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

Off Record Remarks

In Senate Chamber
Tuesday
January 31, 2017

Senate called to order by President Michael D. Thibodeau of
Waldo County.

Prayer by Reverend Harold Churchill, First United Pentecostal
Church in Lewiston.

REVEREND CHURCHILL: Let us pray. Today we pause to
recognize Your sovereignty and majesty as most high God. Our
hearts are grateful and thankful for Your multiple blessings on our
lives. It is a privilege to serve our great state as a Senator duly
elected by its people. Today we pray that as this Body takes time
to deliberate, discuss, and pass laws that will affect the life of
everybody in this state give us wisdom, compassion, and desire
to do our best. These men and women commit their time and
energy to enhance and make the lives of the people of this state a
better one. It is with sincere desire that we ask for divine
intervention and wisdom, for that we will be forever thankful. Also
today I offer a special prayer for the family of Lisa Keim who has
suffered a great loss in the death of her son, Loren. May Your
spirit comfort their hearts and lift their spirits this day. Tragedies
of this nature are hard to explain but we know that You will hear
and be near to them through this time. Heavenly Father, may the
Holy Spirit rest upon this Body of Senators and may they do their
best for all concerned. Make their hearts and ears to be attentive
to Godly counsel. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Paul T. Davis Sr. of
Piscataquis County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, January 26, 2017.

Doctor of the day, Jeffrey Thurlow, M.D. of York.

Off Record Remarks

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Oxford, Senator
KEIM, and further excused the same Senator from today's Roll
Call votes.

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Aroostook,
Senator **CARPENTER**, and further excused the same Senator
from today's Roll Call votes.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Require National Banks To Cooperate in the
Administration of the General Assistance Program"
S.P. 85 L.D. 239

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

In Senate, January 26, 2017, **REFERRED** to the Committee on
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on
INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES in **NON-
CONCURRENCE**.

On motion by Senator **WHITTEMORE** of Somerset, the Senate
RECEDED and **CONCURRED**.

House Papers

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Support
Entrepreneurial Activity, Attract Business and Enhance
Demographic In-migration by Investing in High-speed Broadband
Infrastructure and To Amend the Law Governing the Municipal
Gigabit Broadband Network Access Fund"
H.P. 98 L.D. 140

Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**
suggested and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on
ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY.

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

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Mining of Massive Sulfide Ore
Deposits on State Lands"
H.P. 117 L.D. 159

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

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

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

Bill "An Act To Require Tamper-evident Packaging for Recreational Marijuana Products"
H.P. 122 L.D. 164

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION IMPLEMENTATION**.

On motion by Senator **KATZ** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION IMPLEMENTATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require a State Automobile Inspection Biannually"
H.P. 167 L.D. 211

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

Comes from the House with the Bill and accompanying papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED**.

On motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York, Bill and accompanying papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED**, in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 80

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

January 30, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has had under consideration the

nomination of Joel C. Allumbaugh of Pittston, for reappointment to the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	2	Davis of Piscataquis, Deschambault of York
	Representatives	8	Martin of Sinclair, Beebe- Center of Rockland, Bryant of Windham, Harrington of Sanford, Madigan of Rumford, Ordway of Standish, Pickett of Dixfield, Spear of South Thomaston
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Keim of Oxford, Rep. Grignon of Athens, Rep. Hogan of Old Orchard Beach

Ten members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Joel C. Allumbaugh of Pittston, for reappointment to the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Paul T. Davis
Senate Chair

S/Danny Martin
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator **BREEN**, and further excused the same Senator from today's Roll Call votes.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 128th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#6)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MASON, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VITELLI, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT THIBODEAU

Representatives 8 Martin of Sinclair, Beebe-Center of Rockland, Bryant of Windham, Harrington of Sanford, Madigan of Rumford, Ordway of Standish, Pickett of Dixfield, Spear of South Thomaston

NAYS 0

ABSENT 3 Sen. Keim of Oxford, Rep. Grignon of Athens, Rep. Hogan of Old Orchard Beach

EXCUSED: Senators: BREEN, CARPENTER, KEIM

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 32 Senators having voted in the negative, with 3 Senators being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Joel C. Allumbaugh** of Pittston for reappointment to the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority was **CONFIRMED**.

