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

In Senate Chamber  
Tuesday  
February 6, 2018

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

Prayer by Pastor Brian Kline, Lighthouse Baptist Church in  
Farmingdale.

**PASTOR KLINE:** Let us pray. Father, I would like to thank You this morning for the opportunity to come and speak to You on behalf of the Senate. Father, we thank You for Your goodness and grace and for Your choices in permitting these Senators to serve the people of Maine. We pray on their behalf, Lord, for Your wisdom and grace today. We thank You for the weather that You've given us, the warm weekend and the clear roads, at least for today. We thank You also for the strength and the ability to come and to be in Your presence, Lord, for life and for breathe, and for our being. Father, I would pray on behalf of many of these Senators. Doubtless there are physical needs, there's colds, there's flu, there's difficulties. I would pray for strength, Lord. I would pray for patience. I would pray for the ability to accomplish the work that You set forth today. Finally, Lord, I would pray for wisdom. According to James, the scriptures inform us that we should ask You of wisdom and so we pray this morning for wisdom, for insight, for choices today that have impact for years to come that are far beyond our ability to see but, Lord, You can see them. So I pray on behalf of these that You would grant Your insight to these as they serve the people of Maine. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator David C. Woodsome of York  
County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, February 1, 2018.

Doctor of the day, Constance A. Adler, M.D. of Chesterville.

Off Record Remarks

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator **DION**, the Senator from York, Senator **HILL**, and the Senator from Hancock, Senator **LANGLEY**, and further excused the same Senators from today's Roll Call votes.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Further Delay the Implementation of Certain Provisions of the Marijuana Legalization Act" (EMERGENCY)  
S.P. 660 L.D. 1775  
(C "A" S-346)

In Senate, February 1, 2018, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-346).**

Comes from the House, Report **READ** and **REJECTED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On motion by Senator **KATZ** of Kennebec, the Senate **INSISTED**.

Ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

House Papers

Bill "An Act To Establish as a Class D Crime the Intentional Photographing of a Minor without Consent of the Minor's Parent or Guardian by an Individual Required To Register as a Sex Offender"

H.P. 1258 L.D. 1813

Comes 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.

Resolve, To Designate a Bridge in Gorham the Corporal Joshua P. Barron Memorial Bridge

H.P. 1260 L.D. 1818

Comes 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.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 822

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

February 1, 2018

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 Ande A. Smith, Esq. of North Yarmouth, for reappointment to the State Board of Education.

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	Langley of Hancock, Maker of Washington
	Representatives	10	Kornfield of Bangor, Daughtry of Brunswick, Farnsworth of Portland, Fuller of Lewiston, Ginzler of Bridgton, McCrea of Fort Fairfield, Pierce of Falmouth, Sampson of Alfred, Stewart of Presque Isle, Turner of Burlington
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		1	Sen. Millett of Cumberland

Twelve 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 Ande A. Smith, Esq. of North Yarmouth, for reappointment to the State Board of Education be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brian D. Langley  
Senate Chair

S/Tori P. Kornfield  
House Chair

#### READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President 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 128<sup>th</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

#### ROLL CALL (#506)

YEAS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, DESCHAMBAULT, GRATWICK, JACKSON, LIBBY, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, VITELLI

NAYS: Senators: BRAKEY, CARPENTER, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DIAMOND, DILL, DOW, HAMPER, KATZ, KEIM, MAKER, MASON, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT THIBODEAU

EXCUSED: Senators: DION, HILL, LANGLEY

12 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 20 Senators having voted in the negative, with 3 Senators being excused, and 12 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 **Ande A. Smith**, Esq. of North Yarmouth, for reappointment to the State Board of Education was **CONFIRMED**.

The Secretary will inform the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Senate's action.

