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In Senate Chamber  
Tuesday  
February 20, 2018

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

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Prayer by Pastor Todd Bell, Calvary Baptist Church in Sanford.

**PASTOR BELL:** The Holy Scriptures declare in First Timothy, Chapter 2 in Verse 1: I exhort, therefore, that first of all supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings, and for all that are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God, our Savior, who will have all men to be saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

This scripture exhorts us that peace and quietness and unity comes as a direct result of praying for all that are in authority and what a blessing it is to be able to continue to do that. May God help us during these days to pray one for another and encourage one another. We desperately need it. Let us pray.

Our Father in Heaven, we're very much aware that we owe everything to You and, Lord, we are looking to You today, for You to encourage us and to help us. We thank You for the very breath of life. We thank You for Your many blessings upon our lives, our families, and upon this great state, the State of Maine. We would ask You, in Your kindness, once again to bless this State. We ask You to bless the proceedings today and, Lord, would You please bless the United States of America. Thank You, Lord, for what You have done and what You are doing. We covet Your blessings, Lord, as we continue on today. In Christ's name. Amen.

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Eric L. Brakey of  
Androscoggin County.

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Reading of the Journal of Thursday, February 15, 2018.

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Doctor of the day, Sam Zager, M.D. of Portland.

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Off Record Remarks

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 29, Allowances for Support Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorder, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1245 L.D. 1800

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

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

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

Under suspension of the Rules, Resolve **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

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Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Affecting the Judicial Branch Regarding Railroad Trespass Civil Violations and Fines for Civil Violations"

H.P. 1166 L.D. 1678

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-591)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-591)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-591) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

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

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The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Resolve, To Amend Authorization To Sell Certain Property in Augusta

H.P. 1107 L.D. 1604

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-587)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-587)**.

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

Resolve **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-587) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

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

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Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

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

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#### Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapters 126 and 261: Immunization Requirements for School Children, Joint Major Substantive Rules of the Department of Education and the Department of Health and Human Services (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1148 L.D. 1664

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

Signed:

Senators:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland  
HAMPER of Oxford

Representatives:

HYMANSON of York  
CHACE of Durham  
DENNO of Cumberland  
HEAD of Bethel  
MADIGAN of Waterville  
MALABY of Hancock  
McCREIGHT of Harpswell  
PARKER of South Berwick  
PERRY of Calais  
SANDERSON of Chelsea

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-588)**.

Signed:

Senator:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin

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

Reports **READ**.

Senator **HAMPER** of Oxford moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **MASON** 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 (#514)

YEAS: Senators: BELLOWS, BREEN, CARPENTER, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, COLLINS, CUSHING, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MILLETT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VITELLI, VOLK, WHITEMORE, PRESIDENT THIBODEAU

NAYS: Senators: BRAKEY, KEIM, MASON, MIRAMANT

EXCUSED: Senator: WOODSOME

30 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 4 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, the motion by Senator **HAMPER** of Oxford to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, Resolve **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

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#### Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Increase the Jurisdictional Limits for Small Claims"  
H.P. 216 L.D. 283

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

Signed:

Senator:

HILL of York

Representatives:

MOONEN of Portland  
BABBIDGE of Kennebunk  
BAILEY of Saco  
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 "A" (H-590)**.

Signed:

Senators:

KEIM of Oxford  
WHITTEMORE of Somerset

Representatives:

BRADSTREET of Vassalboro  
GUERIN of Glenburn  
JOHANSEN of Monticello

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

Reports **READ**.

Senator **KEIM** of Oxford moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** 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** Report, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

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

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, the following Senate Order:  
S.O. 26

Ordered, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature be held at 10:45 this morning in the Hall of the House for the purpose of extending to Major General Douglas A. Farnham, Adjutant General of the Maine National Guard and Commissioner of the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, an invitation to attend the Convention and make such communication as pleases him.

**READ** and **PASSED**.

The Chair appointed the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator **MASON**, to deliver the message to the House of Representatives. The Senator was escorted to the House of Representatives.

Subsequently, the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator **MASON**, reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

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

**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act Authorizing the Deorganization of Cary Plantation"

H.P. 560 L.D. 780

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-592)**.

Signed:

Senators:

DAVIS of Piscataquis  
KEIM of Oxford

Representatives:

MARTIN of Sinclair  
BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland  
HARRINGTON of Sanford  
HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach  
MADIGAN of Rumford  
ORDWAY of Standish  
PICKETT of Dixfield

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

Signed:

Representative:

BRYANT of Windham

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-592)**.

