

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
6th Legislative Day  
Tuesday, January 21, 2003

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Reverend Edward Hatch, Palermo Christian Church.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, Erik Steele, D.O., Bangor.

The Journal of Thursday, January 16, 2003 was read and approved.

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**SENATE PAPERS**

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$10,000,000 to Promote Affordable Housing"

(S.P. 25) (L.D. 39)

Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested and ordered printed.

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

On motion of Representative BRANNIGAN of Portland, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

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RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Protect the Commercial Fishing Industry

(S.P. 24) (L.D. 38)

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

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

On motion of Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

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**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication: (H.C. 17)

**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SPEAKER'S OFFICE  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

January 15, 2003

Honorable Millicent MacFarland

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Pursuant to my authority under PL 1993, c. 410, I am pleased to appoint the following Representatives to the Substance Abuse Services Commission:

Edward R. Dugay of Cherryfield

Margaret M. Craven of Lewiston

William M. Earle of Damariscotta

Anne C. Perry of Calais

Robert W. Nutting of Oakland

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

Sincerely,

S/Patrick Colwell

Speaker of the House

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: (H.C. 16)

**STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

January 15, 2003

Honorable Patrick Colwell

Maine House of Representatives

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Colwell,

Resolves 2001, Chapter 111, adopted by the Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature, instructed state agencies to submit to the Secretary of State a list of licenses, registrations, forms, and reports required by those agencies to operate a business or occupation in Maine. Pursuant to the same resolve, our Department has compiled a master list of licenses, registrations, forms and reports and is submitting this information to the First Regular Session of the 121st Legislature.

This report contains a copy of Resolves 2001, Chapter 111, a summary total of the listings provided by each agency, and a detailed listing of the applications, forms, reports, or licenses. The detailed list is sorted by department, responsible unit, and listing name.

Please feel welcome to contact me at 626-8400 with any questions regarding this report or any other matter for which I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

S/Dan A. Gwadosky

Secretary of State

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

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**PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE**

Bill "An Act to Further Define a Strain of Maine Standardbred Horses" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 94) (L.D. 85)

Sponsored by Representative McKENNEY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator MAYO of Sagadahoc and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, FLETCHER of Winslow, MOORE of Standish, MUSE of Fryeburg, TARDY of Newport, Senator: BRYANT of Oxford.

Bill "An Act to Require Joint Standing Committee Approval for Certain Purchases Proposed by the Land for Maine's Future Board"

(H.P. 101) (L.D. 92)

Sponsored by Representative SHERMAN of Hodgdon.

Cosponsored by Senator STANLEY of Penobscot and Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, CARR of Lincoln, DAVIS of Falmouth, DUPREY of Hampden, JOY of Crystal, McKENNEY of Cumberland, TOBIN of Dexter.

Bill "An Act To Limit the Use of State Funds To Purchase Land or Conservation Easements"

(H.P. 103) (L.D. 94)

Sponsored by Representative JOY of Crystal.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JACKSON of Fort Kent, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, Senator: STANLEY of Penobscot.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require the State To Hold Title to All Land and Easements Purchased with the Land for Maine's Future Fund"

(H.P. 135) (L.D. 176)

Sponsored by Representative CARR of Lincoln.  
Cosponsored by Senator WOODCOCK of Franklin and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, GREELEY of Levant, JOY of Crystal, PINEAU of Jay, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, KNEELAND of Aroostook, STANLEY of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Definition of Livestock"

(H.P. 140) (L.D. 181)

Sponsored by Representative TRAHAN of Waldoboro.  
Cosponsored by Senator HALL of Lincoln and Representatives: HONEY of Boothbay, JODREY of Bethel, NUTTING of Oakland, RECTOR of Thomaston, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, Senators: CARPENTER of York, SAVAGE of Knox.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Fund the Matching Requirement for Maine's Successful NASA EPSCoR Award"

(H.P. 126) (L.D. 167)

Sponsored by Representative FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.  
Cosponsored by Senator BROMLEY of Cumberland and Representatives: RICHARDSON of Brunswick, ROSEN of Bucksport, Senators: HALL of Lincoln, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, SAWYER of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Expand Funding and Services to Students of Limited Proficiency in English"

(H.P. 149) (L.D. 190)

Sponsored by Representative CUMMINGS of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, DUDLEY of Portland, MAKAS of Lewiston, PARADIS of Frenchville, PINGREE of North Haven, SUSLOVIC of Portland, WALCOTT of Lewiston.

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

(H.P. 152) (L.D. 193)

Sponsored by Representative LEDWIN of Holden.  
Cosponsored by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin and Representatives: ANDREWS of York, DAVIS of Falmouth, DUGAY of Cherryfield, NORBERT of Portland, O'BRIEN of Augusta, ROSEN of Bucksport, YOUNG of Limestone, Senator: TREAT of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Adult Education State Subsidy by a Specific Percentage"

(H.P. 153) (L.D. 194)

Sponsored by Representative CUMMINGS of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, CLARK of Millinocket, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, USHER of Westbrook.

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

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

Bill "An Act to Allow the Sale of Motorcycles on Sundays"

(H.P. 137) (L.D. 178)

Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of York.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Belmont, DAIGLE of Arundel, JOY of Crystal, LEWIN of Eliot, WHEELER of Kittery, Senator: LEMONT of York.

Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require Disclosure of Retail Prescription Drug Prices"

(H.P. 111) (L.D. 102)

Sponsored by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach.  
Cosponsored by Senator TREAT of Kennebec and Representatives: BRANNIGAN of Portland, KANE of Saco, PINGREE of North Haven, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, Senator: MAYO of Sagadahoc.

Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested.

On motion of Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Enable Low- income and Moderate-income Families to Conserve Energy in Their Homes"

(H.P. 123) (L.D. 115)

Sponsored by Representative BLISS of South Portland.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: BARSTOW of Gorham, CLARK of Millinocket, CUMMINGS of Portland, EDER of Portland, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, THOMPSON of China, Senators: HALL of Lincoln, STRIMLING of Cumberland.

Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested.

On motion of Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

Bill "An Act to Further the Productive Use of Land Held by the Department of Corrections"

(H.P. 114) (L.D. 105)

Sponsored by Representative USHER of Westbrook.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: ASH of Belfast, BLANCHETTE of Bangor, GERZOFKY of Brunswick, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, NORTON of Bangor, SMITH of Van Buren, TOBIN of Dexter.

Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Establish the Regional County Corrections Construction Authority"

(H.P. 112) (L.D. 103)

Sponsored by Representative SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

Cosponsored by Senator MAYO of Sagadahoc and Representatives: BLANCHETTE of Bangor, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, GERZOFKY of Brunswick, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, Senator: CARPENTER of York.

Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested.

On motion of Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Allow Volunteer Firefighters To Use Red Flashing Lights when Responding to a Fire"

(H.P. 120) (L.D. 111)

Sponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.

Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested.

On motion of Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Reimburse the State Poet Laureate and To Provide Access to the State Poet Laureate's Services"

(H.P. 93) (L.D. 84)

Sponsored by Representative COWGER of Hallowell.

