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STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **FIRST REGULAR SESSION JOURNAL OF THE SENATE**

Senate called to order by President Beth Edmonds of

Reading of the Journal of Wednesday, April 11, 2007.

Prayer by Pastor Edward Hatch of Palermo Christian Church.

Cumberland County.

In Senate Chamber Tuesday April 24, 2007

	The Following Communication:
PASTOR HATCH: I want to thank you for the opportunity to come before you and to say the prayer today. My daughter treated my wife and I to an opportunity to see the movie 'Amazing Grace' last night. It was the story of William Wilberforce, who was instrumental in stopping the slave trade in England in the late	MAINE SE 123 RD MAINE LE OFFICE OF THE SECRET
1800's. I'd encourage any of you to see it if you get a chance to. It was quite an amazing movie. As I watched that and as I was	April 11, 2007
on my way home from Rockland, I remembered that I was going to be before you folks and it gave me a greater appreciation for the work that you are doing. You are trying to balance the needs	Hon. Beth Edmonds President of the Senate 123rd Legislature
and rights of the citizens of the State of Maine and that balancing act, I'm sure, for many of you is very difficult. What Mr. Wilberforce impressed upon me is that there are times that you cannot balance. There are things that are right and things that	Hon. Glenn Cummings Speaker of the House 123rd Legislature
are wrong. He fought a long and very courageous battle because he knew that slavery was wrong. It was amazing, prompted in a	Dear Madam President and Mr. Sp
large part by his Christian faith and also the duty he felt towards other people. I was just very much impressed with that and would like to encourage you, as you are doing what you're doing today, to consider that balancing act and also to consider the fact that	On April 11, 2007, 2 bills were rece Senate.
there are things that are right and things that are wrong and you need to stand up for what is right. Let us bow for prayer. Our Heavenly Father, we are thankful today for the privilege	Pursuant to the provisions of Joint referred to the Joint Standing Comfollows:
that we have to be able to be used to help other people. I'm thankful for each one of the men and women in this room who are giving of their time and energies and efforts to serve the people of	Judiciary
the State of Maine. I also want to say a special prayer for our troops from Maine who are overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan and other places, whose lives are in danger today, that You would give them safety and that You would help their families who are here at home as well. I'm reminded especially of the family of Aron Peaslee, who lost his life in defense of our freedoms. We pray for a special comfort for his family. We are just thankful,	Bill "An Act To Clarify Involuntary A Hospitalizations" (S.P. 669) (L.D. 1 NUTTING of Androscoggin) (Cospo CANAVAN of Waterville) (Submitte and Human Services pursuant to Ju- Legal and Veterans Affairs
God, for the opportunities we have today. I pray that You will help each one here do what is right in Your eyes and that You will give them the strength and wisdom and discernment that they need. I ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.	Bill "An Act Regarding Campaign F Maine Clean Election Act" (S.P. 66 the Commission on Governmental pursuant to the Maine Revised Star
Pladge of Allegianes led by Constar Elizabeth M. Cabraider of	Sincerely,
Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Elizabeth M. Schneider of Penobscot County.	S/Joy J. O'Brien

The Chair n	oted the absence of the Senator from Kennebec,
Senator MA	RRACHÉ and further excused the same Senator from
today's Roll	Call votes.
	Off Record Remarks

COMMUNICATIONS

S.P. 671

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eaker:

eived by the Secretary of the

Rule 308.2, these bills were mittees on April 11, 2007, as

Admissions for Psychiatric 1855) (Sponsored by Senator onsored by Representative ed by the Department of Health loint Rule 204.)

Finance Reporting and the 68) (L.D. 1854) (Submitted by **Ethics and Election Practices** tutes, Title 1, section 1009.)

Secretary of the Senate

S/Millicent M. MacFarland Clerk of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication:

S.P. 672

STATE OF MAINE 123RD MAINE LEGISLATURE

April 11, 2007

Sen. Ethan Strimling Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Labor Rep. John L. Tuttle House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Labor 123rd Legislature Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Strimling and Representative Tuttle:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated George Burgoyne of Bangor for appointment to the Maine State Retirement System Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 5 M.R.S.A. §17102, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and to confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds
President of the Senate

S/Glenn Cummings Speaker of the House

READ and REFERRED to the Committee on LABOR.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication:

S.P. 673

STATE OF MAINE 123RD MAINE LEGISLATURE

April 11, 2007

Sen. John M. Nutting
Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture,
Conservation and Forestry
Rep. Wendy Pieh
House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture,
Conservation and Forestry
123rd Legislature
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Nutting and Representative Pieh:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Jeanne Matava-Mattson of Hallowell for appointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board.

Pursuant to Title 5 M.R.S.A. §6204, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds President of the Senate

S/Glenn Cummings Speaker of the House

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.P. 674

STATE OF MAINE 123RD MAINE LEGISLATURE

April 13, 2007

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
123rd Legislature
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Bromley and Representative Smith:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Richard Kelso of Gardiner and James Donnelly of Brewer for reappointment to the Maine Rural Development Authority Board of Trustees.

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

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds
President of the Senate

S/Glenn Cummings Speaker of the House

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

Sent down for concurrence.	505 of the 123rd Maine Lon Judiciary has had und Honorable Nancy Mills of	egislatur er consid	ection 157, and with Joint Rule e, the Joint Standing Committee deration the nomination of e, for reappointment as a	
The Following Communication: S.P. 675	Superior Court Justice.			
STATE OF MAINE 123 RD MAINE LEGISLATURE		vote on t	the motion to recommend to the nfirmed. The Committee Clerk	
April 20, 2007 Sen. Elizabeth M. Schneider Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government	YEAS Senators	3	Hobbins of York, Hastings of Oxford, Nutting of Androscoggin	
Rep. Christopher R. Barstow House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government 123 rd Legislature Augusta, ME 04333	Representatives	8	Simpson of Auburn, Berube of Lisbon, Bryant of Windham, Casavant of Biddeford, Dill of Cape Elizabeth, Dunn of Bangor, Jacobsen of Waterboro, Nass	
Dear Senator Schneider and Representative Barstow:			of Acton	
Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has nominated Elaine Clark of Orono for reappointment to the Maine	NAYS	0		
Government Facilities Authority.	ABSTAIN	1	Rep. Mills of Farmington	
Pursuant to Title 4 M.R.S.A. Section 1602, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on State and	ABSENT	0		
Local Government and to confirmation by the Senate.	Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Honorable Nancy Mills of Cornville, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice be confirmed.			
Sincerely,				
S/Beth Edmonds President of the Senate	Signed,			
S/Glenn Cummings Speaker of the House	S/Barry J. Hobbins Senate Chair			
READ and REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.	S/Deborah L. Simpson House Chair			
Sent down for concurrence.	READ and ORDERED PL	ACED (ON FILE.	
The Following Communication: S.C. 202	On motion by Senator MATABLED until Later in To			
STATE OF MAINE				
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY	The Following Communic	ation:	S.C. 203	
April 11, 2007	S	TATE OF	MAINE	

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

April 11, 2007

Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

State House

The Honorable Beth Edmonds

President of the Senate of Maine 123rd Maine Legislature The Honorable Beth Edmonds President of the Senate of Maine 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Madame President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the 123rd Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of Kevin M. Cuddy of Holden, for appointment as a Superior Court Justice.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS Senators

3 Hobbins of York, Hastings of Oxford, Nutting of Androscoggin

Representatives

9 Simpson of Auburn, Berube of Lisbon, Bryant of Windham, Casavant of Biddeford, Dill of Cape Elizabeth, Dunn of Bangor,

Jacobsen of Waterboro, Mills

of Farmington, Nass of Acton

NAYS 0

ABSENT

Twelve members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Kevin M. Cuddy of Holden, for appointment as a Superior Court Justice be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Barry J. Hobbins Senate Chair

