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19th Legislative Day
Tuesday, March 8, 2011

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

Prayer by The Honorable David C. Burns, Whiting.
Colors presented by Augusta Fire Department Color Guard.
National Anthem by Shannon Folsom, Saco.
Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, David Andrews, M.D., Falmouth.
The Journal of Thursday, March 3, 2011 was read and approved.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act Regarding Municipal Authority To Review Construction Permits for Public Buildings"

(S.P. 154) (L.D. 562)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Protect Ratepayers While Enhancing Energy Independence and Security"

(S.P. 231) (L.D. 793)

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

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

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

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act Relating to Identification of Service Animals" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 592) (L.D. 785)

REFERRED to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in the House on March 1, 2011.

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

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

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Ensure That Municipalities Refund Amounts Collected in Excess of Tax Liens"

(H.P. 571) (L.D. 764)

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** in the House on March 1, 2011.

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

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.P. 674)

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

February 17, 2011
The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Priest:

Enclosed please find my official certification to the 125th Legislature of the citizen initiative petition entitled "An Act Regarding Establishing a Slot Machine Facility."

Sincerely,
S/Charles E. Summers, Jr.
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

I, Charles E. Summers, Jr., Secretary of State, hereby certify that written petitions bearing signatures of 59,095 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 December 30, 2010, January 6, 2011 and January 19, 2011, requesting that the Legislature consider an act entitled, "An Act Regarding Establishing a Slot Machine Facility."

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 57,277.

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 seventeenth day of February in the year two thousand and eleven.

S/CHARLES E. SUMMERS, JR.
Secretary of State

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

Sent for concurrence.

On motion of Representative BEAULIEU of Auburn, the accompanying Bill "An Act Regarding Establishing a Slot Machine Facility"

(I.B. 1) (L.D. 985)

REFERRED to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 84)

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0001

March 3, 2011

The Honorable Robert W. Nutting
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Nutting:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Douglas S. Carr of Yarmouth for appointment to the Board of Trustees of Dirigo Health.

Pursuant to Title 24-A, MRSA §6904, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services.

Sincerely,
S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 85)
**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0001**

March 3, 2011
The Honorable Robert W. Nutting
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Speaker Nutting:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Robert A. Harmon of Raymond for appointment to the Board of Trustees of Dirigo Health.

Pursuant to Title 24-A, MRSA §6904, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services.

Sincerely,
S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 86)
**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

March 3, 2011
The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5 MRSA §13171, I am pleased to appoint the following Representatives to the Maine Council on Poverty and Economic Security:

Representative Benjamin M. Chipman of Portland
Representative Dale J. Crafts of Lisbon

Representative Megan M. Rochelo of Biddeford
Representative Dianne C. Tilton of Harrington

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

Sincerely,
S/Robert W. Nutting
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 87)
**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

March 2, 2011
The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Priest:
Pursuant to my authority under Title 1, MRSA, Chapter 13, §411, I am pleased to appoint the following people to the Right to Know Advisory Committee:

Representative Joan M. Nass of Acton
Mike Violette of News Radio 560 WGAN of South Portland
Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these appointments.

Sincerely,
S/Robert W. Nutting
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 89)
**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

March 4, 2011
The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 20-A MRSA §652, I am pleased to appoint Representative David E. Richardson of Carmel to the Education Commission of the States.
Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Robert W. Nutting
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 90)
**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

March 4, 2011
The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under P & S 1999, Ch. 58, I am pleased to appoint Representative Maeghan Maloney of Augusta to the Governing Board of the Capital Riverfront Improvement District.
Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Robert W. Nutting
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 91)

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

March 7, 2011

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1(l), I am rescinding the appointment of Representative James S. Gillway of Searsport to the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government and replacing him with Representative Beth P. Turner of Burlington.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

S/Robert W. Nutting
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 88)

**STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

March 8, 2011

The Honorable Robert W. Nutting
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Nutting:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the following Joint Standing Committees have voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

L.D. 215 An Act To Authorize the Leasing of Rail Crossings

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

L.D. 91 An Act Relating to Disorderly Conduct in the Vicinity of a Funeral

L.D. 264 An Act Regarding Residential Chimney Lining

Environment and Natural Resources

L.D. 379 An Act To Stop Unfunded Mandates Concerning Waste Discharge Licenses

Health and Human Services

L.D. 29 An Act To Limit Salaries of Hospital Administrators

L.D. 127 Resolve, To Align Child-to-staff Ratios in Child Care Facilities

Transportation

L.D. 259 An Act To Limit the Duration of a Legal Alien's Driver's License

Veterans and Legal Affairs

L.D. 73 An Act To Establish a Uniform Deadline for Persons Qualifying as Candidates

L.D. 103 An Act To Improve the Access of Beer and Wine Licensees to Agency Liquor Store Licenses

L.D. 196 An Act Regarding Unenrolled Candidates under the Maine Clean Election Act

The sponsors and cosponsors have been notified of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,
S/Heather J.R. Priest
Clerk of the House

READ.

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

Representative **BOLDUC**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. Good morning. I rise today to briefly address LD 29, a bill that was unanimously reported out of the Health and Human Services Committee. I am very proud to say that I always receive a unanimous report out of the committees on my bills.

