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Doctor of the day, Amy Madden, MD of Rome.

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

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE		
In Senate Chamber Thursday April 30, 2015	Off Record Remarks	
Senate called to order by President Michael D. Thibodeau of Waldo County.	The President requested the Sergeant-At-Arms escort the Senator from Hancock, Senator LANGLEY , to the rostrum where he assumed the duties as President Pro Tempore.	
Prayer by Pastor Justin Frank, Penney Memorial United Baptist Church in Augusta.	The President took a seat on the Floor. The Senate called to order by President Pro Tempore BRIAN D LANGLEY of Hancock County.	
PASTOR FRANK : Good morning. Let us pray. Almighty God, thank You for this day that You have made. Thank You for the gift of one more day of life; another day with colleagues, friends, and loved ones; another day to do good and meaningful work in the service of others. Thank You, Father, for this legislative Body and the good and necessary work that is done here as they	Off Record Remarks	
conduct the business of the people of the state of Maine. We are thankful for their work and, at the start of this new day, I ask Your blessing upon them and upon their work. Lord, I pray that You would grant them strength to act with justice. Would You give them wisdom as they consider how to balance competing	Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator MASON of Androscoggin, the following Joint Order: S.P. 510	
interests, understanding of the moral dimensions of complex problems. Would You grant them courage, that they might not only know the right thing to do but that they might do what is right. Lord, I pray You would grant them compassionate hearts, that	Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 10:00 in the morning.	
they would love mercy, that the pursuit of justice would not be	READ and PASSED.	
lacking true care and concern for the human needs of real people, for the human dignity of the weak and the poor and the stranger. May they know mercy and may they be merciful. Finally, I pray that You would grant them humility as they walk before You;	Ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.	
humility to listen to and understand others, to see the merits of other perspectives, to admit when they have been wrong; that they might work together for the common good. Almighty God,	PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE	
You pull these things together in eternal perfection. You balance	Non-Concurrent Matter	
justice and mercy and You demonstrate incredible humility. Now may You empower and guide these men and women in their work this day for the sake of the peace and prosperity and the flourishing of the great state of Maine. I ask in Jesus' name. Amen.	HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Exempt Certain Capital Expenditures from the Maine Certificate of Need Act of 2002" H.P. 39 L.D. 45	
	Majority - Ought Not to Pass (7 members)	
National Anthem will be performed by Rebecca Pushard of Manchester.	Minority - Ought to Pass (6 members)	
	In House, April 16, 2015, the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED .	
Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Michael J. Willette of Aroostook County.	In Senate, April 28, 2015, on motion by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin, the Minority OUGHT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED , in NON-CONCURRENCE .	
Reading of the Journal of Wednesday, April 29, 2015.	Comes from the House, that Body INSISTED .	

On motion by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin, the Senate ADHERED .	Non-Concurrent Matter
	Resolve, Directing the Finance Authority of Maine To Convene a Stakeholder Group To Develop Solutions To Reduce the
Non-Concurrent Matter	Negative Effect of Student Loan Debt on Home Ownership H.P. 230 L.D. 336 (C "A" H-30)
SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT on RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Lower the Age Requirement To Run for Legislative Office S.P. 28 L.D. 80	In House, April 23, 2015, FINALLY PASSED .
	In Senate, April 28, 2015, FAILED FINAL PASSAGE , in NON-CONCURRENCE .
Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-54) (11 members)	Comes from the House, that Body INSISTED .
Minority - Ought Not to Pass (2 members)	On motion by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot, the Senate INSISTED .
In Senate, April 28, 2015, on motion by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset, the Minority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report READ	
and ACCEPTED.	Non-Concurrent Matter
Comes from the House, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the RESOLUTION PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in NON-CONCURRENCE.	HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Provide Additional Oversight over the Management of the Department of Health and Human Services"
	H.P. 245 L.D. 358
On motion by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin, TABLED until Later in Today's Session, pending FURTHER CONSIDERATION .	Majority - Ought to Pass (7 members)
	Minority - Ought Not to Pass (6 members)
Non-Concurrent Matter SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY on Bill "An Act To Encourage Responsible Consumer Fireworks Use" S.P. 117 L.D. 302	In House, April 23, 2015, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED .
	In Senate, April 28, 2015, on motion by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin, the Minority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED , in NON-CONCURRENCE .
Report "A" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-39) (9 members)	Comes from the House, that Body INSISTED .
Report "B" - Ought to Pass (2 members)	On motion by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin, the Senate INSISTED .
Report "C" - Ought Not to Pass (2 members)	
In Senate, April 28, 2015, on motion by Senator ROSEN of Hancock, Report "C" , OUGHT NOT TO PASS , READ and ACCEPTED .	Non-Concurrent Matter
	An Act Regarding Prerecorded Telephonic Political Communications
Comes from the House, Report "A", OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED, READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT	H.P. 278 L.D. 412 (C "A" H-32)
"A" (S-39), in NON-CONCURRENCE.	In House, April 23, 2015, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.
On motion by Senator ROSEN of Hancock, the Senate ADHERED .	In Senate, April 28, 2015, FAILED ENACTMENT, in NON-CONCURRENCE.
Sent down for concurrence.	Comes from the House, that Body INSISTED.

Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec moved the Senate INSIST.

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

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Patrick.

Senator PATRICK: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, colleagues and friends, this is actually a great transparency bill. The bill amends the law governing what is required to be disclosed on or in political communications to support the election or defeat of a candidate. Specifically. telephone calls that name a clearly identified candidate during the 21 days preceding a primary and the 35 days preceding the general election. It requires that all pre-recorded automated telephone calls and scripted live telecommunications, including those made for the purpose of researching the views of voters, that name a clearly identified candidate during the 21 days before a primary election or 35 days before the general election clearly state at the start of the call the name of the person or organization that made or financed the expenditure for the communication. The bill requires that, for scripted live telecommunications, if the respondent requests additional information on the persons or organizations that made or financed the expenditure for the communications the caller must describe where such information, including information relating to the source or sources of funding for the person or organizations, is available for inspection.

What does this bill actually encompass? How many times have we all lamented on the nasty visceral advertisements on the TV? If you listen to those advertisements, they do disclose who they are, but they are always at the end of the statement and they are all garbled and you can't tell who's actually doing the attack ads. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I think the public deserves an opportunity to hear who's funding and who's supporting these attack ads, clearly and concisely, because I think a lot of times people are always saying, "We hate these ads. We absolutely hate these negative, viral, visceral ads," that they don't actually know who is the author of the ad. If this helps in any way to help some citizen make up their mind clearly and know and understand that through the transparency and clearing stating who the name of the person was, I think this is a good public thing. I think it's great that the public has the opportunity to have more transparency, to get more understanding on the issues, because I'll tell you one thing right now, almost every constituent I talked to said they hate those ads. They don't know who these groups are. They don't understand what's said at the end. Mr. President, I'd ask everyone to vote against the Insist motion and follow my light.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Brakey.

Senator **BRAKEY**: Thank you, Mr. President. I don't have any prepared remarks on this. I just wanted to say I think we all support transparency in these issues and currently, as the good Senator from Oxford County has pointed out, there are already requirements in place that this be disclosed at the end of the call. My only objection to this is that in some cases this covers calls that are sometimes done for polling purposes and when you are polling someone and you announce at the beginning of the call who exactly, what organization, it's coming from that can bias the

poll and lead to less accurate information. Now, a person has every right not to answer that or give any information or what have you. Already, currently in law, there is a requirement that that be disclosed. Whether it comes at the beginning of the call or the end of the call, personally I think it makes no difference, but when we're talking specifically about biasing the results of a poll than I think we're having some unintended consequences there. Absolutely, at least I can speak for myself, I can't speak for anyone else, but I think, absolutely, I certainly want to make sure we have transparency on these. The Senator from Oxford County said that these might be garbled at the end of the call; they could be garbled at the front of the call. I don't know how that makes a difference there. That's my two cents.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Patrick.

Senator PATRICK: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, colleagues and friends, I'm thankful that the good Senator from Androscoggin brought that up about polling. What it is about push polling, so many people are disgusted with push polling that does try to influence people's opinions and stuff. This bill amends the push polling laws to require that a caller disclose at the start of the call the person or organization sponsoring the authorization authorizing the call and the organization making the call if different from the sponsor and it's not going to be garbled because within the law it says it has to be "clearly state at the start," not garbled. Clearly state. Current law requires only that the disclosers to made at some point during the call. This is going to say at the front of the call. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, the one thing I'll say about the Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee, we really work on these issues. We give it a lot of thought. We understand what the public wants. This was a unanimous report out of committee. Unanimous report of our committee. It's a bipartisan supported bill to help the transparency of the public during the elections. I would ask you to follow my light. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Cyrway.