S/Deborah L. Simpson House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

On motion by Senator **MARTIN** of Aroostook, Nomination **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **CONSIDERATION**.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 204

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

April 11, 2007

The Honorable Beth Edmonds
President of the Senate of Maine
123rd Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Madame President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the 123rd Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of Honorable Ellen A. Gorman of Auburn, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS Senators 3 Hobbins of York, Hastings of

Oxford, Nutting of Androscoggin

Representatives 9 Simpson of Auburn, Berube

of Lisbon, Bryant of Windham, Casavant of Biddeford, Dill of Cape Elizabeth, Dunn of Bangor, Jacobsen of Waterboro, Mills of Farmington, Nass of Acton

NAYS 0

ABSENT 0

Twelve members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Honorable Ellen A. Gorman of Auburn, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Barry J. Hobbins Senate Chair

S/Deborah L. Simpson House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

On motion by Senator **MARTIN** of Aroostook, Nomination **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **CONSIDERATION**.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 213

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

April 18, 2007

The Honorable Beth Edmonds President of the Senate of Maine 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Madame President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the 123rd Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of Benjamin R. Emory of Salisbury Cove, for appointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	2	Nutting of Androscoggin, Sherman of Aroostook
	Representatives	7	Pieh of Bremen, Carter of Bethel, Cray of Palmyra, Edgecomb of Caribou, Gifford of Lincoln, Lundeen of Mars Hill, Pratt of Eddington
NAYS		0	
ABSEN ⁻	Т	4	Rep. Marean of Hollis, Rep. Pineau of Jay, Rep. Piotti of Unity, Sen. Rotundo of Androscoggin

Nine members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Benjamin R. Emory of Salisbury Cove, for appointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board be confirmed.

Signed,

S/John M. Nutting Senate Chair

S/Wendy Pieh House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

On motion by Senator **MARTIN** of Aroostook, Nomination **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **CONSIDERATION**.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 214

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

April 18, 2007

The Honorable Beth Edmonds President of the Senate of Maine 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Madame President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the 123rd Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of Leon A. Gorman of Yarmouth, for reappointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	2	Nutting of Androscoggin, Sherman of Aroostook
	Representatives	7	Pieh of Bremen, Carter of Bethel, Cray of Palmyra, Edgecomb of Caribou, Gifford of Lincoln, Lundeen of Mars Hill, Pratt of Eddington
NAYS		0	
ABSEN	Т	4	Rep. Marean of Hollis, Rep. Pineau of Jay, Rep. Piotti of Unity, Sen. Rotundo of

Nine members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Leon A. Gorman of Yarmouth, for reappointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board be confirmed.

Androscoggin

Signed,

S/John M. Nutting Senate Chair

S/Wendy Pieh House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

On motion by Senator **MARTIN** of Aroostook, Nomination **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **CONSIDERATION**.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 215

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

April 18, 2007

The Honorable Beth Edmonds President of the Senate of Maine 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Madame President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the 123rd Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of Diane Doyle of Saco, for appointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS Senators

2

Nutting of Androscoggin, Sherman of Aroostook

Representatives 7

Pieh of Bremen, Carter of Bethel, Cray of Palmyra, Edgecomb of Caribou, Gifford of Lincoln, Lundeen of Mars Hill, Pratt of Eddington

NAYS

0

ABSENT

4 Rep. Marean of Hollis, Rep. Pineau of Jay, Rep. Piotti of Unity, Sen. Rotundo of Androscoggin

Nine members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Diane Doyle of Saco, for appointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board be confirmed.

Signed,

S/John M. Nutting Senate Chair

S/Wendy Pieh House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

On motion by Senator **MARTIN** of Aroostook, Nomination **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **CONSIDERATION**.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 179

STATE OF MAINE 123RD MAINE LEGISLATURE

April 5, 2007

Honorable Joy O'Brien Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary O'Brien:

Pursuant to our authority under Title 12, MRSA, Chapter 619, § 6447, we are pleased to appoint the following Legislators to the Lobster Management Policy Council:

Representative Anne C. Perry of Calais, representing Zone A (reappointment)

Representative Robert N. Eaton of Sullivan, representing Zone B Representative Hannah M. Pingree of North Haven, representing Zone C (reappointment)

Representative Edward J. Mazurek of Rockland, representing Zone D (reappointment)

Senator Paula I. Benoit of Sagadahoc, representing Zone E Representative Leila J. Percy of Phippsburg, representing Zone F (reappointment)

Senator Nancy B. Sullivan of York, representing Zone G (reappointment)

Please let us know if you have any questions regarding these appointments.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds President of the Senate

S/Glenn Cummings Speaker of the House

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 199

STATE OF MAINE 123RD MAINE LEGISLATURE

April 9, 2007

Honorable Joy O'Brien Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0003

Dear Secretary O'Brien:

Pursuant to our authority under Public Laws 2005, Chapter 380, Part A, we are pleased to appoint Clinton Wesley Phinney, Jr. of Waterboro to the Statewide Homeless Council, representing the Region I Homeless Council.

Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Beth Edmonds
President of the Senate

S/Glenn Cummings Speaker of the House

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 180

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

April 11, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 767 Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Revenue
Services To Make Information Available
Concerning the Amount of Revenue Received
from the Companion Animal Sterilization Fund
Tax Return Checkoff

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsor of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. John M. Nutting Senate Chair

S/Rep. Wendy Pieh House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 181

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

April 6, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 218	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Encourage Municipal High-speed Internet Access
L.D. 432	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Maintain, Improve and Develop Trails
L.D. 573	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for the Western Maine Creative Arts Center
L.D. 594	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Facilitate Laboratory and Education Facility Construction for the Gulf of Maine Research Institute
L.D. 747	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond

L.D. 801 An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Infrastructure Improvements for Canton Village and To Provide Funding for the

Issue for the Municipal Investment Trust Fund

CareerCenter in Rumford

L.D. 942	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Educational Facilities and Research and Development Facilities for the University of	L.D. 803	An Act To Stimulate the Economy in the St. John Valley	
	New England	L.D. 1057	An Act Concerning the Economic and Business Climate	
L.D. 1165	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Development of 2 Educational Facilities for Spurwink	L.D. 1076	An Act To Encourage Expansion and Development of Maine Tourism	
L.D. 1237	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Create Jobs through Enhancing Maine's Commercial Marine Resources		otified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill nmittee's action.	
L D 4050	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Community Recycling and Household Hazardous Waste Collection	Sincerely,		
L.D. 1256		S/Sen. Lynn Bro Senate Chair	omley	
L.D. 1395	An Act To Protect Maine Rivers and To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue	S/Rep. Nancy E House Chair	E. Smith	
L.D. 1692	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Improvements to Passenger Rail Service	READ and with FILE.	accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON	
e have also no	otified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill			

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Margaret Rotundo Senate Chair

S/Rep. Jeremy Fischer House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 182

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

April 10, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass": STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

S.C. 205

April 12, 2007

The Following Communication:

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 121	An Act To Strengthen the Home Construction Contract Laws
L.D. 851	An Act To Facilitate the Upgrading and Preservation of Existing Building Structures
L.D. 1139	An Act Regarding Returnable Containers

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Lynn Bromley Senate Chair

S/Rep. Nancy E. Smith

House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON

The Following Communication: S.C. 183

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

April 10, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 946 An Act To Prevent Smoke Detector Tampering

L.D. 949 An Act To Amend the Laws Concerning Public **Fighting**

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bill Diamond Senate Chair

S/Rep. Stanley J. Gerzofsky House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE

The Following Communication: S.C. 206

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

April 12, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1127 An Act To Decriminalize Certain Actions

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsor of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bill Diamond Senate Chair

S/Rep. Stanley J. Gerzofsky House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 200

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

April 11, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

An Act To Include Family Life Skills in the L.D. 985 System of Learning Results

L.D. 1013 An Act To Offer Tuition Waivers for State Higher Education Facilities to Eligible Veterans

L.D. 1043 An Act Regarding Requirements for the Issuance and Renewal of Teaching Certificates

L.D. 1333	An Act To Develop an Equitable Funding Formula for the University of Maine System Campuses	L.D. 835	An Act To Encourage School Administrative Units To Collaborate with Other School Administrative Units
L.D. 1427	Resolve, To Evaluate Parenting Education and To Develop Parenting Resources in Maine High Schools	L.D. 853	An Act To Encourage Efficiency in School Administration
L.D. 1465	Resolve, To Establish a Pilot Program for a Trimester Schedule at the University of Maine	L.D. 947	Resolve, To Prepare Students for Success in the Twenty-first Century
	at Presque Isle (EMERGENCY)	L.D. 976	An Act To Encourage Cost Efficiency in Administration of and Contribution to Tax
L.D. 1525	An Act To Promote Compassion in Schoolchildren		Burden Reduction by School Districts
		L.D. 1324	An Act To Restore Income as a Factor in the
L.D. 1565	Resolve, To Expand Access to Early Childhood Education to All Children 4 Years of Age and Older		Determination of Fiscal Capacity in the School Funding Formula
	otified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill namittee's action.	L.D. 1473	An Act To Provide State Support for State- approved School Construction Projects in Certain Municipalities

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Peter B. Bowman Senate Chair

S/Rep. Jacqueline Norton House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 207

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

April 12, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

Resolve, To Reduce the Number of School L.D. 370 Administrative Units and Gain Administrative Efficiencies

L.D. 614 An Act To Modify the Essential Programs and Services Formula To Aid Rural School Districts We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Peter B. Bowman Senate Chair

S/Rep. Jacqueline Norton House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 184

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

April 6, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass*:

An Act To Provide for Prescription Monitoring L.D. 386 and Protection of Personal Patient Information L.D. 724 Resolve, To Direct the Department of Health and Human Services To Provide Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Benefits to

Certain Guardians of Minors

L.D. 899 Resolve, To Establish a Committee To
Examine the Impacts of the 1993 Amendments
to General Assistance Program Eligibility

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph C. Brannigan Senate Chair

S/Rep. Anne C. Perry House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 185

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

April 10, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 984 Resolve, To Evaluate MaineCare Finances

L.D. 1527 An Act To Set Maximum Allowable Television Viewing Hours for State-licensed Child Care

Facilities

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph C. Brannigan Senate Chair

S/Rep. Anne C. Perry House Chair READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON

The Following Communication:

S.C. 201

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

April 11, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 520 An Act To Ensure Access to MaineCare Services

Services

L.D. 1574 Resolve, To Address Drug Abuse and Addiction

L.D. 1676 An Act To Ensure the Effective Management of the Behavioral Health Care Services System in

Maine (EMERGENCY)

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph C. Brannigan Senate Chair

S/Rep. Anne C. Perry House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 186

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

April 6, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 379 An Act To Expand the Fall Wild Turkey Hunting Season

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsor of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bruce Bryant Senate Chair

S/Rep. Troy D. Jackson House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 187

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

April 10, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 356 An Act Concerning Certain Hunting License Fees and Antlerless Deer Permits

L.D. 655 An Act To Change the Firearms Season on

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bruce Bryant Senate Chair

S/Rep. Troy D. Jackson

House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 188

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

April 11, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 421 An Act To Improve Deer Management and Hunting

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsor of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bruce Bryant Senate Chair

S/Rep. Troy D. Jackson House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON

The Following Communication:

S.C. 208

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

April 12, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 504 An Act To Require the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Reserve 250 Moose Permits for Residents Who Have Never Received One
 L.D. 617 An Act To Promote Moose Hunting
 L.D. 1080 An Act To Increase Public Participation in the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund Board

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bruce Bryant Senate Chair

S/Rep. Troy D. Jackson House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 189

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

April 10, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1116 An Act To Create a State-sponsored Mutual Liability Company To Underwrite Risk for

Snowmobile and ATV Clubs

L.D. 1401 An Act Prohibiting Delivery of Unsolicited Credit

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Nancy B. Sullivan Senate Chair

S/Rep. John R. Brautigam House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 209

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

April 12, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 100 An Act To Prohibit Retail Store-operated Banks

L.D. 635 An Act To Amend the Banking Laws Regarding Industrial Loan Company Reciprocity across State Lines

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Nancy B. Sullivan Senate Chair

S/Rep. John R. Brautigam House Chair **READ** and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 190

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

April 10, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 275 An Act To Protect Child Victims of Sexual Abuse

L.D. 1213 An Act To Establish Spousal Support

Guidelines

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Barry J. Hobbins Senate Chair

S/Rep. Deborah Simpson House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 191

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON LABOR

April 11, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Labor has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 75	An Act To Prohibit Credit Checks for Purposes of Employment
L.D. 233	An Act To Provide Funds for Voice-activated Telephones
L.D. 595	An Act To Define "Livable Wage"
L.D. 689	An Act To Facilitate MaineCare Reimbursement in Workers' Compensation Cases
L.D. 1113	An Act To Prevent Workplace Bullying
L.D. 1355	An Act Regarding the Calculation of the Livable Wage
L.D. 1416	An Act To Create a Workers' Compensation Board Appeals Process

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ethan Strimling Senate Chair

S/Rep. John L. Tuttle, Jr. House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

S.C. 192

April 6, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

An Act To Extend the Hours for Sale and L.D. 914

Delivery of Alcohol

An Act To Require Wholesale Distributors of L.D. 1049 Alcoholic Beverages To Report the Quantity of

Liquor Sold to Individual Licensees

L.D. 1050 An Act To Prohibit Payment for the Gathering of

Petition Signatures

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Lisa T. Marraché Senate Chair

S/Rep. John L. Patrick House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 193

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**

April 11, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1273 An Act To Increase Beano Revenue

L.D. 1397 An Act To Allow Nonprofit Organizations and Indian Tribes To Sponsor Texas Hold 'Em

Tournaments

L.D. 1643 An Act To Clarify Alcohol Enforcement

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Lisa T. Marraché

Senate Chair

S/Rep. John L. Patrick

House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON

The Following Communication:

S.C. 194

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON MARINE RESOURCES**

April 6, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

An Act To Provide Flexibility for Sea Urchin L.D. 139 Zones

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsor of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Dennis S. Damon

Senate Chair

S/Rep. Leila J. Percy

House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON

FILE.