As we all know, the healthcare system in this country is in a state of crisis. A President is elected on a platform to overhaul the system and two years later after fierce debate, a congress is elected on a platform to reverse these healthcare initiatives. Doctors blame administrators, administrators blame insurance companies, insurance companies blame poor lifestyle choices of the patients and on and on it goes. What has happened, how is it that healthcare has become a lucrative industry for so many? Why isn't the care of the sick and ill in our society considered a public service like teaching or legislating or firefighting? Why is it that so many individuals are becoming millionaires off the sickness of others? It is in my opinion a microcosm of the greed and rampant consumerism our modern society falls prey to. It baffles me that we have somehow gotten to a point as a society that we consider it acceptable to pay hospital administrators millions of dollars a year, not just here in Maine but nationally. It is an indication of big time moral corruption in the nation's healthcare industry.

LD 29 is an attempt to address one of the many injustices present in our healthcare system. These so called "non profit" hospitals which are heavily subsidized by the federal, state and local government and taxpayers should not be doling out these shameless and astronomical salaries. It is an insult to every wage earner in the state. I also don't buy the argument that these positions are so competitive at the national level that hospitals need to offer these outrageous salaries to find qualified applicants. This reasoning does not pass the straight face test. If the board of directors can't find an individual who can run a hospital and want to move to our beautiful state for let's say half a million dollars a year, then the board is not doing their job. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

Subsequently, the Communication with accompanying papers was **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: (S.C. 134)

**MAINE SENATE
125TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

March 3, 2011

The Honorable Robert W. Nutting
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Nutting:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A. §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 125th Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nomination:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, the nomination of The Honorable Stephen L.

Bowen of Rockport for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Education.

Sincerely,
S/ Joseph G. Carleton, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (S.C. 135)

**MAINE SENATE
125TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

March 3, 2011

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Clerk of the House

2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Priest:

Please be advised the Senate today adhered to its previous action whereby it referred Resolve, To Study the Sustainability of the Harness Racing Industry (H.P. 326) (L.D. 408) (EMERGENCY) to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, in non-concurrence.

Sincerely,
S/ Joseph G. Carleton, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

**PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING
REFERENCE**

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

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

Resolve, To Streamline the Laws Governing Small Slaughterhouses (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 682) (L.D. 922)

Sponsored by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan.

Cosponsored by Senator SCHNEIDER of Penobscot and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, DILL of Old Town, GIFFORD of Lincoln, KENT of Woolwich, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.

Resolve, To Adjust Composting Limits for Farms

(H.P. 713) (L.D. 969)

Sponsored by Representative LIBBY of Waterboro.

Cosponsored by Senator COURTNEY of York and Representatives: DILL of Old Town, EDGECOMB of Caribou, EVES of North Berwick, HAMPER of Oxford, McCABE of Skowhegan, NASS of Acton, VALENTINO of Saco, Senator: SHERMAN of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act To Require Certification of Private Applicators of General Use Pesticides"

(H.P. 719) (L.D. 975)

Sponsored by Representative DILL of Old Town.

Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, CRAY of Palmyra, McCABE of Skowhegan, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, Senator: SCHNEIDER of Penobscot.

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Weatherize and Upgrade the Energy Efficiency of Maine Homes

and Businesses and To Provide for a Trained Workforce for Maine's Energy Future"

(H.P. 679) (L.D. 919)

Sponsored by Representative HINCK of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Create an Animal and Plant Diagnostic Facility at the University of Maine"

(H.P. 723) (L.D. 979)

Sponsored by Representative EDGECOMB of Caribou.

Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, CRAY of Palmyra, FOSTER of Augusta, GIFFORD of Lincoln, KENT of Woolwich, McCABE of Skowhegan, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville, Senator: SCHNEIDER of Penobscot.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Bill "An Act To Protect Minors from Questioning by Private Investigators"

(H.P. 647) (L.D. 880)

Sponsored by Representative MORISSETTE of Winslow.

Cosponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset and Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, COTTA of China, DION of Portland, HARVELL of Farmington, KESCHL of Belgrade, NELSON of Falmouth, PLUMMER of Windham, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

Bill "An Act To Increase Penalties for Operating a Motor Vehicle under the Influence of Drugs or Alcohol"

(H.P. 652) (L.D. 885)

Sponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples.

Bill "An Act To Make Certain Synthetic Cannabinoids Illegal"

(H.P. 673) (L.D. 914)

Sponsored by Representative NASS of Acton.

Cosponsored by Representative MOULTON of York and Representatives: BURNS of Whiting, KESCHL of Belgrade, MALABY of Hancock, TUTTLE of Sanford, Senator: MASON of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Credit Toward Payment of Fines Given for Jail Time"

(H.P. 686) (L.D. 926)

Sponsored by Representative HASKELL of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec and Representatives: DILL of Cape Elizabeth, FOSSEL of Alna, HANLEY of Gardiner, HARLOW of Portland, LAJOIE of Lewiston, WAGNER of Lewiston, Senator: GERZOSKY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Allow Concealed Weapons in the State House"

(H.P. 692) (L.D. 932)

Sponsored by Representative CRAFTS of Lisbon.

Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, BURNS of Whiting, CEBRA of Naples, DAVIS of Sangerville, LIBBY of Waterboro, MORISSETTE of Winslow, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Humane Treatment for Special Management Prisoners"

(H.P. 707) (L.D. 963)

Sponsored by Representative CHAPMAN of Brooksville.