Senator CYRWAY: Thank you, Mr. President. I was kind of on the fence on this one, but it was explained to me that this kind of shadowed the federal law and I went along with it, the same as Senator Patrick did. I can see the other side as well, that sometimes if you say it beforehand that it can actually, people probably hang up before they go to do the polling, so that can kind of construe things and also at the end they put it. I think that I was going to leave it up to the Senate here to vote on which way they really want this taken care of, but it was really, I think it could go either way. I'm fine with it either way only because, I think, that if you do it before sometimes it could construe the way a person feels, knowing who it is at the beginning and at the end I don't think that they are trying to construe what the poll is, but I think that it could be thought of that way. I guess that's kind of a mixed feeling on it. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Alfond.

Senator **ALFOND**: Thank you, Mr. President. I don't know. I'm listening to this debate and it comes down to a couple of simple

things to me. One, transparency. I think this Body deserves to put out. I think, very thoughtful reforms around elections and this one seems to be a very good one. Can we be transparent? Can we be transparent on who's paying for different polls before elections? It's pretty simple. I guess it's a funny kind of discussion when we're worried about the pollsters. I think pollsters are going to figure out how to get accurate polls. This is what they do. I'm not really that concerned about their business model. The business model that I'm concerned about is our constituent's. How many of us, every day during election season, get either an e-mail or a phone call from a constituent that's disgusted by something that has come on the phone? When I tip the scales here, I'm going to tip the scales with my constituents, not really the pollsters. I think the pollsters, I think they're going to figure it out. I'm going to tip the scales on transparency. I think that Maine people deserve to know who's paying for ads all the time. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Dutremble.

Senator **DUTREMBLE**: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, let's be honest. If we change this to the beginning of the phone call, we've all been there, we can hang up on them that much quicker because nobody wants to listen to them anyways because when do they call you? At suppertime, when you're trying to eat. You're trying to enjoy time with your family. You're trying to put your kids to bed. They bother every single one of us and all our constituents. That's all we hear, "I hate those phone calls." Let's put it at the beginning so we can hang up right away. Thank you.

Off Record Remarks

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The pending question before the Senate is the motion by the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Cyrway to Insist. A Roll Call has been ordered. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#44)

YEAS: Senators: BAKER, BRAKEY, BURNS, COLLINS,

CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, EDGECOMB, HAMPER, KATZ, MASON, MCCORMICK, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WILLETTE, WOODSOME, THE PRESIDENT PRO

TEMPORE - BRIAN D. LANGLEY

NAYS: Senators: ALFOND, BREEN, DIAMOND, DILL,

DUTREMBLE, GERZOFSKY, GRATWICK, HASKELL, HILL, JOHNSON, LIBBY, MILLETT,

MIRAMANT, PATRICK, VALENTINO

20 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 15 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion by Senator **CYRWAY** of Kennebec to **INSIST PREVAILED**.

Joint Resolution

The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 933

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO REQUIRE EXPANSION OF FISH HATCHERY OPERATIONS

WE, your Memorialists, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Maine now assembled in the First Regular Session, most respectfully present and petition the President of the United States and the United States Congress as follows:

WHEREAS, the Atlantic salmon, *Salmo salar*, is a salmon found in the north Atlantic Ocean and in rivers that flow into the north Atlantic Ocean, and the fish has historically been an important economic asset to the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS, the major rivers of the State once ran thick with salmon traveling upstream to spawn; and

WHEREAS, salmon populations have been reduced to nearly undetectable numbers in most rivers in Maine; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has designated the Atlantic salmon as an endangered species; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government spends millions of dollars annually to restore the species with no significant success; and

WHEREAS, there are specific hatchery operations that can improve upon the current results; and

WHEREAS, a significant number of salmon originating in Maine are being harvested in a commercial fishery off the west coast of Greenland; and

WHEREAS, this fishery is a major obstacle to the restoration of salmon in Maine rivers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, your Memorialists, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to respectfully request that the President and the United States Congress direct the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service to expand hatchery operations to rivers in Maine by partnering with the State and with the many non-government organizations that are focused on restoring Atlantic salmon to their historic natal rivers; and be it further;

RESOLVED: That We, your Memorialists, urge that additional resources be made available to the United States State Department that would assist its efforts through the North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization convention to help with the curtailment or suspension of the wild Atlantic salmon fishery off the west coast of Greenland; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Honorable Barack H. Obama, President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and to each Member of the Maine Congressional Delegation.