The Following Communication:

S.C. 195

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**

April 6, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1488 An Act To Reduce Contamination in the Home from the Release of Brominated Flame

Retardants

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsor of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. John L. Martin Senate Chair

S/Rep. Theodore S. Koffman House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 196

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

April 10, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 205 An Act To Require Regulatory Impact Estimates on Private Property

L.D. 734 An Act To Improve Public Understanding in Rulemaking

L.D. 1147 An Act To Impose a Modified Hiring Freeze in State Government

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Elizabeth M. Schneider Senate Chair

S/Rep. Christopher R. Barstow House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 210

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

April 12, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 81 An Act To Update the Property Tax Exemption for Parsonages

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsor of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph C. Perry Senate Chair

S/Rep. John F. Piotti House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 197

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

April 10, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 901

An Act To Require Legislative Review before a Road's Designation or Classification May Be Changed

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsor of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Dennis S. Damon Senate Chair

S/Rep. Boyd P. Marley House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON

The Following Communication:

S.C. 211

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

April 12, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1054 Resolve, Directing the Department of

Transportation To Repair Underground Pipes on Main Street and Church Street in Stockton

Springs BY REQUEST

L.D. 1097 An Act Relating to Safe and Effective Use of

Casco Bay Bridge

L.D. 1174 Resolve, To Stabilize the Naples Waterfront

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Dennis S. Damon

Senate Chair

S/Rep. Boyd P. Marley

House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON

The Following Communication:

S.C. 198

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES AND ENERGY

April 10, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 764

An Act To Clarify Standards for Issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsor of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Philip L. Bartlett II Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lawrence Bliss House Chair

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

The Following Communication:

S.C. 212

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES AND ENERGY

April 12, 2007

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate Honorable Glenn Cummings, Speaker of the House 123rd Maine Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Cummings:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 420 An Act Providing for Regulation of the Cable Television Industry by the Public Utilities

Commission

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsor of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Philip L. Bartlett II Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lawrence Bliss House Chair

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

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Allow Pressure Boiler Inspections by National Board-certified Inspectors" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 676 L.D. 1863

Sponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock. Cosponsored by Senator: RAYE of Washington. Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

On motion by Senator **SCHNEIDER** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS**, **RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Long-term Care Insurance Law" S.P. 678 L.D. 1865

Sponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York. (GOVERNOR'S BILL) Cosponsored by Representative VAUGHAN of Durham and Senator: SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, Representative: BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth.

On motion by Senator **SULLIVAN** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Prevent Disclosure of Certain Identifying Information in Child Protective Proceedings"

S.P. 677 L.D. 1864

Sponsored by Senator HOBBINS of York. Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

On motion by Senator **HOBBINS** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Intergovernmental Relationship between the Town of Boothbay Harbor and Bayville Village Corporation"

S.P. 680 L.D. 1867

Sponsored by Senator DOW of Lincoln.

On motion by Senator **SCHNEIDER** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Revise Maine's Utility Reorganization Laws" S.P. 679 L.D. 1866

Sponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York.
Cosponsored by Senators: BARTLETT of Cumberland,
BRANNIGAN of Cumberland, BRYANT of Oxford, President
EDMONDS of Cumberland, MILLS of Somerset, SAVAGE of
Knox, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, STRIMLING of Cumberland,
Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BARSTOW of Gorham,
BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth, CLARK of Millinocket, FINCH of
Fairfield, HASKELL of Portland, JACKSON of Allagash, PATRICK
of Rumford, PINGREE of North Haven, RICHARDSON of Carmel,
WHEELER of Kittery.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

ORDERS

Joint Order

The 92nd Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. On April 24, 1915, a campaign was launched by the Turkish regime of the Ottoman Empire against the Armenian people, resulting in the death of more than 1.5 million Armenians. Some of the survivors settled in the State of Maine and their heirs have made significant contributions to the State. We join our citizens of Armenian heritage on April 24th in remembering this event, and we express our deepest sympathy for the families of those who perished; SLS 142

Sponsored by Senator BRANNIGAN of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senator: STRIMLING of Cumberland,
Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth,
Speaker CUMMINGS of Portland, HARLOW of Portland,
HASKELL of Portland, HINCK of Portland, MARLEY of Portland,
RAND of Portland.

READ.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Brannigan.

Senator BRANNIGAN: Thank you, Madame President. I am honored to take this role of honoring this group of people. It is a remembering of a slaughter 92 years ago. Since then, and way before then, we had many people who were slaughtered. We call it genocide. We remember the holocaust. Now we have the wonderful term 'ethnic cleansing'. That's what this would have been called had we had that term years ago. We have it going on today. I listened to public radio this morning about what's going on in the Sudan, the Darfur region. Slaughter. Killings. Ethnic cleansing. The difference here, I think, is that the people who were slaughtered in the ethnic cleansing of the Armenian people 92 years ago have people here who are still remembering. We know with the holocaust the Jewish people are still remembering. I fear that with the slaughters that are going on in various parts of the world, whether it's the Toutsies, the Serbs, or the people that are meeting terrible times in Afghanistan, I wonder if there will be people who will have the fortitude or the ability to come together and remember as these folks here today are remembering. Remembering is very important for all groups, individuals, who die. I hope that the genocides and ethnic cleansings will stop. There is no sign of that. The human race is in disgrace. Wonderfully, there is good and they are remembering. I hope that they will continue and I hope that we will honor those who remember. Thank you, Madame President.

PASSED.

Sent down for concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Gerard Kiladjian, Andrea Malconian, John Malconian, Peter Drivas, Delores Drivas, Valerie Kazarian, Jean Kazarian, Laura Tevanian-Labbe, and Marian Agazarian. Would they please rise and accept the greetings and appreciation of the Maine Senate.

Joint Resolution

On motion by Senator MITCHELL, under unanimous consent on behalf of President EDMONDS of Cumberland (Cosponsored by Speaker CUMMINGS of Portland and 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, GOOLEY of Franklin, HASTINGS of Oxford, HOBBINS 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 Piscataguis, SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, STRIMLING of Cumberland, SULLIVAN of York, TURNER of Cumberland, WESTON of Waldo, 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, GERZOFSKY 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, 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), the following Joint Resolution:

S.P. 670

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING PARKINSON'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease is estimated to affect approximately 7,000 individuals and their numerous care providers in Maine each day; and

WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease symptoms are not well understood by the general public, which is a source of distress and potential danger for Parkinson's patients; and

WHEREAS, the American Parkinson Disease Association, the Maine Parkinson Society and the MaineHealth Learning Resource Center are all established at a central resource in Falmouth; and

WHEREAS, the need to train, inform and educate emergency workers, police and fire prevention and other public safety personnel is urgent; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to train hospital emergency room personnel statewide in the proper assessment of incoming Parkinson's patients; and

WHEREAS, there exists a network of 11 Parkinson's disease support groups statewide; and

WHEREAS, there is but one movement disorder neurologist specializing in Parkinson's disease in Maine, making access limited for prospective patients; and

WHEREAS, World Parkinson's Awareness Day is April 11th, and April is Parkinson's Awareness Month; 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 express our support for all efforts being made by the Parkinson's disease community to close the gaps in services. training, education and care that currently exist; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Maine Parkinson Society and the Maine Chapter of the American Parkinson Disease Association and the MaineHealth Learning Resource Center.

READ and **ADOPTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes in the rear of the Chamber Lillian Scenna, Program Manager of the Parkinson's Information and Referral Center at MaineHealth, and Ivan Suzman, American Parkinson's Disease Association's Legislative Liaison. Would they please rise and receive the greetings of the Maine Senate.

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

Robert P. Cammack, of Augusta, who for 37 years guided thousands of people annually around the State Capitol as the tour guide for the building. Mr. Cammack was born in Glendale, California and was a World War II veteran, serving in North Africa as a flight engineer in the United States Navy. He was a beloved gentleman who possessed such a great love and respect for the Capitol building and the institution. His knowledge and personality made him a wonderful success as tour guide. The Maine State Museum worked to preserve some of the memory and charm of Mr. Cammack by videotaping the tour for the benefit of future guides. We gratefully acknowledge his longtime dedicated service to the State of Maine. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and his many friends; **SLS 149**

Sponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Kennebec. Cosponsored by 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, HOBBINS of York, MARRACHÉ of Kennebec, MARTIN of Aroostook, McCORMICK of Kennebec, MILLS of Somerset, 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 Piscataguis, SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, STRIMLING of Cumberland, SULLIVAN of York, TURNER of Cumberland, WESTON of Waldo, 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, Speaker CUMMINGS of Portland, 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, GERZOFSKY 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.

READ.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Mitchell.