Cosponsored by Representative: BOLAND of Sanford.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Use of Methadone by Operators of Commercial Motor Vehicles"

(H.P. 710) (L.D. 966)

Sponsored by Representative GRAHAM of North Yarmouth.

Cosponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland and Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, CLARKE of Bath,

HASKELL of Portland, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle, PLUMMER of Windham, PRIEST of Brunswick, Senator: THOMAS of Somerset.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Remove All Federal Funding from Inclusion in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Formula"

(H.P. 653) (L.D. 886)

Sponsored by Representative HARVELL of Farmington.

Bill "An Act To Allow a Student Attending Private School Access to Public School Cocurricular, Interscholastic and Extracurricular Activities"

(H.P. 662) (L.D. 903)

Sponsored by Representative PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield.

Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Representatives: CRAFTS of Lisbon, CROCKETT of Bethel, DAVIS of Sangerville, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, MORISSETTE of Winslow, O'CONNOR of Berwick, SANDERSON of Chelsea, Senator: WHITTEMORE of Somerset.

Resolve, Directing the Maine Community College System To Establish the Great Works School Campus

(H.P. 670) (L.D. 911)

Sponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BOLAND of Sanford, CHASE of Wells, NASS of Acton, RANKIN of Hiram, Senators: COURTNEY of York, SULLIVAN of York.

Resolve, To Establish a Study Group To Review the Teacher Certification Process

(H.P. 689) (L.D. 929)

Sponsored by Representative O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.

Cosponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland and Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, EDGEComb of Caribou, HUNT of Buxton, NELSON of Falmouth, RANKIN of Hiram, RICHARDSON of Carmel, WAGNER of Lewiston, Senator: SHERMAN of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act To Permit Public School Online Learning Programs To Accept Nonresident Tuition Students" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 698) (L.D. 938)

Sponsored by Representative BEAULIEU of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin and Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, BOLDUC of Auburn, CASAVANT of Biddeford, EDGEComb of Caribou, NASS of Acton, PRESCOTT of Topsham, RICHARDSON of Carmel, ROTUNDO of Lewiston.

Resolve, To Direct the Department of Education To Review the Essential Programs and Services Model

(H.P. 702) (L.D. 958)

Sponsored by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville.

Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset and Representatives: GUERIN of Glenburn, HARMON of Palermo, MAKER of Calais, SARTY of Denmark.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Provide Curriculum Consistency in Maine Public Schools

(H.P. 703) (L.D. 959)

Sponsored by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville.

Cosponsored by Representatives: HARMON of Palermo, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle, MAKER of Calais, SARTY of Denmark.

Resolve, Requiring the Department of Education To Amend Its Rules To Prohibit School Administrative Units from Imposing Unreasonable Restrictions That Impede the Ability of Parents and Evaluators To Observe Students

(H.P. 708) (L.D. 964)

Sponsored by Representative KENT of Woolwich.

Cosponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, LOVEJOY of Portland, NELSON of Falmouth, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, VOLK of Scarborough, WAGNER of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act To Improve the Health of Maine Students"

(H.P. 715) (L.D. 971)

Sponsored by Representative CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland and Representatives: BEAVERS of South Berwick, BERRY of Bowdoinham, EVES of North Berwick, HINCK of Portland, LOVEJOY of Portland, LUCHINI of Ellsworth, PRESCOTT of Topsham, PRIEST of Brunswick.

Bill "An Act To Require 3 Years of Experience in a School Administrative Unit before a Teacher May Receive a Continuing Contract Offer"

(H.P. 720) (L.D. 976)

Sponsored by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville.

Cosponsored by Representatives: LONGSTAFF of Waterville, VOLK of Scarborough, Senators: LANGLEY of Hancock, SAVIELLO of Franklin, Senator THOMAS of Somerset and Representatives: GUERIN of Glenburn, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Resolve, To Analyze the Value of Distance Learning in a Rural Environment

(H.P. 721) (L.D. 977)

Sponsored by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville.

Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset and Representative: KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Cyberbullying in Public Schools"

(H.P. 724) (L.D. 980)

Sponsored by Representative PILON of Saco.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BLODGETT of Augusta, MOULTON of York, Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and Representatives: JOHNSON of Greenville, LOVEJOY of Portland, RICHARDSON of Carmel, WEBSTER of Freeport.

Bill "An Act To Create a Unified Board of Higher Education"

(H.P. 726) (L.D. 982)

Sponsored by Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec and Representatives: MARTIN of Eagle Lake, NELSON of Falmouth, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, Senator: FARNHAM of Penobscot.

ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

Bill "An Act To Create the Anson and Madison Water District" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 657) (L.D. 890)

Sponsored by Representative CURTIS of Madison.

Cosponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset and Representative: DUNPHY of Embden.

Bill "An Act Regarding Gas Utilities under the Safety Jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission"

(H.P. 667) (L.D. 908)

Sponsored by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Provide Additional Flexibility for the Funding of Infrastructure Improvements by Consumer-owned Water Utilities"

(H.P. 668) (L.D. 909)

Sponsored by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Clarify Notification Procedures during an Emergency Excavation"

(H.P. 676) (L.D. 916)

Sponsored by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Prevent Conflict of Interest in Efficiency Maine Audits"

(H.P. 683) (L.D. 923)

Sponsored by Representative STEVENS of Bangor.
Cosponsored by Senator BARTLETT of Cumberland and Representatives: CAIN of Orono, CRAY of Palmyra, DION of Portland, DUNPHY of Embden, HARVELL of Farmington, HERBIG of Belfast, KESCHL of Belgrade, LUCHINI of Ellsworth.