The Following Communication: S.C. 823

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

February 1, 2018

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau  
President of the Senate

The Honorable Sara Gideon  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

128th Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

Please accept this letter as the report of the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development from its review and evaluation of the Finance Authority of Maine under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

The committee finds that the Finance Authority of Maine is operating effectively and efficiently within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

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

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication:      S.C. 824

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

February 1, 2018

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau  
President of the Senate

The Honorable Sara Gideon  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

128th Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

Please accept this letter as the report of the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development from its review and evaluation of the Maine Labor Relations Board under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

The committee finds that the Maine Labor Relations Board is operating effectively and efficiently within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

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

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication:      S.C. 825

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

February 1, 2018

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau  
President of the Senate

The Honorable Sara Gideon  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

128th Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

Please accept this letter as the report of the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development from its review and evaluation of the Workers' Compensation Board under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

The committee finds that the Workers' Compensation Board is operating effectively and efficiently within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

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

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication:      S.C. 831

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

January 31, 2018

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

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating David M. MacMahon of Poland for appointment to the Board of Trustees, University of Maine System.

Pursuant to P&SL 1967, Chapter 229, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication:      S.C. 832

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

February 1, 2018

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

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating George C. Gervais of North Yarmouth for appointment as the Director of the Maine State Housing Authority.

Pursuant to Title 30-A, MRSA §4723, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication: S.C. 833

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

February 1, 2018

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

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating John G. Gallagher of Brunswick for appointment as a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority.

Pursuant to Title 30-A, MRSA §4723.2, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication: S.C. 826

**STATE OF MAINE  
CONNECTME AUTHORITY  
145 STATEHOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 31, 2018

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 ConnectME Authority due by February 1, 2018.

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

Sincerely,

S/David W. Maxwell  
Program Director

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

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The Following Communication: S.C. 827

**MAINE TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE  
8 VENTURE AVENUE  
BRUNSWICK, MAINE**

January 24, 2018

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

The 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 Maine Technology Institute (MTI) due by February 1, 2018.

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

Sincerely,

S/Brian Whitney  
President

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

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The Following Communication: S.C. 828

**EFFICIENCY MAINE  
168 CAPITOL STREET, SUITE 1  
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 31, 2018

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

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

Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section §12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from Efficiency Maine Trust due by February 1, 2018.

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

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Stoddard  
Executive Director

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

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The Following Communication: S.C. 829

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

January 30, 2018

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, 2018.

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.**

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The Following Communication: S.C. 830

**MAINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
323 STATE STREET  
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 26, 2018

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, ME 04333-0002

Dear Speaker Gideon and President Thibodeau:

I am pleased to submit on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Community College System (MCCS) the attached report on certain procurements, contributions, and policy changes for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 as required by 5 M.R.S.A. § 12023.

To report the information required by §12023, MCCS developed a customized reporting feature in the business management module of our information systems for each of the seven colleges and the System Office, and then fed that module with data from the purchase order, cash disbursement, and credit card systems. Combined, the seven colleges and the MCCS System Office make tens of thousands of purchases and expenditures each year. While the task of reporting on these transactions is complex, our review

indicates that the colleges' compliance with existing policies is extremely high, and expenditures are consistently mission related. In those few areas where we have identified need for improvement, refinements have been made or are under way.

MCCS will continue to use its internal controls and annual outside audit to adapt its systems to changing needs, and our Board of Trustees will continue its own ongoing attention to these matters at its regular meetings.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

S/Derek P. Langhauser  
President

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

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The Following Communication: S.C. 834

**SUNRISE COUNTY ECONOMIC COUNCIL  
7 AMES WAY  
MACHIAS, MAINE**

January 23, 2018

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

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

Dear Senator Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to MRSA Title 5, section 12023, the Sunrise County Economic Council (SCEC) is pleased to submit the Quasi-independent State Entity Report to the Legislature on behalf of the Washington County Development Authority (WCDA).

SCEC is a private, nonprofit, federally recognized economic development organization which works to create jobs and wealth in Washington County. We provide staff support for the WCDA and are partnering with the Authority in its effort to redevelop the former U.S. Navy base in Cutler.

As indicated in the enclosed report, the WCDA did not make any significant procurements, contributions or changes to policies and procedures in the past year. In March 2015, the Authority was given the commercial side of the former base by Cutler North, LLC, a private developer that had failed in its redevelopment effort. The WCDA now owns roughly 20 acres and five commercial buildings comprising 75,000 square feet. The

Authority is working to bring these facilities back into productive use.

