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

In Senate Chamber Thursday June 1, 2017

Senate called to order by President Michael D. Thibodeau of Waldo County.	——————————————————————————————————————
Prayer by Reverend Effie E. McAvoy McClain, Oakland Sidney United Methodist Church.	The President requested the Senator from Androscoggin where he assumed the dutie
REVEREND MCCLAIN : Let us pray. Gracious God, as we gather today to do the work of the people, direct us in how we should be. Lead us in the decisions we make. Enable us to embody the prophet Micah; to do justice, love kindness, and humbly walk before You. Infill Your created with Your love of Your creation. Remind us that we have been granted the	The President retired from to The Senate was called to or GARRETT P. MASON of Ar
blessing of stewardship, so please bestow wisdom that this work may be done with dignity and with honor. Holy One, we are reminded daily in the news of those things which may divide us,	PAPERS Non-Co
yet all are here with a common purpose of service. So may eyes and hearts be open to recognize the common good in each member. May diligent work and the ability to truly listen to one another be the blessed hope of the day. May action together be the work not just today but be the good work of Your people everywhere. Finally, God, we ask that You enlighten our minds to be the doers of the great commandment; to love You, to love	HOUSE REPORTS - from the LEGAL AFFAIRS on Bill "A State To Automatically Region Qualified To Vote through R Vehicles"
neighbor, and to love self. As Jesus said that in regards to the law, may these here who write law be mindful of that as well. This is my prayer. This is our prayer offered to You today. Amen.	Majority - Ought to Pass as Amendment "A" (H-267) (7
	Minority - Ought Not to Pas
Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator David C. Woodsome of York County.	In Senate, May 30, 2017, or Androscoggin, the Minority and ACCEPTED in NON-CO
Reading of the Journal of Wednesday, May 31, 2017.	Comes from the House, tha action whereby the Majority Report was READ and ACC ENGROUSE AS AMENDER AND AS AMENDER AS AMEND
Doctor of the day, Joel Kase, D.O. of North Yarmouth.	"A" (H-267). On motion by Senator COL
Off Record Remarks	Non-C

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 579

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate adjourns Thursday, June 1, 2017, it does so until Monday, June 5, 2017, at 10:00 in the morning and when the House adjourns Thursday, June 1, 2017, it does so until Monday, June 5, 2017, at 9:30 in the morning.

READ and PASSED.

Ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

e Sergeant-At-Arms escort the , Senator MASON, to the rostrum es as President Pro Tempore.

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FROM THE HOUSE

oncurrent Matter

he Committee on VETERANS AND an Act To Require the Secretary of ister Nonregistered Persons Who Are ecords of the Bureau of Motor

H.P. 854 L.D. 1232

s Amended by Committee 7 members)

ss (6 members)

n motion by Senator MASON of OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report READ ONCURRENCE.

t Body having **INSISTED** on its former **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** CEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

LINS of York, the Senate INSISTED.

oncurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Validate Certain Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Notes of Regional School Unit No. 5"

S.P. 534 L.D. 1528

Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS suggested and ordered printed.

(EMERGENCY)

In Senate, April 27, 2017, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, Bill INDEFINITELY POSTPONED in NON-CONCURRENCE.

On motion by Senator **LANGLEY** of Hancock, the Senate **RECEDED** and **CONCURRED**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT on Bill "An Act To Support Healthy Workplaces and Healthy Families by Providing Paid Sick Leave to Certain Employees" S.P. 380 L.D. 1159

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-126) (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (6 members)

In Senate, May 24, 2017, on motion by Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland, the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Comes from the House, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-126) in NON-CONCURRENCE.

On motion by Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland, the Senate **INSISTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Non-Concurrent Matter

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act
To Provide Emergency Repair Funding for the Restoration of the
Official State Vessel, the Schooner Bowdoin" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 37 L.D. 89
(C "A" S-101)

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-101) (9 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (4 members)

In Senate, May 17, 2017, on motion by Senator HAMPER of Oxford, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-101).

Comes from the House, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-101) AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-286) thereto in NON-CONCURRENCE.

On motion by Senator **HAMPER** of Oxford, the Senate **RECEDED** and **CONCURRED**.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 464

STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

May 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of James R. Erwin, Esq. of Yarmouth, for reappointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees.

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 3 Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington, Millett of Cumberland

Representatives 8 Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry

of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, Ginzler of Bridgton, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque

Isle

NAYS 0

ABSENT 2 Rep. Pierce of Falmouth,

Rep. Turner of Burlington

Eleven 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 James R. Erwin, Esq. of Yarmouth, for reappointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley S/Tori P. Kornfield Senate Chair House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

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

The President Pro Tempore laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** 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 (#203)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, BREEN,

CARPENTER, CARSON, CHIPMAN,

WOODSOME, PRESIDENT PRO

COLLINS, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, KEIM, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VITELLI, VOLK, WHITTEMORE,

TEMPORE MASON

ABSENT: Senator: CUSHING

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being absent and 1 Senator 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 **James R**. **Erwin**, Esq. of Yarmouth for reappointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 465

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

May 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Mark R. Gardner of Kittery, for reappointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees.

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 3 Langley of Hancock, Maker

of Washington, Millett of

Cumberland

Representatives 8 Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry

of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, Ginzler of Bridgton, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque

Isle

NAYS 0

ABSENT 2 Rep. Pierce of Falmouth,

Rep. Turner of Burlington

Eleven 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 Mark R. Gardner of Kittery, for reappointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley S/Tori P. Kornfield Senate Chair House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

Senator ROSEN of Hancock requested and received leave of the Senate that members and staff be allowed to remove their jackets for the remainder of this Legislative Day.

