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FIRST REGULAR SESSION
18th Legislative Day
Tuesday, March 13, 2007

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

Prayer by Pastor Lester S. Dow, Jr., Richmond Corner Baptist Church.

National Anthem by Honorable Leila J. Percy, Phippsburg.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of Thursday, March 8, 2007 was read and approved.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Appropriate Funds for the School Breakfast Program"

(S.P. 366) (L.D. 1114)

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.

Bill "An Act Concerning Licensure as a Master Well Driller or a Master Pump Installer" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 367) (L.D. 1115)

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.

Bill "An Act To Recapitalize the Municipal Investment Trust Fund"

(S.P. 358) (L.D. 1106)

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

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.

Bill "An Act To Repeal the Laws That Establish a Deposit for Bottles and Cans"

(S.P. 321) (L.D. 1004)

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

Came from the Senate, with the Bill and accompanying papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED**.

Bill and accompanying papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Protect Children by Requiring Trigger Locks on Handguns"

(S.P. 363) (L.D. 1111)

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.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District"

(S.P. 375) (L.D. 1123)

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.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Funding for Higher Education"

(S.P. 355) (L.D. 1103)

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

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.

Bill "An Act To Create the Maine Council on Poverty and Economic Security"

(S.P. 362) (L.D. 1110)

Bill "An Act To Provide Certain Requirements for Rules Related to Rate Setting for Mental Retardation Services and Mental Health Managed Care"

(S.P. 370) (L.D. 1118)

Bill "An Act To Amend MaineCare Benefits as Allowed by the Federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005"

(S.P. 372) (L.D. 1120)

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.

Bill "An Act To Establish a Complimentary Moose Permit Drawing for 100% Disabled Veterans"

(S.P. 353) (L.D. 1101)

Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Provisions of Fish and Wildlife Law"

(S.P. 356) (L.D. 1104)

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.

Bill "An Act To Lower Mandatory Group Participation Rates to 60%"

(S.P. 354) (L.D. 1102)

Bill "An Act To Create a State-sponsored Mutual Liability Company To Underwrite Risk for Snowmobile and ATV Clubs"

(S.P. 368) (L.D. 1116)

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.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Charter of the Somerset Woods Trustees"

(S.P. 369) (L.D. 1117)

Bill "An Act To Permit Mental Health Professionals To Disclose Risks to People Likely To Be Harmed by a Patient"

(S.P. 371) (L.D. 1119)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Create the Maine Spyware Prevention Act"

(S.P. 346) (L.D. 1029)

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

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

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

Bill "An Act To Promote Compliance with the Workers' Compensation Laws"

(S.P. 359) (L.D. 1107)

Bill "An Act To Prevent Workplace Bullying"

(S.P. 365) (L.D. 1113)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Provide That Lottery Proceeds Be Devoted to Public or Charitable Uses"

(S.P. 373) (L.D. 1121)

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.

Bill "An Act To Change the Impact of the Rate of Growth Ordinance Limit on the Town of York"

(S.P. 360) (L.D. 1108)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Authorize a Local Bond Issue for Solid Waste, Storm and Drainage Issues and Transfer Stations"

(S.P. 379) (L.D. 1191)

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

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

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

Bill "An Act To Protect Citizens' Privacy"

(S.P. 334) (L.D. 1017)

Bill "An Act To Prohibit a Person from Serving as Both Municipal Tax Collector and Treasurer"

(S.P. 374) (L.D. 1122)

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.

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Maine's Craft Brewers"

(S.P. 357) (L.D. 1105)

Resolve, To Establish a Study Commission To Reform Taxes and Spending in Maine (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 361) (L.D. 1109)

Bill "An Act To Exempt from Maine Taxes Wine Shipped to Other States"

(S.P. 364) (L.D. 1112)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Support Continued Viability of Affordable Housing"

(S.P. 352) (L.D. 1100)

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

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

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

Bill "An Act To Encourage Wind Energy Development"

(S.P. 351) (L.D. 1099)

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.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Exempt from the Excise Tax Fuel Used in Certain Farm Trucks"

(H.P. 810) (L.D. 1092)

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** in the House on March 6, 2007.

Came from the Senate **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of State Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 262) (L.D. 327)

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-5) in the House on March 1, 2007.

Came from the Senate **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-5) AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-9)** thereto in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 99)

**DEMOCRATIC LEADERSHIP
123rd MAINE LEGISLATURE**

February 28, 2007

The Honorable Millicent M. MacFarland
Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 501, we are pleased to appoint Toby McGrath of the Speaker's Office to serve as Partisan Staff Assistant for Nominations. He will be sharing these duties with Rick McCarthy of the Senate President's Office.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds

President of the Senate

S/Glenn Cummings

Speaker of the House

S/Elizabeth Mitchell

Senate Majority Leader

S/Hannah Pingree

House Majority Leader

S/John Martin

Assistant Senate Majority Leader

S/Sean Faircloth

Assistant House Majority Leader

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 100)

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

March 7, 2007

Hon. Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Pursuant to my authority under An Order Creating the Task Force Regarding the Management of Public Lands and Publicly-held Easements in Maine, I am pleased to appoint Representative Jacqueline A. Lundeen of Mars Hill to serve as a member of the Task Force Regarding the Management of Public Lands and Publicly-held Easements in Maine.

If you have any questions regarding this appointment, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

S/Glenn Cummings

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 101)

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

March 7, 2007

Hon. Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Pursuant to my authority under An Order Creating the Task Force Regarding the Management of Public Lands and Publicly-held Easements in Maine, I am pleased to appoint Representative Donald G. Marean of Hollis to serve as a member of the Task Force Regarding the Management of Public Lands and Publicly-held Easements in Maine.

If you have any questions regarding this appointment, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

S/Glenn Cummings

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 102)

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

March 7, 2007

Hon. Millicent M. MacFarland

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Pursuant to my authority under An Order Creating the Task Force Regarding the Management of Public Lands and Publicly-held Easements in Maine, I am pleased to appoint Representative Thomas R. Watson of Bath to serve as a member of the Task Force Regarding the Management of Public Lands and Publicly-held Easements in Maine.

If you have any questions regarding this appointment, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

S/Glenn Cummings

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (S.C. 100)

**MAINE SENATE
123RD LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

March 8, 2007

Honorable Glenn Cummings

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear Speaker Cummings:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A. §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 123rd Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nomination:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety, the nomination of Anne H. Jordan of South Portland for appointment as Commissioner for the Department of Public Safety.

Sincerely,

S/Joy J. O'Brien

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

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

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

The following Bills, Resolves and Resolution were received, and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills were **REFERRED** to the following Committees, ordered printed and sent for concurrence:

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

Bill "An Act To Enhance Protection against Rabies in Wolf Hybrids"

(H.P. 911) (L.D. 1293)

Sponsored by Representative MILLER of Somerville.

Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Support Maine's Economy and Quality of Place through the New Century Community Program"

(H.P. 953) (L.D. 1344)

Sponsored by Representative PINGREE of North Haven.

Cosponsored by President EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: CAIN of Orono, Speaker CUMMINGS of Portland, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, SIMPSON of Auburn, THERIAULT of Madawaska, WEBSTER of Freeport, Senators: BARTLETT of Cumberland, TURNER of Cumberland.

BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill "An Act To Provide Oversight for Crematoriums"

(H.P. 907) (L.D. 1289)

Sponsored by Representative HANLEY of Gardiner.

Cosponsored by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec and Representatives: HILL of York, PLUMMER of Windham.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Bill "An Act To Enhance Enforcement of Public Health Measures"

(H.P. 908) (L.D. 1290)

Sponsored by Representative MILLER of Somerville.

Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Resolve, To Create the Commission To Aid Municipalities in Consolidating Public Safety Organizations

(H.P. 909) (L.D. 1291)

Sponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples.

Cosponsored by Senator NASS of York and Representatives: GERZOFKY of Brunswick, HOLMAN of Fayette, LANSLEY of Sabattus, PINGREE of North Haven, ROBINSON of Raymond, SYKES of Harrison, Senators: DIAMOND of Cumberland, PLOWMAN of Penobscot.

Resolve, To Require the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability To Provide Audit and Oversight Services Regarding Medical and Dental Services Provided in the County Jails and State Prisons

(H.P. 929) (L.D. 1321)

Sponsored by Representative SAVIELLO of Wilton.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, CURTIS of Madison, DUCHESNE of Hudson, GIFFORD of Lincoln, McFADDEN of Dennyville.

Bill "An Act To Increase Civil Penalties for Violations of Fire Code Laws Applicable to Fire Escape Installment and Maintenance"

(H.P. 934) (L.D. 1326)

Sponsored by Representative HASKELL of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland.

Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act Regarding Tobacco Products in Jails"

(H.P. 941) (L.D. 1332)

Sponsored by Representative MILLS of Farmington.

Bill "An Act To Rename and Specifically Identify Sex Crimes"

(H.P. 976) (L.D. 1384)

Sponsored by Representative VAUGHAN of Durham.

Bill "An Act To Focus the Use of the Sex Offender Registry Website on the Most Dangerous Offenders"

(H.P. 984) (L.D. 1391)

Sponsored by Representative FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Newfield, Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland and Representatives: GERZOFKY of Brunswick, HASKELL of Portland, HILL of York.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Provision of Necessary Conditions for Effective Education Reform"

(H.P. 910) (L.D. 1292)

Sponsored by Representative NORTON of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Senator BOWMAN of York and Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville, EDGECOMB of Caribou, FARRINGTON of Gorham, JACKSON of Allagash, MAKAS of Lewiston, MUSE of Fryeburg, SIROIS of Turner, Senator: MARTIN of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act To Restore Income as a Factor in the Determination of Fiscal Capacity in the School Funding Formula"

(H.P. 932) (L.D. 1324)

Sponsored by Representative EBERLE of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, KAENRATH of South Portland, Senator: BROMLEY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Adequate Funding for Students of Alternative Schools"

(H.P. 933) (L.D. 1325)

Sponsored by Representative WALKER of Lincolnville.

Cosponsored by Senator WESTON of Waldo and Representatives: EDGECOMB of Caribou, MAKAS of Lewiston, MUSE of Fryeburg, NORTON of Bangor, SILSBY of Augusta, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, Senator: BOWMAN of York.

Bill "An Act To Develop an Equitable Funding Formula for the University of Maine System Campuses"

(H.P. 942) (L.D. 1333)

Sponsored by Representative MILLS of Farmington.

Bill "An Act To Limit the Loss a School Administrative Unit Could Receive under the School Funding Formula"

(H.P. 958) (L.D. 1366)

Sponsored by Representative SCHATZ of Blue Hill.

Cosponsored by Senator DAMON of Hancock and Representatives: FLETCHER of Winslow, JOY of Crystal, PERCY of Phippsburg, PINGREE of North Haven.

Bill "An Act To Address the Inequities of the Probationary Teacher Laws"

(H.P. 959) (L.D. 1367)

Sponsored by Representative MAKAS of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York and Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, Speaker CUMMINGS of Portland, HARLOW of Portland, MUSE of Fryeburg, NORTON of Bangor, SUTHERLAND of Chapman, WAGNER of Lewiston, WALCOTT of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act To Revise the Essential Programs and Services Funding Formula To Increase Equity in School Funding"
(H.P. 960) (L.D. 1368)

Sponsored by Representative MILLS of Farmington.

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Arts Education for All Maine Students"
(H.P. 977) (L.D. 1385)

Sponsored by Representative CAIN of Orono.

Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and Representatives: MILLS of Farmington, PINGREE of North Haven, PRESCOTT of Topsham, WEBSTER of Freeport, Senator: MITCHELL of Kennebec.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Resolve, To Promote High-quality Before-school and After-school Programs
(H.P. 961) (L.D. 1369)

Sponsored by Representative GROSE of Woolwich.

Cosponsored by Senator MARRACHÉ of Kennebec and Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, BARSTOW of Gorham, CONNOR of Kennebunk, MILLER of Somerville, PERRY of Calais, WALCOTT of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act Requiring Public Disclosure of Health Care Prices"
(H.P. 962) (L.D. 1370)

Sponsored by Representative WOODBURY of Yarmouth.

Resolve, To Provide Adequate Funding for Emergency Homeless Shelters (EMERGENCY)
(H.P. 963) (L.D. 1371)

Sponsored by Representative DUNN of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Senator PERRY of Penobscot and Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, FISHER of Brewer, Senator: BRANNIGAN of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Make Criminal Background Checks and Department of Health and Human Services Child Protective Substantiation Checks on Volunteers More Affordable"
(H.P. 978) (L.D. 1386)

Sponsored by Representative WALCOTT of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BURNS of Berwick, CAMPBELL of Newfield, CANAVAN of Waterville, CONNOR of Kennebunk, DUNN of Bangor, GROSE of Woolwich, HARLOW of Portland, WAGNER of Lewiston.

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Bill "An Act Concerning the Taking of Nuisance Animals"

(H.P. 979) (L.D. 1387)

Sponsored by Representative SAVAGE of Falmouth. (BY REQUEST)

Cosponsored by Senator SAVAGE of Knox and Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, JOY of Crystal, LANSLEY of Sabattus, MILLETT of Waterford, PLUMMER of Windham, PRIEST of Brunswick, ROBINSON of Raymond.

INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

Bill "An Act To Establish a Health Care Bill of Rights"

(H.P. 912) (L.D. 1294)

Sponsored by Representative TREAT of Farmingdale.

Cosponsored by Senator PERRY of Penobscot and Representatives: BABBIDGE of Kennebunk, BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth, CANAVAN of Waterville, CROCKETT of Augusta, PINGREE of North Haven, PRATT of Eddington, Senators: MARRACHÉ of Kennebec, NUTTING of Androscoggin.

Resolve, To Establish a Task Force To Study Strategies To Promote Financial Literacy
(H.P. 943) (L.D. 1334)

Sponsored by Representative PRIEST of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York and Representatives: BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth, CANAVAN of Waterville, CONOVER of Oakland, CROCKETT of Augusta, MCKANE of Newcastle, RICHARDSON of Warren, SAVAGE of Falmouth, TREAT of Farmingdale, VAUGHAN of Durham, Senators: BOWMAN of York, SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Provide for Prompt Resolution of Insurance Claims"
(H.P. 981) (L.D. 1389)

Sponsored by Representative BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth.

Bill "An Act Related to Special Purpose Reinsurance Vehicles"
(H.P. 982) (L.D. 1390)

Sponsored by Representative BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth.

Cosponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York.

JUDICIARY

Bill "An Act To Increase Caps on Damages in Actions under the Maine Human Rights Act"
(H.P. 964) (L.D. 1372)

Sponsored by Representative MILLS of Farmington.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Attorneys from Litigating Child Custody Cases in the Same District in Which They Serve as Guardians Ad Litem"

(H.P. 980) (L.D. 1388)

Sponsored by Representative BURNS of Berwick.

Bill "An Act To Minimize the Litigation Costs to Municipalities Associated with Property Tax Assessment Appeals"
(H.P. 944) (L.D. 1335)

Sponsored by Representative FLETCHER of Winslow.

Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested.

On motion of Representative SIMPSON of Auburn, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

LABOR

Bill "An Act To Amend the Labor Laws Regarding Automobile Dealerships"
(H.P. 913) (L.D. 1295)

Sponsored by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.

Bill "An Act To Reimburse MaineCare in Certain Workers' Compensation Cases"
(H.P. 922) (L.D. 1314)

Sponsored by Representative PATRICK of Rumford.

Cosponsored by Senator BRYANT of Oxford and Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, CARTER of Bethel, HARLOW of Portland, JACKSON of Allagash, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, PINGREE of North Haven, SUTHERLAND of Chapman, THERIAULT of Madawaska.

Bill "An Act To Amend Survivors' Benefits under the Workers' Compensation Laws"

(H.P. 935) (L.D. 1327)

Sponsored by Representative WATSON of Bath.

Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, PRIEST of Brunswick, RAND of Portland, SIMPSON of Auburn, Senator: BARTLETT of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Simplify Standards for Determining Independent Contractor Status for Unemployment Compensation Purposes"

(H.P. 954) (L.D. 1345)

Sponsored by Representative MILLS of Farmington.

Bill "An Act To Authorize the Board of Trustees of the Maine State Retirement System To Provide a Cost-of-living Adjustment to Retired Employees of Participating Local Districts" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 965) (L.D. 1373)

Sponsored by Representative HASKELL of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland and Representatives: HAYES of Buckfield, WAGNER of Lewiston, WALCOTT of Lewiston, WEDDELL of Frankfort.

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Amend the Wine License Laws"

(H.P. 923) (L.D. 1315)

Sponsored by Representative PIEH of Bremen.

Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Define Campaign Communications Requiring Matching Clean Election Funding"

(H.P. 924) (L.D. 1316)

Sponsored by Representative MacDONALD of Boothbay.

Bill "An Act To Require a Minimum Number of Votes in a Primary To Continue To Qualify as a Maine Clean Election Act Candidate"

(H.P. 925) (L.D. 1317)

Sponsored by Representative PENDLETON of Scarborough.

Cosponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland and Representatives: BARSTOW of Gorham, EATON of Sullivan.

Bill "An Act To Clarify Restrictions on Accepting Campaign Contributions Laws"

(H.P. 950) (L.D. 1341)

Sponsored by Representative MILLS of Farmington.

Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Harness Racing Laws"

(H.P. 914) (L.D. 1296)

Sponsored by Representative MAREAN of Hollis.

Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, GIFFORD of Lincoln, MOORE of Standish, PIEH of Bremen.

Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested.

On motion of Representative PATRICK of Rumford, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Constitutional Officers from Endorsing Candidates for the Legislature"

(H.P. 930) (L.D. 1322)

Sponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples.

Cosponsored by Senator BENOIT of Sagadahoc and Representatives: COTTA of China, CURTIS of Madison, GIFFORD of Lincoln, McLEOD of Lee, ROBINSON of Raymond, THOMAS of Ripley, TIBBETTS of Columbia, WEAVER of York.

Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested.

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

Resolve, To Require the Department of Public Safety To Determine the Requirements for Regional Firefighters Concerning Assisting Other Municipalities

(H.P. 931) (L.D. 1323)

Sponsored by Representative SAVIELLO of Wilton.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, CURTIS of Madison, DUCHESNE of Hudson, GIFFORD of Lincoln, McFADDEN of Dennysville, THIBODEAU of Winterport.

Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested.

On motion of Representative PATRICK of Rumford, the Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

MARINE RESOURCES

Resolve, To Require the Department of Marine Resources and the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability To Conduct an Independent Review and Audit of the Public Health Division (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 926) (L.D. 1318)

Sponsored by Representative WEBSTER of Freeport.

Cosponsored by President EDMONDS of Cumberland and Representatives: GERZOFSKY of Brunswick, PERCY of Phippsburg, Senator: DAMON of Hancock.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Resolve, Regarding Measures To Ensure the Continued Health and Commercial Viability of Maine's Seacoast by Establishing Nutrient Standards for Coastal Waters

(H.P. 915) (L.D. 1297)

Sponsored by Representative ADAMS of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator BARTLETT of Cumberland and Representatives: Speaker CUMMINGS of Portland, DILL of Cape Elizabeth, HILL of York, HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach, MacDONALD of Boothbay, MAZUREK of Rockland, PINGREE of North Haven, RAND of Portland.

Bill "An Act Relating to Previously Approved Small Coastal Subdivisions"

(H.P. 927) (L.D. 1319)

Sponsored by Representative HINCK of Portland.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Bill "An Act Requiring the Development of Codes of Ethics by Component Units and Other Related Organizations of State Government"

(H.P. 928) (L.D. 1320)

Sponsored by Representative BARSTOW of Gorham.

Cosponsored by Senator SCHNEIDER of Penobscot and Representative: JOY of Crystal, Senator: BENOIT of Sagadahoc.

Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Determination of the Applicable Assessment Date for Certain Municipal Development District Projects"

(H.P. 945) (L.D. 1336)

Sponsored by Representative BABBIDGE of Kennebunk.
Cosponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York and Representative: CONNOR of Kennebunk.

Bill "An Act To Make Civil Process Fees on Papers Served on Behalf of the State of Maine Consistent with Fees Paid by Other Government Entities"

(H.P. 957) (L.D. 1365)

Sponsored by Representative PLUMMER of Windham.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BARSTOW of Gorham, BROWNE of Vassalboro, HANLEY of Gardiner, ROBINSON of Raymond, SAVAGE of Falmouth, TIBBETTS of Columbia.

Bill "An Act To Require Expense Reporting by Municipalities and Counties"

(H.P. 966) (L.D. 1374)

Sponsored by Representative COTTA of China.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BROWNE of Vassalboro, CEBRA of Naples, CRAY of Palmyra, FLETCHER of Winslow, TIBBETTS of Columbia, WEAVER of York.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Limit the Frequency with which an Issue May Appear on the Ballot as a Result of a Direct Initiative

(H.P. 936) (L.D. 1328)

Sponsored by Representative BROWNE of Vassalboro.
Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, CARTER of Bethel, CRAY of Palmyra, FLOOD of Winthrop, PLUMMER of Windham, ROBINSON of Raymond.

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

On motion of Representative BARSTOW of Gorham, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

TAXATION

Bill "An Act To Amend the Definition of 'Working Waterfront Land' To Include Land Used for Marine Trades"

(H.P. 916) (L.D. 1298)

Sponsored by Representative MIRAMANT of Camden.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BABBIDGE of Kennebunk, DUCHESNE of Hudson, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, PINGREE of North Haven, WEDDELL of Frankfort.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Farm and Open Space Tax Law"

(H.P. 917) (L.D. 1299)

Sponsored by Representative JOY of Crystal. (BY REQUEST)
Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, GIFFORD of Lincoln, LANSLEY of Sabattus, RICHARDSON of Warren, SAVIELLO of Wilton, THOMAS of Ripley.

Bill "An Act To Return a Portion of Sales, Lodging and Meals Taxes to Municipalities"

(H.P. 918) (L.D. 1300)

Sponsored by Representative CHASE of Wells.
Cosponsored by Senator NASS of York and Representatives: HOTHAM of Dixfield, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, LANSLEY of Sabattus, RAND of Portland.

Bill "An Act Concerning the Taxation of Property Owned by Certain Nonprofit Organizations"

(H.P. 947) (L.D. 1338)

Sponsored by Representative FLETCHER of Winslow.
Cosponsored by Representative: CLARK of Millinocket.
Bill "An Act To Enhance Energy Security by Requiring Greater Fuel Efficiency"

(H.P. 951) (L.D. 1342)

Sponsored by Representative HINCK of Portland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, BLISS of South Portland, BURNS of Berwick, FLETCHER of Winslow, PIOTTI of Unity, WATSON of Bath, WEDDELL of Frankfort, Senator: ROSEN of Hancock.

Bill "An Act To Equalize the Taxation of Noncigarette Tobacco Products"

(H.P. 967) (L.D. 1375)

Sponsored by Representative MILLS of Farmington.
Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Preserve Farmland and Timberland"

(H.P. 968) (L.D. 1376)

Sponsored by Representative FLETCHER of Winslow.
Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: BROWNE of Vassalboro, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, SCHATZ of Blue Hill.

Bill "An Act To Exempt Fuel Used by Commercial Groundfishing Boats from Sales Tax" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 969) (L.D. 1377)

Sponsored by Representative RAND of Portland.
Cosponsored by Representative RECTOR of Thomaston, Senator DAMON of Hancock and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth, DUNN of Bangor, HARLOW of Portland, HASKELL of Portland, KAENRATH of South Portland, MARLEY of Portland, PERCY of Phippsburg, PINGREE of North Haven, Senators: STRIMLING of Cumberland, SULLIVAN of York.

Resolve, To Provide Information to Maine Citizens Regarding Maine's Tax Laws

(H.P. 970) (L.D. 1378)

Sponsored by Representative RAND of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, CHASE of Wells, CLARK of Millinocket, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, PILON of Saco, PIOTTI of Unity, WATSON of Bath.

Bill "An Act To Create an Income Tax Stabilization Program"

(H.P. 971) (L.D. 1379)

Sponsored by Representative TARDY of Newport.
Cosponsored by Senator NASS of York and Representatives: CHASE of Wells, HOTHAM of Dixfield, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, LANSLEY of Sabattus, SAVAGE of Falmouth.

Bill "An Act To Provide Income Tax Relief to Working and Middle-class Families"

(H.P. 972) (L.D. 1380)

Sponsored by Representative CONOVER of Oakland.
Cosponsored by Senator MARRACHÉ of Kennebec and Representatives: BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth, BRYANT of Windham, PINGREE of North Haven, SAVAGE of Falmouth, VAUGHAN of Durham, Senators: MILLS of Somerset, PERRY of Penobscot.

TRANSPORTATION

Bill "An Act To Require All Construction Vehicles To Have a Backup Sensor"

(H.P. 919) (L.D. 1301)

Sponsored by Representative SMITH of Monmouth.
Cosponsored by Representative: MARLEY of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Allow Municipalities To Set Speed Limits on Certain Roads"

(H.P. 937) (L.D. 1329)

Sponsored by Representative BROWNE of Vassalboro.

Cosponsored by Senator SAVAGE of Knox and Representatives: AYOTTE of Caswell, CARTER of Bethel, CEBRA of Naples, CLEARY of Houlton, CRAY of Palmyra, THOMAS of Ripley.

Bill "An Act To Promote School Zone Safety"

(H.P. 938) (L.D. 1330)

Sponsored by Representative MARLEY of Portland.

Resolve, To Assist in Appropriate Notification in an Emergency

(H.P. 946) (L.D. 1337)

Sponsored by Representative RECTOR of Thomaston.

Cosponsored by Senator SAVAGE of Knox and Representatives: BROWNE of Vassalboro, CEBRA of Naples, FLOOD of Winthrop, GOULD of South Berwick, MARLEY of Portland, MAZUREK of Rockland, ROSEN of Bucksport, THOMAS of Ripley.

Bill "An Act To Encourage Vanpooling and Carpooling"

(H.P. 952) (L.D. 1343)

Sponsored by Representative LANSLEY of Sabattus.

Cosponsored by Senator NASS of York and Representatives: CEBRA of Naples, CHASE of Wells, HOTHAM of Dixfield, JOY of Crystal, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, THOMAS of Ripley, VAUGHAN of Durham.

