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Representative THERIAULT of Madawaska assumed the Chair.

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

Prayer by Reverend Paul Plante, Our Lady of The Lakes Parish, Oquossoc.

Colors presented by Franco American War Veterans' Color Guard, Post 31, Lewiston.

National Anthem by Melanie Saucier, Fort Kent.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

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

ORDERS

On motion of Representative AYOTTEof Caswell, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 851) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, BEAULIEU of Auburn, BEAVERS of South Berwick, BECK of Waterville, BELIVEAU of Kittery, BENNETT of Kennebunk, BERRY of Bowdoinham, BICKFORD of Auburn, BLACK of Wilton, BLODGETT of Augusta, BOLAND of Sanford, BOLDUC of Auburn, BRIGGS of Mexico, BRYANT of Windham, BURNS of Whiting, BURNS of Alfred, CAIN of Orono, CAREY of Lewiston, CASAVANT of Biddeford, CEBRA of Naples, CELLI of Brewer, CHAPMAN of Brooksville, CHASE of Wells, CHIPMAN of Portland, CLARK of Millinocket, CLARK of Easton, CLARKE of Bath, CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, COTTA of China, CRAFTS of Lisbon, CRAY of Palmyra, CROCKETT of Bethel, CURTIS of Madison, CUSHING of Hampden, DAMON of Bangor, DAVIS of Sangerville, DILL of Cape Elizabeth, DILL of Old Town. DION of Portland, DOW of Waldoboro, DRISCOLL of Westbrook, DUCHESNE of Hudson, DUNPHY of Embden, EBERLE of South Portland, EDGECOMB of Caribou, ESPLING of New Gloucester. EVES of North Berwick, FITTS of Pittsfield, FITZPATRICK of Houlton, FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor, FLOOD of Winthrop, FOSSEL of Alna, FOSTER of Augusta, FREDETTE of Newport, GIFFORD of Lincoln, GILBERT of Jay, GILLWAY of Searsport, GOODE of Bangor, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, GUERIN of Glenburn, HAMPER of Oxford, HANLEY of Gardiner, HARLOW of Portland, HARMON of Palermo, HARVELL of Farmington, HASKELL of Portland, HAYES of Buckfield, HERBIG of Belfast, HINCK of Portland, HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach, HUNT of Buxton, INNES of Yarmouth, JOHNSON of Eddington, JOHNSON of Greenville, KAENRATH of South Portland, KENT of Woolwich, KESCHL of Belgrade, KNAPP of Gorham, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, KRUGER of Thomaston, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle, LAJOIE of Lewiston, LIBBY of Waterboro, LONG of Sherman, LONGSTAFF of Waterville, LOVEJOY of Portland, LUCHINI of Ellsworth, MacDONALD of Boothbay, MAKER of Calais, MALABY of Hancock, MALONEY of Augusta, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MAZUREK of Rockland, McCABE of Skowhegan, McCLELLAN of Raymond, McFADDEN of Dennysville, McKANE of Newcastle, MITCHELL of the Penobscot Nation, MORISSETTE of Winslow, MORRISON of South Portland, MOULTON of York, NASS of Acton, NELSON of Falmouth, NEWENDYKE of Litchfield, Speaker NUTTING of Oakland, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville, O'CONNOR of Berwick, OLSEN of Phippsburg, PARKER of Veazie, PARRY of Arundel, PEOPLES

of Westbrook, PETERSON of Rumford, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, PILON of Saco, PLUMMER of Windham, PRESCOTT of PRIEST of Brunswick, RANKIN of Hiram, RICHARDSON of Carmel, RICHARDSON of Warren, RIOUX of Winterport, ROCHELO of Biddeford, ROSEN of Bucksport, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, RUSSELL of Portland, SANBORN of Gorham, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SARTY of Denmark, SHAW of Standish, SIROCKI of Scarborough, SOCTOMAH of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, STEVENS of Bangor, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, STUCKEY of Portland, THERIAULT of Madawaska, TILTON of Harrington, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, TREAT of Hallowell, TURNER of Burlington, TUTTLE of Sanford, VALENTINO of Saco, VOLK of Scarborough, WAGNER of Lewiston, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WEAVER of York, WEBSTER of Freeport, WELSH of Rockport, WILLETTE of Mapleton, WILLETTE of Presque Isle, WINSOR of Norway, WINTLE of Garland, WOOD of Sabattus, Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, BARTLETT of Cumberland, BLISS of Cumberland, BRANNIGAN of Cumberland, COLLINS of York, COURTNEY of York, CRAVEN of Androscoggin, DIAMOND of Cumberland, FARNHAM of Penobscot, GERZOFSKY of Cumberland, GOODALL of Sagadahoc, HASTINGS of Oxford, HILL of York, HOBBINS of York, JACKSON of Aroostook, KATZ of Kennebec, LANGLEY of Hancock, MARTIN of Kennebec, MASON of Androscoggin, McCORMICK of Kennebec, PATRICK of Oxford, PLOWMAN of Penobscot, President RAYE of Washington, RECTOR of Knox, ROSEN of Hancock, SAVIELLO of Franklin, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, SHERMAN of Aroostook, SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, SULLIVAN of York, THIBODEAU of THOMAS of Somerset, TRAHAN of Lincoln, WHITTEMORE of Somerset, WOODBURY of Cumberland)

RÉSOLUTION CONJOINTE HONORANT LES FRANCO-AMÉRICAINS

Considérant que, l'état du Maine est nommé après la province du Maine en France et que les villages de Paris et Calais dans l'état du Maine portent les noms de la capitale de France et du port français de Calais, respectivement; et

Considérant que, plus d'un tiers de la population du Maine est de descendance française et canadienne, et les franco-américains du Maine ont contribué beaucoup à la beauté et la qualité de cet état; et

Considérant que, le français est la première langue de milliers de citoyens du Maine; et

Considérant que, il y a eu une augmentation de l'utilisation de la langue française et une appréciation croissante de l'héritage franco-américain à travers l'état; et

Considérant que, des clubs et des associations pour promouvoir la culture et la langue française sont nés à travers l'état, y inclus le caucus françophone à la capitale; et

Considérant que, les gens qui parlent couramment le français et l'anglais sont une ressource économique et culturelle pour l'état du Maine; et

Considérant que, le tourisme culturel sera accru par les véritables centres franco-américains à travers l'état et la grande présence de franco-américains dans le Maine peut renforcir davantage nos relations avec le Canada, la France, et les autres pays francophones; et

Considérant que, le premier Jour Franco-Américain a été célébré mercredi, 6 mars, 2002, à la Capitale de l'État; maintenant, alors, qu'il soit

Résolu, que nous, les membres de la Cent-Vingt-cinquième Législature, assemblés dans la première session régulière, au nom des gens que nous représentons, proclamons que mercredi, 16 mars, 2011 est le Jour Franco-Américain, soit célébré à la Capitale de l'État; et qu'il soit aussi

Résolu, que le Jour Franco-Américain soit célébré pour commémorer la riche histoire du peuple français dans l'état du Maine et aux États-Unis d'Amérique.