The President Pro Tempore laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS 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 Navs.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#204)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, BREEN,

CARPENTER, CARSON, CHIPMAN,

COLLINS, CYRWAY, DAVIS,

DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL. DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, KEIM, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VITELLI, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT PRO

TEMPORE MASON

ABSENT: Senator: CUSHING

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being absent and 1 Senator 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 Mark R. Gardner of Kittery for reappointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees was CONFIRMED.

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

The Following Communication:

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

May 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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of John P. Butera of Waterville, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Labor.

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 Volk of Cumberland, Bellows

of Kennebec

Representatives 7 Fecteau of Biddeford, Austin

of Gray, Bates of Westbrook, Lockman of Amherst. Mastraccio of Sanford. Stetkis of Canaan, Vachon of

Scarborough

NAYS Representatives 1 Handy of Lewiston

ABSENT 3 Sen. Langley of Hancock,

Rep. Dunphy of Old Town, Rep. Sylvester of Portland

Nine members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and one in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of John P. Butera of Waterville, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Labor be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk S/Ryan M. Fecteau Senate Chair House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

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

Senator VOLK: Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President Pro Tem, I just want to take a few minutes to address the Body regarding this nomination, this nominee. This was a wonderful confirmation hearing that we had in the Labor. Commerce. Research and Economic Development Committee. Mr. Butera enjoyed a lot of bi-partisan support. There was overwhelming praise for the job that he has done in terms of his responsiveness. in terms of economic development in the Waterville area before he began to work for the Administration, and the confidence that many people have in him to lead the Department of Labor. We

are very pleased with the vote that we received in committee on Mr. Butera and I'm very pleased that, I believe, he's able to be with us today.

The President Pro Tempore laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 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 (#205)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, BREEN,

CARPENTER, CARSON, CHIPMAN,

COLLINS, CYRWAY, DAVIS,

DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, KEIM, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VITELLI, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT PRO

TEMPORE MASON

ABSENT: Senator: CUSHING

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being absent and 1 Senator 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 **John P. Butera** of Waterville for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Labor was **CONFIRMED**.

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

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber John Butera of Waterville. Will he please rise and accept the congratulations of the Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 467

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

May 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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development has had under consideration the nomination of Wade E. Merritt of South Portland, for appointment as the Director, International Trade Center.

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 Volk of Cumberland, Bellows

of Kennebec

Representatives 8 Fecteau of Biddeford, Austin

of Gray, Bates of Westbrook, Handy of Lewiston, Lockman of Amherst, Mastraccio of Sanford, Stetkis of Canaan, Vachon of Scarborough

NAYS 0

ABSENT 3 Sen. Langley of Hancock,

Rep. Dunphy of Old Town, Rep. Sylvester of Portland

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 Wade E. Merritt of South Portland, for appointment as the Director, International Trade Center be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Amy F. Volk S/Ryan M. Fecteau Senate Chair House Chair

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

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

Senator **VOLK**: Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President Pro Tem, I just wish to take a couple of minutes in additional time to speak on this nominee who happens to be with us today as well. It's not often in this Body that we get to talk about bright spots in Maine's economy, but our exports, due to the efforts of the Maine International Trade Center, absolutely have been a bright spot in Maine's economy. I can't imagine actually where we would be without the work of MITC. It has been incredible. Those of us who have served on the Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development Committee over the last seven years

have had the opportunity to watch as MITC has grown, has led trade missions all over the world. Janine Bisaillon-Cary has been instrumental in that and we will miss her very much, but Wade Merritt has been at her side the whole time and we have full confidence in his ability to continue to increase exports in the State of Maine. We are one of the leaders in the country in increasing exports, and that's really saying something. So I'm very pleased to be able to speak on this nomination and very pleased to have Mr. Merritt with us today.

The President Pro Tempore laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 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 (#206)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, BREEN,

CARPENTER, CARSON, CHIPMAN, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, KEIM, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VITELLI, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT PRO

TEMPORE MASON

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator 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 **Wade E**. **Merritt** of South Portland for appointment as the Director, International Trade Center was **CONFIRMED**.

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

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber the Honorable Wade Merritt of South Portland. Will he please rise and accept the congratulations of the Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 469

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

May 31, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House 128th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1555 An Act To Facilitate a Statewide Teacher Contract

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Brian D. Langley S/Rep. Tori P. Kornfield

Senate Chair House Chair

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{READ}}$ and with accompanying papers $\ensuremath{\mathsf{ORDERED}}$ $\ensuremath{\mathsf{PLACED}}$ $\ensuremath{\mathsf{ON}}$

FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 470

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

May 31, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House 128th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1496 An Act To Clarify the Scope of the Maternal and Infant Death Review Panel

L.D. 1545 An Act Regarding Disclosure of Health Care Information of a Deceased Person

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Eric L. Brakey Senate Chair S/Rep. Patricia Hymanson

House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 471

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

May 31, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House 128th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1420 An Act Regarding Work Permits for Minors under 16 Years of Age

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Amy F. Volk Senate Chair S/Rep. Ryan M. Fecteau

House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 472

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

May 25, 2017

Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Senate Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House 128th Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

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 bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1505 An Act To Create Consistency in the Regulation of Pesticides

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Paul T. Davis S/Rep. Danny Martin

Senate Chair House Chair

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

The Following Communication: H.C. 197

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

May 31, 2017

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest Secretary of the Senate 128th Maine Legislature Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

House Paper 351, Legislative Document 488, "An Act To Provide for Municipalities To Allow Grocery Stores up to 10,000 Square Feet To Open on Thanksgiving, Easter and Christmas," having been returned by the Governor, together with objections to the same, pursuant to Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, after reconsideration, the House proceeded to vote on the question: "Shall this Bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

87 voted in favor and 51 against, with 1 being excused, and accordingly it was the vote of the House that the Bill not become a law and the veto was sustained.