Cosponsored by Senator TREAT of Kennebec and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, CUMMINGS of Portland, McKEE of Wayne, O'BRIEN of Augusta, PINGREE of North Haven.

Bill "An Act to Help Public Schools Promote Public Health and Address Childhood Obesity"

(H.P. 113) (L.D. 104)

Sponsored by Representative FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin and Representatives: ANDREWS of York, CUMMINGS of Portland, FISCHER of Presque Isle, LEDWIN of Holden, THOMAS of Orono, TRAHAN of Waldoboro, Senator: BRENNAN of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Ensure that Emergency Medical Help is Available to All School Children and Personnel"

(H.P. 136) (L.D. 177)

Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Belmont, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, LEWIN of Eliot, SHIELDS of Auburn, TOBIN of Dexter, Senator: LEMONT of York.

Bill "An Act to Eliminate Discrimination Against Parents Who Want to Send Their Children to Religious Private Schools"

(H.P. 141) (L.D. 182)

Sponsored by Representative GLYNN of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator NASS of York and Representatives: DAIGLE of Arundel, SHIELDS of Auburn.

Bill "An Act To Facilitate Summer Employment for Youths"

(H.P. 154) (L.D. 195)

Sponsored by Representative MCGOWAN of Pittsfield.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ASH of Belfast, BROWNE of Vassalboro, DUGAY of Cherryfield, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, PELLON of Machias, TARDY of Newport, TOBIN of Dexter.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Establish the Full Right of Petition and Redress in Local School Board Decisions"

(H.P. 162) (L.D. 203)

Sponsored by Representative GLYNN of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Representative: ANDREWS of York.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested.

On motion of Representative CUMMINGS of Portland, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Require that Pharmacy Benefit Plan Bids be Solicited from Nonprofit Pharmacy Benefit Managers"

(H.P. 97) (L.D. 88)

Sponsored by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach.

Cosponsored by Senator TREAT of Kennebec and Representatives: KANE of Saco, PINGREE of North Haven, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, Senator: MAYO of Sagadahoc.

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

(H.P. 98) (L.D. 89)

Sponsored by Representative SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CRESSEY of Baldwin, GLYNN of South Portland, HEIDRICH of Oxford, JOY of Crystal, TRAHAN of Waldoboro, VAUGHAN of Durham, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services To Establish a Registry for Direct Care Workers Working with Persons with Mental Retardation

(H.P. 104) (L.D. 95)

Sponsored by Representative DUDLEY of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: BRANNIGAN of Portland, DUGAY of Cherryfield, KANE of Saco, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, LERMAN of Augusta, O'BRIEN of Augusta, WOODBURY of Yarmouth, Senator: MAYO of Sagadahoc.

Resolve, Regarding the Regulation of Home Day Care and Summer Camps

(H.P. 105) (L.D. 96)

Sponsored by Representative SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CRESSEY of Baldwin, DAVIS of Falmouth, TRAHAN of Waldoboro.

Bill "An Act Requiring Public Disclosure of Prices Charged by Health Care Providers"

(H.P. 121) (L.D. 112)

Sponsored by Representative WOODBURY of Yarmouth.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CURLEY of Scarborough, KANE of Saco, Senators: BRENNAN of Cumberland, MAYO of Sagadahoc.

Bill "An Act to Ensure Parity Among Mental Health Professionals Under Medicaid"

(H.P. 134) (L.D. 175)

Sponsored by Representative PATRICK of Rumford.

Cosponsored by Senator BRYANT of Oxford and Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville, HATCH of Skowhegan, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, MARLEY of Portland, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, TWOMEY of Biddeford, WALCOTT of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act to Establish the Health Care Workforce Center"

(H.P. 160) (L.D. 201)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais.

Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: BLANCHETTE of Bangor, DUGAY of Cherryfield, GOODWIN of Pembroke, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, PELLON of Machias, SUSLOVIC of Portland.

Resolve, to Expand Community-based Options for Elderly and Disabled Persons

(H.P. 179) (L.D. 220)

Sponsored by Representative GERZOFKY of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: BLANCHETTE of Bangor, LESSARD of Topsham, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, PINEAU of Jay, RINES of Wiscasset, THOMAS of Orono, USHER of Westbrook, Senator: HALL of Lincoln.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Change the Child Protective Laws"

(H.P. 89) (L.D. 80)

Sponsored by Representative COURTNEY of Sanford.

Cosponsored by Senator NASS of York and Representatives: CAMPBELL of Newfield, CLOUGH of Scarborough, GERZOFKY of Brunswick, Senator: CARPENTER of York.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative KANE of Saco, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Protect Children from Cancer-causing Chemicals"

(H.P. 158) (L.D. 199)

Sponsored by Representative EDER of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representative: McKEE of Wayne, Senator: TREAT of Kennebec.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative KANE of Saco, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Empower Anglers in Fish Stocking Decisions"

(H.P. 91) (L.D. 82)

Sponsored by Representative HONEY of Boothbay.

Cosponsored by Senator BRYANT of Oxford and Representatives: DUNLAP of Old Town, TRAHAN of Waldoboro.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Personal Watercraft on Rocky Pond in Orland"

(H.P. 107) (L.D. 98)

Sponsored by Representative KAELIN of Winterport.

Cosponsored by Senator YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot and Representatives: CHURCHILL of Orland, HONEY of Boothbay, Senator: WESTON of Waldo.

Bill "An Act to Enhance Trail Revenue"

(H.P. 122) (L.D. 114)

Sponsored by Representative LUNDEEN of Mars Hill. (BY REQUEST)

Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: McGLOCKLIN of Embden, SAMPSON of Auburn, YOUNG of Limestone, Senator: KNEELAND of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act To Encourage Youth Hunters"

(H.P. 139) (L.D. 180)

Sponsored by Representative TRAHAN of Waldoboro.

Cosponsored by Senator HALL of Lincoln and Representatives: GERZOFKY of Brunswick, HONEY of Boothbay, JODREY of Bethel, NUTTING of Oakland, RECTOR of Thomaston, USHER of Westbrook, Senator: CARPENTER of York.

Bill "An Act to Allow Residents 70 Years of Age or Older to Hunt Any Deer"

(H.P. 144) (L.D. 185)

Sponsored by Representative PINEAU of Jay.

Cosponsored by Representative PERRY of Bangor, Senator BRYANT of Oxford and Representatives: DUNLAP of Old Town, JENNINGS of Leeds, McGOWAN of Pittsfield, SAVIELLO of Wilton.

Bill "An Act Requiring Reflective Registration Numbers on Snowmobiles"

(H.P. 155) (L.D. 196)

Sponsored by Representative HATCH of Skowhegan.

Cosponsored by Senator STANLEY of Penobscot and Representatives: HUTTON of Bowdoinham, JENNINGS of Leeds, McGOWAN of Pittsfield, PINEAU of Jay, Senator: HATCH of Somerset.

Bill "An Act Concerning Public Access to Fish, Game and Wildlife Resources"

(H.P. 176) (L.D. 217)

Sponsored by Representative DUNLAP of Old Town.

