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5th Legislative Day
Tuesday, January 17, 2012

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

Prayer by Reverend Matthew M. Ward, Charleston Pentecostal Church.

National Anthem by Heather Rogers, Bradford.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, William Atlee, M.D., Augusta.

The Journal of Wednesday, January 11, 2012 was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 282)

STATE OF MAINE

CLERK'S OFFICE

**2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

January 17, 2012

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:"

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

L.D. 1408 An Act To Amend Water Quality Standards for Fish Hatcheries (EMERGENCY)

Judiciary

L.D. 324 An Act To Authorize Parents with Power of Attorney To Make Decisions Regarding the Education of Their Adult Children

L.D. 419 An Act To Ensure the Payment of Survivor Benefits to Certain Children

Taxation

L.D. 305 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Allow Land and Buildings To Be Assessed Differently

Veterans and Legal Affairs

L.D. 120 An Act To End Taxpayer-funded Campaigns for Gubernatorial Candidates

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

Sincerely,

S/Heather J.R. Priest

Clerk of the House

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

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Dear Speaker Nutting:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Transportation has approved the request by the sponsor, Senator Hill of York, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw":

L.D. 1661 Resolve, To Allow Signs along Interstate 95 for the Town of Kittery and Its Businesses and Other Establishments

Sincerely,

S/Heather J.R. Priest

Clerk of the House

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

ORDERS

On motion of Speaker NUTTING of Oakland, the following House Order: (H.O. 34)

ORDERED, that the House Rules be amended by amending House Rule 525 to read:

Rule 525. Penobscot Nation, Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and Passamaquoddy Tribe. The member of the Penobscot Nation, the member of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and the member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe elected or appointed to represent their people at the biennial session of the Legislature must be granted seats on the floor of the House of Representatives; be granted, by consent of the Speaker, the privilege of speaking on pending legislation; must be appointed to sit with joint standing committees as nonvoting members during the committees' deliberations; and be granted such other rights and privileges as may from time to time be voted by the House of Representatives. In reports from committees on which a tribal member serves, the position of the member must be noted and included. The names of the member of the Penobscot Nation, the member of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and the member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe elected or appointed to represent their people at the biennial session of the Legislature must be included on the roll call board for purposes of electronically recording their attendance only.

READ.

On motion of Representative CURTIS of Madison, House Rule 524 was **SUSPENDED** for the purpose of voting on this item without first tabling it one legislative day.

Pursuant to House Rule 524, this House Order required the affirmative vote of two-thirds of those present for **PASSAGE**. 119 having voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative, 119 being more than two-thirds of the membership present, the House Order was **PASSED**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Change of Committee

Report of the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Provide Funding to the Department of Transportation for a Feasibility Study of an East-west Highway" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 570) (L.D. 1671)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION**.

Came from the Senate with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** in concurrence.

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

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

(H.P. 467) (L.D. 637) Resolve, To Increase the Amount Tagging Agents Receive for Tagging Game Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-683)**

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

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

On motion of Representative GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, the House adjourned at 10:39 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 19, 2012.