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

In Senate Chamber  
Thursday  
January 15, 2009

Senate called to order by President Elizabeth H. Mitchell of  
Kennebec County.

Prayer by Senator John M. Nutting of Androscoggin County.

**SENATOR NUTTING:** There happens to be a couple of John  
Nuttings in Vermont that are in the ministry. I assure you that this  
is not one of them. Let's bow our heads in prayer.

Father in heaven, You have taught us that the only thing that  
is inevitable is the passing of time. With its passing yesterday's  
problems hopefully are solved, or at least their impact lessened,  
yet today's problems appear as challenges and opportunities, and  
we know that tomorrow's problems will be here soon enough. It  
often seems, as legislators, like we are simultaneously on a  
treadmill and a roller coaster. Then You send us a sign of hope,  
a renewed pledge to work together, a pledge of a way to find a  
compromise to solve a problem, and that gives us more spring to  
our step, and more hope for the future. So let's not get bogged  
down in the wintertime of problems but rather view our progress  
in the hope, in the sweet hope, the hopefully warmer hope, that  
spring someday is coming. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, January 13, 2009.

Doctor of the day, Dr. Peter Amann, MD of Scarborough.

**Off Record Remarks**

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by  
Senator **BARTLETT** of Cumberland, the following Joint Order:  
S.P. 47

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate  
adjourn, they do so until Wednesday, January 21, 2009, at 10:00  
the morning.

**READ and PASSED.**

Ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**Non-Concurrent Matter**

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Public Water System  
Operation Fees"

S.P. 41 L.D. 119

In Senate, January 13, 2009, on motion by Senator **MARRACHÉ**  
of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND  
HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on  
**UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed, in **NON-  
CONCURRENCE**.

On motion by Senator **BRANNIGAN** of Cumberland, the Senate  
**ADHERED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act Pertaining to the Quality Child Care Education  
Scholarship Fund" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 76 L.D. 92

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on  
**EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**.

On motion by Senator **SCHNEIDER** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to  
the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and  
ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Correct the Law Concerning Private Investigators'  
License Qualifications"

H.P. 104 L.D. 122

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on  
**CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**.

On motion by Senator **SCHNEIDER** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to  
the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**  
and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Improve Oral Health Care for Maine's Children"  
H.P. 84 L.D. 100

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**.

On motion by Senator **BRANNIGAN** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Overnight Parking of Recreational Vehicles"

H.P. 98 L.D. 114

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**.

On motion by Senator **BRANNIGAN** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Fund Fully the Purchase of Military Time" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 88 L.D. 104

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**.

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

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

H.P. 90 L.D. 106

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

On motion by Senator **MARRACHÉ** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Amend the Legislative Term Limit Laws"

H.P. 26 L.D. 31

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

On motion by Senator **MARRACHÉ** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication: S.P. 46

**STATE OF MAINE  
124<sup>th</sup> MAINE LEGISLATURE**

January 13, 2009

Sen. Justin L. Alfond  
Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs  
Rep. Patricia B. Sutherland  
House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs  
124th Legislature  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Alfond and Representative Sutherland:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has today nominated Jarred Sternbergh of Jonesboro for appointment to the Maine Maritime Academy Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 771 §428, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell  
President of the Senate

S/Hannah M. Pingree  
Speaker of the House

**READ** and with accompanying papers **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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The Following Communication: S.P. 53

**STATE OF MAINE  
124<sup>th</sup> MAINE LEGISLATURE**

January 14, 2009

Sen. Dennis S. Damon  
Senate Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Transportation  
Rep. Edward J. Mazurek  
House Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Transportation  
124th Legislature  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Damon and Representative Mazurek:

Please be advised that Governor John E. Baldacci has today nominated Brenda Garrand of Portland for reappointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority.

Pursuant to Title 23 M.R.S.A. §8112 (1), this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell  
President of the Senate

S/Hannah M. Pingree  
Speaker of the House

**READ** and with accompanying papers **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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The Following Communication: S.C. 17

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
SENATORIAL VOTE  
STATE OF MAINE**

January 15, 2009

The Honorable Elizabeth H. Mitchell  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Mitchell:

In compliance with Senate Order 2 of December 3, 2008, the Committee appointed by you to examine the returns of votes for Senators for the political years 2009 and 2010, has attended to its duties and asks leave to report that the returns of votes cast, as submitted by the Secretary of State to the President of the Senate, meets with the approval of the Committee.

Sincerely,

S/Philip L. Bartlett II, Chair  
Senatorial Vote Committee

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

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The Following Communication: S.C. 18

**124<sup>th</sup> LEGISLATURE  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
3 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0003**

January 13, 2009

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

Dear Secretary O'Brien:

Pursuant to my authority under Public Law 2003, Chapter 699 (LD 1815), I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Citizen Trade Policy Commission:

Senator Troy Jackson of Aroostook, Chair, replacing Senator Peggy Rotundo of Androscoggin  
Senator Stan Gerzofsky of Cumberland, replacing Senator Bruce Bryant of Oxford  
Senator Roger Sherman of Aroostook, replacing Senator Kevin Raye of Washington.