Cosponsored by Representative: PINEAU of Jay, Senator: STANLEY of Penobscot.

Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Provide for the Passage of Anadromous Fish Species into the Little River"

(H.P. 132) (L.D. 173)

Sponsored by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach.

Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested.

On motion of Representative PINEAU of Jay, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

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Bill "An Act to Require the Superintendent of Financial Institutions to Adopt Rules Regarding a Conversion of a Field of Membership by a Credit Union"

(H.P. 130) (L.D. 171)

Sponsored by Representative DUPLESSIE of Westbrook.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, O'NEIL of Saco, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, THOMPSON of China, Senator: BRYANT of Oxford.

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Bill "An Act To Assist Maine's Infertile Citizens"

(H.P. 172) (L.D. 213)

Sponsored by Representative MARRACHÉ of Waterville.  
Cosponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin and Representatives: DUDLEY of Portland, GAGNE-FRIEL of Buckfield, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, LORING of the Penobscot Nation, McKEE of Wayne, PINGREE of North Haven, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, SMITH of Van Buren.

Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Regarding the Duties of a Personal Representative"

(H.P. 102) (L.D. 93)

Sponsored by Representative FLETCHER of Winslow.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Belmont, CANAVAN of Waterville, DUPREY of Hampden, SHERMAN of Hodgdon.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Probate Code Regarding the Fee for a Copy of a Will Provided to a Beneficiary"

(H.P. 125) (L.D. 166)

Sponsored by Representative SIMPSON of Auburn.  
Cosponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin and Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, BULL of Freeport, GERZOFISKY of Brunswick, NORBERT of Portland.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Expand Unemployment Benefits"

(H.P. 92) (L.D. 83)

Sponsored by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.  
Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland, Senator STANLEY of Penobscot and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, DUPREY of Medway, GOODWIN of Pembroke, SMITH of Van Buren, USHER of Westbrook, WATSON of Bath, Senators: BRYANT of Oxford, HATCH of Somerset.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992 as it Relates to Compensation for Amputation of a Body Part"

(H.P. 110) (L.D. 101)

Sponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.

Bill "An Act To Improve the Health and Safety of Young Workers"

(H.P. 129) (L.D. 170)

Sponsored by Representative DUPLESSIE of Westbrook.  
Cosponsored by Senator BRYANT of Oxford and Representatives: DUPREY of Medway, GROSE of Woolwich, HATCH of Skowhegan, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, PATRICK of Rumford, SMITH of Van Buren, Senator: MARTIN of Aroostook.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Change the Personnel Employed by the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices"

(H.P. 106) (L.D. 97)

Sponsored by Representative CANAVAN of Waterville.  
Cosponsored by Senator GAGNON of Kennebec and Representatives: BLANCHETTE of Bangor, GAGNE-FRIEL of Buckfield, LANDRY of Sanford, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, PATRICK of Rumford, Senator: LEMONT of York.

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Presidential Preference Primary Elections Process" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 109) (L.D. 100)

Sponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Sale of Liquor by Retail Licensees for Less than the Actual Price Paid"

(H.P. 145) (L.D. 186)

Sponsored by Representative HEIDRICH of Oxford.  
Cosponsored by Senator KNEELAND of Aroostook and Representatives: McKENNEY of Cumberland, ROSEN of Bucksport.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Revoke the Voting Privileges of Convicted Persons in Prison

(H.P. 159) (L.D. 200)

Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of York.  
Cosponsored by Representative SHIELDS of Auburn and Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, CARR of Lincoln, HEIDRICH of Oxford, JOY of Crystal, LEWIN of Eliot, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TOBIN of Dexter, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis.

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Bill "An Act to Establish Instant Run-off Voting"

(H.P. 171) (L.D. 212)

Sponsored by Representative BULL of Freeport.  
Cosponsored by Representative SIMPSON of Auburn, President DAGGETT of Kennebec and Representatives: DUDLEY of Portland, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, McKEE of Wayne, O'NEIL of Saco, PINGREE of North Haven, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, TWOMEY of Biddeford, Senator: STRIMLING of Cumberland.

Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Minimum Ring Size of Legal Scallops"

(H.P. 90) (L.D. 81)

Sponsored by Representative HONEY of Boothbay.  
Cosponsored by Senator LEMONT of York and Representatives: KAELIN of Winterport, MUSE of Fryeburg.

Bill "An Act Regarding Alewife Harvesting"

(H.P. 115) (L.D. 106)

Sponsored by Representative TARDY of Newport.  
Cosponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Penobscot and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, DUNLAP of Old Town, FLETCHER of Winslow, McGOWAN of Pittsfield, USHER of Westbrook, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, WESTON of Waldo.

Bill "An Act to Waive the Apprenticeship Requirement for a Lobster and Crab Fishing License"

(H.P. 128) (L.D. 169)

Sponsored by Representative BOWLES of Sanford.  
Cosponsored by Senator NASS of York and Representatives: COLLINS of Wells, GOODWIN of Pembroke, KAELIN of Winterport, ROSEN of Bucksport, SULLIVAN of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act to Limit Lobster Management Zones to State Coastal Waters"

(H.P. 166) (L.D. 207)

Sponsored by Representative PERCY of Phippsburg.  
Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Amend the Waste Management Laws Regarding the Spreading of Sludge on Land"

(H.P. 147) (L.D. 188)

Sponsored by Representative RINES of Wiscasset.  
Cosponsored by Senator HALL of Lincoln and Representatives: BLANCHETTE of Bangor, FISCHER of Presque Isle, MARLEY of Portland.

Resolve, to Direct the Department of Environmental Protection to Create Statewide Standards for Incinerators

(H.P. 174) (L.D. 215)

Sponsored by Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford.  
Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: BREAUULT of Buxton, EDER of Portland, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, Senators: HALL of Lincoln, MAYO of Sagadahoc, SAWYER of Penobscot.

Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Amend the Charter of the Eastport Port Authority"

(H.P. 95) (L.D. 86)

Sponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.

Resolve, to Create the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife

(H.P. 100) (L.D. 91)

Sponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.

Bill "An Act to Clarify Rights of Retainage in Public Construction Contracts"

(H.P. 119) (L.D. 110)

Sponsored by Representative MILLS of Cornville.

Bill "An Act to Reduce Legislative Salaries and Allowances"

(H.P. 169) (L.D. 210)

Sponsored by Representative RICHARDSON of Skowhegan.  
Cosponsored by Representative: SYKES of Harrison.

Bill "An Act To Modify the County Budget Procedures for Sagadahoc County"

(H.P. 170) (L.D. 211)

Sponsored by Representative LESSARD of Topsham.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: EARLE of Damariscotta, GERZOFKY of Brunswick, GROSE of Woolwich, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, PINEAU of Jay, WATSON of Bath, Senators: BRYANT of Oxford, TREAT of Kennebec.

Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Allow a Municipality To Donate Abandoned Bicycles to a Charitable Organization"

(H.P. 127) (L.D. 168)

Sponsored by Representative FISCHER of Presque Isle.  
Cosponsored by Senator KNEELAND of Aroostook and Representative: BROWN of South Berwick, Senator: STANLEY of Penobscot.

Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested.

On motion of Representative McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Streamline Utility Consumer Advocacy"

(H.P. 173) (L.D. 214)

Sponsored by Representative GLYNN of South Portland.

Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested.

On motion of Representative McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Repeal the Tax Incentive for Certain Shipbuilding Facilities"

(H.P. 108) (L.D. 99)

Sponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.



RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Allow Municipalities to Limit Property Taxes for Elderly Residents

(H.P. 116) (L.D. 107)

Sponsored by Representative USHER of Westbrook.

Cosponsored by Representative GLYNN of South Portland and Representatives: GERZOFKY of Brunswick, McCORMICK of West Gardiner, MOODY of Manchester, Senator: HATCH of Somerset.

Bill "An Act to Exempt from Tax State-mandated Fish Passage Facilities"

(H.P. 118) (L.D. 109)

Sponsored by Representative TARDY of Newport.

Cosponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Penobscot and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, DUNLAP of Old Town, FLETCHER of Winslow, GREELEY of Levant, McGOWAN of Pittsfield, USHER of Westbrook, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, WESTON of Waldo.

Bill "An Act to Restructure the Maine Income Tax Law"

(H.P. 133) (L.D. 174)

Sponsored by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach.

Bill "An Act to Restructure the Tax System and Make the Restructured System Subject to Referendum"

(H.P. 138) (L.D. 179)

Sponsored by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach.

Cosponsored by Senator STANLEY of Penobscot and Representative: CLOUGH of Scarborough, Senator: NASS of York.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Ability of the Maine Forest Service and Tax Assessors to View Private Landowners' Forest Management Plans"

(H.P. 143) (L.D. 184)

Sponsored by Representative JODREY of Bethel.

Cosponsored by Senator KNEELAND of Aroostook and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, McKEE of Wayne, PINEAU of Jay, TRAHAN of Waldoboro, Senator: BRYANT of Oxford.

Bill "An Act To Fairly Assess Sales Tax on Vehicles"

(H.P. 146) (L.D. 187)

Sponsored by Representative TOBIN of Dexter.

Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, CLOUGH of Scarborough, DUNLAP of Old Town, TARDY of Newport, Senators: SAVAGE of Knox, STANLEY of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Definition of 'Commercial Agricultural Production'"

(H.P. 150) (L.D. 191)

Sponsored by Representative TRAHAN of Waldoboro.

Cosponsored by Senator HALL of Lincoln and Representatives: CLOUGH of Scarborough, DUNLAP of Old Town, HEIDRICH of Oxford, ROGERS of Brewer, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, Senator: CARPENTER of York.

Bill "An Act to Fund the Fund for a Healthy Maine From an Increase in Liquor Taxes"

(H.P. 157) (L.D. 198)

Sponsored by Representative SUSLOVIC of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland and Representatives: CUMMINGS of Portland, DUDLEY of Portland, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, MARLEY of Portland, MILLS of Cornville, PERRY of Calais, SIMPSON of Auburn.

Bill "An Act To Make Certain Housing an Acceptable Use of Tax Increment Financing"

(H.P. 161) (L.D. 202)

Sponsored by Representative SUSLOVIC of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland and Representatives: DUDLEY of Portland, EDER of Portland, LERMAN of Augusta, PINGREE of North Haven, ROGERS of Brewer, TRAHAN of Waldoboro, Senator: BROMLEY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Require That the Excise Tax on Vehicles Be Based on the Purchase Price"

(H.P. 163) (L.D. 204)

Sponsored by Representative GLYNN of South Portland.

Bill "An Act to Expand the Maine Residents Property Tax Program"

(H.P. 165) (L.D. 206)

Sponsored by Representative MILLS of Cornville.

Cosponsored by Representative: EDER of Portland.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Related to the Taxation of Personal Property

(H.P. 167) (L.D. 208)

Sponsored by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Tax on All Tobacco Products"

(H.P. 168) (L.D. 209)

Sponsored by Representative SUSLOVIC of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland and Representatives: CUMMINGS of Portland, DUDLEY of Portland, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, PERRY of Calais, PINGREE of North Haven, SIMPSON of Auburn.

Bill "An Act to Provide an Income Tax Deduction for a Qualified State-sponsored 529 Plan for Higher Education Expenses"

(H.P. 175) (L.D. 216)

Sponsored by Representative CLOUGH of Scarborough.

Cosponsored by Senator STANLEY of Penobscot and Representatives: ANDREWS of York, CARR of Lincoln, LEDWIN of Holden, McKENNEY of Cumberland, NUTTING of Oakland, O'BRIEN of Augusta, TARDY of Newport, Senator: WESTON of Waldo.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Stabilize Real Estate Valuation and Protect Ancestral Homes

(H.P. 177) (L.D. 218)

Sponsored by Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford.

Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, BREault of Buxton, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, McNEIL of Rockland, Senators: GAGNON of Kennebec, HALL of Lincoln, PENDLETON of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Expand the Maine Residents Property Tax Program, the so-called 'Circuit Breaker Program'"

(H.P. 178) (L.D. 219)

Sponsored by Representative EDER of Portland.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

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RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Allow Transportation Revenues to Fund a Flexible and Modern Transportation Policy

(H.P. 117) (L.D. 108)

Sponsored by Representative FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Senator HATCH of Somerset and Representatives: MARLEY of Portland, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, PARADIS of Frenchville, SUSLOVIC of Portland, USHER of Westbrook, Senators: DAMON of Hancock, SAVAGE of Knox.

Bill "An Act to Transfer State Ownership of Certain Railroad Rights-of-way and Create the Calais to Eastport Rail Authority"

(H.P. 124) (L.D. 113)

Sponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth Township, DUGAY of Cherryfield, MOORE of the Passamaquoddy Tribe.

Bill "An Act To Improve Safety on the Maine Turnpike"

(H.P. 131) (L.D. 172)

Sponsored by Representative GAGNE-FRIEL of Buckfield.

Cosponsored by Senator BRYANT of Oxford and Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville, EARLE of Damariscotta, HOTHAM of Dixfield, LESSARD of Topsham.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Governing the Use of Seat Belts"

(H.P. 148) (L.D. 189)

Sponsored by Representative McNEIL of Rockland.

Cosponsored by Representative PARADIS of Frenchville and Representatives: BULL of Freeport, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, MARLEY of Portland, MARRACHÉ of Waterville, TRAHAN of Waldoboro, Senators: HATCH of Somerset, MARTIN of Aroostook, SAVAGE of Knox.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Use of a Handheld Cellular Telephone While Driving"

(H.P. 151) (L.D. 192)

Sponsored by Representative EDER of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: PARADIS of Frenchville, SIMPSON of Auburn and Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, HATCH of Skowhegan, PINGREE of North Haven, PIOTTI of Unity, Senators: HATCH of Somerset, MAYO of Sagadahoc.