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FRANCO-AMERICAN DAY

WHEREAS, the State of Maine is named after the Province of Maine in France and the towns of Paris and Calais owe their names to the capital city of France and the French port city of Calais, respectively; and

WHEREAS, more than 1/3 of the population of Maine is of French and Canadian descent. Franco-Americans in Maine have contributed much to the beauty and quality of this State; and

WHEREAS, French is the primary language of thousands of Mainers and there has been a resurgence in the use of the French language and a heightened appreciation of the Franco-American heritage throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, clubs and organizations to promote French culture and language have sprung up throughout the State, including the Francophone Caucus at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, fluent French-English bilingual people are a cultural and economic resource to the State; and

WHEREAS, cultural tourism is greatly enhanced by the genuine Franco-American centers throughout the State and the large Franco-American presence in Maine further strengthens our relationships with Canada, France and the rest of the Francophone world; and

WHEREAS, the first Franco-American Day was celebrated on Wednesday, March 6, 2002 at the State Capitol; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the members of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, proclaim that Wednesday, March 16, 2011 is Franco-American Day, to be celebrated at the State Capitol; and be it further

RESOLVED: That Franco-American Day be celebrated to commemorate the rich history of the French people in the State of Maine and the United States of America.

READ.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Caswell, Representative Ayotte.

Representative AYOTTE: Monsieur Le Président, Madames et Monsieurs de la Chamber. Ça me fait grande plaisir de prendre cette occasion de dire merci et bienvenue à tous les gens de la Vallée de St. Jean dans le Comté d'Aroostook, dans l'état de Maine.

Merci pour avoir voyager si loin pour être avec nous à la journée Franco-américaine. Une bienvenue spéciale à tout les gens de Madawaska, Grand Isle, Van Buren, Hamlin et la Plantation de Cyr. Merci à tous.

Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I want to say a special welcome to all the people of the St. John River Valley who have traveled so far to be with us today, Franco American Day, in the State Capitol in Augusta, in the great State of Maine

A special thank you to the people of Madawaska, Grand Isle, Van Buren, Hamlin and Cyr Plantation. Welcome to all. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Eagle Lake, Representative Martin.

Representative MARTIN: Monsieur le Président et membres de la Chamber des Représentants. C'est mon plaisir de dire quelque mots, et je vais répéter en anglais dans quelque secondes, cette année c'étais mon plaisir d'être la personne en

charge de remercier toutes les personnes qui ont participé pour faire ce jour passer.

It is my pleasure really to have been this year the person who chaired the event today, and I want to thank everyone who has been working to get this day together. We have been meeting since early January, at least once a week, members of both the House and other body, in putting this event together for this day. It has been I guess a labor of love, and I want to thank the Speaker for making this day possible and working with us in putting this event today, and the Clerk, and for the practice that some people have gone through to relearn some of the French words that they know but have forgotten. I think it has been a great day and I want to thank especially the staff who have been so helpful in putting it together.

Subsequently, the Joint Resolution was ADOPTED.

Sent for concurrence.

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

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

Recognizing:

Theresa Marin Ouellette, of St. Agatha, on her induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Ms. Ouellette received her teaching degree from the University of Maine at Fort Kent and a Master of Education degree from the University of Maine. Known as T.O., she was a beloved kindergarten teacher for 37 years in St. Agatha and Frenchville. A passionate student of local history from her youth, Ms. Ouellette has preserved artifacts, documents, writings and photographs of residents of the St. John Valley and has written and documented all the major families of St. Agatha. She is the president of the Ste-Agathe Historical Society, a member of l'Association Francaise de la Vallee St-Jean and a board member of the Maine Acadian Heritage Council. We congratulate Ms. Ouellette on her induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame and commend her for her tireless commitment to the Franco-American community of this State;

(HLS 184)

Presented by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake. Cosponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook. Representative AYOTTE of Caswell, Representative BEAUDOIN Biddeford. Representative BEAULIEU of Representative BECK of Waterville, Representative BELIVEAU of Kittery, Representative BICKFORD of Auburn, Representative BOLAND of Sanford, Representative BOLDUC of Auburn, Representative BRIGGS of Mexico, Representative CAREY of Representative CASAVANT Lewiston. of Biddeford. Representative CLARK of Millinocket, Representative CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Representative CROCKETT of Bethel, Representative DION of Portland. Representative **EDGECOMB** of Caribou. Representative FOSTER of Augusta, Representative FREDETTE of Newport, Representative GILBERT of Jay, Senator HOBBINS of York, Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston, Representative MALONEY of Augusta, Senator MASON of Androscoggin, Senator PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representative RIOUX of Winterport. Representative ROCHELO of Biddeford. Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston, Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, Senator SULLIVAN of York. THERIAULT Representative of Madawaska. THIBODEAU of Waldo. Representative TUTTLE of Sanford. Representative WAGNER of Lewiston. Representative WEBSTER of Freeport, Representative WINTLE of Garland.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Eagle Lake, Representative Martin.

Representative MARTIN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Speaker, Members of the House. It really is a pleasure for me to speak briefly about a person I've known most of my life, T.O., as she is well known in St. Agatha. If you have an opportunity during the summer, I encourage you to go to St. Agatha and to take a look at the work that they have put together, the museum that they have put together, and the archives that they are maintaining. Frankly, some of those you will not ever have seen before, and the work that has been done with her and the people that have worked with her over the years have been amazing. It really is a pleasure to welcome her into the Franco-American Hall of Fame, a person who very well deserves the award and certainly am pleased to have her be able to be here with us today. For those of you who have an interest in education and want to know how she was able to teach young people as well as she did, you may want to spend some time talking to her today because she has been a teacher of quality and the results of her students are seen throughout the valley and throughout Maine, and frankly, throughout the United States. So I am pleased to be here today on behalf of her Representative, the Representative from Madawaska, because he is on the rostrum and so I have the honor of doing this today. Congratulations to you, T.O., and wish you the best.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was PASSED and sent for concurrence.