House Paper 725, Legislative Document 1023, "An Act To Provide a Sales Tax Exemption for Baling Twine," having been returned by the Governor, together with objections to the same, pursuant to Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, after reconsideration, the House proceeded to vote on the question: "Shall this Bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

73 voted in favor and 66 against, with 1 being excused, and accordingly it was the vote of the House that the Bill not become a law and the veto was sustained.

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House

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

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

ORDERS

Joint Order

Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

Michael Sauschuck, of Portland, Chief of the Portland Police Department, who received the David W. Pickering Chief's Award from the Maine Association of Police. The David W. Pickering Chief's Award is given by the association to the person it has selected as Maine's police chief of the year. We extend to Chief Sauschuck our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 347

Sponsored by Senator DION of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senator: CHIPMAN of Cumberland,
Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, FARNSWORTH of
Portland, HARLOW of Portland, JORGENSEN of Portland,
MOONEN of Portland, SANBORN of Portland, SYLVESTER of
Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

READ.

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

Senator DION: Good morning, Mr. President Pro Tem. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I rise to reinforce the commentary that was expressed by the Secretary of the Senate regarding Chief Sauschuck. I extend my congratulations to him as the Chief of Police of the Year for the Maine Association of Police. What I want to say is a little story, just for a moment. When I was a member of the other Chamber the staff would address me as Sheriff and I would chide them and say, "I'm no longer the Sheriff, I'm merely a member of that Body," and they said, "No, Sheriff, once you become a Sheriff you're always a Sheriff. It outranks whatever these Chambers offer you for status forthcoming." So I guess that applies here. It reminded me that I am a member of a family that extends well beyond this Chamber. This thin blue line of sisters and brothers who share a badge and a common commitment, much like my brothers today, Senator Davis and Senator Cyrway, who are formed from the same bedrock that I am; honor, integrity, loyalty, courage in spite of criticism from public or from within. There was no more challenging profession than he or she assumes when they become a police officer. It's often said it's not a job, it's who we become and in time, no matter what we become, we remain at our core police officers. We're just serving a different assignment. In these times of criticism, of public doubt as to the value of that profession, of skepticism surrounding the way police officers conduct themselves in the most difficult conflicted times. I think it's important that in the person of Chief Sauschuck we extend a thank you that he can accept on behalf of other police chiefs, sheriffs, correctional administrators, and the list goes on. I want to say something: we think of police officers, and we hope the very best are selected for that position, and we compliment them as they rise in their career and accomplish much on behalf of those who have very little voice, but I want to tell you, and I'm sure the Senators that I've mentioned would share a similar sentiment, we are only as good as the chiefs who lead us. We're only as successful as the leaders who encourage us, defend us, coach us, preserve the line with us. In Chief Sauschuck we have such an individual. I am proud to consider him a Chief of the City of Portland. Although I'm characterized as a Sheriff, I spent the formation of my career as a member of that agency. It'll always be home. It'll always be the cornerstone of my profession. As I grew as a professional, I looked to my chiefs at that time for guidance about how I should conduct myself, how I should engage the community, who was I really working for. These are important lessons that only a chief can communicate to the officers under her or his care. Yet very little do we say to our chiefs, other than this expectation that they get it done right. It is a lonely job. It's a difficult vocation, and often times, when they're alone at night, they wonder do we support them. Do we have their back as they have the back of their officers. That's why I felt compelled to bring this sentiment forward, so that we would have an opportunity to tell at least one chief that the case is that, that we do stand with them, and that's why it's important that we do what we do this morning. On a personal note, one of my last duties as Deputy Chief of the Portland Police Department, I interviewed a young Marine full of promise. He seemed intellectually bright. He was articulate. He had a sense of who people were. As I watched his career, my sense of that day was validated by someone who could speak to both sides of an issue, who could broker an acceptable resolution where conflict existed, who could inspire men and women to act the best that they could, and that person is Chief Sauschuck. We didn't guess wrong then and I'm pleased today to offer this simple thank you from this Body. Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator CHIPMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. Men and women of the Senate. I also rise to offer a few comments about Chief Sauschuck. I've had the pleasure of working with him for several years when I was in the House and here in the Senate, and he's just really an amazing Police Chief for a number of reasons. He's very responsive to the needs of folks in the community. Whenever I've reached out to him he's been there. We've worked together on legislation, and when there are issues that arise in the community, conflicts that arise, he reaches out. I've seen him at neighborhood meetings. I've seen him around the table, meeting with immigrant groups, working to resolve conflicts in the community and to keep peace in the community, and all with the goal of keeping crime down in the community, which I think is really important. So we're really lucky to have him and he's really been an amazing Police Chief and I hope that he stays with the department for a number of more years. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Piscataguis, Senator Davis.

Senator **DAVIS**: Thank you, Mr. President. I just rise, I don't know the Chief, but I do know that this is probably a well-earned award. The Maine Association of Police don't give these away easily and I would simply echo what my good friend from Cumberland, Senator Dion, said about leadership and all of that, and I congratulate the Chief on this award. Thank you.

PASSED.

Sent down for concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Michael Sauschuck of Portland, Chief of the Portland Police Department. Would he please rise and accept the congratulations and best wishes of the Senate.

Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tempore Mason.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act To Reduce Food Insecurity"

H.P. 129 L.D. 173

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-121).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-121).

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-121) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on 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

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-339).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-339).

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-339) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Prohibit Possession of Black Powder and Muzzle-loading Firearms by Certain Persons"

H.P. 926 L.D. 1332

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-336)**.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-336).

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-336) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in concurrence.

The Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act To Expand the Availability of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in Maine"

H.P. 745 L.D. 1062

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-320).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-320).