UTILITIES AND ENERGY

Resolve, To Preserve Maine's Electric Energy Infrastructure

(H.P. 920) (L.D. 1302)

Sponsored by Representative McLEOD of Lee.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FLOOD of Winthrop, GILES of Belfast, JACOBSEN of Waterboro, McFADDEN of Dennysville, PINKHAM of Lexington Township, TIBBETTS of Columbia.

Bill "An Act To Establish the Columbia Falls Village Water District"

(H.P. 921) (L.D. 1303)

Sponsored by Representative TIBBETTS of Columbia.

Cosponsored by Representatives: EDGECOMB of Caribou, EMERY of Cutler.

Bill "An Act To Encourage Community Wind Power Projects"

(H.P. 939) (L.D. 1331)

Sponsored by Representative MacDONALD of Boothbay.

Resolve, To Reduce Energy Costs for Consumers

(H.P. 948) (L.D. 1339)

Sponsored by Representative BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth.

Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland and Representatives: DILL of Cape Elizabeth, FARRINGTON of Gorham, FLETCHER of Winslow, HINCK of Portland, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, MIRAMANT of Camden, RECTOR of Thomaston.

Bill "An Act To Enhance the Reliability and Competitiveness of Maine's Electricity Market"

(H.P. 949) (L.D. 1340)

Sponsored by Representative EDGECOMB of Caribou.

Cosponsored by Senator WESTON of Waldo and Representatives: AYOTTE of Caswell, BROWNE of Vassalboro, HARLOW of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Enhance Maine's Energy Independence and Reduce Electricity Costs"

(H.P. 955) (L.D. 1346)

Sponsored by Representative FLETCHER of Winslow.

Bill "An Act To Establish Alternative Fuel Incentive Grants To Stimulate the Production, Distribution and Use of Biofuels"

(H.P. 956) (L.D. 1347)

Sponsored by Representative PINGREE of North Haven.

Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BERRY of Bowdoinham, BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth, CONOVER of Oakland, Speaker CUMMINGS of Portland, MIRAMANT of Camden, PRATT of Eddington, WEBSTER of Freeport.

Resolve, To Ensure the Success of Regional Climate Change Efforts

(H.P. 973) (L.D. 1381)

Sponsored by Representative FLETCHER of Winslow.

Cosponsored by Senator SMITH of Piscataquis and Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, AYOTTE of Caswell, BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth, HAMPER of Oxford, McDONOUGH of Scarborough, RINES of Wiscasset.

Bill "An Act To Create a Utility District in Edgecomb"

(H.P. 974) (L.D. 1382)

Sponsored by Representative McKANE of Newcastle.

Cosponsored by Senator DOW of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Enhance Availability of Emergency Telephone Services"

(H.P. 975) (L.D. 1383)

Sponsored by Representative ADAMS of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator BARTLETT of Cumberland and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, BLISS of South Portland, FLETCHER of Winslow, HINCK of Portland, RAND of Portland, THIBODEAU of Winterport, Senator: HOBBS of York.

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

ORDERS

On motion of Representative CEBRA of Naples, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 940) (Cosponsored by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin and Representatives: CROSTHWAITE of Ellsworth, LEWIN of Eliot, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, PINGREE of North Haven, TARDY of Newport, Senators: ROSEN of Hancock, MILLS of Somerset, WESTON of Waldo)

JOINT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MARCH 11TH TO MARCH 17TH, 2007 AS SLEEP DISORDER AWARENESS WEEK

WHEREAS, the field of sleep disorders has taken on increased interest in recent years, among both doctors and patients, since sleep plays an extremely important role in people's everyday lives, affecting physical health, emotional well-being, mental abilities, productivity and performance; and

WHEREAS, recent studies associate lack of sleep with serious health problems, including increased risk of depression, obesity, cardiovascular disease and diabetes; and

WHEREAS, sleep disorders are more prevalent in the United States today than at any other time in this country's history, with nearly half of Americans experiencing problems with sleeping; and

WHEREAS, the National Institutes of Health estimates that sleep disorders cost \$15,000,000,000 in health care expenses and \$50,000,000,000 in lost productivity annually; and

WHEREAS, due to advances in the science of sleep medicine, help is available for those who suffer from both common and rare sleep disorders, 81 of which are recognized by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine; and

WHEREAS, insomnia is a classification of sleep disorders that causes a person to have difficulty falling or staying asleep or to wake up too early and is suffered by 30% of the United States population; and

WHEREAS, a person with insomnia may feel tired during the day, have trouble concentrating at work or fall asleep during the day; and

WHEREAS, for most people, insomnia lasts only a few days and goes away without treatment, but stress or depression can cause a higher level of insomnia that may last for several weeks and may not go away on its own; and

WHEREAS, sleep apnea is a sleep-related breathing disorder that causes a person's body to stop breathing during sleep, the most common type of sleep apnea being obstructive sleep apnea; and

WHEREAS, obstructive sleep apnea occurs when the tissue in the back of the throat collapses and blocks the airway, which prevents air from getting into the lungs; this is a serious medical disorder that afflicts an estimated 15,000,000 to 20,000,000 Americans as well as millions more who remain undiagnosed and untreated; and

WHEREAS, while the effects of sleep apnea, including daytime sleepiness, decreased alertness and trouble concentrating as well as increased risk of stroke, diabetes and heart disease, are real and severe, there are safe and effective treatments available for those who have sleep apnea; and

WHEREAS, some people with sleep apnea may benefit from surgery, although scientific evidence suggests that continuous positive airway pressure is the best treatment for sleep apnea. Continuous positive airway pressure provides a steady stream of pressurized air to patients through a mask that they wear during sleep, which keeps the airway open, preventing pauses in breathing and restoring normal oxygen levels; and

WHEREAS, restless leg syndrome causes an unpleasant prickling or tingling in the legs, particularly in the calves, that creates a need to stretch or move the legs to rid the sufferer of these uncomfortable or painful sensations; and

WHEREAS, restless leg syndrome makes it very difficult for a person to rest or fall asleep, so much so that the total sleep time a sufferer gets is lower than with almost any other sleep disorder; and

WHEREAS, many people endure the suffering associated with sleep disorders for many years before seeking medical attention, which delays their treatment and their recovery; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-third Legislature, now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to establish the week of March 11th to March 17th, 2007 as Sleep Disorder Awareness Week and we recommend and urge citizens, health agencies, schools and other suitable organizations and groups to be aware of the seriousness of sleep disorders and we recommend and urge all people affected to consult with professionals.

READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Naples, Representative Cebra.

Representative **CEBRA**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would like to briefly speak on my Joint Resolution this morning. I'm not going to go through the whole Resolution, I hope that you would take the time to read it, but I'd like to relay a personal story, one of the reasons why I put this Joint Resolution in.