Doctor of the day, Russell DeJong, M.D., Belgrade.

Recognizing:

the Honorable Patrick Paradis, of Augusta, on his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mr. Paradis, currently a city councilor and the Mayor of Augusta, served with distinction for 16 years in the Maine State Legislature and is an active champion of Franco-Americans. He grew up in the Franco-American enclave of Augusta known as "Sand Hill" and continues to live there to this day. For 8 years, Mr. Paradis served Kennebec County as its elected treasurer and is now serving his second 3-year term on the Augusta City Council. He has been an active member of Le Club Calumet since 1978. acknowledge Mr. Paradis's service to his community and to the State of Maine, and we congratulate him on his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame:

(HLS 182)

Presented by Representative MALONEY of Augusta. Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec, Representative BLODGETT of Augusta, Representative FOSTER of Augusta, Representative AYOTTE of Caswell, Representative BEAUDOIN Biddeford, Representative **BEAULIEU** of Representative BECK of Waterville, Representative BELIVEAU of Kittery, Representative BICKFORD of Auburn, Representative BOLAND of Sanford, Representative BOLDUC of Auburn, Representative BRIGGS of Mexico, Representative CAREY of CASAVANT Representative of Biddeford, Representative CLARK of Millinocket, Representative CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Representative CROCKETT of Bethel, Representative DION of Portland. Representative **EDGECOMB** of Caribou, Representative FREDETTE of Newport, Representative GILBERT of Jay, Senator HOBBINS of York, Senator JACKSON LAJOIE Aroostook, Representative of Lewiston, Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake, Senator MASON of Androscoggin, Senator PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representative RIOUX of Winterport, Representative ROCHELO of Biddeford, Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston, Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, Senator SULLIVAN of York, THERIAULT Representative of Madawaska. THIBODEAU of Waldo, Representative TUTTLE of Sanford, Representative WAGNER of Lewiston. Representative WEBSTER of Freeport, Representative WINTLE of Garland.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative MALONEY of Augusta, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Augusta, Representative Maloney.

Monsieur le Président, Representative MALONEY: Mesdames and Monsieurs de la Chamber. Le maire Patrick Paradis est un très bon ami des personnes françaises. Mayor Patrick Paradis is a very good friend of the French people. Patrick Paradis is the mayor of Maine's capital city and a proud Franco-American. He grew up in the Franco-American enclave referred to as "Sand Hill" in Augusta, which has sadly faced an enormous amount of discrimination through the years and Pat continues to live there to this day. He has been an active champion of Franco-Americans his entire life.

Pat served his Franco-American community in the Legislature for 16 years. During his tenure, he presided over the Judiciary Committee as the House Chairman and served as the House Majority Whip. While in the Legislature, he was often recognized for his excellent service, receiving the Legislator of the Year award from the National Commission on Drunk Driving and the President's Award from the Maine Psychiatric Association. Pat Paradis has constantly gone above and beyond to help anyone who contacted him for help. People continue to contact him, even after he left public service, and he has continued to help them with all kinds of needs. Patrick makes time to counsel anyone about running for public office as he is a champion of citizen participation in government.

For eight years, Pat served Kennebec County as its elected treasurer and is currently serving his second 3-year term on the Augusta City Council, and, of course, now as its mayor. Patrick successfully championed and fought for the suicide prevention fence over the Kennebec River that has saved many lives over the years, based on the past history of the Memorial Bridge for suicides. He volunteers on the board of the Capital Riverfront Improvement District and is on the Capitol Planning Commission. Pat is also an active member of the St. Augustine Church and the Loring Development Authority. He has been an active member of Le Club Calumet since 1978 and I am so pleased that we are able to honor him here today and to have him here in the chamber. Thank you very much.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was PASSED and sent for concurrence.

Recognizing:

Gilles Edouard Auger, of Sanford, on his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mr. Auger was born in Sanford and grew up speaking only French. He graduated from the University of Maine with a Bachelor of Arts degree in French and taught French at Lubec High School from 1956 to 1957, and at Gould Academy from 1957 to 1960. From 1957 to 1963, Mr. Auger served in the United States Army Reserves. In 1960, Mr. Auger received his Master of Arts degree in Education from the University of Maine and was a Fulbright Scholar at the Sorbonne in Paris. He taught French at Sanford High School from 1960 to

1963 and was a Professor of French at Nasson College from 1963 to 1979. Mr. Auger worked for the State of Maine at the Department of Human Services from 1979 to 1997. He has been very active in his community during his professional career, including being a founding member of the Sanford-Springvale Historical Society and serving as the Voter Registrar for the Town of Sanford from 1963 to 2007. He also received the 2003 Lorraine Fleury Award for outstanding work in the voting process in Maine. We congratulate Mr. Auger on his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame and commend him for his tireless commitment to the Franco-American community of this State;

(HLS 186)

Presented by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford. Cosponsored by Senator COURTNEY of York, Representative NASS of Acton, Representative AYOTTE of Caswell, Representative BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, Representative BEAULIEU of Auburn. Representative BECK of Waterville. Representative BELIVEAU of Kittery, Representative BICKFORD of Auburn, Representative BOLAND of Sanford, Representative BOLDUC of Auburn, Representative BRIGGS of Mexico, Representative CAREY of Lewiston, Representative CASAVANT Biddeford. Representative CLARK of Millinocket. Representative CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Representative CROCKETT of Bethel, Representative DION of Portland, Representative EDGECOMB of Caribou, Representative FOSTER of Augusta, Representative FREDETTE of Newport, Representative GILBERT of Jay, Senator HOBBINS of York, Senator JACKSON Aroostook, Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston. Representative MALONEY of Augusta, Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake, Senator MASON of Androscoggin, Senator PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representative RIOUX of Winterport, Representative ROCHELO of Biddeford, Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston, Senator SNOWE-MELLO Androscoggin, Senator SULLIVAN of York, Representative THERIAULT of Madawaska, Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo. Representative WAGNER of Lewiston, Representative WEBSTER of Freeport, Representative WINTLE of Garland.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative TUTTLE of Sanford, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Sanford, Representative Tuttle.