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-320) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in concurrence.

The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 21, Allowances for Home and Community Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorder, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 841 L.D. 1205

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-325).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-325).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

Resolve READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-325) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Resolve READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in concurrence.

The Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act To Correct and Clarify Maine's Fish and Wildlife Laws" H.P. 1030 L.D. 1497

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-322).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-322).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-322) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

The Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT on Bill "An Act To Prohibit Posing as a Governmental Entity in Commerce"

H.P. 956 L.D. 1377

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-324)**.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-324).

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-324) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Implement an Owner-Operator Requirement in the Scallop and Sea Urchin Fisheries"

H.P. 55 L.D. 68

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-323).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-323).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-323) $\mbox{\bf READ}$ and $\mbox{\bf ADOPTED},$ in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act Regarding Certain Shellfish Certificates and Permits Issued by the Department of Marine Resources"

H.P. 461 L.D. 647

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-334)**.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-334).

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-334) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in concurrence.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act Concerning Bridges on Discontinued Town Ways"

H.P. 742 L.D. 1059

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-317)**.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-317).

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-317) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in concurrence.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Amend Maine Motor Vehicle Laws"

H.P. 1048 L.D. 1524

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-316).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-316).

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-316) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in concurrence.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws"

H.P. 1084 L.D. 1577

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-315)**.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-315).

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

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-315) $\mbox{\bf READ}$ and $\mbox{\bf ADOPTED},$ in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Enhance the Rights of
Families of Missing Persons and Homicide Victims"

H.P. 964 L.D. 1390

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

ROSEN of Hancock CYRWAY of Kennebec DIAMOND of Cumberland

Representatives:

WARREN of Hallowell COREY of Windham GERRISH of Lebanon HERRICK of Paris LONGSTAFF of Waterville MAREAN of Hollis NADEAU of Winslow RECKITT of South Portland TALBOT ROSS of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-340)**.

Signed:

Representative:

GROHMAN of Biddeford

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **ROSEN** of Hancock, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

S-844

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Create Education Savings Accounts for Students with Special Needs"

H.P. 795 L.D. 1132

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

LANGLEY of Hancock MAKER of Washington MILLETT of Cumberland

Representatives:

KORNFIELD of Bangor DAUGHTRY of Brunswick FARNSWORTH of Portland FULLER of Lewiston McCREA of Fort Fairfield PIERCE of Falmouth

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-284)**.

Signed:

Representatives:

GINZLER of Bridgton SAMPSON of Alfred STEWART of Presque Isle TURNER of Burlington

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED.

Reports READ.

Senator **LANGLEY** of Hancock moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **MILLETT** 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 Millett.

Senator **MILLETT**: Thank you, Mr. President Pro Tem. I want to just rise briefly to speak as to what we discovered with this bill in the Education Committee. The majority of the committee had grave concerns about this bill. Parents would only receive a State subsidy attributable to the school district of which they belonged. For some districts that could be as low as only \$1,000, depending on how much the district actually received from the State in funding. So, therefore, some wealthier families could afford to make up the difference, but most will not, especially in light of the high cost of special education. In addition, interestingly, the law

only requires families to spend an undetermined "portion" of the funds to provide an education for a child in a manner consistent with Maine's Learning Results. There are unanswered questions about the fiscal oversight of the program to make sure that State funds were used properly and, finally, most disturbing for me, when parents sign up for the program they are literally signing away the right to ensure a free and appropriate public education for their child. Private schools are not required to enroll the student with disabilities, nor provide the necessary support or services. Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator **BRAKEY**: Thank you, Mr. President. I'll be very brief. This bill simply gives parents more choices. No one's forcing anything on them. No one's forcing any of these programs on them. This is simply giving parents who may want to take their child's education in their hands the opportunity to make that choice and to receive some of the resources that would have been - that would have gone - to the school system for their child's education instead. I don't see any problem with giving parents more choices. I'll leave it at that.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Hancock, Senator Langley.

Senator LANGLEY: Thank you, Mr. President Pro Tem. I rise to support the motion that's on the floor. I just want to reiterate with what my good colleague from Cumberland, Senator Millett, had said. The piece that bothers me, as a 30 year educator, is when the parent, or legal guardian, releases the school administrative unit from all obligations to educate the child. I think parents, while having the best intentions for their students, I don't know if they, when they go into PET and IEP meetings, they don't ask what do those services cost the district. If you need speech therapy, occupational therapy, or any other special services, the focus has always been on the child. I don't know. So if that money follows the child out the door, and that child really needs \$100,000 worth of services, they've severed their relationship with the school. they get down the road and they find out that they've nowhere to go. So I would ask you to follow our lights on this. Thank you very much.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The pending question now before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report. If you are in favor of it you will vote Yes. If you are opposed you will vote No. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#207)

YEAS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARPENTER,

CARSON, CHIPMAN, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VITELLI, VOLK,

WHITTEMORE

NAYS: Senators: BRAKEY, KATZ, KEIM, WOODSOME,

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE MASON

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

29 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 5 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **LANGLEY** of Hancock to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Exclusion of a Patient from Eligibility for an Organ Transplant Based on Medical Marijuana Use"

H.P. 544 L.D. 764

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-328).

Signed:

Senators:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin CHIPMAN of Cumberland HAMPER of Oxford

Representatives:

CHACE of Durham HEAD of Bethel MALABY of Hancock SANDERSON of Chelsea

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

Signed:

Representatives:

HYMANSON of York DENNO of Cumberland HAMANN of South Portland MADIGAN of Waterville PARKER of South Berwick PERRY of Calais 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-328).