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

Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth Mitchell  
President of the Senate

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

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The Following Communication: S.C. 20

**124<sup>th</sup> LEGISLATURE  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
3 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0003**

January 14, 2009

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

Dear Secretary O'Brien:

Pursuant to my authority under HP 63 establishing the Joint Select Committee on Maine's Energy Future, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators:

Senator Philip Bartlett of Cumberland, Chair  
Senator Joseph Perry of Penobscot

Senator Deborah Simpson of Androscoggin  
Senator Doug Smith of Piscataquis  
Senator Christopher Rector Knox

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

Sincerely,

S/Elizabeth H. Mitchell  
President of the Senate

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Philip L. Bartlett, II  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. John L. Martin  
House Chair

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

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**SENATE PAPERS**

The Following Communication: S.C. 19

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**STATE OF MAINE  
124<sup>TH</sup> MAINE LEGISLATURE  
JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON JOINT RULES**

January 14, 2009

Honorable Elizabeth H. Mitchell, President of the Senate  
Honorable Hannah M. Pingree, Speaker of the House  
124th Maine Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Mitchell and Speaker Pingree:

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

- S.P. 29 Joint Order, To Amend the Joint Rules To Allow the Sponsor of a Bill To Be Present When Information Is Obtained for the Preparation of a Fiscal Note
- S.P. 30 Joint Order, To Amend the Joint Rules To Require a Minimum Threshold To Admit Bills for the First Regular Session
- H.P. 57 Joint Order, To Amend the Joint Rules To Limit the Number of Bills Introduced
- H.P. 72 Joint Order, To Amend Joint Rule 305-A Regarding Joint Standing Committee Procedure
- H.P. 73 Joint Order, Amend Joint Rule 202 and 203, Cloture for Legislators
- H.P. 100 Joint Order, To Amend Joint Rule 211 primary bill sponsor
- H.P. 106 Joint Order, To Amend the Joint Rules Regarding Public Hearing Notices

We have also notified the sponsors of the Committee's action.

Bill "An Act To Clarify Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Laws for Youth"

S.P. 51 L.D. 132

Presented by Senator BRYANT of Oxford.  
Cosponsored by Representative BRYANT of Windham and Senator: GERZOFKY of Cumberland, Representatives: BOLAND of Sanford, CAREY of Lewiston, SHAW of Standish, WHEELER of Kittery, WILLETTE of Presque Isle.  
Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

On motion by Senator BRYANT of Oxford, REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Regarding the Electronic Submission of Filings"  
S.P. 45 L.D. 123

Presented by Senator BOWMAN of York.  
Cosponsored by Representative RICHARDSON of Warren and Representatives: BECK of Waterville, GOODE of Bangor.  
Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State To Conduct a Pilot Program for Early Voting for the November 2009 Election  
S.P. 48 L.D. 129

Presented by President MITCHELL of Kennebec.  
Cosponsored by Speaker PINGREE of North Haven and Senators: DIAMOND of Cumberland, GOODALL of Sagadahoc, SULLIVAN of York, Representatives: BECK of Waterville, BRIGGS of Mexico, CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, GOODE of Bangor, TUTTLE of Sanford.  
Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

On motion by Senator **MARRACHÉ** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Allow a Municipality Greater Flexibility To Disburse State Fees"

S.P. 49 L.D. 130

Presented by Senator PERRY of Penobscot.  
Cosponsored by Representative WATSON of Bath and Senators: JACKSON of Aroostook, NUTTING of Androscoggin, Representatives: BRIGGS of Mexico, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls.  
Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Allow a Duplicate Vanity License Plate in a Different Classification of Plate"

S.P. 52 L.D. 133

Presented by Senator ROSEN of Hancock.  
Cosponsored by Representative CELLI of Brewer and Representative: PRATT of Eddington.

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Amend the Charter of the Athens Standard Water District"

S.P. 50 L.D. 131

Presented by Senator MILLS of Somerset.  
Cosponsored by Representative THOMAS of Ripley.

On motion by Senator **HOBBS** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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All matters thus acted upon, with exception of those matters being held, were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

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## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### House

#### Pursuant to Public Law

The Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Resolve, To Study the Feasibility of Expanding the Curriculum of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics  
H.P. 66 L.D. 76

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**, pursuant to Public Law 2007, chapter 660, section 18.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**.

Report **READ**.

On motion by Senator **NUTTING** of Androscoggin, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT**, in concurrence.

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### Senate

#### Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator BARTLETT for the Joint Select Committee on **JOINT RULES** on Joint Order "To Amend the Joint Rules To Provide for Leave To Withdraw"

S.P. 42

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-1)**.