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

Sincerely,

S/Charles J. Rudelitch, Esq.  
Executive Director

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

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

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Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

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Off Record Remarks

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**ORDERS**

**Joint Resolution**

On motion by Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland (Cosponsored by Representative LUCHINI of Ellsworth and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, BREEN of Cumberland, SAVIELLO of Franklin, WOODSOME of York, Representative: HERBIG of Belfast), the following Joint Resolution:

S.P. 687

**STATE OF MAINE  
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN**

**JOINT RESOLUTION  
RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 7, 2018  
AS NATIONAL GIRLS AND WOMEN IN SPORTS DAY**

**WHEREAS**, the National Girls and Women in Sports Day Coalition celebrates National Girls and Women in Sports Day in Washington, D.C. and encourages its celebration in communities across the nation; and  
**WHEREAS**, this day exists to recognize the past and current sports achievements of girls and women, the positive influence of sports participation and the continuing struggle for equality and access for girls and women in sports; and  
**WHEREAS**, National Girls and Women in Sports Day began in 1987 as a day to remember Olympic volleyball player Flo Hyman for her athletic achievements and her commitment to ensure equality for women's sports; and



**WHEREAS**, the history of girls and women in sports is rich and long, yet there has been little national recognition of the significance of girls' and women's athletic achievements; and **WHEREAS**, at all levels of athletics, girls and women develop self-discipline, initiative, confidence and leadership skills regardless of background; and **WHEREAS**, the bonds girls and women build through athletics help to break down the social barriers of racism and prejudice, and the communication and cooperation skills learned through sports play a key role in the athletes' contributions at home, at work and to society; and **WHEREAS**, a need for increased opportunities exists for girls to participate in and pursue physical activity in the community and at the scholastic level so that they may, beginning at an early age, increase their health and well-being on a daily basis and develop lifelong fitness habits; now, therefore, be it **RESOLVED**: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize February 7, 2018 as National Girls and Women in Sports Day.

#### READ.

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

Senator **VOLK**: Thank you, Mr. President. I was honored to present this Joint Resolution today in the Senate honoring National Girls and Women in Sports Day. Tomorrow will actually mark the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual National Girls and Women in Sports Day and this is the first time that the Maine Legislature has taken action to recognize the day and our female athletes in Maine. National Girls and Women in Sports is a time to celebrate the extraordinary achievements in girls and women sports and the positive influence athletic participation brings to their lives. Now I was actually not an athlete until later in life, and I'm not sure I would call myself an athlete now. I do like to run on occasion with my dog, but that's about the extent of it. However, I have raised three athletes and one of whom is now playing softball at the University of Maine, as many of you know, and we're very much looking forward to that season starting up very soon, and as I've watched my girls participate in sports I've realized that I really missed out on something in childhood not being an active participant in sports myself, and what I've seen that they've gained is lifelong friends. They've made amazing connections playing on travel teams with kids they otherwise would never have known. In the case of my middle daughter, from all over New England actually and they have a confidence about them that I know I didn't develop until probably I was elected to office. So they're just very bold and very confident. They are particularly confident when it comes to competing, not just on the field or on the track or on the rink but I think in the boardroom as well, and so to me that's one of the things that girls gain from sports. Of course there's other ways that girls can gain those - that level of confidence, but I think sports is an especially accessible way and it also encourages them to become lifelong athletes. Fitness, as we know, is extremely important to good health and so I would hope that, you know, that commitment to being physically fit for their sport will also continue throughout their lifetime. So I'm happy that you're all joining me today in commemorating National Girls and Women in Sports Day.