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-328) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Facilitate MaineCare-Funded
Assisted Living by Providing a Cost-of-living Adjustment to Private
Nonmedical Institutions and Adult Family Care Homes"
H.P. 825 L.D. 1188

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin CHIPMAN of Cumberland HAMPER of Oxford

Representatives:

HYMANSON of York DENNO of Cumberland HAMANN of South Portland MADIGAN of Waterville PARKER of South Berwick PERRY of Calais

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-330)**.

Signed:

Representatives:

CHACE of Durham HEAD of Bethel MALABY of Hancock SANDERSON of Chelsea

Comes from the House with the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-330).

Reports **READ**.

Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On motion by Senator **CHIPMAN** 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 Androscoggin, Senator Brakey.

Senator **BRAKEY**: Thank you, Mr. President. I'll just say, very briefly, on this bill, this is one of these rare occasions when I found myself in agreement with some of my colleagues from across the aisle - in fact, all of my colleagues from across the aisle on the Health and Human Services Committee. I'll just briefly state the reason why. Many felt this bill should Ought Not to Pass because there are many other bills that have come before our committee, and we've actually voted on and passed in this Body, to give funding to these institutions. In fact, over and above anything that is in this bill. We voted on bills that give a lot more funding. So, in light of that, this bill is somewhat unnecessary. So if folks want to pass this bill and send it on, I guess it doesn't make much difference either way. There're bills sitting on the Appropriations Table that will give - that seek to give - funding to these institutions as is. So I'll leave it at that.

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, I just want to rise in support of this bill because I've been meeting with my community facilities and, while the other bills that my colleague speaks of may be on the way, there have been different factors that have effected their income so they've cut services where they were really helping folks in the community and now they can just barely keep their head above water and keep people, minimum staff. Whatever I can try to do to help them I want to do, and I request a roll call, please.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: A roll call has already been ordered, Senator. The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Ought Not to Pass Report. If you are in favor you will vote Yes. If you are opposed you will vote No. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#208)

YEAS: Senators: COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS,

DOW, HAMPER, HILL, KATZ, THIBODEAU, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE MASON NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, BREEN,

CARPENTER, CARSON, CHIPMAN, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, GRATWICK, JACKSON, KEIM, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO,

VITELLI, VOLK

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

12 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 22 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**. **FAILED**.

The Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-330) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Establish a Veterans Treatment Court in Androscoggin County" H.P. 79 L.D. 111

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (H-331).

Signed:

Senator:

HILL of York

Representatives:

MOONEN of Portland BABBIDGE of Kennebunk BAILEY of Saco BRADSTREET of Vassalboro CARDONE of Bangor McCREIGHT of Harpswell RECKITT of South Portland

SHERMAN of Hodgdon

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-332)**.

Signed:

Senators:

KEIM of Oxford

WHITTEMORE of Somerset

Representatives:

GUERIN of Glenburn JOHANSEN of Monticello

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-331) Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-331).

Reports READ.

Senator KEIM of Oxford moved the Senate ACCEPT the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" (H-332) Report, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

On further motion by same Senator, TABLED until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to ACCEPT the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" (H-332) Report, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Provide Immunity to Medical Professionals Who Provide Free Health Care Services to Uninsured and Underserved Populations of the State"

H.P. 863 L.D. 1240

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

KEIM of Oxford HILL of York WHITTEMORE of Somerset

Representatives:

MOONEN of Portland BABBIDGE of Kennebunk BAILEY of Saco BRADSTREET of Vassalboro CARDONE of Bangor GUERIN of Glenburn McCREIGHT of Harpswell RECKITT of South Portland SHERMAN of Hodgdon

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Representative:

JOHANSEN of Monticello

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Right To Know Advisory Committee Concerning Existing Public Records Exceptions"

H.P. 1021 L.D. 1482

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-333)**.

Signed:

Senators:

KEIM of Oxford HILL of York WHITTEMORE of Somerset

Representatives:

MOONEN of Portland BAILEY of Saco BRADSTREET of Vassalboro CARDONE of Bangor GUERIN of Glenburn JOHANSEN of Monticello McCREIGHT of Harpswell RECKITT of South Portland SHERMAN of Hodgdon

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Representative:

BABBIDGE of Kennebunk

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-333).

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-333) $\mbox{\bf READ}$ and $\mbox{\bf ADOPTED},$ in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in concurrence.

Divided Report

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Departments That Affect Citizen Health and Safety To Staff at Least 75 Percent of Available Positions"

H.P. 829 L.D. 1192

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-200)**.

Signed:

Senator:

DESCHAMBAULT of York

Representatives:

MARTIN of Sinclair BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland BRYANT of Windham HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach MADIGAN of Rumford SPEAR of South Thomaston

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

Signed:

Senators:

DAVIS of Piscataquis KEIM of Oxford

Representatives:

GRIGNON of Athens HARRINGTON of Sanford ORDWAY of Standish PICKETT of Dixfield

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-200).

Reports **READ**.

Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

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

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**. (Roll Call Ordered)

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Tax the Extraction of Water for Certain Commercial Purposes and Fund Water Quality Programs"

H.P. 356 L.D. 493

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

DOW of Lincoln CHENETTE of York CUSHING of Penobscot

Representatives:

TIPPING of Orono BICKFORD of Auburn HILLIARD of Belgrade POULIOT of Augusta STANLEY of Medway TERRY of Gorham WARD of Dedham

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-239)**.

Signed:

Representatives:

COOPER of Yarmouth GRANT of Gardiner McCREIGHT of Harpswell

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **DOW** of Lincoln, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Prevent Tax Haven Abuse"

H.P. 564 L.D. 784

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-169)**.