Ten members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Rebecca A. Grant of Augusta, for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board be confirmed.

Signed,

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

S/Paul T. Davis Senate Chair

S/Danny Martin House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 82

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

January 30, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 128th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#7)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MASON, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VITELLI, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT THIBODEAU

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has had under consideration the nomination of Rebecca A. Grant of Augusta, for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS Senators 2 Davis of Piscataquis, Deschambault of York

EXCUSED: Senators: BREEN, CARPENTER, KEIM

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 32 Senators having voted in the negative, with 3 Senators being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Rebecca A. Grant** of Augusta for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Following Communication: S.C. 81

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

January 30, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate of Maine
128th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has had under consideration the nomination of Daniel G. Casavant of Waterville, for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	2	Davis of Piscataquis, Deschambault of York
	Representatives	8	Martin of Sinclair, Beebe- Center of Rockland, Bryant of Windham, Harrington of Sanford, Madigan of Rumford, Ordway of Standish, Pickett of Dixfield, Spear of South Thomaston
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Keim of Oxford, Rep. Grignon of Athens, Rep. Hogan of Old Orchard Beach

Ten members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Daniel G. Casavant of Waterville, for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Paul T. Davis
Senate Chair

S/Danny Martin
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 128th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#8)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, CARSON,
CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, COLLINS,
CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS,
DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL,
DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER,
HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, LANGLEY,
LIBBY, MAKER, MASON, MILLETT,
MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO,
VITELLI, VOLK, WHITTEMORE,
WOODSOME, PRESIDENT THIBODEAU

EXCUSED: Senators: BREEN, CARPENTER, KEIM

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 32 Senators having voted in the negative, with 3 Senators being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Daniel G. Casavant** of Waterville for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Following Communication: S.C. 61

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 27, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that, pursuant to Title 3 M.R.S.A., §154, I am withdrawing my nomination of The Hon. Michael J. Timmons of Cumberland for appointment as a member of the Land for Maine's Future Board.

This nomination is currently pending before the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 62

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

January 26, 2017

William J. Brennan, President
Maine Maritime Academy
Box C-03
Castine, Maine 04420

Dear President Brennan:

We are pleased to invite you to address a Joint Session of the 128th Maine Legislature on Thursday, March 2, 2017, at 11 a.m., concerning the State of the Maine Maritime Academy and any other matters that you may care to bring to our attention.

On the same day following your address, James Page, Chancellor of the University of Maine System, and Derek Langhauser, President of the Maine Community College System, will be addressing the Joint Convention.

We look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau S/Sara Gideon
President of the Senate Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 63

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

January 26, 2017

James H. Page, Chancellor
University of Maine System
16 Central Street
Bangor, Maine 04401

Dear Chancellor Page:

We are pleased to invite you to address a Joint Session of the 128th Maine Legislature on Thursday, March 2, 2017, at 11:00 a.m., concerning the State of the University of Maine System and any other matters that you may care to bring to our attention. You will address the Joint Convention following William J. Brennan, President of the Maine Maritime Academy.

On the same day following your address, Derek P. Langhauser, President of the Maine Community College System, will be addressing the Joint Convention.

We look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau S/Sara Gideon
President of the Senate Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 64

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

January 26, 2017

Derek P. Langhauser, President
Maine Community College System
131 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Langhauser:

We are pleased to invite you to address a Joint Session of the 128th Maine Legislature on Thursday, March 2, 2017, at 11:00 a.m., concerning the State of the Maine Community College System and any other matters that you may care to bring to our attention.

You will address the Joint Convention following William J. Brennan, President of the Maine Maritime Academy, and James H. Page, Chancellor of the University of Maine System.

We look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau S/Sara Gideon
President of the Senate Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 65

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

January 26, 2017

Honorable Heather Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, Chapter 3, Subchapter 2-B, §568-B, 1, F, of the Maine Revised Statutes, I have appointed Peter Sarnacki of Castine to the *Clean-up and Response Fund Review Board*, effective immediately.