Reports **READ**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-592) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

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

**Pursuant to Joint Order**

Senator DAVIS for the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Require Education and Training Regarding Harassment for Legislators, Legislative Staff and Lobbyists"

S.P. 695 L.D. 1842

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**, pursuant to Joint Order, S.P. 685.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Bill and accompanying papers **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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**Senate**

**Ought to Pass As Amended**

Senator WHITEMORE for the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Require Nondiscrimination Policies in Providing Health Care Services" S.P. 337 L.D. 1030

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-363)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-363) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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Senator DAVIS for the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Establish Requirements for Civil Deputies"

S.P. 661 L.D. 1776

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-361)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-361) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Promote Access to Financial Institutions by Entities That Are Authorized under State Law" S.P. 130 L.D. 389

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

Signed:

Senators:

WHITEMORE of Somerset  
CARSON of Cumberland  
DOW of Lincoln

Representatives:

CRAIG of Brewer  
FOLEY of Wells  
MELARAGNO of Auburn  
PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield  
PRESCOTT of Waterboro  
WALLACE of Dexter

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-362)**.

Signed:

Representatives:

LAWRENCE of Eliot  
BROOKS of Lewiston  
COLLINGS of Portland  
SANBORN of Portland

Reports **READ**.

Senator **WHITEMORE** of Somerset moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

On motion by Senator **LIBBY** of Androscoggin, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session pending the motion by Senator **WHITEMORE** of Somerset to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

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

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The President requested the Sergeant-At-Arms escort the Senator from Franklin, Senator **SAVIELLO**, to the rostrum where he assumed the duties as President Pro Tempore.

The President retired from the Chamber.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tempore **THOMAS B. SAVIELLO** of Franklin County.

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## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

### Joint Resolutions

The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1279

#### JOINT RESOLUTION

#### MEMORIALIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO EXCLUDE THE STATE OF MAINE FROM OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS DRILLING AND EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES

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

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management 2019-2024 National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Draft Proposed Program has already been released and the programmatic environmental impact statement could be released as early as May 2018; and

WHEREAS, over 46,319 jobs and more than \$2,300,000,000 of the State's gross domestic product depend on clean, oil-free water and beaches and abundant fish and wildlife; and

WHEREAS, over 65% of the State's ocean-derived income stems from our tourism and recreation sector, contributing over \$1,200,000,000 to the State's economy, and this economic sector benefits from and depends upon a healthy ocean and coast; and

WHEREAS, offshore oil and gas drilling and exploration activities place coastal communities at economic and ecological risk from oil spills and the pollution brought by routine drilling operations and onshore industrialization, threatening the quality of life and livelihoods of the State's citizens and important industries, such as tourism and recreation and commercial and recreational fishing, and small businesses that rely on a clean and healthy ocean and beaches; and

WHEREAS, the State recognizes that our communities and industries depend on a healthy coastal environment for the benefit of current and future residents, property owners and visitors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, your Memorialists, believe that offshore oil and gas drilling and exploration risks our economic and ecological health and therefore oppose any plan or legislation that encourages oil and gas exploration offshore that would negatively affect the citizens of the State; and be it further

RESOLVED: That We, your Memorialists, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to respectfully request that the President of the United States and the United States Congress direct the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management to exclude the State and its offshore areas from the 2019-2024 National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Draft Proposed Program; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Honorable Donald J. Trump, President of the United States, to Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke, to National Oil and Gas Leasing Program Development and Coordination Branch Chief Kelly Hammerle, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and to each Member of the Maine Congressional Delegation.

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Joint Resolution **READ**.

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

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The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1280

#### JOINT RESOLUTION

#### HONORING THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MAINE

WHEREAS, on February 14, 1920, 6 months before the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution was ratified, the national League of Women Voters was formally organized in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, the purposes of the new organization included equal suffrage and citizen education aimed at all of the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan citizens' organization that strives to improve our government and engage our people and our communities in the decisions that affect our lives; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters has held the public trust for 98 years by respectfully bringing elected leaders and the public together through nonpartisan, civil means and through thoughtfully advancing policy solutions; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters operates at national, state and local levels through more than 800 state and local leagues in all 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands and Hong Kong; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters of Maine has nearly 500 active members and supporters throughout the State, with local chapters serving the Portland area, Bath and Brunswick, Hancock County, Camden and Rockland, Machias and the greater Bangor area; and