Representative TUTTLE: Thank you. Monsieur le Président, Mesdames and Monsieurs de la Chamber. I have known Claire, the next inductee, and Gilles Auger all of my life. I watched his son Paul grow up. In fact, when he was younger, during February vacations, he served as a page here in the House for many years. Gilles and Claire are the first individuals from York County to be inducted into the Franco-American Hall of Frame. It is a well-deserved honor for both of them. Through their work as French teachers at Lubec and Windham High Schools, Gould Academy, Sanford Junior High School, and St. Thomas School, the Augers have taught hundreds of students the French language in a path along with the love of French culture to many generations. Claire started the Rusty French Club in Sanford, meeting monthly, a group that has become a focal point for those who want to brush up on their French or reminisce or celebrate the French culture. She also started the French Heritage Night at St. Thomas School in Sanford, which is now an annual tradition. Gilles is the founding member of the Sanford-Springvale Historical Society where he has given numerous presentations, including the history of Quebec and Franco-American migration. This is a wonderful recognition for two people who have done so much over the years to further the French language and culture

in Maine and to my community of Sanford and Springvale. Thank you.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was PASSED and sent for concurrence.

Recognizing:

Claire Lafrance Auger, of Sanford, on her induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mrs. Auger was born in Sanford to French-Canadian immigrants and grew up speaking only French. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in French from St. Joseph's College and taught French at Windham High School before marrying Gilles Auger and raising 4 children. In the 1970s, Mrs. Auger started a French radio show that ran for 2 years and she became the first French teacher at St. Thomas School in Sanford. She taught French at Sanford Junior High School from 1977 to 2000. Mrs. Auger began French Heritage Night at St. Thomas School, now an annual tradition, and in 2007 created the Rusty French Club, a focal point in Sanford for those who want to brush up on their French or reminisce and celebrate French culture. We congratulate Mrs. Auger on her induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame and commend her for her tireless commitment to the Franco-American community of this State:

(HLS 185)

Presented by Representative BOLAND of Sanford.

Cosponsored by Senator COURTNEY of York, Representative NASS of Acton, Representative AYOTTE of Caswell, Representative BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, Representative BEAULIEU of Auburn, Representative BECK of Waterville, Representative BELIVEAU of Kittery, Representative BICKFORD of Auburn, Representative BOLDUC of Auburn, Representative BRIGGS of Mexico, Representative CAREY of Lewiston, Representative CASAVANT of Biddeford, Representative CLARK of Millinocket, Representative CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Representative CROCKETT of Bethel, Representative DION of Portland, Representative EDGECOMB of Caribou, Representative FOSTER of Augusta, Representative FREDETTE of Newport, Representative GILBERT of Jay, Senator HOBBINS of York, Senator JACKSON Aroostook, Representative LAJOIE of Representative MALONEY of Augusta, Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake, Senator MASON of Androscoggin, Senator PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representative RIOUX of Winterport, Representative ROCHELO of Biddeford, Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston, Senator SNOWE-MELLO Androscoggin, Senator SULLIVAN of York, Representative THERIAULT of Madawaska, Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo, Representative TUTTLE of Sanford, Representative WAGNER of Lewiston, Representative WEBSTER of Freeport, Representative WINTLE of Garland.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative BOLAND of Sanford, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Sanford, Representative Boland.

Representative **BOLAND**: Monsieur le Président, Mesdames and Monsieurs de la Chamber. Je me lève pour saluer Gilles est Claire Auger de Sanford, un couple qui, depuis longtemps, est un pilier de la culture française et de la culture franco-américaine.

Je me souviens du jour où j'ai rendu visite à une classe de généalogie que Gilles enseignait aux seniors à un "Senior College." Les étudiants étaient complètement engagés et inspirés par la leçon et par les informations concernant les différentes branches généalogiques de leur famille.

Ils découvraient les racines de leurs origines canadiennes. Pour eux, la classe était clairement un grand plaisir.

Claire aussi a apporté sa contribution aux citoyens de Sanford. Elle a enseigné la langue française aux jeunes et aux adultes. Elle a fondé la "French Heritage Club" à l'école de St. Thomas et le "Rusty French Club," dans la ville, pour nous tous. Elle se souvient de beaucoup d'étudiants, une chose très agréable pour leurs parents.

Claire et Gilles Auger ont toujours partagé avec nous leur engagement à la conversation de la culture française et à la vie dans l'état du Maine. Ils ne sont pas seulement des citoyens franco-américains modèles mais bien les modèles pour nous tous. Merci, Claire et Gilles.

They have been just wonderful models in our community, always engaged. Gilles has been the voter registrar, which he has been a model for the state for many years, and Claire always has a wonderful smile. They have been engaged throughout the community, so it is with great pleasure that I honor them on their induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was PASSED and sent for concurrence.

Recognizing:

the late Dr. Edward Martin, of Rumford, on his posthumous induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Dr. Martin, who passed away in 2001, graduated from Colby College and the University of Vermont College of Medicine. He practiced medicine as a family physician for nearly 40 years, serving the community he loved, but it was in his study of Acadian history that Dr. Martin found his greatest passion. He founded the Acadian Society of the Mexico-Rumford Area and, with weekly Acadian Society meetings, Dr. Martin introduced a generation of people to the truth about the forgotten history of the Acadian people. He traveled extensively to visit the Acadian Homelands and for more than 20 years was a leader in Acadian history studies in Maine. He wrote a novel, Thunder from the Mountains, describing the similarities in the history of the Maine Wabanaki people and of the Acadians. We join Dr. Martin's community in remembering his outstanding contribution and commitment to the Franco-American community in this State;

(HLS 181)