Comes from the House, READ and ADOPTED.

READ.

On motion by Senator **BURNS** of Washington, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ADOPTION**, in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 259

STATE OF MAINE 127TH LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 27, 2015

Honorable Heather J.R. Priest Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 1, MRSA, Chapter 13, Section 411, I am pleased to appoint William Shorey and Chief Richard LaHaye to the Right to Know Advisory Committee. With this appointment William Shorey will be replacing Percy L. Brown, Jr. and Chief LaHaye will replace Chief Perry B. Antone, Sr.

If you have any questions regarding these appointments please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 249

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

April 29, 2015

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

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

L.D. 1089

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Agriculture by Expanding the Powers of the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Peter E. Edgecomb Senate Chair S/Rep. Craig V. Hickman

House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 250

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

April 28, 2015

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

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

L.D. 460 An Act To Restore Liability Insurance Requirements for Amusement Rides and Other

Public Exhibitions (EMERGENCY)

L.D. 534 An Act To Increase Crisis Intervention Training in the State

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Kimberley C. Rosen Senate Chair S/Rep. Lori A. Fowle

House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 251

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

April 29, 2015

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

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

L.D. 1257 Resolve, To Make Home Heat Pumps Affordable (EMERGENCY)

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. David Woodsome

S/Rep. Mark N. Dion

Senate Chair House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 252

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

April 29, 2015

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

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

L.D. 1194 An Act To A and Dispose

An Act To Allow Municipalities To Contract with and Dispose of Waste, including Residue, in State-owned Solid Waste Disposal Facilities, as Allowed under a Facility License, To Ensure Compliance with the Solid Waste Management Hierarchy

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Thomas B. Saviello

S/Rep. Joan W. Welsh

Senate Chair

House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 253

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

April 24, 2015

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

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

L.D. 75 Resolve, To Strengthen Health Care Services for Maine Residents Affected by

Neurodegenerative Diseases

L.D. 539 An Act To Increase Utilization of the Dorothea

Dix Psychiatric Center

L.D. 604 An Act To Encourage Communication

Regarding Persons with Mental Illness

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Eric L. Brakey Senate Chair S/Rep. Andrew M. Gattine

House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON

FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 254

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

April 29, 2015

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

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

L.D. 1050

An Act To Reimburse Nursing Homes for the Loss of Coinsurance and Deductibles for Skilled Nursing Beds under Rules Adopted by the Department of Health and Human Services

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Eric L. Brakey

S/Rep. Andrew M. Gattine

House Chair

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

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Senate Chair

The Following Communication: S.C. 255

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

April 29, 2015

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature

State House

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

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

L.D. 1051

An Act To Prohibit Fuel Temperature Compensation When Fuel is Dispensed to Outdoor Tanks

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Amy F. Volk S/Rep. Erin D. Herbig

Senate Chair House Chair

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

FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 256

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

April 28, 2015

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

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

L.D. 106 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to

the Constitution of Maine To Increase the Length of Terms of Senators to 4 Years

L.D. 1274 An Act To Allow the Governor To Review

Routine Technical Rules

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Rodney L. Whittemore

S/Rep. Roland Danny Martin

Senate Chair

House Chair

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

FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 257

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

April 29, 2015

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

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

L.D. 789

An Act To Require That Projects Undertaken by the Maine Turnpike Authority Have an Anticipated Useful Life of at Least 15 Years

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ronald F. Collins

S/Rep. Andrew J. McLean

Senate Chair

House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON

FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 258

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

April 28, 2015

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Mark W. Eves, Speaker of the House 127th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Eves:

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

L.D. 184 An Act To Reimburse Philip Wolley for

Litigation Expenses Incurred in Connection with His Termination and Reinstatement as a State