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

Senator **BREEN**: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I want to thank the good Senator from Cumberland, Senator Volk, for putting forward this Resolution today recognizing the many and various accomplishments of women and girls in sports. As the Resolution points out very eloquently, the benefits of participating in team sports and individual sports gives everyone great skills and habits that help in personal and professional endeavors for the rest of their lives. I want to elaborate a little bit about some of the history underlying this movement. As a high school and college varsity athlete myself, I have often called myself a Title 9 Kid. Title 9 is the landmark federal legislation that passed in 1972, when I was 7 years old and had lots of older brothers who were playing sports and I fully intended to join them on the field. It arose out of decades of struggle against discrimination, against women like me and so many women who came before me who simply wanted, quite literally, to level the playing field, the actual playing field. I point out Title 9 today because it provided a legal framework that defined equal access and equal rights for all athletes, no matter their gender. It furthermore enshrined in law recourse for those whose rights had been violated. All of these great gains that are so beautifully articulated in the Resolution started with years of unequal access and struggle, came to resolution with legislation, and has been implemented by a legal framework. For that, I and so many of my peers are eternally grateful. Thank you, Mr. President.

#### ADOPTED.

Sent down for concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Sheila Brennan Nee of Falmouth. She's the Executive Director of Maine Sports Commission. Lynn Coutts, of Orono. The Senior Associate Director of Athletics at the University of Maine. Jillian Lary of Orono. I believe she's on the track team at the University of Maine. Kendra Ridley of Orono, who is on the soccer team at the University of Maine. Would they please all rise and accept the greetings of the Senate.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### House

#### Pursuant to Public Law

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Working Group To Improve the Provision of Indigent Legal Services Concerning the Membership of the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1259 L.D. 1817

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, pursuant to Public Law, chapter 284, Part UUUU, section 17.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

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

Bill and accompanying papers **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, in concurrence.

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**Ought to Pass**

The Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act To Rename the Coast of Maine Wildlife Management Area as the Alan E. Hutchinson Wildlife Management Area" H.P. 1213 L.D. 1759

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

**ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.**

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The Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Clarify the Law Governing the Separation of a Class A Restaurant and an Off-premises Retail Licensee Located on the Same Premises"

H.P. 1173 L.D. 1693

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

**ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.**

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**Ought to Pass As Amended**

The Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Update the Allowance Budget for the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative"

H.P. 1142 L.D. 1657

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-575)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-575)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-575) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

**ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.**

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State To Study the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts

H.P. 1171 L.D. 1691

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:  
HILL of York

Representatives:  
MOONEN of Portland  
BABBIDGE of Kennebunk  
BAILEY of Saco  
CARDONE of Bangor  
JOHANSEN of Monticello  
McCREIGHT of Harpswell  
RECKITT of South Portland

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

Signed:

Senators:  
KEIM of Oxford  
WHITEMORE of Somerset

Representatives:  
BRADSTREET of Vassalboro  
GUERIN of Glenburn  
SHERMAN of Hodgdon

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

Reports **READ**.

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

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**SECOND READERS**

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

**House As Amended**

Bill "An Act To Update Maine's Water Quality Standards"  
H.P. 895 L.D. 1298  
(C "A" H-574)

Bill "An Act To Create The Barbara Bush Children's Hospital Registration Plate"

S.P. 621 L.D. 1685  
(C "A" S-348)

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

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**ENACTORS**

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

**Emergency Resolve**

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 502: Direct Watersheds of Lakes Most at Risk from New Development, Urban Impaired Streams, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection  
H.P. 1162 L.D. 1674

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 32 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 32 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **FINALLY PASSED** and, having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

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

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**Acts**

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Temporary Sign Usage  
H.P. 165 L.D. 209  
(C "B" H-573)

An Act To Amend Maine's Marine Resources Laws Regarding Certain License Fees and Surcharges That Were Amended by Recently Enacted Legislation

H.P. 1144 L.D. 1659

An Act To Improve the Regulation of Debt Collectors  
S.P. 613 L.D. 1663

An Act Regarding the Information Required of Debt Buyers for Debt Collection  
H.P. 1165 L.D. 1677

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

Ordered sent down forthwith.

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**Resolve**

Resolve, To Designate a Bridge in Surry the Old Surry Schoolhouse Bridge  
S.P. 626 L.D. 1727

**FINALLY PASSED** and, having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Ordered sent down forthwith.

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**Off Record Remarks**

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

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On motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, **ADJOURNED** until Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 10:00 in the morning.