Please contact my office if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 69

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

January 30, 2017

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

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Order, HP 96, I am pleased to appoint the following members to the Joint Select Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation:

Teresa S. Pierce, Chair (D-Falmouth)
Kimberly J. Monaghan (D-Cape Elizabeth)
Scott M. Hamann (D-South Portland)
Craig V. Hickman (D-Winthrop)
Erik C. Jorgensen (D-Portland)
Lydia C. Blume (D-York)
Donald G. Marean (R-Hollis)†
Bruce A. Bickford (R-Auburn)
Lance Evans Harvell (R-Farmington)
Patrick W. Corey (R-Windham)
Michael D. Perkins (R-Oakland)

Kent Ackley (C-Monmouth)
†Ranking Republican Member

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

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 73

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

January 30, 2017

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 3, MRSA, Ch. 10, §227, I am pleased to recommend the following legislators for appointment to the Maine-Canadian Legislative Advisory Commission:

Representative Kenneth Fredette of Newport for seat 3
Representative Erik Jorgensen of Portland for seat 4

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 74

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

January 30, 2017

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

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 7, MRSA, Part 1, Ch. 5, §125.2-G, I am pleased to appoint Representative Michelle Dunphy of Old Town to seat 15 on the Board of Agriculture.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 75

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

January 30, 2017

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 10, MRSA, Part 1, Ch. 1-A, §11.4-A2, I am pleased to appoint the following legislators to the Citizen Trade Policy Commission:

- Representative Craig Hickman of Winthrop to seat 4
- Representative Stephen Stanley of Medway to seat 5
- Representative Stacey Guerin of Glenburn to seat 6

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 76

January 30, 2017

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, Ch. 13, Subchapter 1, §411.2-B, I am pleased to appoint Representative Christopher Babbidge of Kennebunk to seat 2 on the Right to Know Advisory Committee.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 77

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

January 30, 2017

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 5, MRSA, Part 30, Ch. 621, §24001.3-B, I am pleased to appoint the following legislators to the Maine Children's Growth Council:

- Representative Richard Farnsworth of Portland to seat 3
- Representative Heather Sirocki of Scarborough to seat 4

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 78

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

January 30, 2017
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 5, MRSA, Part 10-A, Ch. 319, §3371.2-B, I am pleased to appoint the following legislators to the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission:

Representative Catherine Nadeau of Winslow for seat 3
Representative Thomas Longstaff of Waterville for seat 4
Representative Timothy Theriault of China for seat 5

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 79

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

January 30, 2017

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 20-A, MRSA, Part 5, Ch. 426, §12304.2-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Anne-Marie Mastraccio of Sanford to seat 6 on the Advisory Committee on Dental Education.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 83

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 30, 2017

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

Dear Secretary Priest,

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Order, HP0096, I have made the following appointments to the Joint Select Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation:

Senator Roger J. Katz of Kennebec, Chair
Senator Kimberly C. Rosen of Hancock
Senator Joyce A. Maker of Washington
Senator Mark N. Dion of Cumberland
Senator Susan A. Deschambault of York

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

Sincerely,

S/Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 84

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 30, 2017

The 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 7, MRSA, Chapter 5, Section 125, I am pleased to appoint Senator Paul T. Davis, Sr. to the Board of Agriculture, representing a Senator serving on the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 38

**STATE OF MAINE
WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD
OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CHAIR
27 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0027**

January 11, 2017

Honorable Sara Gideon Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Annual Report of the Workers' Compensation Board
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A. §12023(2)

Dear Speaker Gideon and President Thibodeau:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., §12023, please consider this the transmittal letter for the required report from the Workers' Compensation Board due by February 1, 2017.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Very truly yours,

S/Paul H. Sighinolfi, Esq. Executive Director/Chair

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 66

**FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MAINE
94 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04332**

January 26, 2017

Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon and President Thibodeau:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A. §12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Finance Authority of Maine due February 1, 2017.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Bruce Wagner
Chief Executive Officer

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 67

**MAINE VENTURE FUND
NEWPORT, MAINE**

January 25, 2017

Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon and President Thibodeau:

Pursuant to 5 MRSA, §12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the attached "Report to Legislature for 2015" on behalf of the quasi-independent state entity, Small Enterprise Growth Board, due February 1, 2017.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information. Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Terri Wark
Office Operations Manager
Small Enterprise Growth Board
d/b/a Maine Venture Fund

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 68

**STATE OF MAINE
LORING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF MAINE
LIMESTONE, MAINE**

January 25, 2017

Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon and President Thibodeau:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Loring Development Authority of Maine due by February 1, 2017.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Carl W. Flora
President & CEO

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 70

**WASHINGTON COUNTY
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

January 18, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Washington County Development Authority due by February 1, 2017.