Back during the First Session of the 122nd Legislature, I was severely suffering from what we later found was sleep apnea. My good seatmate, here next to me, brought it to my attention several times during the First Session of the 122nd Legislature, when he would throw pencils at me as I was dozing off in my seat in the House. Those evenings, late into the First Session of the

122nd Legislature, I nearly had two serious accidents on the Maine Turnpike. My wife gave me no alternative, but to go to the doctor and find out what was the problem. I went for a sleep study and found that I had a severe sleep apnea disorder. I would stop breathing nearly 300 times a night.

This sleep disorder, now all of you need to sit there and think for a minute, do you have someone in your family who snores? Who wakes up? Who is tired at 3 or 4 o'clock in the afternoon for no apparent reason? These people, in your family and in your lives, their production on the job or at home is diminished because of a sleep problem, possibly. Those are the people that I want you to go home today and encourage to possibly talk to the doctor. There is a checklist of about a dozen items that you could go down the checklist and see if you're possibly suffering from this.

You know, I was taking a little ribbing from some of my friends in my caucus about putting this Resolution forward. But I'll tell you, it is as serious as a heart attack because this brings on tremendous stress on the body, on the organs, and also creates a lot of stress in the home and unnecessary stress in the work place. I would encourage the members of this House to look into, if they have someone in their family or personally have a problem where they are tired all the time. It is an absolutely, life changing development when you are diagnosed and then treated. It's like you're reborn. I would encourage anyone in the House and I thank you, Mr. Speaker, for your time.

Subsequently, the Joint Resolution was **ADOPTED**.

Sent for concurrence.

On motion of Speaker CUMMINGS of Portland, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 983) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, AUSTIN of Gray, AYOTTE of Caswell, BABBIDGE of Kennebunk, BARSTOW of Gorham, BEAUDETTE of Biddeford, BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, BEAULIEU of Auburn, BERRY of Bowdoinham, BERUBE of Lisbon, BLANCHARD of Old Town, BLANCHETTE of Bangor, BLISS of South Portland, BOLAND of Sanford, BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth, BROWNE of Vassalboro, BRYANT of Windham, BURNS of Berwick, CAIN of Orono, CAMPBELL of Newfield, CANAVAN of Waterville, CARTER of Bethel, CASAVANT of Biddeford, CEBRA of Naples, CHASE of Wells, CLARK of Millinocket, CLEARY of Houlton, CONNOR of Kennebunk, CONOVER of Oakland, COTTA of China, CRAVEN of Lewiston, CRAY of Palmyra, CRESSEY of Cornish, CROCKETT of Augusta, CROSTHWAITE of Ellsworth, CURTIS of Madison, DILL of Cape Elizabeth, DRISCOLL of Westbrook, DUCHESNE of Hudson, DUNN of Bangor, DUPREY of Hampden, EATON of Sullivan, EBERLE of South Portland, EDGECOMB of Caribou, EMERY of Cutler, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, FARRINGTON of Gorham, FINCH of Fairfield, FINLEY of Skowhegan, FISCHER of Presque Isle, FISHER of Brewer, FITTS of Pittsfield, FLETCHER of Winslow, FLOOD of Winthrop, GERZOFOSKY of Brunswick, GIFFORD of Lincoln, GILES of Belfast, GOULD of South Berwick, GREELEY of Levant, GROSE of Woolwich, HAMPER of Oxford, HANLEY of Gardiner, HARLOW of Portland, HASKELL of Portland, HAYES of Buckfield, HILL of York, HINCK of Portland, HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach, HOLMAN of Fayette, HOTHAM of Dixfield, JACKSON of Allagash, JACOBSEN of Waterboro, JOY of Crystal, KAENRATH of South Portland, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, LANSLEY of Sabattus, LEWIN of Eliot, LORING of the Penobscot Nation, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, MacDONALD of Boothbay, MAKAS of Lewiston, MAREAN of Hollis, MARLEY of Portland, MAZUREK of Rockland, McDONOUGH of Scarborough, McFADDEN of

Dennysville, McKANE of Newcastle, McLEOD of Lee, MILLER of Somerville, MILLETT of Waterford, MILLS of Farmington, MIRAMANT of Camden, MOORE of Standish, MUSE of Fryeburg, NASS of Acton, NORTON of Bangor, PATRICK of Rumford, PENDLETON of Scarborough, PEOPLES of Westbrook, PERCY of Phippsburg, PERRY of Calais, PIEH of Bremen, PILON of Saco, PINEAU of Jay, PINGREE of North Haven, PINKHAM of Lexington Township, PIOTTI of Unity, PLUMMER of Windham, PRATT of Eddington, PRESCOTT of Topsham, PRIEST of Brunswick, RAND of Portland, RECTOR of Thomaston, RICHARDSON of Carmel, RICHARDSON of Greenville, RICHARDSON of Warren, RINES of Wiscasset, ROBINSON of Raymond, ROSEN of Bucksport, SAMSON of Auburn, SAVAGE of Falmouth, SAVIELLO of Wilton, SCHATZ of Blue Hill, SILSBY of Augusta, SIMPSON of Auburn, SIROIS of Turner, SMITH of Monmouth, SOCTOMAH of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, SUTHERLAND of Chapman, SYKES of Harrison, TARDY of Newport, THERIAULT of Madawaska, THIBODEAU of Winterport, THOMAS of Ripley, TIBBETTS of Columbia, TREAT of Farmingdale, TRINWARD of Waterville, TUTTLE of Sanford, VALENTINO of Saco, VAUGHAN of Durham, WAGNER of Lewiston, WALCOTT of Lewiston, WALKER of Lincolnville, WATSON of Bath, WEAVER of York, WEBSTER of Freeport, WEDDELL of Frankfort, WHEELER of Kittery, WOODBURY of Yarmouth, Senators: BARTLETT of Cumberland, BENOIT of Sagadahoc, BOWMAN of York, BRANNIGAN of Cumberland, BROMLEY of Cumberland, BRYANT of Oxford, COURTNEY of York, DAMON of Hancock, DIAMOND of Cumberland, DOW of Lincoln, President EDMONDS of Cumberland, GOOLEY of Franklin, HASTINGS of Oxford, HOBBS of York, MARRACHÉ of Kennebec, MARTIN of Aroostook, McCORMICK of Kennebec, MILLS of Somerset, MITCHELL of Kennebec, NASS of York, NUTTING of Androscoggin, PERRY of Penobscot, PLOWMAN of Penobscot, RAYE of Washington, ROSEN of Hancock, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, SAVAGE of Knox, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, SHERMAN of Aroostook, SMITH of Piscataquis, SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, STRIMLING of Cumberland, SULLIVAN of York, TURNER of Cumberland, WESTON of Waldo)