WHEREAS, the State has benefited tremendously from the countless volunteer hours donated by league members over the league's history of enhancing democracy; and

WHEREAS, although the League of Women Voters was formed from the movement that secured the right to vote for women, the centerpiece of the league's efforts remains to expand voter participation and give political voice to all Americans; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, the League of Women Voters has helped millions of women and men become informed participants in government, providing information and support on such issues as protection for women and children, the rights of working women, food supply and demand, social hygiene, the legal status of women, American citizenship, aid for maternal and child care programs, social security, food and drug safety and

changing the system of hiring within the federal civil service system; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters helped lead the effort to establish the United Nations and to ensure United States participation and was one of the first organizations in the country officially recognized by the United Nations as a nongovernmental organization, and the league continues to maintain official observer status; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters believes in representative government and in the individual liberties established in the United States Constitution, and that democratic government depends upon informed and active participation and respects the citizens' right to information about government records and proceedings; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters believes that every citizen's right to vote should be protected, that every person should have access to free public education that provides equal opportunity for all and that no person or group should suffer legal, economic or administrative discrimination; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters believes that efficient and economical government requires competent personnel, the clear assignment of responsibility, adequate financing and coordination among the different agencies and levels of government; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters believes that government should be responsive to the will of the people and that government should maintain an equitable and flexible system of taxation, promote the conservation and development of natural resources in the public interest, share in the solution to economic and social problems that affect the general welfare, promote a sound economy and adopt domestic policies that facilitate solving international problems; and

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters believes that cooperation with other nations is essential in the search for solutions to world problems and that the development of international organization and international law is imperative in the promotion of world peace; 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 honor the League of Women Voters of Maine on the 98th anniversary of the founding of the national organization and to recognize the distinguished service and accomplishments of the League of Women Voters of Maine for the people of the State; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be presented to the League of Women Voters of Maine as a tangible token of appreciation.

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

**READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

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At this point a message was received from the House of Representatives, borne by Representative HERBIG of Belfast, informing the Senate that the House concurred with the proposition for a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature to be held in the Hall of the House at 10:45 in the morning for the purpose of extending to Major General Douglas

A. Farnham, Adjutant General of the Maine National Guard and Commissioner of the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, an invitation to attend the Convention and make such communication as pleases him.

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## COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 853

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

February 13, 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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry from its review and evaluation of the Baxter State Park Authority under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

The committee finds that the Baxter State Park Authority is operating within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Paul T. Davis, Sr.  
Senate Chair

S/Representative Michelle Dunphy  
House Chair

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

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The Following Communication: S.C. 854

### STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY EIGHTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

February 8, 2018

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



Dear President Thibodeau and Speaker Gideon,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Warren of Hallowell, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1785     An Act To Amend the Greater Augusta Utility District Charter

Sincerely,

S/Sen. David Woodsome  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Seth A. Berry  
House Chair

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

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

Senate at Ease.

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

Off Record Remarks

## SECOND READERS

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

### House As Amended

Resolve, To Provide Meals to Homebound Individuals  
H.P. 483 L.D. 692  
(C "A" H-578)

Bill "An Act To Provide Funding for the Maine Bicentennial Commission"

H.P. 1176 L.D. 1696  
(C "A" H-586)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Stability for Certain Holders of Liquor Licenses"

H.P. 1205 L.D. 1725  
(C "A" H-585)

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

### Senate As Amended

Bill "An Act To Correct a Technical Error Pertaining to the Dairy Improvement Fund" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 617 L.D. 1681  
(C "A" S-356)

Bill "An Act To Increase the Penalty for Visual Sexual Aggression against a Child"

S.P. 627 L.D. 1728  
(C "A" S-355)

Bill "An Act To Permit the Sale and Consumption of Alcohol in an Area That Is Not Contiguous to Licensed Premises"

S.P. 637 L.D. 1738  
(C "A" S-354)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

## ENACTORS

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

### Acts

An Act To Expedite Health Care Employment for Military Veterans  
H.P. 921 L.D. 1327  
(C "A" H-581)

An Act To Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws  
H.P. 1172 L.D. 1692  
(C "A" H-580)

**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.

At this point the Senate retired to the Hall of the House where a Joint Convention was formed.

Following the Joint Convention the Senate was called to order in the Senate Chamber by President Pro Tempore Saviello.

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 22, 2018 at 10:00 in the morning.