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ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION  
7th Legislative Day  
Thursday, April 14, 2005

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

Prayer by Reverend Kenneth Turley, Church of New Jerusalem, Swedenborgian, Fryeburg.

National Anthem by Laurie Turley, Fryeburg.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, Richard Flowerdew, M.D., Falmouth.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

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**SENATE PAPERS**

Bill "An Act To Amend the Revaluation Process by Municipalities"

(S.P. 550) (L.D. 1563)

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

On motion of Representative BARSTOW of Gorham, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**, and sent for concurrence.

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**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication: (H.C. 146)

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

April 12, 2005

Honorable Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Pursuant to my authority under P.L. 2003, Ch. 465, I am pleased to appoint the following Representatives to serve as members of the Long-term Care Oversight Committee:

Representative Elizabeth S. Miller of Somerville

Representative Darlene J. Curley of Scarborough

Should you have any questions regarding these appointments, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

S/John Richardson

Speaker of the House

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication: (S.P. 548)

**122ND MAINE LEGISLATURE  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 8, 2005

Sen. Philip L. Bartlett

Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy

Rep. Lawrence Bliss

House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy

122nd Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Bartlett and Representative Bliss:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Kurt Adams of Yarmouth for appointment as Chairman of the Maine Public Utilities Commission.

Pursuant to Title 35 M.R.S.A. §105, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds

President of the Senate

S/John Richardson

Speaker of the House

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

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

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The Following Communication: (S.P. 549)

**122ND MAINE LEGISLATURE  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

April 8, 2005

Sen. Lynn Bromley

Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development

Rep. Nancy E. Smith

House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development

122nd Legislature

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Bromley and Representative Smith:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Cathy McKelway of Oakland for reappointment as a member of the Maine Rural Development Authority.

Pursuant to Title 5 M.R.S.A. §13120-D, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds

President of the Senate

S/John Richardson

Speaker of the House

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

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

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The Following Communication: (S.C. 167)

**MAINE SENATE  
122ND LEGISLATURE  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

April 12, 2005

Honorable John Richardson

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear Speaker Richardson:

In accordance with Joint Rule 506 of the 122nd Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nomination:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services, the nomination of Lloyd P. LaFountain III of Biddeford for appointment as the Superintendent, Bureau of Financial Institutions.

Sincerely,

S/Joy J. O'Brien

Secretary of the Senate

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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Representative FISHER of Brewer assumed the Chair.

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The Speaker resumed the Chair.  
The House was called to order by the Speaker.

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**PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE**

Bill "An Act To Require Parental Notification of Teenage Abortions"

(H.P. 1112) (L.D. 1575)

Sponsored by Representative DUPREY of Hampden.

Cosponsored by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin and Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, CRESSEY of Cornish, HALL of Holden, HAMPER of Oxford, JACKSON of Fort Kent, ROBINSON of Raymond, VAUGHAN of Durham.

Committee on JUDICIARY suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on JUDICIARY and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

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**ORDERS**

On motion of Representative BARSTOW of Gorham, the following Joint Order: (H.P. 1113)

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government shall report out, to the House, a bill that addresses the effect of county jail expenditures on the spending caps imposed by Public Law 2005, chapter 2.

**READ and PASSED.**

Sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

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On motion of Representative BARSTOW of Gorham, the following Joint Order: (H.P. 1114)

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government shall report out, to the House, a bill that reestablishes the Task Force to Study Equal Economic Opportunities for All Regions of the State and charges the task force with duties that include examining issues of governance, economic development and transportation.

**READ and PASSED.**

Sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

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On motion of Representative WHEELER of Kittery, the following House Order: (H.O. 32)

ORDERED, that Representative Robert A. Berube of Lisbon be excused Wednesday, April 6th for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Richard D. Blanchard of Old Town be excused Thursday, April 14th for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Joan Bryant-Deschenes of Turner be excused Tuesday, April 5th for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Robert H. Crosthwaite of Ellsworth be excused Thursday, April 14th for legislative business.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Harold Ian Emery of Cutler be excused Thursday, April 7th for health reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative George W. Hogan, Sr. of Old Orchard Beach be excused Tuesday, April 12th for legislative business.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Randy E. Hotham of Dixfield be excused Monday, April 4th, Tuesday, April 5th, Wednesday, April 6th and Thursday, April 7th for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Sarah O. Lewin of Eliot be excused Wednesday, April 6th for health reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Edward J. Mazurek of Rockland be excused Wednesday, April 13th for health reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Jonathan B. McKane of Newcastle be excused Tuesday, April 12th for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Janet T. Mills of Farmington be excused Thursday, April 7th for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Wesley E. Richardson of Warren be excused Monday, April 4th and Tuesday, April 5th for personal reasons.