Bill "An Act To Create Fair and Open Competition in Line Extension Construction"

(H.P. 695) (L.D. 935)

Sponsored by Representative GUERIN of Glenburn.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, CRAY of Palmyra, DUNPHY of Embden, EDGECOMB of Caribou, ESPLING of New Gloucester, JOHNSON of Eddington, LIBBY of Waterboro, MAKER of Calais.

ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Bill "An Act To Ensure Adequate Landfill Capacity in the State for Solid Waste"

(H.P. 646) (L.D. 879)

Sponsored by Representative CURTIS of Madison.
Cosponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset and Representatives: BECK of Waterville, DUCHESNE of Hudson, McCABE of Skowhegan, Senators: GOODALL of Sagadahoc, SAVIELLO of Franklin, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, THOMAS of Somerset.

Bill "An Act To Allow Flexibility under Municipal Shoreland Zoning Ordinances"

(H.P. 655) (L.D. 888)

Sponsored by Representative CURTIS of Madison.
Cosponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset and Representative: CUSHING of Hampden.

Bill "An Act To Reduce Fraud in Bottle Deposit Redemption"

(H.P. 659) (L.D. 900)

Sponsored by Representative HUNT of Buxton.
Cosponsored by Representative: PRESCOTT of Topsham, Senator: RECTOR of Knox.

Bill "An Act To Clarify Maine's Phaseout of the 'Deca' Mixture of Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers"

(H.P. 690) (L.D. 930)

Sponsored by Representative CRAY of Palmyra.
Cosponsored by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, GIFFORD of Lincoln, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.

Bill "An Act To Increase Recycling Jobs in Maine and Lower Costs for Maine Businesses Concerning Recycled Electronics"

(H.P. 725) (L.D. 981)

Sponsored by Representative INNES of Yarmouth.
Cosponsored by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin and Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, BOLDUC of Auburn, CHIPMAN of Portland, DUCHESNE of Hudson, KESCHL of Belgrade, Senators: GOODALL of Sagadahoc, RECTOR of Knox, WOODBURY of Cumberland.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Bill "An Act To Include Medicinal Marijuana Patients in the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program"

(H.P. 654) (L.D. 887)

Sponsored by Representative HASKELL of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland and Representatives: DILL of Cape Elizabeth, MALONEY of Augusta,

PETERSON of Rumford, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, Senator: SAVIELLO of Franklin.

Bill "An Act To Reduce the Cost of Mental Health Services in Maine"

(H.P. 678) (L.D. 918)

Sponsored by Representative HASKELL of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland and Representatives: EVES of North Berwick, PETERSON of Rumford, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, STUCKEY of Portland, WEBSTER of Freeport, Senator: SAVIELLO of Franklin.

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Availability of Preventive Health Care Services for Children"

(H.P. 680) (L.D. 920)

Sponsored by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.
Resolve, Requiring the Department of Health and Human Services To Conduct a Review of Medicaid "Any Willing Provider" Requirements

(H.P. 693) (L.D. 933)

Sponsored by Representative STUCKEY of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland and Representatives: FOSSEL of Alna, SANBORN of Gorham, Senator: KATZ of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act To Conform Maine Menu Labeling Laws to Federal Standards"

(H.P. 696) (L.D. 936)

Sponsored by Representative STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Medicaid Income Requirements To Promote Agricultural Labor"

(H.P. 706) (L.D. 962)

Sponsored by Representative TILTON of Harrington.
Cosponsored by Senator GOODALL of Sagadahoc and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, FITTS of Pittsfield, GIFFORD of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Cut the Cost of Behavioral Health Care in Hospital Emergency Rooms and To Enhance Access to Peer Support and Community-based Services"

(H.P. 711) (L.D. 967)

Sponsored by Representative SANBORN of Gorham.
Cosponsored by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin and Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, EBERLE of South Portland, STUCKEY of Portland, WEBSTER of Freeport.

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Bill "An Act To Change the Moose Lottery To Increase the Chances for Resident Hunters"

(H.P. 651) (L.D. 884)

Sponsored by Representative GIFFORD of Lincoln.
Cosponsored by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, EDGECOMB of Caribou, HARVELL of Farmington, KENT of Woolwich, LIBBY of Waterboro, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville, PARRY of Arundel, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

Bill "An Act To Allow Sunday Hunting for Small Game and Wild Birds"

(H.P. 665) (L.D. 906)

Sponsored by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.
Bill "An Act To Allow Hunting on Sunday for Landowners"

(H.P. 669) (L.D. 910)

Sponsored by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.
Bill "An Act To Change the Coyote Night Hunting Law"

(H.P. 687) (L.D. 927)

Sponsored by Representative JOHNSON of Eddington.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DAMON of Bangor, FOSTER of Augusta, GUERIN of Glenburn, PRESCOTT of Topsham, WILLETTE of Presque Isle, WINTLE of Garland, WOOD of Sabattus, Senator: PLOWMAN of Penobscot.

**INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and
AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**

Resolve, To Consolidate the State's Boat Launch Programs

(H.P. 672) (L.D. 913)

Sponsored by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, CRAY of Palmyra, EVES of North Berwick, GIFFORD of Lincoln, KENT of Woolwich, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville, Senator: SCHNEIDER of Penobscot.

INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Insurance Provisions Relating to Variable Annuity Death Benefits and Multiple Employer Trusts"

(H.P. 648) (L.D. 881)

Sponsored by Representative RICHARDSON of Warren.

Cosponsored by Representatives: MORRISON of South Portland, TREAT of Hallowell.

Bill "An Act To Limit Health Care Mandates"

(H.P. 649) (L.D. 882)

Sponsored by Representative RICHARDSON of Warren.

Cosponsored by Representatives: McKANE of Newcastle, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, Senator: WHITTEMORE of Somerset.

Bill "An Act To Disclose Insurance Policy Options to Senior Citizens"

(H.P. 658) (L.D. 899)

Sponsored by Representative VALENTINO of Saco.

Cosponsored by Senator PATRICK of Oxford and Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, CAREY of Lewiston, CROCKETT of Bethel, HINCK of Portland, NASS of Acton, Senators: COURTNEY of York, PLOWMAN of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Reform the Dirigo Health Program"

(H.P. 694) (L.D. 934)

Sponsored by Representative McKANE of Newcastle.

Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset and Representative: RICHARDSON of Warren, Senators: SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, WHITTEMORE of Somerset.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Payment to Tow Truck Operators for Towing from Accidents"

(H.P. 704) (L.D. 960)

Sponsored by Representative O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.

Cosponsored by Senator RECTOR of Knox and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, DILL of Old Town, KENT of Woolwich, McCABE of Skowhegan, PEOPLES of Westbrook, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

JUDICIARY

Resolve, To Streamline the Judicial Process in Maine's Courts

(H.P. 644) (L.D. 877)

Sponsored by Representative FREDETTE of Newport.

Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec and Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, CLARK of Easton, DAVIS of Sangerville, DILL of Cape Elizabeth, KESCHL of Belgrade, LUCHINI of Ellsworth, MALONEY of Augusta, STEVENS of Bangor.

Bill "An Act To Protect Licensing Information Provided to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and To Require a Review of Public Access to Other Personal Information"

(H.P. 677) (L.D. 917)

Sponsored by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

Cosponsored by Representative TILTON of Harrington.

Bill "An Act To Educate Women on the Medical Risks Associated with Abortion"

(H.P. 684) (L.D. 924)

Sponsored by Representative ESPLING of New Gloucester.

Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Representatives: BURNS of Whiting, CEBRA of Naples, CLARK of Easton, CRAFTS of Lisbon, CUSHING of Hampden, DUNPHY of Embden, FITZPATRICK of Houlton, FOSTER of Augusta, GIFFORD of Lincoln, GUERIN of Glenburn, HAMPER of Oxford, HARMON of Palermo, JOHNSON of Eddington, MAKER of Calais, McCLELLAN of Raymond, MORISSETTE of Winslow, O'CONNOR of Berwick, OLSEN of Phippsburg, RIOUX of Winterport, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIROCKI of Scarborough, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, VOLK of Scarborough, WILLETTE of Mapleton, Senators: PLOWMAN of Penobscot, SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Enhance Mandated Reporting and Prosecution of Elder Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation"

(H.P. 699) (L.D. 939)

Sponsored by Representative NASS of Acton.

Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, VALENTINO of Saco, Senator: PLOWMAN of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Probate Code Regarding Powers of Attorney, Education of Children and Guardianship"

(H.P. 722) (L.D. 978)

Sponsored by Representative STEVENS of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, DILL of Cape Elizabeth, NASS of Acton, PRIEST of Brunswick, WEBSTER of Freeport, Senators: BLISS of Cumberland, CRAVEN of Androscoggin, HASTINGS of Oxford.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Limited Liability Company Act" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 727) (L.D. 983)

Sponsored by Representative PRIEST of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland and Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, MALONEY of Augusta, MITCHELL of the Penobscot Nation, NASS of Acton, ROCHELO of Biddeford, Senators: BLISS of Cumberland, HASTINGS of Oxford.

**LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

Bill "An Act To Provide a Temporary License To Operate a Public Dance Establishment"

(H.P. 645) (L.D. 878)

Sponsored by Representative MALABY of Hancock.

Cosponsored by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec and Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, DUNPHY of Embden, GILLWAY of Searsport, LONG of Sherman, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, RIOUX of Winterport, SANDERSON of Chelsea, TILTON of Harrington.

Bill "An Act To Regulate Boxing and Prizefighting in Maine"

(H.P. 656) (L.D. 889)

Sponsored by Representative PETERSON of Rumford.

Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, CRAFTS of Lisbon,

DOW of Waldoboro, GILBERT of Jay, HUNT of Buxton, PRESCOTT of Topsham, TUTTLE of Sanford, Senator: CRAVEN of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Exemption of Lineworkers from Maine Electrician Licensing Laws" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 675) (L.D. 915)

Sponsored by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

Cosponsored by Representative: MCKANE of Newcastle.

Bill "An Act To Repeal the Requirement That Electrical Companies Be Licensed"

(H.P. 688) (L.D. 928)

Sponsored by Representative MCKANE of Newcastle.