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

Committee Amendment "A" (S-1) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

**PASSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Senator BARTLETT for the Joint Select Committee on **JOINT RULES** on Joint Order "To Amend the Joint Rules Regarding Fiscal Notes"

S.P. 28

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-2).**

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

Committee Amendment "A" (S-2) **READ** and **ADOPTED.**

**PASSED AS AMENDED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

All matters thus acted upon, with exception of those matters being held, were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

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

Bill "An Act To Fund Fully the Purchase of Military Time" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 88 L.D. 104

Tabled - January 15, 2009, by Senator **JACKSON** of Aroostook

Pending - **REFERENCE**

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

(In House, January 13, 2009, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.**)

On motion by Senator **JACKSON** of Aroostook, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

**Off Record Remarks**

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (1/7/09) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act To Establish a Distracted Driver Law" S.P. 15 L.D. 6

Tabled - January 7, 2009, by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock

Pending - **REFERENCE**

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

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION.**

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (1/7/09) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Air Bag Fraud" H.P. 9 L.D. 14

Tabled - January 7, 2009, by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock

Pending - **REFERENCE**

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

(In House, January 7, 2009, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY.**)

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

On motion by Senator **BARTLETT** of Cumberland, **RECESSED** until the sound of the bell.

After Recess

Senate called to order by the President.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Paper**

Bill "An Act To Amend the Occupancy Limits for Campsites in the Unorganized Territories" (EMERGENCY) H.P. 113 L.D. 134



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

On motion by Senator **NUTTING** of Androscoggin, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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Off Record Remarks

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Paper**

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for the Land for Maine's Future Board"

H.P. 132 L.D. 153

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

On motion by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Paper**

Bill "An Act To Require the Provision of Unstructured Recess Time for Elementary School Students"

H.P. 115 L.D. 136

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

On motion by Senator **ALFOND** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Remove Game Sanctuary Status for Certain Lands in the Town of Orrington"

H.P. 108 L.D. 124

Resolve, To Authorize a Trail To Be Built Connecting the Cascade Falls Trail with the Eastern Trail

H.P. 116 L.D. 137

Bill "An Act Regarding the Placement of Bait To Attract Wild Animals or Birds for Hunting"

H.P. 117 L.D. 138

Bill "An Act To Require a Guide License for Certain Outdoor Activities"

H.P. 118 L.D. 139

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

On motion by Senator **BRYANT** of Oxford, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Resolve, To Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission To Study the Functions and Operations of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System

H.P. 109 L.D. 125

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Relating to the Maine Jobs Council"

H.P. 128 L.D. 149

Bill "An Act To Enhance the Safety of Forestry Workers and Contracted Farm Workers"

H.P. 133 L.D. 154

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **JACKSON** of Aroostook, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Prohibit a Maine Clean Election Act Candidate from Participating in Political Action Committee Funding"  
H.P. 119 L.D. 140

Bill "An Act To Allow Voters To Choose Ongoing Absentee Voter Status"  
H.P. 129 L.D. 150

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

On motion by Senator **GOODALL** of Sagadahoc, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Allow a Person 65 Years of Age or Older To Obtain a Lobster License without Completing the Apprenticeship Program"  
H.P. 120 L.D. 141

Bill "An Act To Amend the Alewife Fishing Laws"  
H.P. 130 L.D. 151

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Revise the Boundary between the City of Waterville and the Town of Oakland"  
H.P. 121 L.D. 142

Bill "An Act To Amend the Process for Secession from a County by a Municipality"  
H.P. 122 L.D. 143

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Reduce the Size of the Legislature  
H.P. 123 L.D. 144

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

On motion by Senator **JACKSON** of Aroostook, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Laws Affecting Transportation"  
H.P. 110 L.D. 126

Bill "An Act To Require the Secretary of State To Notify Vehicle Owners of Impending Registration Expiration"  
H.P. 124 L.D. 145

Bill "An Act Relating to Autocycles"  
H.P. 131 L.D. 152

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Telephone Line-item Charges Not Representing Services Requested by the Customer or Required by Law"  
H.P. 111 L.D. 127

Bill "An Act To Require Telephone Directories To Include Cellular Telephone Numbers for Businesses"  
H.P. 125 L.D. 146

Bill "An Act To Facilitate the Protection of Electric Utility Consumer Interests in Public Utility Commission Cases Involving the Construction, Rebuilding or Relocating of Transmission Lines"  
H.P. 126 L.D. 147

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **HOBBS** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**House**

**Ought to Pass Amended**

The Joint Select Committee on **JOINT RULES** on Joint Order "To Adopt Joint Rule 317 Review of provisions affecting the Fund for a Healthy Maine"

H.P. 74

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-1)**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Joint Order **PASSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-1)**.

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

Committee Amendment "A" (H-1) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

**PASSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**House**

**Change of Committee**

The Joint Select Committee on **JOINT RULES** on Joint Order, "To Amend the Joint Rules To Require Agreement with the Legislative Code of Ethics"

H.P. 107

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Joint Order **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**.

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

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

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

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Off Record Remarks

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Senator **COURTNEY** of York was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

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Off Record Remarks

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Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

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Senator **MARRACHÉ** of Kennebec was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

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On motion by Senator **BARTLETT** of Cumberland, **ADJOURNED**, pursuant to the Joint Order, to Wednesday, January 21, 2009, at 10:00 in the morning, in memory of and lasting tribute to Augustus "Gus" Barber of Cape Elizabeth and Irving "Irv" Chappell of Cape Elizabeth.