**READ and PASSED.**

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**SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR**

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

**Recognizing:**

the Lewiston Maineiacs, the only United States-based member of the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League, on the completion of the team's very successful second season. We commend the individual players, their coaches and the Maineiacs management for their many positive contributions to our community, and we look forward to many more seasons with them;

(HLS 557)

Presented by Representative MAKAS of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Representative O'BRIEN of Lewiston, Representative BERUBE of Lisbon, Representative SAMPSON of Auburn, Representative WALCOTT of Lewiston, Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston, Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative MAKAS of Lewiston, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

**READ.**

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Lewiston, Representative Makas.

Representative **MAKAS**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I just want to add a couple of words to the sentiment. Last night, as some of you know, our Lewiston Maniacs lost to the Moumouski Oceanics. They have nothing to be ashamed of. The team that won the game, the Oceanics, now have a 32 game winning streak. The Maniacs played very, very well last night, as they did the night before and as they play during the season. I want to commend them, especially, for their involvement within our community. One last thought and that is that last night after the game ended, actually for about a minute before the end of the game, the entire audience was on its feet applauding them both for the excellent hockey they provided us during the year and also for them as individuals. As soon as the game as soon as the game finished they started playing on the loudspeaker system, *Don't Stop Thinking About Tomorrow* and we all look forward to next year. Thank you.

Subsequently, the sentiment was **PASSED** and sent for concurrence.

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

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

##### Change of Committee

Representative SMITH from the Committee on **LABOR** on Resolve, Directing the Maine State Retirement System To Develop a Proposal To Provide Relief for Retired State Employees

(H.P. 787) (L.D. 1144)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**.

Sent for concurrence.

##### Divided Report

Eleven Members of the Committee on **LABOR** report in Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-123)** on Bill "An Act To Increase Retired Teachers' Insurance Benefits"

(H.P. 209) (L.D. 284)

Signed:

Senators:

STRIMLING of Cumberland  
SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin  
BARTLETT of Cumberland

Representatives:

SMITH of Van Buren  
DRISCOLL of Westbrook  
JACKSON of Fort Kent  
HUTTON of Bowdoinham  
DUPREY of Hampden  
TUTTLE of Sanford  
HAMPER of Oxford  
CLARK of Millinocket

One Member of the same Committee reports in Report "B" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-124)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

CRESSEY of Cornish

One Member of the same Committee reports in Report "C" **Ought Not to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

HALL of Holden

**READ.**

On motion of Representative SMITH of Van Buren, the Bill and all accompanying papers were **COMMITTED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and sent for concurrence.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

##### First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(S.P. 16) (L.D. 36) Bill "An Act To Promote Access to Transportation for Seniors" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 309) (L.D. 424) Bill "An Act To Exempt Certain Religious, Nonpublic, Postsecondary Institutions from Licensure" Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-128)**

There being no objections, the above items were ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar tomorrow under the listing of Second Day.

(H.P. 76) (L.D. 100) Resolve, Requiring the Secretary of State To Develop Voting Systems Standards (EMERGENCY) Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-129)**

On motion of Representative PATRICK of Rumford, was **REMOVED** from the First Day Consent Calendar.

The Committee Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**. The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-129)** was **READ** by the Clerk.

On further motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending **ADOPTION** of **Committee Amendment "A" (H-129)** and later today assigned.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

##### Second Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the Second Day:

(S.P. 124) (L.D. 400) Bill "An Act To Align Maine Special Education Complaint Management Provisions with the Federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act"

(H.P. 49) (L.D. 53) Bill "An Act To Criminalize Harming a Dog Used for Law Enforcement Purposes" (C. "A" H-119)

(H.P. 261) (L.D. 348) Bill "An Act To Expand Supervised Community Confinement Options for a Person with a Terminal Illness" (C. "A" H-120)

(H.P. 274) (L.D. 361) Bill "An Act To Reestablish the Penobscot County Budget Committee" (C. "A" H-126)

(H.P. 362) (L.D. 487) Bill "An Act Concerning Payment of Health Insurance Premiums for Surviving Spouses of Maine State Retirement System Members" (C. "A" H-122)

(H.P. 577) (L.D. 812) Bill "An Act To Make Illegal Possession of Certain Narcotic Drugs a Class C Crime" (C. "A" H-121)

No objections having been noted at the end of the Second Legislative Day, the Senate Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in concurrence and the House Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED** and sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

#### BILLS IN THE SECOND READING

##### House as Amended

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Juvenile Code"

(H.P. 181) (L.D. 242)

(H. "A" H-125 to C. "A" H-114)

Reported by the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**, read the second time, the House Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED** and sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

**ENACTORS**

**Emergency Measure**

An Act To Clarify the Authority of Podiatrists To Use Assistants

(S.P. 248) (L.D. 750)  
(H. "A" H-115)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 130 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

**Emergency Measure**

Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Study Eliminating the Normal Retirement Age for Corrections Officers and Mental Health Workers

(S.P. 246) (L.D. 748)  
(C. "A" S-68)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed.