Presented by Representative GILBERT of Jay. Cosponsored by Senator PATRICK of Oxford, Representative PETERSON of Rumford, Representative AYOTTE of Caswell, Representative BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, Representative BEAULIEU of Auburn, Representative BECK of Waterville. Representative BELIVEAU of Kittery, Representative BICKFORD of Auburn, Representative BOLAND of Sanford, Representative BOLDUC of Auburn, Representative BRIGGS of Mexico. Representative CAREY of Lewiston, Representative CASAVANT Biddeford, Representative CLARK of Representative CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Representative CROCKETT of Bethel, Representative DION of Portland, Representative EDGECOMB of Caribou, Representative FOSTER of Augusta, Representative FREDETTE of Newport, Senator HOBBINS of York, Senator JACKSON of Aroostook, Representative LAJOIE MALONEY Representative Lewiston, of Augusta, Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake, Senator MASON of Androscoggin, Senator PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representative RIOUX of Winterport, Representative ROCHELO of Biddeford, Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston, Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, Senator SULLIVAN of York, Representative THERIAULT of Madawaska. Senator

THIBODEAU of Waldo, Representative TUTTLE of Sanford, Representative WAGNER of Lewiston, Representative WEBSTER of Freeport, Representative WINTLE of Garland.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative GILBERT of Jay, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Jay, Representative Gilbert.

Representative **GILBERT**: Monsieur le Président, Mesdames and Monsieurs de la Chamber. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I stand, this morning, in honor of Dr. Edward Martin, a friend of mine. Dr. Martin was born in Rumford and after graduating from Colby College and the University of Vermont College of Medicine, he completed an internship in family medicine. Dr. Martin practiced medicine as a family physician in his hometowns of Mexico and Rumford. It is there that he gave nearly 40 years of service to the folks he loved best.

Dr. Martin had a wide range of interests and was always interested in broadening his knowledge. As a result, he participated in a 10-week course on Acadian history. It was something he knew little about, so taking the course on that subject intrigued him. After 10 weeks of study, he just couldn't let it go. Somehow it didn't seem right to walk away from a history that was his own and one that had so often been misrepresented. The Acadian population had been beaten down by the inaccurate telling of a history that took everything from them.

Dr. Martin, a known champion for the underdog, would find a way to make this right and tell the truth about what had happened to "les Acadiens." That year he founded the Acadian Society of the Mexico-Rumford Area. It would be his passionate goal to teach what he knew. He would discover that the history books had covered up parts of the Acadian history. This history was tragic in every way and made it more difficult because the truth had been covered up. "Non-Acadians" had written up that history and it was slanted toward each author's point of view. The Acadians were often made to feel like second-class people.

With weekly Acadian Society meetings, Dr. Martin introduced an entire generation of people to the truth about their history. He instilled in Acadians a feeling of pride and understanding in their history and taught them about "le Grand Debacle," the Great Deportation of "les Acadiens" in the year 1755. Dr. Martin strongly encouraged the teaching of the history of our people, writing extensively about it and sharing it with anyone who would listen.

He approached the study of Acadian history with the same kind of tenacity and passion that was his trademark. He traveled extensively to visit the homelands of "les Acadiens." He visited Paris, Chatellerault, La Chaussee, and the Loire River Valley in France tracing the first journey of "les Acadiens" as they left their motherland to make a new home in "Acadie," beginning in 1630. He traveled to the St. Croix Valley in Maine, the St. John Valley in Maine and New Brunswick, and Caraquet in New Brunswick, Grand-Pré and L'Habitation in Nova Scotia, and the regions of Prince Edward Island. For more than 20 years, Dr. Martin was a leader in telling of the Acadian history in Maine. Every year, he and the Acadian group organized an event that focused on "Acadie," its culture, its cuisine and its music.

We are thankful for his work as a strong voice for "les Acadiens" and those of us descended from those good, peaceful, prayerful and skilled people. Dr. Martin passed in 2001. We honor him, his work and his memory by including his name in the Franco-American Hall of Fame.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Mexico, Representative Briggs.

Representative BRIGGS: Merci, Monsieur Speaker. Monsieur Speaker, Monsieurs et Mesdames de la maison, les invités honorés. That's the best I can do and that's the only French I can speak. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, and honored guests. I rise with great pride to honor in memory, Dr. Joseph Edward Martin, to recognize a man who has touched so many lives, including mine. As a child, as far back as I can remember, my mother, divorced, with six of us young children at home, one of us was always going to the doctor's. That would be Dr. Martin of Mexico, Maine. Dr. Martin was a man of straightforwardness and he'd tell you just like it was. He always got his message across to you. And underneath that rough and tough layer, you could always see the genuine love and compassion he had for all the people he cared for, including my mother. My mother and Dr. Martin were also school mates. As a child and being in his office, I will never forget the time he told my mother about the spot she had on her lung and that we needed to keep a close eye on it. Well, that prior concern came to fruition as that spot did turn into lung cancer to which my mother died seven years ago. Point being, Dr. Martin saw much more in our community health and the developing concerns of increased cancer, than anyone ever thought of.

Also during the office visits, I knew we wouldn't leave there without my mother and Dr. Martin talking about our Acadian heritage and I would think, "Oh, here we go again!"

During my high school years, I used to babysit for Dr. Martin and his wife, Terry. Quite often while at their home, he was always talking about the Acadian Heritage and he just couldn't seem to get enough of it. He was always searching for more material and information.

When Dr. Martin wrote his first book, of course there were no computers back then. I was also blessed to work with Dr. Martin typing his book relating to Jonathan Bartlett and the Abenaki Indians of our area. This is when he captured my heart as I learned about our Acadian heritage and the way life used to be in Maine and beyond.

Dr. Edward Martin died in 2001. His passing was noted in an Editorial written by Rex Rhoades, Executive Editor of the Lewiston *Sun Journal*. It reads as follows: Mr. Rhoades called Dr. Ed "A Man of Principle." Of course, referring to Dr. Martin's other crusade. In it, Mr. Rhoades stated that:

"Doc Martin will be remembered in many ways. First, perhaps, as the kind of doctor they don't make any more. He was the classic general practitioner who would jump out of bed at night, grab his black bag and run to somebody's house to care for a feverish child or a dying grandmother. But Doc also will be remembered as a tenacious adversary, the man who first dared to draw a direct line between the town's large paper mill and the deadly cancers he was treating. When it seemed reckless and unwise to do so, Doc Martin said and did the unthinkable. He spoke truth to power. Love him or hate him, he recognized the truth before it was known, he spoke the truth before it was expedient to do so, and he stood his ground long after most men would have given up and moved on. Did he win? Well, look at it this way: Medical science has dramatically affirmed his point of view. The mill is cleaner and emits fewer toxins than it did 30 years ago. Is the world now a perfect place? No, and it never will be. Has cancer been defeated or pollution eliminated? Not yet. But is Rumford a better place because Doc Martin had the courage to stand alone? There is little doubt. Life is full of mean little ironies, and Doc fell victim to one. He spent a good

part of his career trying to warn his people, his patients, and his community about cancer. And, in the end, cancer got him too."