Senator MITCHELL: Thank you, Madame President and colleagues of the Senate. For 37 years Bob Cammack taught Maine school children the beauty and the value of the State House and this complex. No one. No Senator. No Governor. No Representative has left a more lasting legacy than this man who loved the institution so very much. I think that everybody who came in contact with him has a deeper appreciation for the history of Maine and all that it portrays. The images that he has given to us will stay forever. There is not one corner of this building that he could not tell you a wonderful story about. It is with great honor, and I think that the family should know, to see this many people signing onto a Joint Resolution, that I am but one voice who reflects the feelings of the entire Maine Legislature. I would like to say how pleased we are to have members of his family with us today, and I know the President will recognize them later. We also know how much they contributed to his happy, cheerful face around the State House. Today we have with us his wife, Corey; his daughter, Patsy Letourneau, and her husband, Rob; and his stepson, Sean Watson. It was a family love affair with the State of Maine. We are so grateful that we had an opportunity to know Robert Cammack.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Rotundo.

Senator **ROTUNDO**: Thank you, Madame President, men and women of the Senate. I just wanted to rise to add my appreciation to the words that have already been spoken about the life and work of Mr. Cammack. He was always gracious and always eager to share whatever he knew with others. He was one of the great treasures of the State of Maine. I will miss him very much and will always treasure the great contributions that he made to the people of Maine. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Waldo, Senator Weston.

Senator **WESTON**: Thank you, Madame President, men and women of the Senate. Bob's face is the one I think most people remember when they think of this building. I have many images of him telling stories, pointing out particular little corners, or that special little thing that someone, especially the younger students, might miss. We started out by my tagging along with him as he gave tours and then we started sharing, each doing a little part. As the years passed, some days when he was really tired, I'd say, 'You know, Bob, I can handle this one if you want to take a break.' He would always come and give his greetings to the kids and then slip away for a little bit and come back for the end. I learned a lot from him and the joy that I have when I go around this building and share with the students is something that came directly from him. I thank him for that.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Martin.

Senator MARTIN: Thank you, Madame President and members of the Senate. Bob was hired when I became the Minority Floor Leader in 1970 or thereabouts. From that day he was an institution around this building. For all of us who actually made him work he was more than happy to provide tours for all the people that we brought to this building. I will never forget the times when young children would be here, and having been told

by their teachers that there were creatures that were found in the floors, how he would go around showing those locations around the State House. They would leave and if I ended up going back to the school where those students came from they didn't remember me or cared about anything else about the building, it was what Bob had showed them going through the building. To this day, some have come back 20 years later and pointed out where Bob had shown them what was on the floor of the State House. We will miss him, but in many ways he will still be around.

ADOPTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes in the rear of the Chamber the family of Bob Cammack. Would they please rise and receive the greetings of the Maine Senate.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Effect the Seizure and Disposal of Contraband Fireworks" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 292 L.D. 362

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Clarify Certain Laws Related to Fire Safety"
H.P. 671 L.D. 886

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 97, Private Non-medical Institution Services, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 535 L.D. 704

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, To Name the Bridge on Route 201 in Jackman over the Moose River the Veterans Memorial Bridge

H.P. 423 L.D. 545

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Resolve, To Study Maine's Agricultural Creative Economy Sector

H.P. 666 L.D. 876

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-68).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-68).

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-68) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.	Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-64).	
	Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.	
The Committee on BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT on Resolve, To Stimulate Tourism Development	READ ONCE.	
Projects H.P. 403 L.D. 525	Committee Amendment "A" (H-64) READ and ADOPTED , in concurrence.	
Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-69) .	ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.	
Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-69).	The Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Bill "An Act To Clarify Recent Changes to the Laws Regulating Land Use	
Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.	Ordinances" H.P. 275 L.D. 345	
READ ONCE.		
Committee Amendment "A" (H-69) READ and ADOPTED , in concurrence.	Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-60).	
ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.	Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-60).	
	Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.	
The Committee on INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Regarding Transactions at	READ ONCE.	
nancial Institutions" H.P. 518 L.D. 687	Committee Amendment "A" (H-60) READ and ADOPTED , in concurrence.	
Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-70) .	ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.	
Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-70).	The Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Bill "An Act To Permit the Sale of Antique Barometers"	
Report READ and ACCEPTED , in concurrence.	H.P. 691 L.D. 916	
READ ONCE.	Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-65).	
Committee Amendment "A" (H-70) READ and ADOPTED , in concurrence.	Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-65).	
ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.		
	Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.	
The Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on Bill "An Act	READ ONCE.	
Relating to Alternate Directors for Public Waste Disposal Corporations" H.P. 245 L.D. 301 Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by	Committee Amendment "A" (H-65) READ and ADOPTED , in concurrence.	
	ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.	
Committee Amendment "A" (H-64).		

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Clarify the Use of Insurance Scores"

H.P. 801 L.D. 1083

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"** (H-72).

Signed:

Senators:

SULLIVAN of York SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin BOWMAN of York

Representatives:

BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth CANAVAN of Waterville CROCKETT of Augusta VAUGHAN of Durham TREAT of Farmingdale RICHARDSON of Warren SAVAGE of Falmouth CONOVER of Oakland PRIEST of Brunswick

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

Signed:

Representative:

McKANE of Newcastle

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-72).

Reports READ.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-72) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE

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Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Permit the Use of Pictorial Graphics and Photographs on Changeable Signs"

H.P. 627 L.D. 830

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-61).

Signed:

Senator:

DIAMOND of Cumberland

Representatives:

BROWNE of Vassalboro
FISHER of Brewer
MAZUREK of Rockland
HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach
THOMAS of Ripley
CEBRA of Naples
ROSEN of Bucksport
THERIAULT of Madawaska
PEOPLES of Westbrook

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "B" (H-62).

Signed:

Senators:

DAMON of Hancock SAVAGE of Knox

Representative:

MARLEY of Portland

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-61) Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-61).

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**.

Senate

Change of Committee

Senator MARTIN for the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** on 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

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

D DEAD LAGGEDTED.	Ought to Pass As Amended
Report READ and ACCEPTED. REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.	Senator BROMLEY for the Committee on BUSINESS , RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Dealing with the Posting of Gas Prices" S.P. 208 L.D. 671
Sent down for concurrence.	Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-45) .
Ought to Pass	Report READ and ACCEPTED.
Senator BRANNIGAN for the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Postpone the Expiration of the Required Nonhospital Expenditures Component in the Capital Investment Fund"	READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (S-45) READ and ADOPTED.
S.P. 137 L.D. 436	ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.
Reported that the same Ought to Pass .	
Report READ and ACCEPTED.	Senator BOWMAN for the Committee on EDUCATION AND
READ ONCE.	CULTURAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Scientific Research Support Capability of the Maine State Museum"
ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE	S.P. 209 L.D. 672
DAY	Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-42).
Senator BRANNIGAN for the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act Regarding the Protection and	Report READ and ACCEPTED.
Advocacy Agency Advisory Council" S.P. 154 L.D. 467	READ ONCE.
Reported that the same Ought to Pass .	Committee Amendment "A" (S-42) READ and ADOPTED .
Report READ and ACCEPTED.	ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.
READ ONCE.	
ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.	Senator BOWMAN for the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Ensure Equitable Geographic Representation on the State Board of Education" S.P. 240 L.D. 791
Senator STRIMLING for the Committee on LABOR on Bill "An Act Regarding Final Agency Action Subject to Appeal Pursuant to the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992" S.P. 16 L.D. 41	Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-43) .
	Report READ and ACCEPTED.
Reported that the same Ought to Pass .	READ ONCE.
Report READ and ACCEPTED.	Committee Amendment "A" (S-43) READ and ADOPTED .
READ ONCE.	ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.
ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.	