The WCDA was incorporated in 2003 with the purpose of redeveloping the former Navy Base in Cutler. Several private developers have attempted to redevelop the commercial side of the base but were unsuccessful. In 2015, Cutler North, LLC gifted the commercial side to the WCDA. The Authority is working to bring the facility back into productive use.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns. Thank you.

S/Betsy Fitzgerald
WCDACHair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 71

**MAINE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY
PORTLAND, MAINE**

January 26, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Re: An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability and the Government Oversight Committee Regarding Quasi-Independent State Entities

Dear President Thibodeau:

Enclosed are the reports required under 5 M.R.S.A. §12023, due February 1, 2017. The reports include: a list of all procurements in 2016 exceeding \$10,000 for which competitive procurement was waived; a list of contributions made in 2016 that exceed \$1,000; the revised policy on contributions that was updated in December 2016, and a resolution adopted by the Board on March 24, 2011 that discontinued making donations, restricted memberships and adopted a budget for contributions to approved organizations.

In 2016, the Maine Turnpike Authority made \$86 million in payments to approximately 680 vendors. The vast majority of these payments, approximately \$77.5 million, were for competitively bid products or services or were legally or legislatively required. The Authority sole-sourced approximately \$8 million in 2016. Most of these products or services were either proprietary in nature or were procured under long-term contracts.

As these long-term contracts expire, the Authority will seek competitive bids.

Respectfully,

S/Peter Mills
Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 72

**MAINE PORT AUTHORITY
AUGUSTA MAINE**

January 30, 2017

The Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0003

Dear Speaker Gideon and President Thibodeau:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, the Maine Port Authority is pleased to submit the following report to the Legislature, due by February 1, 2017.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

S/John H. Henshaw
Executive Director

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

Off Record Remarks

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (1/26/2017) matter:

JOINT ORDER - Emery's Meat and Produce, of Gardiner, which has won the 2017 Small Business of the Year Award from the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce. The business is operated by Leon Emery and his family and was rated highly for community involvement and economic impact. We extend to everyone at Emery's Meat and Produce our congratulations and best wishes;

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Tabled - January 26, 2017, by Senator **BELLOWS** of Kennebec

Pending - **PASSAGE**

READ.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Bellows.

Senator **BELLOWS:** Thank you, Mr. President. It is a pleasure to have Leon Emery, his wife, Denise, and his daughter, Jessica, here with us today from Emery's Meats in Gardiner. Emery's Meats was started in 1975. It's a family owned business and, while they started in Hartland, two years ago they were looking for a place to open a new location and they chose Gardiner, which is fast emerging as a food hub and, of course, the local food economy is critical to our state. We are thrilled to see them receive the Kenney Award for Economic Impact both in Gardiner and the surrounding region and also community involvement. One of the programs that they do at their store is "buy a pound, give a pound" where customers can buy a pound of meat and then donate a pound to someone in need. It's wonderful to have this family owned business flourishing in Gardiner and we're thrilled to have them here today. Thank you so much.

PASSED.

Sent down for concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Denise and Leon Emery and Jessica Peavey of Emery Meats and Produce. Would they please rise and accept the congratulations of the State Senate.

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

Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Off Record Remarks

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 88 L.D. 302

Presented by Senator HAMPER of Oxford. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)
Cosponsored by Representative GATTINE of Westbrook and Senator: BREEN of Cumberland, Representative: WINSOR of Norway.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Railways"

S.P. 104 L.D. 316

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative SPEAR of South Thomaston and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, CARPENTER of Aroostook, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, GRATWICK of Penobscot, JACKSON of Aroostook, Representative: DEVIN of Newcastle.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Improve Highways, Bridges and Multimodal Facilities"

S.P. 105 L.D. 317

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, JACKSON of Aroostook, WHITTEMORE of Somerset, Representatives: AUSTIN of Skowhegan, DOORE of Augusta, GILLWAY of Searsport, SPEAR of South Thomaston.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Support Economic Development with High-Resolution Geospatial Data"

S.P. 106 L.D. 318

Presented by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin.
Cosponsored by Representative BLACK of Wilton and Senator: BREEN of Cumberland, Representatives: COOPER of Yarmouth, NADEAU of Winslow, TUELL of East Machias, WADSWORTH of Hiram.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Riverfront Community Development"

S.P. 107 L.D. 319

Presented by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York.
Cosponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Biddeford and Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, CHENETTE of York, HILL of York, JACKSON of Aroostook, LIBBY of Androscoggin, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: GROHMAN of Biddeford, RYKERSON of Kittery.