Bill "An Act to Require Flashing Lights for Private Snow Plows"

(H.P. 156) (L.D. 197)

Sponsored by Representative BENNETT of Caribou.

Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and Representatives: CHURCHILL of Washburn, JACKSON of Fort Kent, PARADIS of Frenchville, SMITH of Van Buren, USHER of

Westbrook, WOTTON of Littleton, YOUNG of Limestone, Senator: KNEELAND of Aroostook.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Permit Funding of Public Transportation from Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Fuel Revenues

(H.P. 164) (L.D. 205)

Sponsored by Representative MILLS of Cornville.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Method of Establishing Evidence of Insurance"

(H.P. 180) (L.D. 221)

Sponsored by Representative GERZOFKY of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: ASH of Belfast, McGLOCKLIN of Embden, PERRY of Bangor, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, RINES of Wiscasset, TRAHAN of Waldoboro, USHER of Westbrook, VAUGHAN of Durham.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Ensure That all State Residential and Commercial Customers are Able to Purchase Electricity Through the Competitive Market"

(H.P. 96) (L.D. 87)

Sponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.

Bill "An Act to Create Broadband Internet Access in Rural Areas of the State"

(H.P. 99) (L.D. 90)

Sponsored by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Lower Electricity Costs in Maine"

(H.P. 142) (L.D. 183)

Sponsored by Representative GLYNN of South Portland.

Bill "An Act Providing for Regulation of the Cable Television Industry by the Public Utilities Commission"

(H.P. 181) (L.D. 222)

Sponsored by Representative GERZOFKY of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: BARSTOW of Gorham, BLANCHETTE of Bangor, LESSARD of Topsham, MARLEY of Portland, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, PINEAU of Jay, RINES of Wiscasset, USHER of Westbrook.

Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

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#### Pursuant to Statute

#### Criminal Law Advisory Commission

Representative BUNKER for the **Criminal Law Advisory Commission** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, section 1354, subsection 2 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Juvenile Code as Recommended by the Criminal Law Advisory Commission"

(H.P. 182) (L.D. 223)

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

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

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**Pursuant to Statute  
Criminal Law Advisory Commission**

Representative BUNKER for the **Criminal Law Advisory Commission** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, section 1354, subsection 2 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Bail Code as Recommended by the Criminal Law Advisory Commission"

(H.P. 183) (L.D. 224)

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

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

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By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

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**ORDERS**

On motion of Representative BRUNO of Raymond, the following House Order: (H.O. 13)

ORDERED, that House Rule 525 be amended to read:

**Rule 525. Penobscot Nation and Passamaquoddy Tribe.** The member of the Penobscot Nation and the member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe elected to represent their people at the biennial session of the Legislature must be granted seats on the floor of the House of Representatives; be granted, by consent of the Speaker, the privilege of speaking on pending legislation; must be appointed to sit with joint standing committees as nonvoting members during the committees' deliberations; and be granted such other rights and privileges as may from time to time be voted by the House of Representatives. In reports from committees on which a tribal member serves, the position of the member must be noted and included.

**READ.**

This being an amendment to the House Rules, according to House Rule 524 a two-thirds vote of the members present being necessary, a total was taken. 127 having voted in the affirmative and 1 in the negative, 127 being more than two-thirds of the membership present, the House Order was **PASSED**.

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**SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR**

In accordance with House Rule 519 and Joint Rule 213, the following items:

**Recognizing:**

J. Michael Willelm, of Portland, Superintendent of School Administrative District 75, who has been named Superintendent of the Year by the Maine School Superintendents Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Wilhelm on this accomplishment;

(HLS 6)

Presented by Representative LESSARD of Topsham.

Cosponsored by Representative PERCY of Phippsburg, Representative HUTTON of Bowdoinham, Senator MAYO of Sagadahoc, Representative DUDLEY of Portland, Representative EDER of Portland, Representative SUSLOVIC of Portland, Representative ADAMS of Portland, Representative NORBERT of Portland, Representative BRANNIGAN of Portland, Representative MARLEY of Portland, Representative CUMMINGS of Portland, Senator BRENNAN of Cumberland, Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative LESSARD of Topsham, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

**READ.**

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Topsham, Representative Lessard.

Representative **LESSARD**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Earlier in November, J. Michael Willelm, was chosen as Superintendent of the Year by the Maine School Superintendents Association. A committee composed of former school superintendents, former superintendents of the year and representatives of different regions of the state made the selection from a group of 12 nominees. Mike has served as SAD 75's superintendent for the past 10 years. He will be recognized for the state honor this February at the American Association of School Administrators national conference in New Orleans, Louisiana.

As a result of the state honor, Mike will be considered as a candidate for the national competition along with the winners from the 49 other states. Among the reasons that Mike is deserving of the reward was his work to help the district implement Maine Learning Results, a state initiative designed to ensure that every student who graduates from Maine high schools will be proficient in key subject areas and reach his or her full learning potential, his praise for having a good working relationship with the SAD Board of Directors.

Mike is also credited for leading the effort to ask the US Navy to donate some of its property in Topsham to build a middle school. The effort succeeded in creating room for a new middle school and a district office at the site of a former Navy building. The parcel of land encompassed 42 acres. Thanks to the cost savings generated by the land donation, SAD 75 was able to save state and local taxpayers money and pay for additional features of the property. Today MSAD 75 has a large campus comprised of the new Mt. Ararat Middle School, featuring the largest performing arts center in the region, Mt. Ararat High School, four new playing fields, five new tennis courts and the district's administrative offices.

Before becoming Superintendent Mike served as Assistant Superintendent in SAD 75. He also worked as principal of Freeport High School and Buckfield High School. Congratulations Mike for a job well done.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Bowdoinham, Representative Hutton.

Representative **HUTTON**: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. Superintendent of the Year, Mike Willelm, certainly deserves the honor. During Mike's tenure as Superintendent of SAD 75, our district has undergone tremendous changes. I think the biggest of which is that two new schools have been built. We have an incredible new middle school with a super theatre in it and on land that was donated by the Navy thanks to Mike's efforts.

Mike Willelm, along with the residents of Bowdoin, fought long and hard to get our children out of the numerous portable classrooms and into a beautiful new school that wasn't surrounded by a swamp.

Since I have two children in SAD 75, my appreciation of Mike is more on a personal level. He always seem to have the time to listen to parents and teachers, even if he disagrees with the issue. I certainly remember the time and thank him for his dignity and quiet consideration of our issue when 10 parents descended on him and basically told him that we wanted something. He took it with a grain of salt, I know, but he was very effective in the long run. I appreciate that on a personal level. Even before I was elected he took all my phone calls, which is a plus in my mind.

I have also had the privilege of working in the Bowdoinham schools and noticed that Mike has weekly visits to the school and he keeps close watch on all eight schools that we have in the district. It is quite a large district. My appreciation has grown over the past two years as I have watched Mike speak out for our district at a state level, lobbying for the issues that affect not only our children in the district, but also all the children of Maine.

Thank you, Mike, for all your hard work and your dedication to our children. You certainly deserve the recognition as Superintendent of the Year. Congratulations and good luck on a national level.