Employee

L.D. 1127 An Act Regarding the Authority of the Secretary

of State and the Attorney General To Conduct

Investigations of Vote Recounts

L.D. 1138 An Act Regarding Municipal Reporting of

Statewide Elections

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Scott W. Cyrway

S/Rep. Louis J. Luchini

Senate Chair

House Chair

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

The Following Communication: H.C. 129

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

April 29, 2015

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest Secretary of the Senate 127th Maine Legislature Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

The House voted today to insist on its previous action whereby it accepted the Majority Ought to Pass Report of the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development on Bill "An Act To Improve Public Sector Collective Bargaining Laws" (S.P. 199) (L.D. 530) and Passage to be Engrossed.

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

Senate at Ease. Senate called to order by President Pro Tempore BRIAN D. LANGLEY of Hancock County.	Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED. Report READ. On motion by Senator EDGECOMB of Aroostook, TABLED until Later in Today's Session, pending ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT, in concurrence.
SENATE PAPERS	Ought to Pass As Amended
Bill "An Act To Assist Low-income Electricity Consumers" S.P. 511 L.D. 1382	The Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY on Bill "An Act To Increase Conservation District
Presented by Senator JOHNSON of Lincoln. Cosponsored by Senators: HILL of York, MILLETT of Cumberland, Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, McCREIGHT of Harpswell.	Funding" H.P. 573 L.D. 839 Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-88) .
On motion by Senator WOODSOME of York, REFERRED to the Committee on ENERGY , UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY and ordered printed.	Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-88).
Sent down for concurrence.	Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.
Bill "An Act To Attract Young People to Maine by Expanding the Job Creation Through Educational Opportunity Program" S.P. 512 L.D. 1383	READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (H-88) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.
Presented by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representative TIPPING-SPITZ of Orono and Senators: LIBBY of Androscoggin, MILLETT of Cumberland, SAVIELLO of Franklin, Representatives: BATES of Westbrook, DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, JORGENSEN of Portland.	ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.
On motion by Senator MCCORMICK of Kennebec, REFERRED to the Committee on TAXATION and ordered printed.	The Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY on Bill "An Act To Implement Certain Recommendations of the Criminal Law Advisory Commission Relative to the Maine
Sent down for concurrence.	Criminal Code" H.P. 351 L.D. 512
All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.	Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-86). Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-86).
REPORTS OF COMMITTEES	Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.
House	READ ONCE.
Ought to Pass	Committee Amendment "A" (H-86) READ and ADOPTED , in concurrence.
The Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY on Bill "An Act To Improve Forest Ranger Safety" H.P. 498 L.D. 745	ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.
Reported that the same Ought to Pass .	

The Committee on **ENERGY**, **UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act To Permit Rate-adjustment Mechanisms for Water Utilities"

H.P. 599 L.D. 880

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-103)**.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-103).

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-103) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act To Designate a Youth Bear Hunting Day"

H.P. 265 L.D. 399

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-99).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-99).

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-99) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Increase Mileage Reimbursement and Compensation for Jurors"

H.P. 51 L.D. 57

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-90)**.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-90).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-90) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Create Efficiencies in Court Process"

H.P. 139 L.D. 181

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-91).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-91).

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-91) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Provide for Direct Appeals under the Maine Juvenile Code to the Supreme Judicial Court"

H.P. 283 L.D. 416

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-92).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-92).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-92) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Increase the Effectiveness of the Legislature"
H.P. 462 L.D. 681

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-93).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-93).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-93) $\mbox{\bf READ}$ and $\mbox{\bf ADOPTED},$ in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Restore the Super Credit for Substantially Increased Research and Development"

H.P. 337 L.D. 498

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-96).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-96).

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-96) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Location of Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Collection for Motor Vehicles Owned by Public Utilities"

H.P. 353 L.D. 514

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-94).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-94).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-94) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Governing the Gathering of Signatures for Direct Initiatives and People's Veto Referenda"

H.P. 134 L.D. 176

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-98).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-98).