On motion by Senator **HAMPER** of Oxford, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Support Workforce Development by Increasing Engineering Capacity"

S.P. 100 L.D. 312

Presented by Senator VOLK of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Biddeford and Senators: HILL of York, KATZ of Kennebec, MILLETT of Cumberland, Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, ESPLING of New Gloucester, GATTINE of Westbrook, JORGENSEN of Portland, McLEAN of Gorham.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Facilitate the Implementation of Mobile Narcotic Treatment Programs in Rural Counties in the State"

S.P. 93 L.D. 307

Presented by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, BREEN of Cumberland, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, JACKSON of Aroostook, MILLETT of Cumberland, Representatives: ACKLEY of Monmouth, GATTINE of Westbrook.

Bill "An Act To Provide MaineCare Coverage for Chiropractic Treatment"

S.P. 94 L.D. 320

Presented by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, CYRWAY of Kennebec, DIAMOND of Cumberland, DILL of Penobscot, JACKSON of Aroostook, KATZ of Kennebec, Representative: CAMPBELL of Orrington.

On motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require Permits for Wildlife in Captivity and Notification of the Escape of Exotic Wildlife in Captivity"

S.P. 91 L.D. 305

Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative HANINGTON of Lincoln and Senators: COLLINS of York, DAVIS of Piscataquis, DOW of Lincoln, Representatives: COREY of Windham, GERRISH of Lebanon, LONGSTAFF of Waterville, MAREAN of Hollis, NADEAU of Winslow.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Charging Maine Seniors Higher Automobile Insurance Premiums Based Solely on Their Age"
S.P. 96 L.D. 308

Presented by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative **PARRY** of Arundel and Senators: **DESCHAMBAULT** of York, **DOW** of Lincoln, Representatives: **BRYANT** of Windham, **CAMPBELL** of Orrington, **COREY** of Windham, **FAY** of Raymond, **MARTIN** of Eagle Lake, **ORDWAY** of Standish.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require State Compliance with Federal REAL ID Guidelines"

S.P. 92 L.D. 306

Presented by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senators: **COLLINS** of York, **DESCHAMBAULT** of York, **DILL** of Penobscot, **HILL** of York, **KATZ** of Kennebec, Representatives: **CEBRA** of Naples, **GILLWAY** of Searsport.

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

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

Bill "An Act To Restore Judicial Discretion"

S.P. 97 L.D. 309

Presented by Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative **RECKITT** of South Portland and Senators: **CHENETTE** of York, **DESCHAMBAULT** of York, **HILL** of York, **KATZ** of Kennebec, **KEIM** of Oxford, **ROSEN** of Hancock, Representatives: **GUERIN** of Glenburn, **NADEAU** of Winslow.

On motion by Senator **WHITTEMORE** of Somerset, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Prior Employees of the Workers' Compensation Board"

S.P. 101 L.D. 313

Presented by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative **FECTEAU** of Biddeford, Representative **STEWART** of Presque Isle and Senators: **KATZ** of Kennebec, **MASON** of Androscoggin, President **THIBODEAU** of Waldo, **VOLK** of Cumberland, Representatives: **VACHON** of Scarborough, **WADSWORTH** of Hiram, **WARD** of Dedham.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Responsibly Implement an Adult Use Cannabis Program"

S.P. 98 L.D. 310

Presented by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin.

On motion by Senator **KATZ** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION IMPLEMENTATION** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Change the Name of Captain Ambrose Bear Stream"

S.P. 89 L.D. 303

Presented by Senator **CARPENTER** of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative **SHERMAN** of Hodgdon.

Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested and ordered printed.

Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis moved to **REFER** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

On motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis to **REFER** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

Bill "An Act To Eliminate Corporate Welfare and Provide Tax Relief"

S.P. 99 L.D. 311

Presented by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin.

On motion by Senator **DOW** of Lincoln, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Bill "An Act Concerning Emergency Lights on Police Vehicles"
S.P. 102 L.D. 314

Presented by Senator VOLK of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative McLEAN of Gorham and
Senator: COLLINS of York, Representatives: BRYANT of
Windham, CEBRA of Naples, PARRY of Arundel, WADSWORTH
of Hiram.

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

On motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York, Bill and accompanying
papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Apply for
Funds for Rail Improvements
S.P. 103 L.D. 315

Presented by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative SHEATS of Auburn and Senator:
ROSEN of Hancock, Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston,
BRYANT of Windham, FULLER of Lewiston, GOLDEN of
Lewiston, GRANT of Gardiner, HANDY of Lewiston, PARRY of
Arundel.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize Auxiliary Licenses at Disc Golf Courses"
S.P. 90 L.D. 304

Presented by Senator MASON of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative WOOD of Greene and
Representatives: LUCHINI of Ellsworth, MASON of Lisbon,
TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later
Assigned (1/26/2017) matter:

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act"
S.P. 84 L.D. 238

Tabled - January 26, 2017, by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin

Pending - **REFERENCE**

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

On motion by Senator **KATZ** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the
Joint Select Committee on **MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION
IMPLEMENTATION**.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later
Assigned (1/26/2017) matter:

JOINT ORDER - Aaron Jones, of Gorham, a member of Boy
Scout Troop No. 817, who has attained the high rank and
distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy
Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development,
leadership, personal growth and community service. For his
Eagle Scout project, Aaron built a bridge across a stream on a
trail used by local students, cross-country teams, hikers and
cyclists near Gorham Middle School. We extend our
congratulations to Aaron on this achievement;
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Tabled - January 26, 2017, by Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland

Pending - **PASSAGE**

READ.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from
Cumberland, Senator Volk.

Senator **VOLK:** Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President and
men and women of the Senate, it's always special for us when we
get to welcome a young man or a young woman to be a page
from our district and I'm very, very pleased that I'm able to have
Aaron with us today. I think it's extra special when we are
celebrating an achievement such as Eagle Scout. Becoming an
Eagle Scout, as we're all familiar with at this point, is just such an
amazing achievement, even more so, I think, with the demands
that are placed on kids and all of the other opportunities for
recreation and athletics and academics, musical pursuits,
everything that they could be doing and yet to stick with it through
all the years, starting as a Cub Scout and going right up through
Eagle. It's just always worth celebrating and I'm very pleased to
be able to welcome Aaron and both of his parents here today to
be with us. So I know that you all join me in congratulating him,
and it's a family effort so his parents as well. Thank you.

PASSED.

Sent down for concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the front of the Chamber Aaron Jones of Gorham. Would he please rise and accept the congratulations of the State Senate.

Off Record Remarks

RECESSED until the sound of the bell.

After Recess the Senate was called to order by the President.

Off Record Remarks

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Use of State Lands Designated for Conservation or Recreation Purposes"
H.P. 177 L.D. 244

Bill "An Act To Repeal the Affirmative Defense for Cruelty to Animals"
H.P. 178 L.D. 245

Bill "An Act To Provide for the Adoption of Cats and Dogs Previously Used for Research Purposes"
H.P. 179 L.D. 246

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

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

Bill "An Act To Amend the Retirement Laws Pertaining to Participating Local Districts"
H.P. 180 L.D. 247

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Maine's Rail Infrastructure and Expand Passenger Rail Service"
H.P. 225 L.D. 292

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

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

Bill "An Act Regarding Law Enforcement Training for Former Military Police Officers"
H.P. 181 L.D. 248

Bill "An Act To Increase the Penalty for Aggravated Sex Trafficking"
H.P. 183 L.D. 250

Bill "An Act Regarding Refusing To Submit to Arrest or Detention"
H.P. 184 L.D. 251

Bill "An Act To Improve Safety in the Disposal of Expired Marine Flares"
H.P. 185 L.D. 252