JOINT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE HOLOCAUST AND HUMAN RIGHTS CENTER'S LEGISLATIVE AWARENESS DAY AND YOM HASHOAH, THE DAY OF REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE WHO SUFFERED AS VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST

WHEREAS, from 1933 to 1945, 6,000,000 Jews were murdered in the Holocaust as part of a systematic program of genocide, and millions of other people suffered as victims of Nazism; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Maine should always remember the atrocities committed by the Nazis so that such horrors are never repeated; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Maine should always remember those who liberated the Nazi concentration camps, some at the cost of their lives and others with lifelong emotional suffering, as holding an honored place in our history; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Maine should continually rededicate themselves to the principle of equal justice for all people, remain eternally vigilant against all tyranny and recognize that bigotry provides a breeding ground for tyranny to flourish; and

WHEREAS, March 14, 2007 has been designated as the Holocaust and Human Rights Center's Legislative Awareness Day; and

WHEREAS, April 15, 2007 has been designated internationally as a Day of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust and is known as Yom HaShoah; and

WHEREAS, the national community, pursuant to an Act of Congress, will be commemorating the week of April 15th to April 22nd as the Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust, with "Children in Crisis: Voices from the Holocaust" as the focus for the 2007 observance; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for the people of the State of Maine to join in this international commemoration; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-third Legislature, now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, pause in solemn memory of the victims of the Holocaust, urge one and all to recommit themselves to the lessons of the Holocaust through the Holocaust and Human Rights Center's Legislative Awareness Day and the week of commemoration and express our common desire to continually strive to overcome prejudice and inhumanity through education, vigilance and resistance; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council in Washington, D.C., and the Maine Congressional Delegation, on behalf of the people of the State of Maine.

READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Bangor, Representative Faircloth.

Representative **FAIRCLOTH**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I was asked to say a couple of words a few minutes ago about this Joint Resolution. I would be the first to say that I am really daunted to speak about such an important topic. I will say that my sons, Brendan and Ryan, are Jewish and Irish, and that I have on occasion talked with them about their great-great-grandfather, who walked across Eastern Europe—actually walked across Eastern Europe—to take a boat to freedom and Ellis Island. And because of that, he and his descendents were one of the lucky ones to escape the horrors of the Holocaust.

I do say to my sons that it is impossible for anyone to comprehend the horror of what occurred in the middle of the last century, but that we all have an obligation to try. I have been particularly impressed over my life, with my sons mother's family, and if there are any people—lets face it: if there are any people who had a right, perhaps, not to have faith in humanity—I have been so impressed by the faith in humanity expressed by Jewish people.

It is not a coincidence. It is not a coincidence, for example, that in 1964 in Mississippi, when Civil Rights workers died to protect the rights of African-Americans, several of those names were Jewish names. It was not their fight, but they had faith in humanity and had faith in the cause of justice. We see that today. We see that far beyond the proportion of their numbers, speaking out about Darfur and other injustices.

I hope that my sons, and I hope all of us, will be inspired by that example. That even out of the horror of something so incomprehensible—that through the faith in humanity—that this will not only never happen again, but we shall resolve that all of us will look for the interests of "the other." Whether it is in that time the Jew or the gypsy, or the gay person who is the subject of the Holocaust, but that all of us will be inspired by the example to live on with great strength—and to not only ensure that it never happens again, but to ensure a continued faith in humanity that has been so inspirational to myself and to my sons, Brendan and Ryan. I very proudly support this Resolution and hope we pause,

as this Resolution calls upon us, in solemn memory of the victims of the Holocaust.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Auburn, Representative Simpson.

Representative **SIMPSON**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I was the crazy person who asked Representative Faircloth to speak on this subject, just because it is such an important part of history, the history of the people of the world, and that we should not let this day pass without comment. I had never really heard of the Holocaust besides something that the adults talked about, until I was in high school and Judith Isaacson came to speak to my class after writing her book, *Seed of Sarah*. I realized just how bad people could be to one another.

In April 2002, I was in Germany and went to Buchenwald, a former camp, and saw something there I found most horrific. Beyond all the things you had heard about, what people actually did in the extermination of people, there was a little zoo area just outside the barbed wire fence, for bears to play for the children of the guards. So low had people's sense of humanity of the people on the other side of the fence gotten, that they felt nothing to allow their children to play within eyesight of people who were starving to death and being murdered. So let us not forget how low we can go and always strive to do better, as these things have not ended on our planet. We've had examples since then in Africa, in Asia, again in Africa today, and in Europe. So when you see injustice happening, please speak out and do something. For we all share a common sort of history of having looked the other way. Thank you.

Subsequently, the Joint Resolution was **ADOPTED**.
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:

(H.P. 394) (L.D. 511) Bill "An Act To Study the Feasibility of Locating a New Bridge in the St. David Area" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-17)**

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

(H.P. 53) (L.D. 55) Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Regarding a License To Operate an Attended Sales Promotion" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-18)**

On motion of Representative MARLEY of Portland, was **REMOVED** from the First Day Consent Calendar.

The Unanimous Committee Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-18)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills** in the **Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Second Day

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

(H.P. 195) (L.D. 224) Bill "An Act To Provide for Minimum Wage and Overtime Coverage for Certain Domestic Workers"

(H.P. 147) (L.D. 165) Bill "An Act To Designate the Arctic Charr as a State Heritage Fish" (C. "A" H-14)

(H.P. 208) (L.D. 274) Bill "An Act To Promote Mandatory Assignments and Training for Assistant Game Wardens" (C. "A" H-15)

No objections having been noted at the end of the Second Legislative Day, the House Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** or **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence.

ENACTORS

Emergency Measure

An Act To Permit Andover College To Issue Degrees under New Ownership

(H.P. 205) (L.D. 271)

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. 133 voted in favor of the same and 1 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Update References to Federal Laws in the Maine Uniform Securities Act and To Make Other Technical Corrections to the Act

(H.P. 266) (L.D. 332)

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. 132 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.

Emergency Measure

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 250: Rules Relating to Smoking in the Workplace, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Partnership for a Tobacco-free Maine

(H.P. 39) (L.D. 38)

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. 131 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Acts

An Act To Amend the Authority of a Motor Vehicle Investigator

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

An Act To Allow a Newspaper Carrier To Use Flashing Amber Lights on That Carrier's Vehicle

(H.P. 155) (L.D. 173)

An Act Regarding Penalties for Payments Made to the State That Are Rejected by a Financial Institution
(H.P. 188) (L.D. 217)

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, To Designate a Portion of U.S. Route 1 in Indian Township Passamaquoddy Indian Reservation as the Captain Tomah Lewey Memorial Highway

(H.P. 83) (L.D. 85)

Resolve, To Improve the Professional Development of County Officials

(H.P. 126) (L.D. 142)

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

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 Thursday, March 8, 2007, had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

Expression of Legislative Sentiment in Memory of James Melhorn of Kittery

(HLS 117)

TABLED - February 27, 2007 (Till Later Today) by Representative WHEELER of Kittery.