Cosponsored by Senator RECTOR of Knox and Representatives: DOW of Waldoboro, FITTS of Pittsfield, PRESCOTT of Topsham, Senator: THOMAS of Somerset.

Bill "An Act To Increase Access to Dental Care in Rural Areas"

(H.P. 697) (L.D. 937)

Sponsored by Representative MCKANE of Newcastle.

Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset and Representative: DOW of Waldoboro, Senator: TRAHAN of Lincoln.

Resolve, Directing the Plumbers' Examining Board To Amend Its Rules Governing Installation Standards (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 701) (L.D. 957)

Sponsored by Representative FLOOD of Winthrop.

Bill "An Act To Provide Administrative Support to the Citizen Trade Policy Commission"

(H.P. 716) (L.D. 972)

Sponsored by Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: GIFFORD of Lincoln, TREAT of Hallowell, Senators: GERZOFKY of Cumberland, PATRICK of Oxford, SHERMAN of Aroostook.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Bill "An Act To Make Changes to Boards and Commissions Concerning Membership, Appointments and Terms"

(H.P. 663) (L.D. 904)

Sponsored by Representative VALENTINO of Saco.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, CROCKETT of Bethel, HINCK of Portland, Senators: COURTNEY of York, PATRICK of Oxford, PLOWMAN of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Increase Access to State Rule-making Notices"

(H.P. 700) (L.D. 940)

Sponsored by Representative HAYES of Buckfield.

Bill "An Act To Shorten the Legislative Sessions"

(H.P. 717) (L.D. 973)

Sponsored by Representative LIBBY of Waterboro.

Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset, Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, DUNPHY of Embden, GIFFORD of Lincoln, HARVELL of Farmington, O'CONNOR of Berwick, SIROCKI of Scarborough, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Require a Two-thirds Vote To Approve the Issuance of a Bond or Security by the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority

(H.P. 728) (L.D. 984)

Sponsored by Representative WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Representatives: CHASE of Wells, CLARK of Easton, SIROCKI of Scarborough, WINSOR of Norway.

TAXATION

Bill "An Act To Provide an Incentive for Unemployed Persons To Become Self-employed" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 642) (L.D. 875)

Sponsored by Representative BENNETT of Kennebunk.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BURNS of Alfred, COTTA of China, HARMON of Palermo, KESCHL of Belgrade, LONG of Sherman, MORISSETTE of Winslow, WINTLE of Garland, Senator: RECTOR of Knox.

Bill "An Act To Convert Vacant Commercial Property to Occupied Commercial Property"

(H.P. 643) (L.D. 876)

Sponsored by Representative BENNETT of Kennebunk.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CRAFTS of Lisbon, HARMON of Palermo, KESCHL of Belgrade, MORISSETTE of Winslow, PARKER of Veazie, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, WEAVER of York, Senator: TRAHAN of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Collection Process for the Commercial Forestry Excise Tax"

(H.P. 681) (L.D. 921)

Sponsored by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan.

Cosponsored by Senator TRAHAN of Lincoln and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, BLACK of Wilton, CRAY of Palmyra, GIFFORD of Lincoln, HARVELL of Farmington, KENT of Woolwich, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Proper Tax Assessment of Property Owners"

(H.P. 691) (L.D. 931)

Sponsored by Representative WILLETTE of Presque Isle.

Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, CLARK of Easton, CUSHING of Hampden, JOHNSON of Eddington, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

Bill "An Act To Exempt Internet Sales from the Sales and Use Tax"

(H.P. 705) (L.D. 961)

Sponsored by Representative HARMON of Palermo.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DUNPHY of Embden, FITZPATRICK of Houlton, GILLWAY of Searsport, JOHNSON of Eddington, JOHNSON of Greenville, MALABY of Hancock, McCLELLAN of Raymond, NEWENDYKE of Litchfield.

Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Revenue Services To Provide Guidance Regarding the Valuation of Residential Alternative Energy Infrastructure

(H.P. 709) (L.D. 965)

Sponsored by Representative FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor.

Cosponsored by Senator TRAHAN of Lincoln and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, BICKFORD of Auburn, BRYANT of Windham.

TRANSPORTATION

Resolve, To Name the Katahdin Rest Area on Interstate 95

(H.P. 650) (L.D. 883)

Sponsored by Representative GIFFORD of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, EDGECOMB of Caribou, FOSTER of Augusta, KENT of Woolwich, McCABE of Skowhegan, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, Senator: SHERMAN of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act Regarding Motorcycle Proof of Inspection"
(H.P. 685) (L.D. 925)

Sponsored by Representative WILLETTE of Presque Isle.
Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and
Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, CEBRA of Naples,
CLARK of Easton, COTTA of China, JOHNSON of Eddington,
SHAW of Standish, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

Bill "An Act To Increase Safety for Law Enforcement Officers
and Emergency Responders"

(H.P. 714) (L.D. 970)

Sponsored by Representative CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick.
Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFISKY of Cumberland and
Representatives: CLARK of Easton, DION of Portland, GILBERT
of Jay, HINCK of Portland, LOVEJOY of Portland, MAZUREK of
Rockland, WEBSTER of Freeport, Senator: CRAVEN of
Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Governing Administrative
Suspensions of Driver's Licenses"

(H.P. 671) (L.D. 912)

Sponsored by Representative HASKELL of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset and
Representatives: DILL of Cape Elizabeth, DION of Portland,
HARLOW of Portland, LOVEJOY of Portland, McCABE of
Skowhegan, Senators: BRANNIGAN of Cumberland,
GERZOFISKY of Cumberland, MASON of Androscoggin.