Bill "An Act To Enhance Safety on School Property"
H.P. 235 L.D. 321

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

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

Bill "An Act To Fund and Enhance the Maine Diversion Alert Program" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 182 L.D. 249

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

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

Bill "An Act To Reintroduce Civics to High School Graduation Requirements"
H.P. 236 L.D. 322

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

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

Bill "An Act To Implement Electric Grid Reliability Recommendations"
H.P. 188 L.D. 255

Bill "An Act To Ensure Continued Availability of High-speed Broadband Internet at Maine's Schools and Libraries"
H.P. 189 L.D. 256

Bill "An Act To Enable Municipalities Working with Utilities To Establish Microgrids"
H.P. 190 L.D. 257

Bill "An Act To Amend the Charter of the Southwest Harbor Water and Sewer District"
H.P. 191 L.D. 258

Bill "An Act To Limit Rates Charged by Competitive Electricity Providers"
H.P. 192 L.D. 259

Bill "An Act To Create the Maine Energy Office"
H.P. 193 L.D. 260

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

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

Bill "An Act To Repeal the Maine Metallic Mineral Mining Act"
H.P. 186 L.D. 253

Bill "An Act To Implement a Moratorium on Metallic Mineral Mining" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 187 L.D. 254

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

On motion by Senator **SAVIELLO** of Franklin, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Prepare for Implementation of the Federal Family First Prevention Services Act
H.P. 194 L.D. 261

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Kinship Care Opportunities"
H.P. 195 L.D. 262

Bill "An Act To Provide Additional Assistance for the Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Receiving Food Supplement Program Benefits"
H.P. 196 L.D. 263

Bill "An Act To Provide to Certain Benefit Recipients Information Regarding Personal Finance Planning and To Distribute Benefits More Frequently"
H.P. 197 L.D. 264

Bill "An Act Concerning Screening of Newborns for Lysosomal Storage Disorders"
H.P. 198 L.D. 265

Bill "An Act Regarding Funding for Children's Behavioral Health Day Treatment"
H.P. 199 L.D. 266

Resolve, To Increase Certain Chiropractic Reimbursement Rates under the MaineCare Program
H.P. 200 L.D. 267

Bill "An Act To Restrict Cash Access for Electronic Benefit Transfer Cards"
H.P. 201 L.D. 268

Bill "An Act To Provide Training for Caregivers of Children with Autism and Related Disorders"
H.P. 202 L.D. 269

Bill "An Act To Consolidate Administration of Kinship Care and Relative Placement Issues within the Department of Health and Human Services"
H.P. 203 L.D. 270

Bill "An Act for Providers across Multiple Sectors To Inquire of Clients and Customers about Former Military Service"
H.P. 204 L.D. 271

Bill "An Act Requiring Meningococcal Meningitis Vaccinations for Teenagers"
H.P. 205 L.D. 272

Bill "An Act To Add an Exception to Prescription Monitoring Program Requirements"
H.P. 206 L.D. 273

Bill "An Act To Fully Fund the Waiting List for the Home and Community Benefits for Members with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder Waiver"
H.P. 237 L.D. 323

Bill "An Act To Allow Corrections Officers To Administer Naloxone"
H.P. 238 L.D. 324

Bill "An Act Regarding the Licensing of Family Foster Homes"
H.P. 240 L.D. 326

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

On motion by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Expand Disabled Veteran Eligibility for Complimentary Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Licenses"
H.P. 208 L.D. 275

Bill "An Act To Require a Game Warden's Certificate To Kill Wild Animals Causing Damage to Crops or Orchards and Notification to Nearby Residents"
H.P. 209 L.D. 276

Bill "An Act Regarding the Use of Helmets by Minors Riding in an All-terrain Vehicle with an Adult"
H.P. 210 L.D. 277

Bill "An Act To Amend the Hunting Laws as They Pertain to the Training of Dogs" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 211 L.D. 278

Bill "An Act To Give Veterans Priority in the Issuance of Antlerless Deer Permits"
H.P. 212 L.D. 279

Bill "An Act To Amend the Process for Distributing Any-deer Permits"
H.P. 239 L.D. 325

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

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

Bill "An Act Concerning Notification after a Security Breach"
H.P. 217 L.D. 284

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**.