Senator BOWMAN for the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Increase Educational Opportunities in the Kennebec Valley Region"

S.P. 286 L.D. 898

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (S-44).

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-44) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator BRANNIGAN for the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act Regarding Notice That Must Be Provided by a Psychiatric Facility Concerning Certain Patients"

S.P. 228 L.D. 711

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-49).

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-49) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator BRANNIGAN for the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Increase the Amount of Money a Resident in a Nursing Home May Spend on Personal Expenses"

S.P. 273 L.D. 880

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-39)**.

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-39) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator BRANNIGAN for the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Allow a Self-pay Patient
To Choose between Generic and Brand-name Medications"

S.P. 281 L.D. 883

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-40).

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-40) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator BRYANT for the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE on Bill "An Act To Establish Emergency Response to Illegal Introductions of Invasive Fish Species" S.P. 89 L.D. 252

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-38).

Report **READ**.

On motion by Senator **BRYANT** of Oxford, **TABLED** Unassigned, pending **ACCEPTANCE** OF THE REPORT.

Senator SULLIVAN for the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Allow Schools in the
State To Self-insure for Fire, Property and Theft Insurance"
S.P. 219 L.D. 682

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-41)**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-41) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senator MARTIN for the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Require the Department of Environmental Protection To Meet the Federal Requirements on Regional Haze Visibility Impairment"

S.P. 144 L.D. 443

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (S-50).

Report READ and ACCEPTED. The Majority of the Committee on INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Further Limit Retrospective Denials READ ONCE. of Previously Paid Health Insurance Claims" Committee Amendment "A" (S-50) READ and ADOPTED. S.P. 406 L.D. 1218 ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE Reported that the same Ought to Pass. DAY. Signed: Senators: **Divided Report** SULLIVAN of York BOWMAN of York The Majority of the Committee on INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Credit Representatives: Card Companies" **BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth CANAVAN of Waterville** S.P. 302 L.D. 951 **CROCKETT** of Augusta Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by TREAT of Farmingdale Committee Amendment "A" (S-48). **CONOVER of Oakland** PRIEST of Brunswick Signed: The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same Ought Not To Pass. Senators: SULLIVAN of York SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin Signed: **BOWMAN of York** Senator: SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin Representatives: **BRAUTIGAM of Falmouth CANAVAN of Waterville** Representatives: **CROCKETT** of Augusta VAUGHAN of Durham **VAUGHAN of Durham** RICHARDSON of Warren TREAT of Farmingdale SAVAGE of Falmouth RICHARDSON of Warren McKANE of Newcastle SAVAGE of Falmouth CONOVER of Oakland Reports READ. PRIEST of Brunswick On motion by Senator SULLIVAN of York, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS Report ACCEPTED. The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same Ought Not To Pass. READ ONCE. Signed: ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE Representative: DAY. McKANE of Newcastle Reports READ. **Divided Report** On motion by Senator SULLIVAN of York, the Majority OUGHT The Majority of the Committee on TRANSPORTATION on Bill TO PASS AS AMENDED Report ACCEPTED. "An Act To Allow the Secretary of State To Issue a Work-READ ONCE. restricted License to First-time License Holders Not Yet 21 Years of Age with Less than 2 Years of Driving Time" S.P. 78 L.D. 241 Committee Amendment "A" (S-48) READ and ADOPTED. ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass. DAY. Signed:

Divided Report

Senators:

DIAMOND of Cumberland SAVAGE of Knox

Representatives:

MARLEY of Portland BROWNE of Vassalboro FISHER of Brewer MAZUREK of Rockland HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach CEBRA of Naples ROSEN of Bucksport PEOPLES of Westbrook

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (S-47).

Signed:

Senator:

DAMON of Hancock

Representatives:

THOMAS of Ripley
THERIAULT of Madawaska

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** on Bill "An Act To Establish a Discounted Cable Rate for Senior Citizens and Assisted Living Facilities"

S.P. 77 L.D. 240

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

BARTLETT of Cumberland HOBBINS of York SMITH of Piscataquis

Representatives:

THIBODEAU of Winterport BLANCHARD of Old Town CURTIS of Madison RINES of Wiscasset BLISS of South Portland FLETCHER of Winslow ADAMS of Portland FITTS of Pittsfield The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-46)**.

Signed:

Representatives:

BERRY of Bowdoinham HINCK of Portland

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **BARTLETT** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

SECOND READERS

The Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading** reported the following:

House As Amended

Bill "An Act To Allow Military Personnel Stationed in Maine To Register All-terrain Vehicles As Residents"

H.P. 149 L.D. 167 (C "A" H-58)

Bill "An Act To Establish an Airport Managers Training Program" H.P. 184 L.D. 213

(C *A" H-53)

Bill "An Act To Provide Medically Necessary Speech Therapy Services"

H.P. 250 L.D. 306 (C "A" H-52)

Bill "An Act To Create Fairness in E-9-1-1 Funding"

H.P. 425 L.D. 547 (C "A" H-57)

Bill "An Act To Expand the Definition of Health Care Facility under the Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority Act"

H.P. 548 L.D. 727 (C "A" H-55)

READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in concurrence.

Resolve, Requiring the Maine Community College System To Return Real Property and Buildings to the City of Eastport H.P. 192 L.D. 221 (C "A" H-54)

recommendation of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** be overridden?"

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the

READ A SECOND TIME.

On motion by Senator **MARTIN** of Aroostook, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

The Senator from Somerset, Senator **MILLS**, requested and received leave of the Senate to be excused from voting pursuant to Senate Rule 401.3.

Bill "An Act To Make Additions and Deletions to the List of State Endangered and Threatened Species"

H.P. 296 L.D. 366 (C "A" H-59)

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 123rd Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

READ A SECOND TIME.

On motion by Senator **BRYANT** of Oxford, **TABLED** 1 Legislative Day, pending **PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

ROLL CALL (#47)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS:

Senators: BARTLETT, BENOIT, BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN, BROMLEY, BRYANT, COURTNEY, DAMON, DIAMOND, DOW, GOOLEY, HASTINGS, HOBBINS, MARTIN, MCCORMICK, MITCHELL, NASS, NUTTING, PERRY, PLOWMAN, RAYE, ROSEN, ROTUNDO, SAVAGE, SCHNEIDER, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWE-MELLO, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, TURNER, WESTON, THE PRESIDENT

- BETH G. EDMONDS

Senate As Amended

Bill "An Act To Support Maine's Free Clinics" S.P. 55 L.D. 144 (C "A" S-36)

EXCUSED: Senators: MARRACHE, MILLS

READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED.

Sent down for concurrence.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of the Honorable **Nancy Mills** of Cornville, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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

NOMINATION - of the Honorable Nancy Mills of Cornville, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice

Tabled - April 24, 2007, by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, April 24, 2007, Communication (S.C. 202) from the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.)

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

NOMINATION - of Kevin M. Cuddy of Holden, for appointment as a Superior Court Justice

Tabled - April 24, 2007, by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, April 24, 2007, Communication (S.C. 203) from the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.)

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 123rd Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#48)

YEAS:

Senators: None

NAYS:

Senators: BARTLETT, BENOIT, BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN, BROMLEY, BRYANT, COURTNEY, DAMON, DIAMOND, DOW, GOOLEY, HASTINGS, HOBBINS, MARTIN, MCCORMICK, MILLS, MITCHELL, NASS, NUTTING, PERRY,

PLOWMAN, RAYE, ROSEN, ROTUNDO, SAVAGE, SCHNEIDER, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWE-MELLO, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, TURNER, WESTON, THE PRESIDENT - BETH G.

EDMONDS

EXCUSED: Senator: MARRACHE

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Kevin M**. **Cuddy** of Holden, for appointment as a Superior Court Justice was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Kevin Cuddy of Holden, and his wife, Carol. Would they please rise and accept the greetings of the Maine Senate.

