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws" (H.P. 1485) (L.D. 2018) (Presented by Representative FISHER of Brewer) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act to Promote the Fiscal Sustainability of the Highway Fund" (H.P. 1516) (L.D. 2020) (Presented by Representative FISHER of Brewer) (Cosponsored by Senator GAGNON of Kennebec and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, McNEIL of Rockland, MURPHY of Berwick, Senators: KNEELAND of Aroostook, O'GARA of Cumberland, SAVAGE of Knox) (Submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Utilities and Energy

Resolve, Regarding Participation in Regional Transmission Organization (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1492) (L.D. 1995) (Presented by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, HALL of Bristol) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Prepare Residential Electricity Customers for Competitive Electricity Markets in Maine" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1500) (L.D. 2003) (Presented by Representative BLISS of South Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: COLWELL of Gardiner, DUNCAN of Presque Isle, GOODWIN of Pembroke, HALL of Bristol,

TARAZEWICH of Waterboro) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act to Improve the Safety Provided by the Underground Facilities Protection Law" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1520) (L.D. 2024) (Presented by Representative SAVAGE of Buxton) (Submitted by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Sincerely,

S/Millicent M. MacFarland  
Clerk of the House

S/Pamela L. Cahill  
Secretary of the Senate

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**, in concurrence.

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The Following Communication: H.P. 1423

**CITY OF PORTLAND  
389 CONGRESS STREET  
PORTLAND, MAINE 04101**

November 20, 2001

Honorable Millicent MacFarland, Clerk of the House  
Maine House of Representatives  
2 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Enclosed, please find a certified copy of a resolution regarding Universal Health Care passed by the Portland City Council at its meeting last evening.

The results of the vote on the Universal Health Care Advisory question from the City of Portland Municipal Election held on November 6, 2001 are as follows:

Yes 7,024

No 6,494

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

S/Linda C. Cohen  
City Clerk

Comes from the House, **READ** and with accompanying papers **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE**.

**READ** and with accompanying papers **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE**, in concurrence.

Sincerely,

S/John M. Nutting, Co-Chair      S/Rosita Gagne, Co-Chair

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The Following Communication:      S.C. 516

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE  
AUGUSTA, ME 04333  
COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE NEEDS OF PERSONS  
WITH MENTAL ILLNESS WHO ARE INCARCERATED**

December 19, 2001

The Honorable President Richard A. Bennett  
The Honorable Speaker Michael V. Saxl  
120<sup>th</sup> Maine Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Bennett and Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to H.P 1383, the Committee to Study the Needs of Persons with Mental Illness Who Are Incarcerated is pleased to submit its final report including recommended legislation. Copies of the report have been transmitted to the Legislative Council. Copies of the report have also been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library.

Sincerely,

S/Michael J. McAlevey,  
Senate Chair

S/Edward J. Povich,  
House Chair

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

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

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The Following Communication:      S.C. 518

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE  
AUGUSTA, ME 04333  
COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE BENEFITS AND COSTS FOR  
INCREASING ACCESS TO FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE**

December 31, 2001

The Honorable Richard A. Bennett, President  
Maine State Senate

The Honorable Michael V. Saxl, Speaker  
Maine House of Representatives  
State House  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Bennett and Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to Joint Order, House Paper 1386, the Committee to Study the Benefits and Costs for Increasing Access to Family and Medical Leave is pleased to submit its final report including recommended legislation. Copies of the report have been transmitted to the Legislative Council and the Joint Standing Committee on Labor. Copies of the report have also been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Betheda G. Edmonds,  
Senate Chair

S/Representative Gerald M. Davis,  
House Chair

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

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The Following Communication:      S.C. 517

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE  
AUGUSTA, ME 04333  
ROUND TABLE TO STUDY ECONOMIC AND LABOR  
ISSUES RELATING TO THE FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY**

December 28, 2001

The Honorable Richard A. Bennett, President  
The Honorable Michael V. Saxl, Speaker  
120<sup>th</sup> Maine Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Bennett and Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to Resolves, 1999, chapter 124, the Round Table to Study Economic and Labor Issues Relating to the Forest Products Industry is pleased to submit its final report. Copies of the report have been transmitted to the members of the Legislative Council. Copies of the report have also been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library.

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

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**SENATE PAPERS**

Bill "An Act to Authorize the Yarmouth School Department to use the Construction-Manager-at-Risk Method of Construction Delivery for Locally Funded School Projects" (EMERGENCY)  
S.P. 737 L.D. 2048

On motion by Senator **WOODCOCK** of Franklin, **ADJOURNED**, pursuant to the Joint Order, to Tuesday, January 8, 2002, at 10:00 in the morning.

Sponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative BUCK of Yarmouth.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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**Pursuant to Statutes  
Maine Turnpike Authority**

Senator SAVAGE for the **Maine Turnpike Authority** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 1961, subsection 6 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2003"

S.P. 736 L.D. 2047

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

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

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

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Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

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Off Record Remarks

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Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

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Off Record Remarks