On motion by Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Working Group To Study Background Checks for Child Care Facilities and Providers"
H.P. 207 L.D. 274

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

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

Bill "An Act To Include Tax-exempt, Nonprofit Regional Transportation Providers under the Maine Tort Claims Act" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 213 L.D. 280

Bill "An Act To Amend the Percentage of Votes Needed for Condominium Governance"
H.P. 214 L.D. 281

Bill "An Act To Support Caregivers When Children Have Been Abandoned by Their Parents"
H.P. 215 L.D. 282

Bill "An Act To Increase the Jurisdictional Limits for Small Claims"
H.P. 216 L.D. 283

Bill "An Act To Allow a Wrongful Death Cause of Action for the Death of a Viable Fetus"
H.P. 241 L.D. 327

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

On motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Provide Funding for the Maine Coworking Development Fund"
H.P. 218 L.D. 285

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.

Bill "An Act To Protect Children from Marijuana Sales by Prohibiting Retail Marijuana Establishments and Social Clubs near Schools" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 234 L.D. 301

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION IMPLEMENTATION** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **KATZ** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION IMPLEMENTATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Promote and Encourage the Sustainability of the Elver Fishery"

H.P. 219 L.D. 286

Resolve, Prohibiting the Commissioner of Marine Resources from Adopting or Enforcing Certain Rules Limiting the Quantity of Smelts a Person May Take from the Coastal Waters of the State until after Completion of a Study

H.P. 220 L.D. 287

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

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

Bill "An Act To Provide Funds To Encourage Regional Planning and Reorganization"

H.P. 242 L.D. 328

Bill "An Act Concerning the Law Governing the Posting of Newspaper Legal Notices and the Statewide Repository for Legal Notices"

H.P. 243 L.D. 329

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

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

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Any Questions Regarding Criminal History on State Employment Applications"

H.P. 221 L.D. 288

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

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

Bill "An Act To Extend the Veteran Property Tax Exemption to Veterans Who Have Served on Active Duty"

H.P. 222 L.D. 289

Bill "An Act To Phase Out the Insurance Premium Tax on Annuities"

H.P. 223 L.D. 290

Bill "An Act To Maintain the Income Tax Rate on Persons with Taxable Income above \$200,000"

H.P. 224 L.D. 291

Bill "An Act To Provide an Income Tax Credit for Employer Contributions to Section 529 Qualified Tuition Programs"

H.P. 244 L.D. 330

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

On motion by Senator **DOW** of Lincoln, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require Horse-drawn Carriages and Wagons To Be Equipped with Reflectors"

H.P. 226 L.D. 293

Resolve, To Name the Bridge over the Penobscot River in the Towns of Enfield and Howland King's Bridge (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 227 L.D. 294

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

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

Bill "An Act To Amend the Requirements for a Political Party To Retain Qualified Party Status under the Election Laws"

H.P. 228 L.D. 295

Bill "An Act To Restrict Advertising of and Improve Fairness for State Lottery Games"

H.P. 229 L.D. 296

Bill "An Act To Improve the Administration of Election Recounts"

H.P. 230 L.D. 297

Bill "An Act To Limit Agency Expenditures To Influence Elections"

H.P. 231 L.D. 298

Bill "An Act To Increase Voter Knowledge by Placing the Amount of the Total Current Bond Debt on Each Ballot That Contains a Bond Issue"

H.P. 232 L.D. 299

Bill "An Act To Preserve Funding for the Maine Clean Election Act by Removing Gubernatorial Candidates from Eligibility"

H.P. 233 L.D. 300

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

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

Off Record Remarks

**Pursuant to Statute
Criminal Law Advisory Commission**

The **Criminal Law Advisory Commission**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, section 1354, subsection 2 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act Regarding Service of Criminal Process on Electronic Communication Service Providers and Remote Computing Service Providers" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 246 L.D. 332

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** 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 **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

**Pursuant to Statute
Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission**

The **Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 18-A, section 1-803, subsection 2 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Correct the Maine Uniform Trust Code Concerning Certain Beneficiaries"

H.P. 245 L.D. 331

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

Comes from the House, 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.

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

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On motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, **ADJOURNED** until Thursday, February 2, 2017 at 10:00 in the morning in memory of and lasting tribute to Loren Keim of Dixfield.