And like the lone wolf crying in the wilderness, he did the same thing for Acadian and Franco history in the State of Maine. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Portland, Representative Harlow.

Representative **HARLOW**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I just wanted to briefly thank Dr. Martin and his family for his service to the Rumford area. My entire family grew up in the area and I have heard stories about Dr. Martin, so thank you.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was PASSED and sent for concurrence.

Recognizing:

the late Sister Solange Bernier, Order of St. Ursula, on her posthumous induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Sr. Solange was a longtime teacher, head of the French Department at St. Dominic Regional High School, principal, prioress, religious instructor and goodwill ambassador for the Franco-American community. Sr. Solange was born in Lewiston and entered the novitiate of the Ursuline order of nuns in Waterville. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree in French from St. Michael's College in Vermont, followed by her Master of Arts degree in French and Theology from Notre Dame University in Indiana. Sr. Solange taught in Sanford, Springvale, Waterville, Winslow and for over 35 years in Lewiston-Auburn. She was chosen as Outstanding Secondary Teacher in America in 1975. In 1982, she was honored by Mayor Paul Dionne of Lewiston for her outstanding contributions to Franco-Americans. Among her many other awards, the French government named her an Officier dans l'Ordre des Palmes Academiques, and St. Dominic Regional High School honored her with a scholarship in her We join her former students, family and friends in remembering her commitment and remarkable contributions to the Franco-American community;

(HLS 183)

Presented by Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Representative AYOTTE of Caswell, Representative BEAUDOIN Biddeford, Representative BEAULIEU of Representative BECK of Waterville, Representative BELIVEAU of Kittery, Representative BICKFORD of Auburn, Representative BOLAND of Sanford, Representative BOLDUC of Auburn, Representative BRIGGS of Mexico, Representative CAREY of CASAVANT Lewiston. Representative of Biddeford. Representative CLARK of Millinocket, Representative CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, Representative CROCKETT of Bethel, Representative DION of Portland, Representative EDGECOMB of Caribou, Representative FOSTER of Augusta, Representative FREDETTE of Newport, Representative GILBERT of Jay, Senator HOBBINS of York, Senator JACKSON of Aroostook, Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston, Representative MALONEY of Augusta, Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake, Senator MASON of Androscoggin, Senator PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representative RIOUX of Winterport, Representative ROCHELO of Biddeford, Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, Senator SULLIVAN of York, Representative THERIAULT of Madawaska, Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo, Representative TUTTLE of Sanford, Representative WAGNER of Lewiston, Representative WEBSTER of Freeport, Representative WINTLE of Garland.

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

READ.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Lewiston, Representative Rotundo.

Representative ROTUNDO: Merci. Monsieur le Président, Mesdames and Monsieurs de la Chamber. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. It is an honor to speak today about Sister Solange Bernier, brilliant and beloved teacher of French and, as the Sentiment said, a wonderful goodwill ambassador for the Franco-American community.

I first met Sister Solange about 12 years ago at a dinner at St. Dominic Regional School, where she, well into her 70s, still taught French. I remember the eagerness and warmth with what she quickly greeted me as I walked in the door. Her energy and enthusiasm for life were contagious. Sister Solange was a petite woman, but her spirit and heart were enormous. No one had a greater passion for teaching, no one cared more about her students, and no one cared more about imparting to them a love for Franco culture. Sister Solange was a magnificent human beina.

I would like to end with two quotations from Sister Solange. She once said of her students "I want them to be people minded and sensitive to the value of others. I want them to go beyond their own little world and dreams." She believed that teaching French was more than teaching a language. It is "about a people, a nation, about humanity and even about yourself. If you know about a country, you begin to appreciate another culture and that leads to understanding, to appreciating differences, to accepting people, and that leads to love and to peace." Sister Solange worked miracles through her teaching, fostering greater understanding, love and peace in the world through her work. Merci.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was PASSED and sent for concurrence.

Recognizing:

Lionel Breau, of Greenville, for his patriotic service during World War II. Private First Class Breau served as 3rd Gunner in a mortar platoon of the 86th Infantry Division. He entered Europe through Le Havre, France in 1945, and fought in 6 major battles, earning the Bronze Star. His division battled across Europe between March 6 and May 8, 1945, engaging in action that saw 7 major rivers forced, including the Rhine and the Ruhr. During this action, Mr. Breau's division was credited with capturing 53,354 German prisoners and securing 220 miles of German territory. Following Victory in Europe on May 8, 1945, Mr. Breau and the 86th Division were reassigned to the Pacific Theater, where they were deployed to the Philippines in preparation for the invasion of Japan. He served 10 months in the Philippines as part of the United States Army occupation force. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Breau on his extraordinary and selfless service to his State and Nation as we celebrate Franco-American Day in Maine;

(HLS 173)

Presented by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville. Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset, Representative DAVIS of Sangerville.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative JOHNSON of Greenville, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM:

The Chair recognizes the Representative from Greenville, Representative Johnson.

Representative JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have three Sentiments. They are all Franco-American heroes from World War II. I would like to defer my comments until the end.

Recognizing:

Roger P. Auclair, of Rockwood, for his patriotic service during World War II. Master Technician Sergeant Auclair served as a communications noncommissioned officer in the United States Marine Corps in the Pacific Theater. Mr. Auclair's distinguished service encompassed 5 and a half years in the United States Marine Corps and included some of the most difficult amphibious landings of the war on Peleliu and Okinawa. He was awarded the Purple Heart for injuries suffered in combat. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Auclair for his dedicated and selfless service to his State and Nation as we celebrate Franco-American Day in Maine:

Presented by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville. Cosponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset. Representative DUNPHY of Embden.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative JOHNSON of Greenville. was REMOVED from the Special Sentiment Calendar. READ.