Subsequently, **PASSED** and sent for concurrence.

#### In Memory of:

the Honorable Howard A. Chick, of Lebanon, who faithfully served the citizens of his community in the Maine House of Representatives for 4 terms. His expertise and interest as a farmer, hunter, fisherman and registered Maine Guide made him an invaluable asset to the Legislature and a valued and vital member of the House Standing Committee on Ethics and the Joint Standing Committees on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and Marine Resources. Mr. Chick was active in numerous organizations, including the Springvale Fish and Game Club, the Lebanon Board of Selectmen, the Lebanon School Committee and the MSAD 60 School Board. He was a past president of Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs and the Director of the York County Agricultural Association, which operates the Acton Fair. Mr. Chick and his beloved wife, the late Muriel Chick, had 5 children, 8 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandson. Mr. Chick will be greatly missed by his loving family and his many friends;

(HLS 43)

Presented by Speaker COLWELL of Gardiner.

Cosponsored by Representative COURTNEY of Sanford, Senator NASS of York, Representative ADAMS of Portland, Representative ANDREWS of York, Representative ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, Representative ASH of Belfast, Representative AUSTIN of Gray, Representative BARSTOW of Gorham, Representative BENNETT of Caribou, Representative BERRY of Belmont, Representative BERUBE of Lisbon, Representative BIERMAN of Sorrento, Representative BLANCHETTE of Bangor, Representative BLISS of South Portland, Representative BOWEN of Rockport, Representative BOWLES of Sanford, Representative BRANNIGAN of Portland, Representative BREault of Buxton, Representative BROWN of South Berwick, Representative BROWNE of Vassalboro, Representative BRUNO of Raymond, Representative BRYANT-DESCHENES of Turner, Representative BULL of Freeport, Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township, Representative CAMPBELL of Newfield, Representative CANAVAN of Waterville, Representative CARR of Lincoln, Representative CHURCHILL of Orland, Representative CHURCHILL of Washburn, Representative CLARK of Millinocket, Representative CLOUGH of Scarborough, Representative COLLINS of Wells,

Representative COWGER of Hallowell, Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston, Representative CRESSEY of Baldwin, Representative CROSTHWAITE of Ellsworth, Representative CUMMINGS of Portland, Representative CURLEY of Scarborough, Representative DAIGLE of Arundel, Representative DAVIS of Falmouth, Representative DUDLEY of Portland, Representative DUGAY of Cherryfield, Representative DUNLAP of Old Town, Representative DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, Representative DUPREY of Hampden, Representative DUPREY of Medway, Representative EARLE of Damariscotta, Representative EDER of Portland, Representative FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, Representative FINCH of Fairfield, Representative FISCHER of Presque Isle, Representative FLETCHER of Winslow, Representative GAGNE-FRIEL of Buckfield, Representative GERZOFKY of Brunswick, Representative GLYNN of South Portland, Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke, Representative GREELEY of Levant, Representative GROSE of Woolwich, Representative HATCH of Skowhegan, Representative HEIDRICH of Oxford, Representative HONEY of Boothbay, Representative HOTHAM of Dixfield, Representative HUTTON of Bowdoinham, Representative JACKSON of Fort Kent, Representative JACOBSEN of Waterboro, Representative JENNINGS of Leeds, Representative JODREY of Bethel, Representative JOY of Crystal, Representative KAELIN of Winterport, Representative KANE of Saco, Representative KETTERER of Madison, Representative KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, Representative LANDRY of Sanford, Representative LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, Representative LEDWIN of Holden, Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, Representative LERMAN of Augusta, Representative LESSARD of Topsham, Representative LEWIN of Eliot, Representative LORING of the Penobscot Nation, Representative LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, Representative MAIETTA of South Portland, Representative MAILHOT of Lewiston, Representative MAKAS of Lewiston, Representative MARLEY of Portland, Representative MARRACHÉ of Waterville, Representative McCORMICK of West Gardiner, Representative McGLOCKLIN of Embden, Representative McGOWAN of Pittsfield, Representative MCKEE of Wayne, Representative MCKENNEY of Cumberland, Representative McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, Representative McNEIL of Rockland, Representative MILLETT of Waterford, Representative MILLS of Farmington, Representative MILLS of Cornville, Representative MOODY of Manchester, Representative MOORE of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, Representative MOORE of Standish, Representative MURPHY of Kennebunk, Representative MUSE of Fryeburg, Representative NORBERT of Portland, Representative NORTON of Bangor, Representative NUTTING of Oakland, Representative O'BRIEN of Augusta, Representative O'BRIEN of Lewiston, Representative O'NEIL of Saco, Representative PARADIS of Frenchville, Representative PATRICK of Rumford, Representative PEAVEY-HASKELL of Greenbush, Representative PELLON of Machias, Representative PERCY of Phippsburg, Representative PERRY of Calais, Representative PERRY of Bangor, Representative PINEAU of Jay, Representative PINGREE of North Haven, Representative PIOTTI of Unity, Representative RECTOR of Thomaston, Representative RICHARDSON of Greenville, Representative RICHARDSON of Brunswick, Representative RICHARDSON of Skowhegan, Representative RINES of Wiscasset, Representative ROGERS of Brewer, Representative ROSEN of Bucksport, Representative SAMPSON of Auburn, Representative SAVIELLO of Wilton, Representative SHERMAN of Hodgdon, Representative SHIELDS of Auburn, Representative SIMPSON of Auburn, Representative SMITH of Monmouth, Representative

SMITH of Van Buren, Representative SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, Representative STONE of Berwick, Representative SUKEFORTH of Union, Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford, Representative SUSLOVIC of Portland, Representative SYKES of Harrison, Representative TARDY of Newport, Representative THOMAS of Orono, Representative THOMPSON of China, Representative TOBIN of Windham, Representative TOBIN of Dexter, Representative TRAHAN of Waldoboro, Representative TREADWELL of Carmel, Representative TWOMEY of Biddeford, Representative USHER of Westbrook, Representative VAUGHAN of Durham, Representative WALCOTT of Lewiston, Representative WATSON of Bath, Representative WHEELER of Kittery, Representative WOODBURY of Yarmouth, Representative WOTTON of Littleton, Representative YOUNG of Limestone, Senator BENNETT of Oxford, Senator BLAIS of Kennebec, Senator BRENNAN of Cumberland, Senator BROMLEY of Cumberland, Senator BRYANT of Oxford, Senator CARPENTER of York, Senator CATHCART of Penobscot, President DAGGETT of Kennebec, Senator DAMON of Hancock, Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis, Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland, Senator GAGNON of Kennebec, Senator GILMAN of Cumberland, Senator HALL of Lincoln, Senator HATCH of Somerset, Senator KNEELAND of Aroostook, Senator LaFOUNTAIN of York, Senator LEMONT of York, Senator MARTIN of Aroostook, Senator MAYO of Sagadahoc, Senator MITCHELL of Penobscot, Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland, Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, Senator SAVAGE of Knox, Senator SAWYER of Penobscot, Senator SHOREY of Washington, Senator STANLEY of Penobscot, Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland, Senator TREAT of Kennebec, Senator TURNER of Cumberland, Senator WESTON of Waldo, Senator WOODCOCK of Franklin, Senator YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative COLWELL of Gardiner, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

**READ.**

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Brunswick, Representative Richardson.