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

NOMINATION - of the Honorable Ellen A. Gorman of Auburn, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice.

Tabled - April 24, 2007, by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, April 24, 2007, Communication (S.C. 204) from the Committee on JUDICIARY, READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.)

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 123rd Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#49)

YEAS:

Senators: None

NAYS:

Senators: BARTLETT, BENOIT, BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN, BROMLEY, BRYANT, COURTNEY, DAMON, DIAMOND, DOW, GOOLEY, HASTINGS, HOBBINS, MARTIN, MCCORMICK, MILLS,

HOBBINS, MARTIN, MCCORMICK, MILLS, MITCHELL, NASS, NUTTING, PERRY,

PLOWMAN, RAYE, ROSEN, ROTUNDO, SAVAGE, SCHNEIDER, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWE-MELLO, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, TURNER, WESTON, THE PRESIDENT - BETH G.

EDMONDS

EXCUSED: Senator:

MARRACHE

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of the Honorable **Ellen A. Gorman** of Auburn, for reappointment as a Superior Court Justice. was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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

NOMINATION - of Benjamin R. Emory of Salisbury Cove, for appointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board

Tabled - April 24, 2007, by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, April 24, 2007, Communication (S.C. 213) from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.)

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 123rd Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#50)

YEAS:

Senators:

None

NAYS:

Senators: BARTLETT, BENOIT, BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN, BROMLEY, BRYANT, COURTNEY, DAMON, DIAMOND, DOW, GOOLEY, HASTINGS, HOBBINS, MARTIN, MCCORMICK, MILLS,

MITCHELL, NASS, NUTTING, PERRY,

PLOWMAN, RAYE, ROSEN, ROTUNDO, SAVAGE, SCHNEIDER, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWE-MELLO, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, TURNER, WESTON, THE PRESIDENT - BETH G.

EDMONDS

EXCUSED: Senator:

MARRACHE

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Benjamin R**. **Emory** of Salisbury Cove, for appointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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

NOMINATION - of Leon A. Gorman of Yarmouth, for reappointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board

Tabled - April 24, 2007, by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, April 24, 2007, Communication (S.C. 214) from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.)

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 123rd Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#51)

YEAS:

Senators: PLOWMAN

NAYS:

Senators: BARTLETT, BENOIT, BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN, BROMLEY, BRYANT, COURTNEY, DAMON, DIAMOND, DOW, GOOLEY, HASTINGS, HOBBINS, MARTIN, MCCORMICK, MILLS, MITCHELL, NASS, NUTTING, PERRY, RAYE, ROSEN, ROTUNDO, SAVAGE, SCHNEIDER, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWE-MELLO, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, TURNER, WESTON, THE PRESIDENT

- BETH G. EDMONDS

EXCUSED: Senator: MARRACHE

1 Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and 1 being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Leon A. Gorman** of Yarmouth, for reappointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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

NOMINATION - of Diane Doyle of Saco, for appointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board

Tabled - April 24, 2007, by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook

Pending - CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, April 24, 2007, Communication (S.C. 215) from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.)

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 151, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 123rd Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#52)

YEAS:

Senators:

None

NAYS:

Senators: BARTLETT, BENOIT, BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN, BROMLEY, BRYANT, COURTNEY, DAMON, DIAMOND, DOW, GOOLEY, HASTINGS, HOBBINS, MARTIN, MCCORMICK, MILLS,

MITCHELL, NASS, NUTTING, PERRY,

PLOWMAN, RAYE, ROSEN, ROTUNDO, SAVAGE, SCHNEIDER, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWE-MELLO, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, TURNER, WESTON, THE PRESIDENT - BETH G.

EDMONDS

EXCUSED: Senator:

MARRACHE

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Diane Doyle** of Saco, for appointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled Unassigned matter:

SENATE REPORT - from the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES
AND WILDLIFE on Bill "An Act To Establish Emergency
Response to Illegal Introductions of Invasive Fish Species"
S.P. 89 L.D. 252

Report - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-38).

Tabled - April 24, 2007, by Senator BRYANT of Oxford

Pending - ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT

(In Senate, April 24, 2007, Report READ.)

Report ACCEPTED.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-38) READ and ADOPTED.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication:

H.P. 1299

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

April 11, 2007

Hon. Glenn Cummings Speaker of the House 123rd Legislature

Hon. Beth Edmonds President of the Senate 123rd Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Madam President:

On April 11, 2007, 6 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on April 11, 2007, as follows:

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Prepare All Maine Students for College, Career and Citizenship" (H.P. 1295) (L.D. 1859) (Sponsored by Representative NORTON of Bangor) (Cosponsored by Senator BOWMAN of York and Representative: STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, Senator: MILLS of Somerset) (Submitted by the Department of Education pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force To Engage Maine's Youth Regarding Successful School Completion" (H.P. 1296) (L.D. 1860) (Sponsored by Representative MARLEY of Portland) (GOVERNOR'S BILL) (Cosponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Kennebec and Representatives: BARSTOW of Gorham, NORTON of Bangor, PINGREE of North Haven, Senators: BOWMAN of York, MILLS of Somerset)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Protect Inland Water Access" (H.P. 1294) (L.D. 1858) (Sponsored by Representative JACKSON of Allagash) (Cosponsored by Senator BRYANT of Oxford and Representatives: FISCHER of Presque Isle, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, PATRICK of Rumford, SAVIELLO of Wilton, WHEELER of Kittery, Senator: MARTIN of Aroostook) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.)

Labor

Bill "An Act Regarding Payment of Penalties for Nonpayment of Bills for Medical or Health Care Services under the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992" (H.P. 1297) (L.D. 1861) (Submitted by the Workers' Compensation Board pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 39-A, section 152, subsection 11.)

Bill "An Act Regarding Fairness for Families Regarding Workers' Compensation Coverage" (H.P. 1298) (L.D. 1862) (Submitted by the Workers' Compensation Board pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 39-A, section 152, subsection 11.)

Legal and Veterans Affairs

Bill "An Act To Allow Members of the Maine National Guard To Run for Office in a Partisan Public Election" (H.P. 1293) (L.D. 1857) (Sponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford) (Cosponsored by Senator MARRACHÉ of Kennebec and Representatives: Speaker CUMMINGS of Portland, GOULD of South Berwick, NASS of Acton, PATRICK of Rumford, PINKHAM of Lexington Township, TRINWARD of Waterville, WEDDELL of Frankfort, Senator: BRYANT of Oxford) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.)

Sincerely,

S/Millicent M. MacFarland Clerk of the House

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

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

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

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: H.P. 1303

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

March 13, 2007

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

Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Enclosed please find my official certification to the 123rd Legislature of the citizen initiative petition entitled "An Act to Allow a Tax Credit for College Loan Repayments."

Sincerely,

S/Matthew Dunlap Secretary of State

State of Maine Department of State

I, Matthew Dunlap, Secretary of State, hereby certify that written petitions bearing signatures of 63,285 electors of this State were addressed to the Legislature of the State of Maine and were filed in the office of the Secretary of State on January 25, 2007, requesting that the Legislature consider an act entitled, "An Act to Allow a Tax Credit for College Loan Repayments."

I further certify that the number of signatures submitted is in excess of ten percent of the total votes cast in the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of such petitions, as required by Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 of the Constitution of Maine, that number being 55,087.

I further certify this initiative petition to be valid and attach herewith the text of the legislation circulated on the petition's behalf.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State of Maine to be hereunto affixed. Given under my hand at Augusta on the thirteenth day of March in the year two thousand and seven.

S/Matthew Dunlap Secretary of State

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

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE, in concurrence.