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-98) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Control Fireworks in Monhegan Island Plantation"

H.P. 218 L.D. 324

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

ROSEN of Hancock GERZOFSKY of Cumberland

Representatives:

FOWLE of Vassalboro DAVITT of Hampden LAJOIE of Lewiston NADEAU of Winslow THERIAULT of China TIMMONS of Cumberland WARREN of Hallowell

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

Signed:

Senator:

BURNS of Washington

Representatives:

CHENETTE of Saco GERRISH of Lebanon LONG of Sherman

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.	The Majority of the Committee on INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Protect the Privacy of Consumers Who Use Credit Cards for Online Purchases of Products" H.P. 102 L.D. 144
Reports READ .	Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-101) .
On motion by Senator ROSEN of Hancock, TABLED until Later in Today's Session, pending ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT .	Signed:
	Senators:
	WHITTEMORE of Somerset
Divided Report	BAKER of Sagadahoc GRATWICK of Penobscot
The Majority of the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND	
WILDLIFE on Bill "An Act To Allow Hunting on Sunday with the	Representatives:
Landowner's Written Consent" H.P. 318 L.D. 479	BECK of Waterville BROOKS of Lewiston
11.F. 310 L.D. 479	COOPER of Yarmouth
Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass .	MELARAGNO of Auburn
.,	MORRISON of South Portland
Signed:	PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield
	TUCKER of Brunswick
Senators:	WALLACE of Dexter
DAVIS of Piscataquis	The Minerity of the same Organity and the same subject
CYRWAY of Kennebec DUTREMBLE of York	The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same Ought Not To Pass .
DUTREMBLE OF FOR	reported that the same Ought Not To Pass .
Representatives:	Signed:
SHAW of Standish	G.9.103.
ALLEY of Beals	Representatives:
COREY of Windham	FOLEY of Wells
HILLIARD of Belgrade	PRESCOTT of Waterboro
LYFORD of Eddington	
MARTIN of Sinclair	Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS
REED of Carmel SHORT of Pittsfield	AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE
SHORT OF PILISHEID	AMENDMENT "A" (H-101).
The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject	AMERICA (IT 101).
reported that the same Ought To Pass .	Reports READ .
Signed:	On motion by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report ACCEPTED, in
Representatives:	concurrence.
CRAFTS of Lisbon	concurrence.
WOOD of Greene	READ ONCE.
(Representative DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe - of the	Committee Amendment "A" (H-101) READ and ADOPTED , in
House - supports the Minority Ought To Pass Report.)	concurrence.
Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED.	ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Allow Equipment Rental Companies To Sell Equipment Insurance"

H.P. 223 L.D. 329

On motion by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis, the Majority OUGHT

Divided Report

NOT TO PASS Report ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

Reports **READ**.

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-80).

Signed:

Senators:

WHITTEMORE of Somerset BAKER of Sagadahoc **GRATWICK of Penobscot**

Representatives:

FOLEY of Wells MORRISON of South Portland PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield PRESCOTT of Waterboro WALLACE of Dexter

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

Signed:

Representatives:

BECK of Waterville BROOKS of Lewiston COOPER of Yarmouth MELARAGNO of Auburn **TUCKER of Brunswick**

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-80).

Reports **READ**.

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

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-80) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES on Bill "An Act To Assist Persons with Breast Cancer" H.P. 246 L.D. 359

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Signed:

Senator:

BAKER of Sagadahoc

Representatives:

BECK of Waterville BROOKS of Lewiston COOPER of Yarmouth MELARAGNO of Auburn MORRISON of South Portland PRESCOTT of Waterboro **TUCKER of Brunswick**

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

Signed:

Senators:

WHITTEMORE of Somerset **GRATWICK of Penobscot**

Representatives:

FOLEY of Wells PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield WALLACE of Dexter

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

Reports **READ**.

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

SECOND READERS

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

House

Bill "An Act To Allow Licensed Foresters To Use Mechanics Liens"

H.P. 324 L.D. 485

Bill "An Act To Establish a Private Support Organization for the Maine Commission for Community Service"

H.P. 636 L.D. 916

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

House As Amended

Bill "An Act Regarding Retrieving Wounded Bear" H.P. 214 L.D. 320 (C "A" H-76)

Bill "An Act Concerning Commercial Vehicles at Canadian Weight Limits Traveling to Certain Points in the State" (EMERGENCY) H.P. 378 L.D. 554 (C "A" H-85)

Bill "An Act To Authorize the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Postpone or Cancel an Open Hunting Season" H.P. 394 L.D. 570 (H "A" H-89)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Appropriate Health Insurance Coverage for Prescription Eye Drops"

H.P. 396 L.D. 572 (C "A" H-81)

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

Senate As Amended

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding the Sale of Liquor" S.P. 192 L.D. 523 (C "A" S-61)

Bill "An Act To Provide for the 2015 and 2016 Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds" (EMERGENCY)
S.P. 408 L.D. 1139
(C "A" S-59)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Maine's Election Laws by Requiring Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting"

S.P. 72 L.D. 197

S.P. 72 L.D. (C "A" S-27)

READ A SECOND TIME.