Signed:

Senator:

CHENETTE of York

Representatives:

TIPPING of Orono COOPER of Yarmouth GRANT of Gardiner McCREIGHT of Harpswell STANLEY of Medway TERRY of Gorham

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

Signed:

Senators:

DOW of Lincoln CUSHING of Penobscot

Representatives:

BICKFORD of Auburn HILLIARD of Belgrade POULIOT of Augusta WARD of Dedham

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-169).

Reports **READ**.

Senator **DOW** of Lincoln moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On motion by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by Senator **DOW** of Lincoln to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Require Biennial State Motor Vehicle Inspections" H.P. 439 L.D. 623

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

COLLINS of York ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:

McLEAN of Gorham AUSTIN of Skowhegan BRYANT of Windham GILLWAY of Searsport GRANT of Gardiner PARRY of Arundel PERKINS of Oakland SHEATS of Auburn

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-37)**.

Signed:

Senator:

MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives:

CEBRA of Naples SCHNECK of Bangor

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, To Establish the Road Usage Charge Task Force
H.P. 813 L.D. 1150

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-318)**.

Signed:

Senators:

COLLINS of York MIRAMANT of Knox ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:

McLEAN of Gorham AUSTIN of Skowhegan BRYANT of Windham GILLWAY of Searsport GRANT of Gardiner SCHNECK of Bangor SHEATS of Auburn

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

Signed:

Representatives:

CEBRA of Naples PARRY of Arundel PERKINS of Oakland Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-318).

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-318) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Exempt Motor Vehicles Less than 12 Years Old from Inspection"

H.P. 1047 L.D. 1523

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

COLLINS of York ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:

AUSTIN of Skowhegan BRYANT of Windham GILLWAY of Searsport GRANT of Gardiner PARRY of Arundel PERKINS of Oakland SCHNECK of Bangor SHEATS of Auburn

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-319)**.

Signed:

Senator:

MIRAMANT of Knox

Representative:

CEBRA of Naples

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS on RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Regarding Early Voting

H.P. 962 L.D. 1383

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-268)**.

Signed:

Senator:

CARPENTER of Aroostook

Representatives:

LUCHINI of Ellsworth CASÁS of Rockport HICKMAN of Winthrop LONGSTAFF of Waterville MONAGHAN of Cape Elizabeth SCHNECK of Bangor

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

Signed:

Senators:

MASON of Androscoggin COLLINS of York

Representatives:

DILLINGHAM of Oxford FARRIN of Norridgewock HANINGTON of Lincoln WHITE of Washburn

Comes from the House with the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the RESOLUTION PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-268).

Reports READ.

Senator COLLINS of York moved the Senate ACCEPT the Minority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

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

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**. (Roll Call Ordered)

Representatives: WARREN of Hallowell LONGSTAFF of Waterville RECKITT of South Portland	Bill READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (S-167) READ and ADOPTED. Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED.
reported in Report "C" that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-338).	Sent down for concurrence.
Senator: CYRWAY of Kennebec Comes from the House with Report "B" OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-337) READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS	Senator VOLK for the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT on Bill "An Act To Protect Consumers during Residential Construction" S.P. 535 L.D. 1529 Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-166).
,	Report READ and ACCEPTED. Bill READ ONCE.
	Committee Amendment "A" (S-166) READ and ADOPTED.
Sent down for concurrence.	Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED. Sent down for concurrence.
Senate Ought to Pass	

Senator MASON for the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS on Bill "An Act To Amend the Election Laws"

S.P. 471 L.D. 1384

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-169)**.

Report READ and ACCEPTED.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-169) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Address Student Hunger with a 'Breakfast after the Bell' Program"

S.P. 254 L.D. 809

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment** "A" (S-163).

Signed:

Senators:

LANGLEY of Hancock MAKER of Washington MILLETT of Cumberland

Representatives:

KORNFIELD of Bangor DAUGHTRY of Brunswick FARNSWORTH of Portland FULLER of Lewiston GINZLER of Bridgton McCREA of Fort Fairfield PIERCE of Falmouth STEWART of Presque Isle

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

Signed:

Representatives:

SAMPSON of Alfred TURNER of Burlington

Reports READ.

On motion by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-163) READ and ADOPTED. Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED.

Sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT on Bill "An Act To Clarify Eligibility for Unemployment Benefits during Labor Disputes"

S.P. 455 L.D. 1341

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

BELLOWS of Kennebec LANGLEY of Hancock

Representatives:

FECTEAU of Biddeford BATES of Westbrook DUNPHY of Old Town HANDY of Lewiston MASTRACCIO of Sanford SYLVESTER of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-165)**.

Signed:

Senator:

VOLK of Cumberland

Representatives:

AUSTIN of Gray LOCKMAN of Amherst STETKIS of Canaan VACHON of Scarborough

Reports READ.

Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report.

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Assist Veterans in Their Applications for Service-related Benefits"

S.P. 160 L.D. 465

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

MASON of Androscoggin COLLINS of York

Representatives:

LUCHINI of Ellsworth DILLINGHAM of Oxford FARRIN of Norridgewock HANINGTON of Lincoln WHITE of Washburn

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-168)**.

Signed:

Senator:

CARPENTER of Aroostook

Representatives:

CASÁS of Rockport HICKMAN of Winthrop LONGSTAFF of Waterville MONAGHAN of Cape Elizabeth SCHNECK of Bangor

Reports **READ**.

Senator **COLLINS** of York moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

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

On motion by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report. (Roll Call Ordered)

All matters thus acted upon, with the exception of those matters being held, were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

ENACTORS

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

Constitutional Amendment

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Protect against Sex Discrimination
H.P. 153 L.D. 197
(C "A" H-133)

Comes From the House, FAILED FINAL PASSAGE.