Representative **RICHARDSON**: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I have heard in this special Sentiment the words, faithful, experienced, invaluable asset, a vital member of this body. We all knew Howard to be much more than that. Yes, he was a member of IF & W, Marine Resources, Agriculture and other committees in his four terms. He was also a legend in his community, a member of the select board, a member of the school board and past president of the Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs. I know, like you, I received my invitation many times by receiving a card from Howard that invited me to the fairs as a member of this institution. I always went up to thank him. He indicated to me that it was the least that he could do for a member of this institution, by providing them with a free pass to the agricultural fairs. He also indicated how better to keep that historic value alive is to provide you the opportunity to take your children to a fair.

Howard also was a farmer and his first question many times in committee was, will this hurt the farmer. He used the balancing test that is sometimes forgotten in this institution in terms of how we often look at things. Howard was very good at looking at things. Howard was basically a person who was well grounded in the soil, came from the agricultural community, but he never forgot the struggles that people have in trying desperately to raise a family or to build a business. Even though he was secure in the way he operated in his life, he never forgot those who were less fortunate or needed some special aid or assistance.

I remember his stance on the gay rights debate and how impressed I was with respect to how he felt about that particular issue. As we all know, Howard was a registered Republican, but I often felt that Howard had no allegiance to any party. His first allegiance was to the people he served in his community. I thought about that for a long time and understood that he knew and understood that it was the people who came first. We all remember Howard as a big tall man, but he was a gentle man. He had a gentle quality that surrounded him. He spoke rarely, but when he did, no one left the room and everyone listened to what he had to say and everyone factored in what it was that he said before making a final decision.

Upon his death, this body lost a voice, a voice that is vanishing to some degree as a main way of life. Howard was grounded, as I said, in the soil. We will miss him, a member of this body. We say to his family, we miss Howard here, but you are and he is a part of our family here in the institution. God bless you Howard. Thank you for all of your service to this institution.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Sanford, Representative Courtney.

Representative **COURTNEY**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I am Howard's successor. Following Howard is quite a task. I would like to extend a special thanks to those of you who were able to attend the wake and the funeral. It meant an awful lot to the family. Special thanks to the Governor who took time out of his very busy schedule to come to a little church in our district on the Little River Road.

About a year or so ago I met with Howard and I realized that his time in the Legislature was coming to an end. I told him I was going to run for his seat. Howard didn't say much. He really kind of interrogated me a little bit with why do you want to run? What do you want to do? As Howard does, he would sit back and listen and then he would give you lots of advise. He certainly did. The one thing that I shared yesterday at the funeral and I would like to share with all of you today, Howard told me, "Remember when you are up there, remember the poor, those who can't take care of themselves and take care of one another." I think if we can carry that forward, I think we will do the State of Maine a good service. We will honor the institution that Howard so deeply revered. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Falmouth, Representative Davis.

Representative **DAVIS**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. In the 119th Legislature I sat up back here and Howard sat in front of me. I got to know him very well. We went out to dinner many times and supper many times. We shared baseball stories and his life in the shipyard. I heard from others that knew him when he was younger that this was a very powerful, physical man, but always a gentleman. He was a very gallant person. I think we will miss him. He was very concerned with the working people and I think Howard had a certain dignity to him, which we could all emulate. Thank you very much.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Sanford, Representative Bowles.

Representative **BOWLES**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. As has been indicated, Howard Chick was a large man. He was strong, strapping, physically imposing. As a young man, he was an outstanding athlete. As a middle age man, he devoted his talents to coaching young people, teaching them the skills that he had learned as a young person. He had a large heart that befits a large man. His heart was devoted to his family and to his friends and to the Maine Legislature and the people of Maine. He loved his family, his late wife, Muriel, his son, Howard, Jr., who predeceased him, his four

lovely daughters, Nancy, Sheila, Elaine and Adell, who worshipped their father and respected him for the good man that he was.

Howard was here for the right reasons. He came here to represent you and me and the common citizens of Maine, the small businessman, the farmer, the working man, the good people who make up this state. We hear a lot about legacy, Howard Chick, leaves a legacy. That legacy comes from within the hearts of those who knew him, his family and his friends. We will all miss Howard Chick.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Biddeford, Representative Sullivan.

Representative SULLIVAN: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I was shocked on Thursday when we heard of Representative Chick's death. I did not change my plans for the weekend. I was going to see my son who has settled in Washington DC. I believe he would forgive me for that, because his love of family and his love of his God made this man. He taught me much last session on Marine Resources. I have been blessed in both of my years to serve next to Senator Joel Abramson and Representative Howard Chick. If there was a reason why they were put on this earth to sit beside me, it was to teach me how to be patient, kind and how to remember whatever initial that came after your name, it made no difference. When it was good for people, it was the right way to vote. I admired him. I admired him when he admonished me. I admired him when he praised me. I admired him for a man sticking to his principles. He believed strongly in the good of people and each of us would do well to remember that, the good of people. He was a kind, gentle man and he will be missed by his family and by this institution just because he was a man. He was a human and he was one of God's children. Thank you.

At this point, the Members of the House stood and joined in a moment of silence in honor of the Honorable Howard A. Chick, of Lebanon.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **ADOPTED** and sent for concurrence.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The following matter, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment Thursday, January 16, 2003, had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

Resolve, to Provide for the Effective Implementation of Anadromous Fish Restoration on the Upper Kennebec River System

(H.P. 78) (L.D. 70)

(Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested) TABLED - January 16, 2003 (Till Later Today) by Representative DUNLAP of Old Town.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

On motion of Representative BULL of Freeport, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

**SENATE PAPERS**

The following Joint Resolution: (S.P. 32)

**JOINT RESOLUTION DECLARING JANUARY 22ND AS MAINE RX PROGRAM DAY AND REAFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR THE MAINE RX PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, in the year 2000, the 119th Maine Legislature enacted the "Maine Rx Program," as a positive measure to make prescription drugs more affordable for qualified Maine residents, thereby increasing the overall health of Maine residents; and WHEREAS, the Maine Rx Program was designed to help the people of the State of Maine use existing manufacturer rebates and pharmacy discounts to reduce prescription drug prices; and WHEREAS, the Maine Rx Program was passed with bipartisan support and greeted with welcome relief by the thousands of needy Maine citizens it would benefit; and WHEREAS, the costs of prescription drugs have risen at an alarmingly rapid rate and, in the year the Maine Rx Program was passed, Americans spent \$116,000,000,000 on their prescriptions, a figure expected to triple by the year 2010; and WHEREAS, the Legislature of the people of Maine, in good faith and with the best of intentions, created a program that would help the people who needed it most, and passed a bill that was the first in the nation to allow the negotiation of prescription drug prices through the use of existing discounts and rebates with drug companies; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that 300,000 residents of the State will benefit from the program at a savings of \$118,000 per day; and WHEREAS, the prescription drug companies, in a concerted effort to discredit this law and to continue to reap billions of dollars in profits, have brought suit against the State of Maine in the courts to have this law declared void; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, in a bipartisan gesture of support, proclaim that January 22, 2003, the day oral arguments on this program are due to begin at the Supreme Court of the United States, to be "Maine Rx Program Day" in the State of Maine; and be it further