Recognizing:

Omer Servant, of Greenville, for his patriotic service during World War II. Technician Fifth Grade Servant served as an antiaircraft artillery crew member stationed in Panama in 1943 in the United States Army and later as a medic in combat field hospitals in England, France, Germany and Austria. Mr. Servant's distinguished service in artillery and as a combat medic encompassed 3 years and 4 months in 5 different countries. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Servant and acknowledge his dedicated and selfless service to his State and Nation as we celebrate Franco-American Day in Maine:

Presented by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville. Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset, Representative DAVIS of Sangerville.

On OBJECTION of Representative JOHNSON of Greenville, was REMOVED from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Greenville, Representative Johnson.

Representative JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. It gives me great pleasure to speak to these three gentlemen. They are symbolic of the thousands of Franco-American heroes of World War II, including five of my uncles from Belgrade and Augusta. The accomplishments of these gentlemen are staggering. To think that Lionel Breau, when he was 19 years old, went with his division to Germany, landed in Le Havre, France, spent five months in Germany, credited with capturing over 50,000 Germans and liberating a concentration camp at Dachau. As soon as the war was over, his division was packed up for the war in Europe was over. It was packed up and sent back to the United States and deployed to the Philippines to prepare for the war in the Pacific Theater. Fortunately, the war ended before he had to move on from the Philippines, but he spent 10 months in part of the occupation force of the Philippines.

Roger Auclair, from Rockwood, fought in some of the most difficult battles the United States has ever been in. The Battle of Peleliu saw eight members of the Marines there receive the

Medal of Honor. Over 6,500 casualties in one division, that is a third of their strength suffered at Peleliu, and Roger was wounded himself in Peleliu. He also was involved in the invasion of Okinawa. Five American Army divisions, two Marine divisions and a third Marine division in reserve fought there. Over 100,000 casualties were involved on the U.S. side.

My friend Omer Servant, who initially volunteered for the Army and was an antiaircraft artillery member, was retrained as a combat medic and saw action in five different countries. All three of these men are combat heroes, but greater than that they are gentlemen. They all went back to their communities. They married, they had decades of marriage to the same woman, they have raised families, and they are watching today's ceremonies over the computer because their age and health preclude them from coming here today. But in the opinion of many, they are symbolic of the thousands of Franco-Americans that served our country in the Second World War. Thank you.

Subsequently, the Sentiments were PASSED and sent for concurrence.

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

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

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act Concerning Immunity for School Administrative Units in the Discharge of Their Responsibilities"

(S.P. 308) (L.D. 988)

Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS suggested and ordered printed.

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

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

Bill "An Act To Establish the Maine Science Advisory Board" (S.P. 299) (L.D. 953)

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 Assist Nonprofit Corporations Harmed by a Casino"

(S.P. 249) (L.D. 846)

Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS suggested and ordered printed.

Came from the Senate, with the Bill and accompanying papers RULED NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY.

The SPEAKER: The other body has ruled that LD 846 is not properly before that body, in light of Article 4, Part 3, Section 9 of the Maine Constitution which provides that bills raising revenue must originate in the House of Representatives.

LD 846 requires 2% of the revenue from gaming activities go into a casino remedial fund, whose purpose is to disburse monies to nonprofit corporations "harmed by the operation of a casino licensed under this chapter."

Funds in excess of \$2,000,000 from this fund lapse into the General Fund, according to the bill.

Therefore, the bill would potentially increase the amount of unencumbered revenue coming into the state.

Article 4, Part 3, Section 9 of the Maine Constitution provides that "all bills for raising revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives...."

A lapse of monies over \$2,000,000 to the state, as provided in the bill, would clearly increase revenues to the state, and therefore disqualify this bill from prime sponsorship by a senator.

The Chair RULED that the Bill and accompanying papers was NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY in concurrence.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Resolve, To Adjust Composting Limits for Farms

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

REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY in the House on March 8, 2011

Came from the Senate REFERRED to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES and the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY IN NON-CONCURRENCE.

The House voted to RECEDE AND CONCUR.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 100)
STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

March 16, 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 Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs has approved the request by the sponsor, Representative Fitts of Pittsfield, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw":

L.D. 907

An Act To Amend the Agency Liquor Store

Sincerely,

S/Heather J.R. Priest

Clerk of the House

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

The following Bills 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:

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Bill "An Act To Require That Law Enforcement Officials Collect DNA Samples from Persons Arrested for Certain Crimes"

(H.P. 849) (L.D. 1143)

Sponsored by Representative MALONEY of Augusta.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CHIPMAN of Portland,
ROSEN of Bucksport, Senator MARTIN of Kennebec and

Representatives: CLARKE of Bath, HANLEY of Gardiner, Senator: MASON of Androscoggin.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Require the Opportunity To Recite the Pledge of Allegiance in Schools"

(H.P. 842) (L.D. 1136)

Sponsored by Representative O'CONNOR of Berwick. Cosponsored by Senator COLLINS of York and Representatives: AYOTTE of Caswell, FOSSEL of Alna, SANDERSON of Chelsea, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, WILLETTE of Mapleton, Senator: FARNHAM of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Require Students To Receive Instruction in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and the Use of an Automated External Defibrillator prior to Graduation"

(H.P. 845) (L.D. 1139)

Sponsored by Representative GRAHAM of North Yarmouth. Cosponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, CAIN of Orono, EVES of North Berwick, INNES of Yarmouth, MAKER of Calais, Senator: GERZOFSKY of Cumberland.

TAXATION

Bill "An Act To Conform Business Expense Deductions to Federal Law"

(H.P. 843) (L.D. 1137)

Sponsored by Representative KNIGHT of Livermore Falls. Cosponsored by Senator TRAHAN of Lincoln Representatives: CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, COTTA of China, FREDETTE of Newport, HANLEY of Gardiner, McKANE of Newcastle, PARKER of Veazie, SANDERSON of Chelsea, Senator: GOODALL of Sagadahoc.

Bill "An Act To Prevent Unnecessary Expulsion of Landowners from the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law Program"

(H.P. 844) (L.D. 1138)

Sponsored by Representative KNIGHT of Livermore Falls. Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor, FOSSEL of Alna, HARMON of Palermo, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, RUSSELL of Portland, Senator: TRAHAN of Lincoln.