On motion by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Allow Corrections Officers To Administer Naloxone H.P. 238 L.D. 324 (C "A" H-191)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senator having voted in the negative, and 34 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.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Nursing Facilities To Permit Nurse Practitioners, Clinical Nurse Specialists and Physician Assistants To Perform Certain Physician Tasks H.P. 797 L.D. 1134 (S "A" S-144 to C "A" H-258)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senator having voted in the negative, and 31 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.

Acts

An Act To Allow and Recognize a Legal Name Change upon Marriage

H.P. 126 L.D. 170 (C "A" H-274) An Act To Protect Retirement Accounts from Creditor Collection
H.P. 149 L.D. 193
(C "A" H-275)

An Act To Clarify the Law Allowing Certificate of Approval Holders

An Act To Clarify the Law Allowing Certificate of Approval Holders and Manufacturers or Suppliers of Spirits To Offer Mail-in Rebates

(C "A" H-265)

An Act To Clarify Certain Right-of-way Limitations H.P. 802 L.D. 1139 (C "A" H-276)

An Act To Repeal the Laws Establishing the Cumberland County Recreation Center and To Transfer Authority to Cumberland County

H.P. 805 L.D. 1142 (C "A" H-256)

H.P. 714 L.D. 1013

An Act To Amend and Remove the Need for Periodic Update of the Laws Governing the Validation of Title Defects H.P. 888 L.D. 1275

An Act To Create a Small Communities Tourism Grant Program

H.P. 903 L.D. 1306 (C "A" H-227)

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

Ordered sent down forthwith.

Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tempore Mason.

An Act To Limit Questions Regarding Criminal History on State Employment Applications

H.P. 221 L.D. 288 (C "A" H-242)

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

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence. (Roll Call Ordered)

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

The following matter 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 (5/18/17) matter:

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Prohibit a Person from Providing False Testimony to a Committee of the Legislature"

H.P. 599 L.D. 850

Report "A" - Ought Not to Pass (6 members)

Report "B" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-181) (5 members)

Report "C" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-182) (2 members)

Tabled - May 18, 2017, by Senator MASON of Androscoggin

Pending - motion by Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis to **ACCEPT** Report **"C" OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" (H-182)** in **NON-CONCURRENCE** (Roll Call Requested)

(In House, Report "A" OUGHT NOT TO PASS READ and ACCEPTED.)

Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis requested and received leave of the Senate to withdraw his request for a Roll Call.

On motion by Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis Report "C" **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT** "B" (H-182) ACCEPTED, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "B" (H-182) READ and ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" (H-182), in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tempore Mason.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Resolve, Authorizing the Bureau of General Services within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services To Assume Ownership of the Forest City Project (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1121 L.D. 1626

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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

HOUSE REPORT - from the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Require Maine Governmental Departments That Affect Citizen Health and Safety To Staff at Least 75 Percent of Available Positions"

H.P. 829 L.D. 1192

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-200) (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not To Pass (6 members)

Tabled - June 1, 2017, by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis

Pending - motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report in **NON-CONCURRENCE** (Roll Call Ordered)

(In House, 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-200).)

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#209)

YEAS: Senators: BRAKEY, COLLINS, CUSHING,

CYRWAY, DAVIS, DOW, HAMPER, KATZ, KEIM, LANGLEY, MAKER, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE MASON NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARPENTER,

CARSON, CHIPMAN, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, GRATWICK, HILL, JACKSON, LIBBY, MILLETT,

MIRAMANT, VITELLI

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

18 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 16 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**, **PREVAILED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled matter:

HOUSE REPORT - from the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Regarding Early Voting

H.P. 962 L.D. 1383

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-268) (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not To Pass (6 members)

Tabled - June 1, 2017, by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin

Pending - motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report in **NON-CONCURRENCE** (Roll Call Ordered)

(In House, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the RESOLUTION PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-268).)

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#210)

YEAS: Senators: BRAKEY, COLLINS, CUSHING,

CYRWAY, DAVIS, DOW, HAMPER, KATZ, KEIM, LANGLEY, MAKER, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE MASON

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE MASON

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARPENTER,

CARSON, CHIPMAN, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, GRATWICK, HILL, JACKSON, LIBBY, MILLETT,

MIRAMANT, VITELLI

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

18 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 16 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator COLLINS of York to ACCEPT the Minority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report, in NON-CONCURRENCE, PREVAILED.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled matter:

SENATE REPORT - from the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Assist Veterans in Their Applications for Service-related Benefits"

S.P. 160 L.D. 465

Majority - Ought Not to Pass (7 members)

Minority - Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-168) (6 members)

Tabled - June 1, 2017, by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot

Pending - motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report (Roll Call Ordered)

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

Senator LIBBY: Thank you, Mr. President Pro Tem. I rise in opposition to the current motion. My involvement with this issue began with a conversation with a former Bureau of Veteran's Services officer. He described to me what he saw, in his view, as serious ethical concerns with his management at the bureau's mandated practice of accepting certain veteran's disability claims deemed to be a "slam dunk" while refusing other veteran's disability claims that appeared to be more challenging or more complex. In certain circumstances, he was told not to accept certain cases to represent for the VA, even though he was confident a claim would be approved. Mr. President Pro Tem. the discussion in the committee around what to do with this issue resulted in a couple of different points of view. One proposal, one solution, is basically prohibiting this practice from going forward, and I'd ask the Chamber to consider that in voting on the pending motion and get onto the Minority Report. Thank you, Mr. President Pro Tem.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The pending question now before the Senate is Acceptance of the Ought Not to Pass Report. If you are in favor of it you will vote Yes. If you are opposed you will vote No. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#211)

YEAS: Senators: BRAKEY, COLLINS, CUSHING,

CYRWAY, DAVIS, DOW, HAMPER, KATZ, KEIM, LANGLEY, MAKER, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME,

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE MASON

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARPENTER,

CARSON, CHIPMAN, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, GRATWICK, HILL, JACKSON, LIBBY, MILLETT,

MIRAMANT, VITELLI

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

18 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 16 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **PREVAILED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

An Act To Limit Questions Regarding Criminal History on State Employment Applications

H.P. 221 L.D. 288 (C "A" H-242)

Tabled - June 1, 2017, by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot

Pending - ENACTMENT in concurrence (Roll Call Ordered)

(In House, PASSED TO BE ENACTED.)