PENDING - **ADOPTION**.

Subsequently, this Expression of Legislative Sentiment was **ADOPTED** and sent for concurrence.

Resolve, To Assist Veterans in Need of Shelter

(H.P. 511) (L.D. 662)

- In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** on February 13, 2007.

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

TABLED - March 6, 2007 (Till Later Today) by Representative PINGREE of North Haven.

PENDING - **FURTHER CONSIDERATION**.

The House voted to **INSIST**.

Bill "An Act To Authorize the State's Participation in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative"

(H.P. 808) (L.D. 1090)

(Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested)

TABLED - March 6, 2007 (Till Later Today) by Representative DUCHESNE of Hudson.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

On motion of Representative KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** and the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Provide Firearms Safety Instruction for Adolescents"

(S.P. 326) (L.D. 1009)

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**.

TABLED - March 8, 2007 (Till Later Today) by Representative FISCHER of Presque Isle.

PENDING - **REFERENCE IN CONCURRENCE**.

On motion of Representative NORTON of Bangor, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in **NON-CONCURRENCE** and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require Posting of the State's Debt"

(H.P. 869) (L.D. 1227)

(Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested)

TABLED - March 8, 2007 (Till Later Today) by Representative FISCHER of Presque Isle.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

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

Resolve, To Establish the William Silliker Memorial Wildlife Watching Area

(H.P. 826) (L.D. 1133)

(Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested)

TABLED - March 8, 2007 (Till Later Today) by Representative JACKSON of Allagash.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

Subsequently, the Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Liquor Liability Act"

(H.P. 818) (L.D. 1125)

(Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested)

TABLED - March 8, 2007 (Till Later Today) by Representative CASAVANT of Biddeford.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require the Department of Environmental Protection To Exclude Repeat Violators of Environmental Laws from Receiving State Contracts"

(S.P. 388) (L.D. 1200)

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES**.

TABLED - March 8, 2007 (Till Later Today) by Representative BARSTOW of Gorham.

PENDING - **REFERENCE IN CONCURRENCE**.

On motion of Representative KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** in **NON-CONCURRENCE** and sent for concurrence.

ENACTORS
Emergency Measure

An Act To Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of State Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007

(H.P. 262) (L.D. 327)
(S. "A" S-9 to C. "A" H-5)

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. 133 voted in favor of the same and 3 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

SENATE PAPERS

Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands To Convey Interests of the State in Land in Lincolnville
(S.P. 464) (L.D. 1350)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for the Preservation of Forest Lodge in the Town of Upton"
(S.P. 460) (L.D. 1312)

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.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Maine State Housing Authority"
(S.P. 466) (L.D. 1352)

Bill "An Act To Preserve and Grow Maine Small Businesses"
(S.P. 478) (L.D. 1364)

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.

Bill "An Act To Promote Postsecondary Education Opportunities for Juveniles under the Care of the Department of Corrections"
(S.P. 465) (L.D. 1351)

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.

Bill "An Act To Impose Tighter Controls over Addictive Prescription Drugs"
(S.P. 449) (L.D. 1286)

Bill "An Act To Limit Recertification of Nursing Facility Residents to One Regulatory Organization"

(S.P. 451) (L.D. 1288)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Consistency in Patient Care in Nursing Homes"

(S.P. 456) (L.D. 1308)

Bill "An Act To Provide Equity in Funding for Women's Health Services"

(S.P. 457) (L.D. 1309)

Resolve, To Direct the Department of Health and Human Services To Establish a Physician Specialist Program

(S.P. 468) (L.D. 1354)

Bill "An Act Concerning Certain Flavored Cigarettes and Cigars"

(S.P. 475) (L.D. 1361)

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.

Resolve, To Create a New Hunter Safety Course

(S.P. 453) (L.D. 1305)

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.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Tort Claims Act"

(S.P. 462) (L.D. 1348)

Resolve, To Waive the Tort Claims Limitation on Damages Relative to the Traumatic Brain Injury of Lucas Tolliver

(S.P. 463) (L.D. 1349)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Appeals from Decisions Issued by the Workers' Compensation Board"

(S.P. 448) (L.D. 1285)

Bill "An Act To Make Unemployment Compensation Law More Fair to Seniors"

(S.P. 458) (L.D. 1310)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Calculation of the Livable Wage"

(S.P. 469) (L.D. 1355)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Amend the Solid Waste Management Laws"

(S.P. 461) (L.D. 1313)

Resolve, To Provide a Comprehensive Assessment of Progress Made To Eliminate Combined Sewer Overflow into the State's Waterways

(S.P. 467) (L.D. 1353)

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Availability of Existing Drinking Water Sources of Supply"

(S.P. 473) (L.D. 1359)

Bill "An Act To Update the Dioxin Monitoring Program"

(S.P. 479) (L.D. 1392)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Fight Global Warming Effects in the State"
(S.P. 459) (L.D. 1311)

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

On motion of Representative BLISS of South Portland, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** in concurrence and later today assigned.

Bill "An Act To Reduce Duplication of Paperwork for Fuel Distributors"

(S.P. 455) (L.D. 1307)

Bill "An Act To Provide a Tax Credit for Revitalization of Historic Mill Facilities"

(S.P. 470) (L.D. 1356)

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

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

Bill "An Act Relative to Motor Vehicles and Floats Operated in Parades"

(S.P. 452) (L.D. 1304)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Access to State and State Aid Highways To Permit Traffic Safety and Rest Area Exceptions"

(S.P. 477) (L.D. 1363)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Require Owners of Utility Facilities To Accommodate the Installation of Traffic Control Signals and To Permit the University of Maine System To Construct Lines on Public Rights-of-way" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 474) (L.D. 1360)

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.

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

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

(S.P. 44) (L.D. 136) Bill "An Act Regarding the Enforcement of Penalties under the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992" Committee on **LABOR** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(S.P. 88) (L.D. 251) Bill "An Act To Authorize the Bureau of Warden Service to Provide Assistance to Other Entities" Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-8)**

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

ENACTORS

Emergency Measure

An Act To Amend the Law Regarding a License To Operate an Attended or Unattended Sales Promotion

(H.P. 53) (L.D. 55)

(C. "A" H-18)

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. 137 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.**

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

On motion of Representative SCHATZ of Blue Hill, the House adjourned at 11:53 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 15, 2007 in honor and lasting tribute to Rufus Candage, of Blue Hill.