On motion of Representative SMITH of Van Buren, **TABLED** pending **FINAL PASSAGE** and later today assigned.

**Acts**

An Act to Prohibit Payment Card Skimming

(S.P. 23) (L.D. 83)  
(C. "A" S-67)

An Act To Update Certain Provisions Pertaining to County Government

(H.P. 179) (L.D. 240)

An Act To Increase the Limit on the Right To Rejoin the Maine State Retirement System

(H.P. 391) (L.D. 515)  
(C. "A" H-106)

An Act To Alter Trade-in Allowances Regarding Motor Homes

(H.P. 426) (L.D. 593)  
(C. "A" H-75)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Resolves**

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 15: Rules Relating to Severance Pay, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards

(H.P. 12) (L.D. 7)  
(C. "A" H-107)

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor To Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory

(S.P. 148) (L.D. 450)  
(C. "A" S-69)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed, **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

An Act To Provide Tax Relief for People with Functional Limitations

(H.P. 94) (L.D. 118)

(C. "A" H-108)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed.

On motion of Representative BRANNIGAN of Portland, was **SET ASIDE.**

The same Representative **REQUESTED** a roll call on **PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED.**

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

The **SPEAKER**: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Enactment. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

**ROLL CALL NO. 78**

**YEA** - Adams, Annis, Austin, Babbidge, Barstow, Beaudette, Berube, Bierman, Bishop, Blanchette, Bowen, Bowles, Brannigan, Brautigam, Brown R, Browne W, Bryant, Bryant-Deschenes, Burns, Cain, Campbell, Canavan, Carr, Cebra, Clark, Clough, Collins, Craven, Cressey, Crosby, Curtis, Daigle, Davis G, Davis K, Driscoll, Duchesne, Dudley, Dugay, Dunn, Duprey, Edgecomb, Emery, Faircloth, Farrington, Finch, Fischer, Fisher, Fitts, Fletcher, Flood, Gerzofsky, Glynn, Goldman, Greeley, Grose, Hall, Hamper, Hanley B, Hanley S, Harlow, Hogan, Jackson, Jacobsen, Jodrey, Joy, Kaelin, Koffman, Lansley, Lerman, Lundeen, Makas, Marean, Marley, Marraché, Mazurek, McFadden, McKane, McKenney, McLeod, Merrill, Miller, Millett, Mills, Moody, Moore G, Moulton, Nass, Norton, Nutting, Ott, Paradis, Patrick, Pelletier-Simpson, Percy, Perry, Pilon, Pineau, Pingree, Pinkham, Piotti, Rector, Richardson D, Richardson E, Richardson M, Richardson W, Rines, Robinson, Rosen, Sampson, Saviello, Schatz, Sherman, Shields, Smith N, Smith W, Stedman, Tardy, Thomas, Thompson, Trahan, Tuttle, Twomey, Vaughan, Walcott, Watson, Webster, Wheeler, Woodbury, Mr. Speaker.

**NAY** - NONE.

**ABSENT** - Ash, Blanchard, Bliss, Churchill, Crosthwaite, Cummings, Curley, Duplessie, Eberle, Eder, Hotham, Hutton, Jennings, Lewin, Lindell, McCormick, Muse, O'Brien, Plummer, Seavey, Sykes, Valentino.

Yes, 129; No, 0; Absent, 22; Excused, 0.

129 having voted in the affirmative and 0 voted in the negative, with 22 being absent, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

An Act To Exempt the United States Flag and the Flag of the State of Maine from State Taxation

(H.P. 266) (L.D. 353)  
(C. "A" H-77; S. "A" S-74)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed.

On motion of Representative COLLINS of Wells, was **SET ASIDE.**

The same Representative **REQUESTED** a roll call on **PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED.**

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

The **SPEAKER**: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Enactment. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

**ROLL CALL NO. 79**

YEA - Adams, Annis, Austin, Babbidge, Berube, Bierman, Bishop, Bowen, Bowles, Brannigan, Brown R, Browne W, Bryant-Deschenes, Cain, Campbell, Carr, Cebra, Clark, Collins, Cressey, Curtis, Daigle, Davis G, Driscoll, Dugay, Duprey, Edgecomb, Emery, Farrington, Finch, Fischer, Fitts, Fletcher, Flood, Glynn, Greeley, Hall, Hamper, Hanley S, Harlow, Hogan, Jackson, Jacobsen, Jodrey, Joy, Kaelin, Lansley, Marean, Marley, Marraché, Mazurek, McFadden, McKenney, McLeod, Merrill, Millett, Mills, Moore G, Moulton, Nass, Norton, Nutting, Ott, Paradis, Patrick, Pineau, Richardson E, Richardson M, Richardson W, Robinson, Rosen, Saviello, Sherman, Shields, Smith N, Stedman, Tardy, Thomas, Thompson, Trahan, Tuttle, Vaughan, Webster.