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested.

On motion of Representative CEBRA of Naples, **TABLED**
pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Individuals under 21 Years of Age
from Being in Certain Establishments Licensed To Sell Alcohol"

(H.P. 660) (L.D. 901)

Sponsored by Representative RUSSELL of Portland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: DION of Portland, HASKELL
of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Require That Liquor Be Sold at a Profit"
(H.P. 661) (L.D. 902)

Sponsored by Representative RUSSELL of Portland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CROCKETT of Bethel, DION
of Portland, HASKELL of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Improve Maine's Liquor Distribution System"
(H.P. 664) (L.D. 905)

Sponsored by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.
Cosponsored by Representative: RUSSELL of Portland, Senator:
PLOWMAN of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Agency Liquor Store Laws"
(H.P. 666) (L.D. 907)

Sponsored by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.
Cosponsored by Representative: RUSSELL of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Require Participating Candidates Who Are
Principal Officers of Political Action Committees To Give a
Percentage of Funds to the Maine Clean Election Fund"

(H.P. 712) (L.D. 968)

Sponsored by Representative HARLOW of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin and
Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, HARVELL of
Farmington, HASKELL of Portland, HOGAN of Old Orchard
Beach, ROCHELO of Biddeford, Senator: PATRICK of Oxford.

Bill "An Act To Revise the Laws on Tournament Games"
(H.P. 718) (L.D. 974)

Sponsored by Representative MALONEY of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Senator PATRICK of Oxford and
Representative: BEAULIEU of Auburn.

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

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

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

Recognizing:

Shannon Folsom, of Saco, who was crowned Miss Collegiate
America 2011 at the nationwide tournament in San Antonio,
Texas on January 8, 2011. Shannon, a graduate of Thornton
Academy in Saco, is a dean's list pre-med student at the
University of Maine with a 3.9 grade point average. A singer,
violinist and theater performer, Shannon displayed her poise,
presence and communication skills to win the pageant, which
focuses on contestants' academic and community service record.
She is pursuing a career in kinesiology and has won a \$10,000
scholarship with her title. She is also a speaker for the Let's Go
Maine 5-2-1-0 initiative to end childhood obesity by advocating
for healthy eating and exercise habits. We welcome Shannon to
the State House on March 8, 2011 to sing the National Anthem,
and we congratulate her on her achievements and send her our
best wishes;

(HLS 149)

Presented by Representative VALENTINO of Saco.
Cosponsored by Senator HOBBS of York, Representative
PILON of Saco.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative VALENTINO of Saco,
was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative
from Saco, Representative Valentino.

Representative VALENTINO: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr.
Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Today I am very
excited to say a few words about a wonderful young woman from
Saco. She sang the National Anthem this morning and I think
she jumped a little too soon. We didn't have the time to actually
stand and recognize her and to clap, but I'm sure we can do that
after.

Everyone in this body has heard of the term "brain drain." It
refers to the notion that young adults are moving out of Maine to
find jobs and go to school. Shannon Folsom stands in sharp
contrast to that notion. In 2008, she won the Miss Maine
Outstanding Teen and she was offered a four-year scholarship to
Troy University in Alabama. She politely declined the invitation
and the scholarship. Instead she chose to further her education
at her parents' alma mater right here in Maine: The University of
Maine at Orono. At Orono, Shannon is enrolled in pre-med
studies and has maintained a 3.9 GPA. She sings, she acts, she
plays the violin and is a spokesperson for many civic
organizations including Let's Go Maine. After winning the
national title of Miss Collegiate America this past January, she
received a \$10,000 scholarship and she is using that scholarship
here in the State of Maine to further her studies at UMO as a
kinesiology major. Shannon says that she is proud to represent
Maine. I would like to counter that I am proud of her representing
Maine. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

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

(S.P. 25) (L.D. 10) Bill "An Act To Clarify the Method of Creating or Severing Joint Tenancy" Committee on **JUDICIARY** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 167) (L.D. 190) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 2-C: Voluntary Municipal Farm Support Program, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources (EMERGENCY) Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 188) (L.D. 235) Bill "An Act To Include Antique Motorcycles on the List of Vehicles That Are Exempt from Inspection" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 5) (L.D. 13) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 316: Long-Term Contracting and Resource Adequacy, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission (EMERGENCY) Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-6)**

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

Second Day

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

(S.P. 40) (L.D. 85) Bill "An Act To Repeal the Sunset on the Law Relating to the Landing of Dragged Crabs"

(H.P. 34) (L.D. 41) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Maine Potato Board" (EMERGENCY) (C. "A" H-5)

No objections having been noted at the end of the Second Legislative Day, the Senate Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in concurrence and the House Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following matters, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment Thursday, March 3, 2011, had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

Bill "An Act To Bring Maine's Minimum Financial Responsibility Laws Pertaining to Rental Vehicles into Conformity with Privately Owned Vehicles"

(H.P. 410) (L.D. 527)

(Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested)

TABLED - February 15, 2011 (Till Later Today) by Representative CEBRA of Naples.

PENDING - REFERENCE.