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#212)

YEAS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, BREEN,

CARPENTER, CARSON, CHIPMAN, COLLINS, CUSHING, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, KEIM, LIBBY, MAKER, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VITELLI, VOLK,

WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME

NAYS: Senators: CYRWAY, LANGLEY, PRESIDENT PRO

TEMPORE MASON

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

31 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 3 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, 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, with the exception of those matters being held, were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (5/31/17) matter:

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Ensure Safe Drinking Water for Families in Maine"

H.P. 321 L.D. 454

Report "A" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-270) (10 members)

Report "B" - Ought Not to Pass (2 members)

Report "C" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-271) (1 member)

Tabled - May 31, 2017, by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Pending - motion by same Senator to ACCEPT Report "A" OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-270) in concurrence

(In House, Report "A" OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-270) READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-270).)

On motion by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin, 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 (#213)

YEAS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, BREEN,

CARPENTER, CARSON, CHIPMAN, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, KEIM, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VITELLI, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT PRO

TEMPORE MASON

NAYS: Senators: None

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

34 Senators having voted in the affirmative and no Senator having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin to ACCEPT Report "A" OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-270), in concurrence, PREVAILED.

Bill READ ONCE.

Assigned (5/18/17) matter:

Committee Amendment "A" (H-270) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-270), in concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Promote Testing of Drinking Water for Maine Families"

H.P. 702 L.D. 1001

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-162) (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (6 members)

Tabled - May 18, 2017, by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Pending - motion by same Senator to ACCEPT the Minority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report in NON-CONCURRENCE

(In House, 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-162).)

On motion by Senator **CHIPMAN** 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 Kennebec, Senator Bellows.

Senator **BELLOWS**: Thank you, Mr. President Pro Tem. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I rise in opposition to the pending motion. Kennebec County has one of the highest concentrations of arsenic in the state. Statewide, an estimated 1 in 8 wells are contaminated with arsenic. In my county it's 27.9%, almost 1 in 3 wells are contaminated with arsenic. I was first made aware of this and the horrifying health consequences by talking to constituents in my district. I remember a grandmother in Monmouth sharing with me her concerns for her grandchildren and the town's children and grandchildren, and speaking about the scientific research that demonstrates a correlation between high arsenic levels and learning disabilities and lowered IQs. A small group in Hallowell invited me to their home to discuss the issue as a group, which included pediatricians and doctors in the area. Several women in Manchester, including a woman recently diagnosed with cancer - another devastating consequence of arsenic contamination - told me about their horror at finding their own wells greatly exceeding acceptable levels of arsenic. So after hearing over and over again arsenic in well water was a real problem, I tested my own well. It has 3 times the maximum allowable level of arsenic. My husband and I had been drinking unsafe well water for years and didn't know it. We shouldn't have been surprised. Over 50% of the household wells tested in my Town of Manchester, including my own well, have unsafe levels of arsenic. This bill is a very simple bill. Currently, the Department of Health and Human Services may waive fees for testing of private well water upon a showing of indigence, but indigence is not defined and most families, even low income families, would be hesitant to describe themselves as indigent, which generally in public discourse is considered homeless or extraordinarily having no funds at all. This bill says that the department shall waive fees for testing for any household with income equal to or below 200% of the federal poverty level. It's a very simple and clear definition that will help low income families have clarity and get the tests they need to find out what's in their well water. I believe safe, clean drinking water is a basic human right. I'm proud of the bi-partisan work that has gone into this issue on many fronts, and I urge you to join me in opposing the pending motion.

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

Senator **BRAKEY**: Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of the Ought Not to Pass motion, but not to disagree with anything that my - well, mostly not disagree with anything - colleague from Kennebec County has just spoken. She's right, that there is work to be done, which is why I'm tremendously proud that earlier in today's session this Body just unanimously enacted, or voted for, legislation to make some progress on this. I will point out, unlike a previous bill that we voted on earlier in today's session, this bill has a fiscal note that costs \$2.7 million to the General Fund. We can make progress on this issue - we have made progress on this issue earlier today - by finding funds, and putting them towards this cause, that don't come at a \$2.7 million General Fund impact. So I think we've made very good progress, unanimously as a Body, today and this bill there, simply, is a \$2.7 million fiscal note. Thank you very much.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: The question now before the Senate is Acceptance of the Ought Not to Pass Report. If you are in favor of it you will vote Yes. If you are opposed to it you will vote No. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#214)

YEAS: Senators: BRAKEY, COLLINS, CUSHING,

CYRWAY, DAVIS, DOW, HAMPER, KATZ, KEIM, LANGLEY, MAKER, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, THIBODEAU, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME,

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE MASON

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARPENTER,

CARSON, CHIPMAN, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, GRATWICK, HILL, JACKSON, LIBBY, MILLETT,

MIRAMANT, VITELLI

EXCUSED: Senator: CHENETTE

18 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 16 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**, **PREVAILED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tempore Mason.

All matters thus acted upon, with the exception of those matters being held, were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator **CUSHING** of Penobscot, **ADJOURNED**, pursuant to the Joint Order, until Monday, June 5, 2017 at 10:00 in the morning.