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-first Legislature, reaffirm our support for the Maine Rx Program and most respectfully recommend that the honorable members of the Supreme Court of the United States honor the wishes of the people of the State of Maine and uphold the Maine Rx Program that was passed using the democratic process; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to each member of the Maine Congressional Delegation and to each member of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

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

Bill "An Act to Provide Continued Funding for the Maine Airs Program"

(S.P. 42) (L.D. 119)

Bill "An Act to Continue Membership in the National Legislative Association on Prescription Drug Pricing"

(S.P. 43) (L.D. 120)

Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Positions to Provide Computer Services to the Blind"

(S.P. 47) (L.D. 124)

Bill "An Act To Provide Medicaid Funding of Outstationed Eligibility Work"

(S.P. 65) (L.D. 142)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$30,000,000 To Fund Healthy Schools Through the School Revolving Renovation Fund"

(S.P. 87) (L.D. 164)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$1,200,000 To Provide Economic Development in Western Maine"

(S.P. 88) (L.D. 165)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Membership of the Propane and Natural Gas Board"

(S.P. 49) (L.D. 126)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Regarding the Enforcement Powers of the Office of the State Fire Marshal"

(S.P. 31) (L.D. 79)

Bill "An Act To Clarify That Possession of More Than 1 1/4 Ounces of Marijuana is a Crime"

(S.P. 68) (L.D. 145)

Bill "An Act Concerning Full-time Law Enforcement and Corrections Officers"

(S.P. 74) (L.D. 151)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Home Instruction"

(S.P. 83) (L.D. 160)

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Fair Distribution of Resources for Teaching Students of Limited Proficiency in English" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 85) (L.D. 162)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

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

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Bill "An Act Requiring Disclosure of Prescription Drug Advertising and Promotional Expenses"

(S.P. 55) (L.D. 132)

Bill "An Act to Allow Nursing Homes to Use Leftover Medications"

(S.P. 58) (L.D. 135)

Resolve, to Improve Access to Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment

(S.P. 66) (L.D. 143)

Bill "An Act to Allow Members of the Maine Public Drinking Water Commission to Serve More than 2 Consecutive Terms"

(S.P. 70) (L.D. 147)

Bill "An Act to Require that Patients in Private Mental Hospitals Be Afforded the Same Rights As Patients in State Mental Institutions"

(S.P. 79) (L.D. 156)

Bill "An Act To Refine the Criteria for Issuing a Certificate of Need"

(S.P. 82) (L.D. 159)

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

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Require Permission for an ATV to Cross Private Land"

(S.P. 29) (L.D. 77)

Bill "An Act to Allow Hunters to Exchange Assigned Hunting Areas or Zones with Other Hunters"

(S.P. 46) (L.D. 123)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Publication of Trapping Rules"

(S.P. 50) (L.D. 127)

Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for a Full-time Warden to Monitor Brandy Pond in the Town of Naples and to Allow the Town to Enact a Noise Level Ordinance"

(S.P. 51) (L.D. 128)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Conduct a Programmatic Review of the Department's Bureau of Administrative Services

(S.P. 52) (L.D. 129)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Conduct a Programmatic Review of the Bureau of Warden Service

(S.P. 53) (L.D. 130)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Conduct a Programmatic Review of the State's Wildlife Management Program

(S.P. 54) (L.D. 131)

Bill "An Act to Limit the Articles of Hunter Orange Clothing Required to a Hunter Orange Hat"

(S.P. 59) (L.D. 136)

Bill "An Act to Make Hunting Hours Consistent"

(S.P. 60) (L.D. 137)

Bill "An Act to Allow Electronic Calling Devices for Hunting"

(S.P. 80) (L.D. 157)

Bill "An Act to Limit Agent Fees to the Number of Transactions"

(S.P. 81) (L.D. 158)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Promote Fairness and Opportunity for Working Amputees"

(S.P. 48) (L.D. 125)

Bill "An Act to Allow Certain Discounts on Health Insurance"

(S.P. 84) (L.D. 161)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed.  
**REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Clarify the Powers of Guardians"  
(S.P. 41) (L.D. 118)

Bill "An Act To Limit Pretrial Discovery in Libel Actions"  
(S.P. 67) (L.D. 144)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Require a Toll-free Telephone Number To Be Maintained by the Bureau of Unemployment Compensation" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 39) (L.D. 116)

Bill "An Act Relating to Unemployment Compensation"  
(S.P. 40) (L.D. 117)

Bill "An Act To Clarify Employment Status of Owner-operators in the Trucking Industry"

(S.P. 71) (L.D. 148)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Push Polling"  
(S.P. 44) (L.D. 121)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Sampling of Products"  
(S.P. 45) (L.D. 122)

Bill "An Act to Authorize Use of Beano Proceeds to Compensate Persons who Transport Disabled Veterans"

(S.P. 63) (L.D. 140)

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Secretary of State From Endorsing Political Candidates"

(S.P. 76) (L.D. 153)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

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Resolve, To Regulate the Disposal of Dental Mercury Amalgam

(S.P. 57) (L.D. 134)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** in concurrence.

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RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Provide for the Direct Election of the Secretary of State

(S.P. 30) (L.D. 78)

Bill "An Act to Authorize the Town of Medway to Sell Certain Land"

(S.P. 62) (L.D. 139)

Bill "An Act to Transfer Bureau of General Services School Construction Functions to the Maine Department of Education"

(S.P. 72) (L.D. 149)

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

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** in concurrence.

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Resolve, Directing the State Tax Assessor to Adjust the State Valuation for the Town of Ashland (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 61) (L.D. 138)

Bill "An Act to Establish a Tax Credit for Parents who Homeschool Their Children"

(S.P. 69) (L.D. 146)

Bill "An Act to Provide a Sales Tax Exemption for Nonprofit Organizations That Provide Food and Lodging for Family Members of Patients in Hospitals"

(S.P. 77) (L.D. 154)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** in concurrence.

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Resolve, Directing That a Traffic Light Be Installed at an Intersection in York

(S.P. 73) (L.D. 150)

Bill "An Act to Require Signs on Interstate 95 for Chamberlain Freedom Park"

(S.P. 75) (L.D. 152)

Bill "An Act to Allow a Business to Obtain a Municipal Permit for One Off-premises Business Advertising Sign"

(S.P. 78) (L.D. 155)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

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

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Bill "An Act To Provide Energy Opportunities to Northern Maine" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 86) (L.D. 163)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** in concurrence.

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By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

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On motion of Representative BRUNO of Raymond, the House adjourned at 11:27 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 23, 2003 in honor and lasting tribute to the Honorable Howard A. Chick, of Lebanon.