Subsequently, the Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Protect Public Safety in the Operation of the Oxford County Casino"

(H.P. 473) (L.D. 643)

- In House, REFERRED to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on February 17, 2011.

- In Senate, REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

TABLED - March 1, 2011 (Till Later Today) by Representative PLUMMER of Windham.

PENDING - FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

Subsequently, the House voted to **ADHERE**.

Bill "An Act To Eliminate the Penalty for School Administrative Units That Did Not Consolidate and Eliminate State Funding of Local Administrative Costs"

(H.P. 593) (L.D. 786)

(Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested)

TABLED - March 1, 2011 (Till Later Today) by Representative RICHARDSON of Carmel.

PENDING - REFERENCE.

Subsequently, the Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Educational Opportunities for Underserved Regions of the State"

(S.P. 278) (L.D. 874)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Highway and Bridge Infrastructure To Meet the Needs of the Business Sector and To Create Jobs"

(S.P. 282) (L.D. 894)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Create Jobs through Energy Efficiency"

(S.P. 294) (L.D. 948)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Reduce Student Hunger"

(S.P. 264) (L.D. 860)

Bill "An Act To Allow a 4-day School Week"

(S.P. 275) (L.D. 871)

Bill "An Act To Increase College Attainment"

(S.P. 290) (L.D. 944)

Bill "An Act To Update Maine's High School Graduation Requirements"

(S.P. 295) (L.D. 949)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the School Revolving Renovation Fund"

(S.P. 298) (L.D. 952)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Examine Electric Utility Regulation and Fees To Reduce Rates"

(S.P. 274) (L.D. 870)

Bill "An Act To Improve Maine's Renewable Portfolio Standard"

(S.P. 302) (L.D. 956)

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

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

Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Amend Its Rules Governing the Length of Time Certain Permits Are Valid

(S.P. 266) (L.D. 862)

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Natural Resources Protection Act" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 276) (L.D. 872)

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

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

Resolve, To Convene a Task Force To Study Cost-effective Ways of Dealing with an Increased Population of Those Affected by Alzheimer's Disease

(S.P. 263) (L.D. 859)

Bill "An Act To Clarify the State's Authority under Public Health Laws for Municipal Inspections of Establishments"

(S.P. 273) (L.D. 869)

Bill "An Act To Promote the Establishment of an Adult Day Health Care Program for Veterans in Lewiston"

(S.P. 277) (L.D. 873)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Application Process for the Progressive Treatment Program"

(S.P. 285) (L.D. 897)

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Mandatory Immunizations"

(S.P. 287) (L.D. 941)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Include Teachers in the State Employee Health Insurance Program"

(S.P. 261) (L.D. 857)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Related to Multiple-employer Welfare Arrangements"

(S.P. 262) (L.D. 858)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Insurance as They Relate to Civil Penalties Imposed for Violations of Those Laws"

(S.P. 271) (L.D. 867)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Consumer Credit Code Regarding Interest Charged on Deferred Payments"

(S.P. 279) (L.D. 891)

Bill "An Act To Establish an Insurance Fraud Division within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance"

(S.P. 280) (L.D. 892)

Bill "An Act To Exempt Health Care Sharing Ministries from Insurance Requirements"

(S.P. 296) (L.D. 950)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** in concurrence.

Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Study Priorities and Timing of Judicial Proceedings in State Courts (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 297) (L.D. 951)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Allow the Maine State Housing Authority To Prepurchase Oil for the Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program"

(S.P. 267) (L.D. 863)

Resolve, To Establish a Consistent Workers' Compensation Classification for Pharmacies

(S.P. 270) (L.D. 866)

Bill "An Act To Require an Employer To Provide Notification Regarding the Employer's Personal Leave Policy to Employees"

(S.P. 281) (L.D. 893)

Bill "An Act To Encourage Professionals To Move to the State"

(S.P. 293) (L.D. 947)

Bill "An Act To Establish the Dental Adjudicatory Panel"

(S.P. 301) (L.D. 955)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Allow the City of Bangor To Replace the Bangor Auditorium and Civic Center at the Bass Park Complex"

(S.P. 283) (L.D. 895)

Bill "An Act To Exempt Municipalities from Indemnification Provisions in State Contracts"

(S.P. 288) (L.D. 942)

Bill "An Act To Promote Rural Job Creation and Workforce Development"

(S.P. 300) (L.D. 954)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Reform Maine Revenue Services Procedures"

(S.P. 272) (L.D. 868)

Bill "An Act To Reform the Maine Estate Tax"

(S.P. 286) (L.D. 898)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Sales and Use Tax Exemption for an Aircraft Purchased Outside of Maine by Nonresidents"

(S.P. 292) (L.D. 946)

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

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

Resolve, To Require the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Submit a New Design for the Sportsman Registration Plate

(S.P. 291) (L.D. 945)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Change the Campaign Contribution Limits"

(S.P. 260) (L.D. 856)

Bill "An Act To Reduce the Minimum Amount of Product Required To Be Purchased by Agency Liquor Stores for Licensure"

(S.P. 268) (L.D. 864)

Bill "An Act To Adopt the Uniform Military and Overseas Voters Act"

(S.P. 284) (L.D. 896)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Eviction of Residential Tenants"

(S.P. 289) (L.D. 943)

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

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

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

On motion of Representative FITZPATRICK of Houlton, the House adjourned at 11:00 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 10, 2011.