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

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Diamond.

Senator **DIAMOND**: Thank you, Mr. President. Men and women of the Senate, I rise on this question, I did not get involved in the debate yesterday, but I rise on this because very recently, this morning and I've not seen it myself, I heard that the rumor was that there was a fiscal note assigned to this bill and if there is I would pose a question through the Chair, Mr. President, to anybody who cared to answer. Is there, in fact, a fiscal note to this? What is it and, therefore, would there be a mandate associated with it? Thank you, Mr. President.

On motion by Senator MASON of Androscoggin, TABLED until Later in Today's Session, pending PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED. (Roll Call Ordered)

ENACTORS

The Committee on **Engrossed Bills** reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following:

Emergency Measure

An Act To Create an Elver Exporter's License H.P. 710 L.D. 1027 (C "A" H-100)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 35 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 35 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and, having been signed by the President Pro Tempore, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Ordered sent down forthwith.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

The following matters in the consideration of which the Senate was engaged at the time of Adjournment had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by Senate Rule 516.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (4/29/15) matter:

JOINT ORDER - Directing the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary To Report Out a Bill Regarding the Late Reinstatement of Corporations, Limited Partnerships and Limited Liability Companies After Administrative Dissolution

H.P. 931

Tabled - April 29, 2015, by Senator BURNS of Washington

Pending - PASSAGE, in concurrence

(In House, April 28, 2015, READ and PASSED.)

(In Senate, April 29, 2015, **READ**.)

PASSED, in concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (4/29/15) matter:

An Act To Protect the Environment from Fireworks Debris H.P. 298 L.D. 459

Tabled - April 29, 2015, by Senator MASON of Androscoggin

Pending - ENACTMENT, in concurrence

(In Senate, April 23, 2015, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.)

(In House, April 28, 2015, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.)

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and, having been signed by the President Pro Tempore, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Ordered sent down forthwith.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (4/29/15) matter:

An Act To Protect Maine Lakes

H.P. 392 L.D. 568 (C "A" H-66)

Tabled - April 29, 2015, by Senator MASON of Androscoggin

Pending - ENACTMENT, in concurrence

(In Senate, April 23, 2015, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-66), in concurrence.)

(In House, April 28, 2015, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.)

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

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#45)

YEAS:

Senators: ALFOND, BAKER, BRAKEY, BREEN, BURNS, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DIAMOND, DILL, DUTREMBLE, EDGECOMB, GERZOFSKY, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HASKELL, HILL, JOHNSON, KATZ, LIBBY, MASON, MCCORMICK, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, PATRICK, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VALENTINO, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WILLETTE, WOODSOME,

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE – BRIAN D. LANGLEY

NAYS: Senators: None

35 Senators having voted in the affirmative and no Senator having voted in the negative, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and, having been signed by the President Pro Tempore, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Ordered sent down forthwith.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act To Improve Workplace Safety by Simplifying and Improving Employers' Substance Abuse Policy Requirements"

H.P. 937 L.D. 1384

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

On motion by Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR**, **COMMERCE**, **RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Pursuant to Statute Revisor of Statutes

The **Revisor of Statutes**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, Section 94 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 936 L.D. 1381

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **BURNS** of Washington, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.
Senate at Ease.
Senate called to order by President Pro Tempore BRIAN D. LANGLEY of Hancock County.
ORDERS OF THE DAY

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

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Maine's Election Laws by Requiring Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting"
S.P. 72 L.D. 197
(C "A" S-27)

Tabled - April 30, 2015, by Senator MASON of Androscoggin

Pending - PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED (Roll Call Ordered)

(In Senate, April 30, 2015, READ A SECOND TIME.)

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Patrick.