NAY - Barstow, Beaudette, Blanchette, Brautigam, Bryant, Burns, Canavan, Clough, Craven, Crosby, Davis K, Duchesne, Dudley, Dunn, Faircloth, Gerzofsky, Goldman, Grose, Hanley B, Koffman, Lerman, Lundeen, Makas, McKane, Miller, Moody, Pelletier-Simpson, Percy, Perry, Pilon, Pingree, Pinkham, Piotti, Rector, Richardson D, Rines, Sampson, Schatz, Smith W, Twomey, Walcott, Watson, Wheeler, Woodbury.

ABSENT - Ash, Blanchard, Bliss, Churchill, Crosthwaite, Cummings, Curley, Duplessie, Eberle, Eder, Fisher, Hotham, Hutton, Jennings, Lewin, Lindell, McCormick, Muse, O'Brien, Plummer, Seavey, Sykes, Valentino, Mr. Speaker.

Yes, 83; No, 44; Absent, 24; Excused, 0.

83 having voted in the affirmative and 44 voted in the negative, with 24 being absent, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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

Joint Order to Promote Regionalization in Cumberland County Government

(H.P. 1089)

- In House, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on April 4, 2005.

- In Senate, **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

**TABLED** - April 12, 2005 (Till Later Today) by Representative **BARSTOW** of Gorham.

**PENDING - FURTHER CONSIDERATION**.

The House voted to **INSIST** and **ASK** for a **COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE**. Sent for concurrence.

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**TABLED AND TODAY ASSIGNED**

The Chair laid before the House the following item which was **TABLED** and today assigned:

HOUSE REPORT - **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-117)** - Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Exempt Certain Tires from the Speed Rating Requirements"

(H.P. 303) (L.D. 418)

**TABLED** - April 13, 2005 by Representative **DUPLESSIE** of Westbrook.

**PENDING - ACCEPTANCE OF COMMITTEE REPORT**.

Subsequently, the **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-117)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**. The Bill was assigned for **SECOND READING** Tuesday, April 26, 2005.

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**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE**

**Change of Committee**

Representative **WOODBURY** from the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Stabilize and Strengthen the MaineCare Program" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1012) (L.D. 1448)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**.

Sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

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**SENATE PAPERS**

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 552)

**ORDERED**, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, April 26, 2005, at 10:00 in the morning.

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

**READ** and **PASSED** in concurrence.

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**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**First Day**

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 41) (L.D. 45) Resolve, To Rename Chick Road in Lebanon and Sanford after the Late State Representative Howard Chick Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 273) (L.D. 360) Bill "An Act To Create a Retired Firefighter License Plate" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-131)**

(H.P. 403) (L.D. 548) Bill "An Act To Enhance the Prosecution of Child Pornography Cases" Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-132)**

There being no objections, the above items were ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar tomorrow under the listing of Second Day.

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**SENATE PAPERS**

Bill "An Act To Assist Towns with the Implementation of the Laws Governing Growth Management"

(S.P. 551) (L.D. 1574)

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

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

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE**

**Divided Report**

Majority Report of the Committee on **LABOR** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act To Make the Minimum Wage a Livable Wage"

(H.P. 516) (L.D. 721)

Signed:

Senators:

STRIMLING of Cumberland  
SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin  
BARTLETT of Cumberland

Representatives:

SMITH of Van Buren  
DRISCOLL of Westbrook  
JACKSON of Fort Kent  
HALL of Holden  
DUPREY of Hampden  
CRESSEY of Cornish  
TUTTLE of Sanford  
HAMPER of Oxford  
CLARK of Millinocket

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-130)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

HUTTON of Bowdoinham

**READ.**

On motion of Representative SMITH of Van Buren, the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED** and sent for concurrence.

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

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The Chair laid before the House the following item which was **TABLED** earlier in today's session:

Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Study Eliminating the Normal Retirement Age for Corrections Officers and Mental Health Workers

(S.P. 246) (L.D. 748)  
(C. "A" S-68)

Which was **TABLED** by Representative SMITH of Van Buren pending **FINAL PASSAGE.**

This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 105 voted in favor of the same and 21 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

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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 CROSTHWAITE of Ellsworth, the House adjourned at 11:39 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 26, 2005 pursuant to the Joint Order (S.P. 552) and in honor and lasting tribute to Joseph P. "Joe" White, of Ellsworth and Frank Douglas Jones, of Baileyville.