The Accompanying Bill:

"An Act To Allow a Tax Credit for College Loan Repayments" I.B. 2 L.D. 1856

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on TAXATION and ordered printed, in concurrence.	Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:
	PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE
Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:	House Paper
PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE	Bill "An Act To Provide Flexibility within the Monhegan Island Lobster Conservation Area To Ensure the Viability of the Island Community" (EMERGENCY)
House Paper	H.P. 1302 L.D. 1870
Bill "An Act To Change the Evaluation Criteria for Those with Developmental Disabilities"	Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on MARINE RESOURCES and ordered printed.
H.P. 1300 L.D. 1868	REFERRED to the Committee on MARINE RESOURCES and
Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed.	ordered printed, in concurrence.
REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed, in concurrence.	ORDERS OF THE DAY
	The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later
Out of order and under supposition of the Dules, the Canata	(3/20/07) Assigned matter:
Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:	JOINT ORDER - To Create the Joint Select Committee on Prosperity
PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE	H.P. 1018
House Paper	Tabled - March 20, 2007, by Senator MITCHELL of Kennebec
Bill "An Act To Protect Maine Homeowners from Predatory Lending"	Pending - PASSAGE
H.P. 1301 L.D. 1869	(In House, March 15, 2007, READ and PASSED AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-22).)
Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES and ordered printed.	On motion by Senator MITCHELL of Kennebec, Senate Amendment "C" (S-19) READ and ADOPTED .
REFERRED to the Committee on INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES and ordered printed, in concurrence.	PASSED AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "C" (S-19) in NON-CONCURRENCE.
Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:	On motion by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland, the Senate RECONSIDERED whereby the Bill was PASSED AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "C" (S-19), in NON-CONCURRENCE .
PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE	THE DESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from
House Paper	THE PRESIDENT : The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Diamond.
Resolve, Authorizing Municipalities To Consolidate Voting Districts for a Special Election (EMERGENCY) H.P. 1304 L.D. 1871	Senator DIAMOND : Thank you, Madame President, men and women of the Senate. You caught me a little off guard. I wasn't prepared to have this come up today. I thought it wasn't going to, but here we are.

Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS and ordered printed.

AFFAIRS and ordered printed, in concurrence.

REFERRED to the Committee on LEGAL AND VETERANS

This Joint Order to create the Prosperity Committee, in my

opinion, is a bad idea. It came rolling out of the other end of the hall with a big head of steam. It's now limping in through the

doors of this Body. I think the concern I have about this is that it

really undermines our legislative committee system. That's my primary concern. It seems to me that every time that we want to have something very important discussed we create a new committee or a special task force. That's what we've done here.

I'm a traditionalist when it comes to this institution. Does that mean I don't like new ideas? Yes, that's what it means. If they are good new ideas, I think it's fine. This does weaken our system. We already have a committee to discuss prosperity, to discuss business, to discuss research, and to discuss economic development. This bill has been amended down to the point where it is going to be a summer study. Evidently, it's going to be ending in January. If we are going to have a study committee we have a Joint Standing Committee already prepared and standing to do that. Who's going to be on this study committee? Who's going to do it? I would hope it's going to include people like the Senator from Oxford, Senator Bryant, who is involved with fish and wildlife. I hope it's going to include the junior Senator from Aroostook, Senator Sherman, who served in both Bodies and on the Agriculture Committee. Agriculture certainly has to be a part of this. It definitely has to include the Senator from Somerset, Senator Mills, because if you've run for Governor you have had the ultimate education for learning about this state. It also should include the two former Speakers of the other Body. They have almost 70 years of experience. They certainly should be a part of this. The point is that if you look around this Chamber there are so many folks that should be on that study committee. Then we look at the good Senator from Cumberland, Senator Bromley, who is the Senate Chair of the Business, Research, and Economic Development Committee. I contend that this committee can do the job. I think what we are doing here is making the study committees the Junior Varsity. When something important comes along, we then reach out for the Varsity. To me, that really does undercut our committee system.

I know skids are pretty well greased on this thing. I haven't been lobbying for it other than in my caucus. I've simply said that I think it is a bad idea for the institution. I think somebody needs to stand up and say it's a bad idea for the institution. That's my pitch. I think that we have a committee, we have a situation in this institution, that can deal with prosperity. We should let them do their work. If this study committee truly is going to end in January, then we have a committee that could work this summer and fall. Thank you, Madame President.

On further motion by same Senator, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Martin.

Senator MARTIN: Thank you, Madame President and members of the Senate. Some of you know that I have not been particularly favorable to this proposal. I eventually came around to support it only because it was going to be a summer project and not something that will begin tomorrow morning. As I was thinking about why I was opposing it, it's probably because of its source.

The people behind the Brookings Institute, or whatever they want to call themselves, all of a sudden recommending all these bonds and all these things that we ought to be doing. The chief spokesperson singularly was responsible for increasing the cost of the Maine Turnpike construction about \$35 million to \$45 million. Some of you may remember. There was a bill before the legislature. We ended up going to the voters. You may remember all the extra things that had to be done and the expansion was exactly where it was originally planned. It went

exactly where it was going to go. So many years later, the cost of construction had gone through the roof.

That is what brings me to the original opposition, not only to the original order but to the original package that is still being lobbied around this state with dollars and has absolutely no clue of what we do here or why. I only begrudgingly came to support what we have before us now because it will clearly be dying in December and it will begin after we adjourn. That is the only reason why I am now voting for it. I wanted you to know what got me going in the first place.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is Passage as Amended by Senate Amendment "C" (S-19, in Non-Concurrence. A Roll Call has been ordered. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#53)

YEAS:

Senators: BARTLETT, BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN, BROMLEY, BRYANT, COURTNEY, DAMON, DOW, HOBBINS, MARTIN, MILLS, MITCHELL, NUTTING, PERRY, PLOWMAN, ROTUNDO, SCHNEIDER, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, TURNER,

and the PRESIDENT EDMONDS

NAYS:

Senators: BENOIT, DIAMOND, GOOLEY, HASTINGS, MCCORMICK, NASS, RAYE, ROSEN, SAVAGE, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWE-MELLO, WESTON

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EXCUSED: Senator: MARRACHE

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 13 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, PASSED AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "C" (S-19), in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (4/4/07) Assigned matter:

An Act To Change the Name of the Maine State Retirement System

S.P. 167 L.D. 512

Tabled - April 4, 2007, by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook

Pending - ENACTMENT

(In House, April 4, 2007, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.)

(In Senate, March 29, 2007, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.)

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.	Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.
The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (4/10/07) Assigned matter:	Senator PERRY of Penobscot was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.
An Act To Allow a Weight Tolerance for Vehicle Auxiliary Power Units	
H.P. 221 L.D. 265 (C "A" H-36)	Senator BROMLEY of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.
Tabled - April 10, 2007, by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin	
Pending - ENACTMENT (In Senate, April 3, 2007, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-36), in concurrence.)	Senator MITCHELL of Kennebec was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.
(In House, April 5, 2007, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.)	On motion by Senator MITCHELL of Kennebec, ADJOURNED , until Tuesday, April 25, 2007, at 10:00 in the morning, in memory of and lasting tribute to Robert P. Cammack of Augusta.
On motion by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, placed on the SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE , pending ENACTMENT , in concurrence.	
The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (4/11/07) Assigned matter:	
An Act To Increase the Bonding Capacity of the Maine Turnpike Authority S.P. 104 L.D. 321 (C "A" S-24)	
Tabled - April 11, 2007, by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin	
Pending - ENACTMENT	
(In Senate, April 2, 2007, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-24).)	
(In House, April 10, 2007, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.)	
PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.	
All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.	
Senator BOWMAN of York was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.	