Senator PATRICK: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, colleagues and friends, I just want to add one point that I forgot to add the other day. I'll be brief. We heard time and time again that there are things that require a photo I.D. I don't disagree with that. There are a bunch of things. One thing I will say is some I agree with and some I don't. What my I.D. would be would be my driver's license unless they required us to have one from the State. There are many times that we have had discussions in this building about the misuse of our driver's license, taking photos of our driver's license and all kinds of things, for ways that were not intended. One of the problems I had was that I actually banked at Maine National Bank in Rumford for seven years. Had my loan. Didn't have to give my I.D. to borrow thousands of dollars. Went to the counter year after year and never was asked for an I.D. Then one time I went in and Assistant Manager says, "I want to see an I.D." I said, "I've been here for seven years. What do you want an I.D. for?" She said, "I can ask for it. I'm the Assistant Manager." I said, "Well, okay. You won. I'm going to show you my I.D. and I'm going to go to the counter and I'm stopping my accounts and I'm going to pull my home mortgage and I'm going to go across the street." That's exactly what I did because a lot of times, ladies and gentlemen, an I.D. for the wrong reason is an I.D. for the wrong reason. I just wanted to bring that forward. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Libby.

Senator **LIBBY**: Thank you, Mr. President. Men and women of the Senate, the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Diamond, posed a question through the Chair and nobody's answered, so I thought I'd offer a couple of answers from the fiscal note. This initiative will cost the taxpayers of Maine \$433,000 the next biennium, so almost one half a million dollars. The other question was whether this is a mandate. This is, in fact, a mandate on the municipalities. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Knox, Senator Miramant.

Senator MIRAMANT: Thank you, Mr. President. Men and women of the Senate, there was a couple of statements yesterday. No one ever claimed that there's never been voter fraud in the state, just that it was so small and infrequent as to be statistically unimportant and this bill would not do anything for that. As well as the case that was brought up about a recent incident, that incidence was looked at on its merits. I did receive calls from my constituents. The matter was looked into. It was resolved. The problem was solved. Solution is in to fix it permanently. This is a wonderful way of solving problems that exist, not to do knee jerk reactions to create more problems down the road. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Gratwick.

Senator **GRATWICK**: Thank you, Mr. President. I just rise again to speak on this. Having done the research yesterday, the risk is 1 in 15 million people. It seems to me spending \$400,000 plus on that kind of a risk is, indeed, prolificacy. I do not think that we can afford that kind of expenditure in the state of Maine. We have a State budget that is sorely strained. We have taxpayers that are having to pay more than they wish to pay. For us to spend over \$400,000 on something that does not seem to be a problem here seems to be a waste of money and I would think that we would not vote in favor of this and I'll ask everybody to follow my red light. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Johnson.

Senator **JOHNSON**: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen, word got out of the action here yesterday on this bill. I received an e-mail from a constituent. He said, "I saw on the news the Maine Senate thinks a photo I.D. is needed to vote. Is that correct? That will disenfranchise my 88 year old parents. My father is blind. Gave up his driver's license years ago. My mother opted out of the photo when she was allowed to. Any need for a photo I.D. will require them to travel to Rockland or Augusta from Jefferson. My parents hate asking for help and they will have to in order to obtain photo I.D.s. My parents were disenfranchised 60 plus years ago when they became residents of Washington D.C. Since they returned to Maine, upon my father's retirement, they have never not voted. I say this is a bad idea." I urge you to vote against the pending motion.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The pending question before the Senate is Passage to be Engrossed as Amended. A Roll Call has been ordered. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#46)

YEAS: Senators: BAKER, BRAKEY, BURNS, COLLINS,

CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, EDGECOMB, HAMPER, MASON, MCCORMICK, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VOLK, WHITTEMORE,

WILLETTE, WOODSOME

NAYS: Senators: ALFOND, BREEN, DIAMOND, DILL,

DUTREMBLE, GERZOFSKY, GRATWICK, HASKELL, HILL, JOHNSON, KATZ, LIBBY, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, PATRICK, VALENTINO, THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE – BRIAN D.

LANGLEY

18 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 17 Senators having voted in the negative, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for	or concurrence.	
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	Off Record Remarks	

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

On motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, **ADJOURNED**, pursuant to the Joint Order, to Tuesday, April 5, 2015, at 10:00 in the morning.