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

(H.P. 848) (L.D. 1142)

Sponsored by Representative KNIGHT of Livermore Falls. Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor, FOSSEL of Alna, HARMON of Palermo, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, WINTLE of Garland, Senators: LANGLEY of Hancock, TRAHAN of Lincoln.

VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Amend the Dual Liquor License Law"

(H.P. 846) (L.D. 1140)

Sponsored by Representative PILON of Saco.

Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, CAREY of Lewiston, RUSSELL of Portland, VALENTINO of Saco, Senator: HOBBINS

Bill "An Act To Allow Direct Shipment of Beer and Wine by Retail Licensees"

(H.P. 847) (L.D. 1141)

Sponsored by Representative PILON of Saco.

Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, VALENTINO of Saco, Senator: HOBBINS of York.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Refer to the Committee on State and Local Government **Pursuant to Statutes**

Representative COTTA for the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government on Bill "An Act To Repeal Inactive Boards and Commissions"

(H.P. 850) (L.D. 1144)

Reporting that it be REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12006, subsection 2.

Report was READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill REFERRED to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Sent for concurrence.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS reporting Ought Not to Pass on Bill "An Act To Remove the Restriction against a Spouse's Working in a School Administrative Unit in which the Other Spouse Serves on the School Board" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 342) (L.D. 449)

Signed:

Senators:

LANGLEY of Hancock ALFOND of Cumberland

Representatives:

EDGECOMB of Caribou JOHNSON of Greenville LOVEJOY of Portland MAKER of Calais McCLELLAN of Raymond McFADDEN of Dennysville **NELSON** of Falmouth RANKIN of Hiram WAGNER of Lewiston

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting Ought to Pass on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

MASON of Androscoggin

Representative:

RICHARDSON of Carmel

Representative SOCTOMAH of the Passamaguoddy Tribe of the House - supports the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report.

On motion of Representative RICHARDSON of Carmel, the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report was ACCEPTED and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES reporting Ought Not to Pass on Resolve, To Allow Service Stations in Maine To Use Their Inventory of Lead Wheel Weights

(H.P. 373) (L.D. 480)

Signed:

Senators:

SAVIELLO of Franklin GOODALL of Sagadahoc

Representatives:

HAMPER of Oxford
DUCHESNE of Hudson
HARLOW of Portland
INNES of Yarmouth
KNAPP of Gorham
LONG of Sherman
NASS of Acton
PARKER of Veazie

WELSH of Rockport

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass** on same Resolve.

Signed:

Senator:

SHERMAN of Aroostook

Representative:

AYOTTE of Caswell

READ.

On motion of Representative HAMPER of Oxford, the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report was ACCEPTED and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE reporting Ought Not to Pass on Bill "An Act To Prohibit Water-ski Courses on Small Ponds"

(H.P. 228) (L.D. 284)

Signed:

Senators:

MARTIN of Kennebec PATRICK of Oxford TRAHAN of Lincoln

Representatives:

BRIGGS of Mexico
CLARK of Millinocket
EBERLE of South Portland
ESPLING of New Gloucester
GUERIN of Glenburn
SARTY of Denmark
SHAW of Standish
WOOD of Sabattus

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representatives:

DAVIS of Sangerville CRAFTS of Lisbon

READ.

On motion of Representative DAVIS of Sangerville, the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report was ACCEPTED and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT reporting Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-8) on Bill "An Act To Designate the Whoopie Pie as the State Dessert"

(H.P. 59) (L.D. 71)

Signed:

Senators:

THOMAS of Somerset COLLINS of York SULLIVAN of York

Representatives:

COTTA of China

BOLAND of Sanford

BOLDUC of Auburn

CELLI of Brewer

GILLWAY of Searsport

MOULTON of York

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not** to **Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representatives:

CASAVANT of Biddeford GRAHAM of North Yarmouth HARVELL of Farmington KAENRATH of South Portland

READ.

Representative COTTA of China moved that the House ACCEPT the Majority Ought to Pass as Amended Report.

On further motion of the same Representative, TABLED pending his motion to ACCEPT the Majority Ought to Pass as Amended Report and later today assigned.

Six Members of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** report in Report "A" **Ought to Pass** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Municipal Motor Vehicle Registration and License Agent Fees"

(H.P. 232) (L.D. 288)

Signed:

Representatives:

GILLWAY of Searsport HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach MAZUREK of Rockland PEOPLES of Westbrook RIOUX of Winterport THERIAULT of Madawaska

Six Members of the same Committee report in Report "B" Ought Not to Pass on same Bill.

Signed:

Senators:

COLLINS of York
DIAMOND of Cumberland
THOMAS of Somerset

Representatives: CEBRA of Naples PARRY of Arundel WILLETTE of Mapleton

READ.

On motion of Representative CEBRA of Naples, Report "B" Ought Not to Pass was ACCEPTED 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. 167) (L.D. 575) Bill "An Act To Extend a Deadline under the Regional Economic Development Revolving Loan Program" (EMERGENCY) Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT reporting Ought to Pass

(H.P. 42) (L.D. 49) Bill "An Act To Allow Storage of Lobster Traps on Docks" Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES reporting Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-10)

(H.P. 43) (L.D. 50) Bill "An Act To Allow Provisional Drivers To Transport Persons under Guardianship and Children of Active Military Personnel" Committee on TRANSPORTATION reporting Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-14)

(H.P. 69) (L.D. 81) Bill "An Act To Change the Name of Township 3, Range 9, NWP, to Cedar Lake Township" (EMERGENCY) Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT reporting Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-15)

(H.P. 151) (L.D. 174) Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Governing Employment, Discipline and Dismissal of Chief Deputy Sheriffs" Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT reporting Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-16)

(H.P. 218) (L.D. 265) Bill "An Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Dealer Licensing Requirements" Committee on TRANSPORTATION reporting Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-13)

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. 134) (L.D. 430) Resolve, To Name the Maine Fire Training and Education Program at Southern Maine Community College the Maine Fire Service Institute

(H.P. 252) (L.D. 310) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 232: Well Drillers and Pump Installers Rules, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Water Well Commission (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 293) (L.D. 367) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Noncommercial Foreign Vessels"

(H.P. 55) (L.D. 67) Bill "An Act Relating to Standardbred Horse Breeding" (EMERGENCY) (C. "A" H-9)

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

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

On motion of Representative THERIAULT of Madawaska, the House adjourned at 10:50 pm., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 17, 2011.