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COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.P. 1557)

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

July 28, 2020

Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
129th Legislature
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
129th Legislature

Dear Madam Speaker and Mr. President:

On July 28, 2020, 2 bills were received by the Clerk of the House. Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committee on July 28, 2020, as follows:

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Implement the Attorney General's Recommendations on Data Collection in Order To Eliminate Profiling in Maine" (H.P. 1551) (L.D. 2168) (Sponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.)

Bill "An Act To Correct Inconsistencies, Conflicts and Errors in the Laws of Maine" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1552) (L.D. 2169) (Reported by Representative BAILEY of Saco for the Revisor of Statutes pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 94.)

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 386)

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

May 20, 2020

Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Public Law 2017, Chapter 25, I am pleased to appoint Katherine McBrien of Union, Deputy Secretary of State for Archives, to serve on the Maine Bicentennial Commission as a representative of a statewide museum organization promoting the state's historic and natural heritage, effective immediately and replacing David Cheever of Augusta, former Maine State Archivist who has recently left state service.

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 387)

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

June 18, 2020

The Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under 5 MRSA §2003, I have reappointed Sarah Haggerty of Falmouth to the Maine Library of Geographic Information Board, effective immediately.

Should you have any questions regarding this appointment, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 388)

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

June 19, 2020

The Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I have appointed Representative Craig Hickman of Winthrop to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary, replacing Representative Lois Galgay Reckitt of South Portland, effective immediately.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 389)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

June 19, 2020
Honorable Robert Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under H.P. 582, I am pleased to appoint the following to the Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations effective immediately:

Ian Yaffe of Portland
Dee Clarke of Portland

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

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 390)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

July 27, 2020
The Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I have rescinded my temporary appointment of Representative Craig Hickman of Winthrop to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary, and I am reappointing Representative Lois Galgay Reckitt of South Portland, effective immediately.
Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 391)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

July 14, 2020
The Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I have appointed Representative Anne Carney of Cape Elizabeth to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

replacing Representative Braden Sharpe of Durham, effective immediately.
Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 392)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

July 14, 2020
Honorable Robert Hunt
Clerk of the House
#2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a) and Joint Rule 371, I have appointed Representative Margaret O'Neil of Saco as a member of the Government Oversight Committee replacing Representative Thom Harnett of Gardiner, effective immediately.

Should you have any questions regarding this appointment, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 395)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

October 8, 2020
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 29-A MRSA, Chapter 11, §1402-B, I am pleased to reappoint Matt Boger of Concord, MA to seat number five on the Organ Donation Advisory Council effective immediately.

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

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 396)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

October 2, 2020
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 29-A MRSA, Chapter 11, §1402-B, I am pleased to appoint Richard Griffin of Scarborough to seat number nine on the Organ Donation Advisory Council effective immediately.

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

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 397)
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

March 17, 2020
The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson,
President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon,
Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:
We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 28 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 13 Unanimous Reports
 - 3 Ought Not To Pass
 - 5 Ought To Pass
 - 5 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 1 Referred To Another Committee
 - 2 Divided Reports
 - 7 Carried Over
 - 5 Gubernatorial Nominations

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Jim Dill
Senate Chair
S/Craig Hickman
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 398)
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

March 17, 2020
The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:
We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 49 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 3 Unanimous Reports
 - 2 Ought Not to Pass
 - 1 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 1 Divided Report
 - 1 Leave to Withdraw
 - 44 Carried Over

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Cathy Breen
Senate Chair
S/Drew Gattine
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 399)
STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

March 17, 2020
The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:
We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 42 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 16 Unanimous Reports
 - 8 Ought Not To Pass
 - 3 Ought To Pass
 - 2 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 3 Referred to Another Committee
 - 2 Leave to Withdraw
 - 23 Carried Over
 - 1 Gubernatorial Nomination

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Susan Deschambault
Senate Chair
S/Charlotte Warren
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 400)

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

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 52 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 19 Unanimous Reports
 - 7 Ought Not To Pass
 - 12 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 11 Divided Reports
 - 8 Carried Over
 - 13 Gubernatorial Nominations
 - 1 Pursuant to Chaptered Law

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Rebecca Millett
Senate Chair
S/Victoria Kornfield
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 401)

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

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 27 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 13 Unanimous Reports
 - 5 Ought Not To Pass
 - 3 Ought To Pass
 - 5 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 9 Divided Reports
 - 5 Carried Over

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Mark W. Lawrence
Senate Chair
S/Seth A. Berry
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 402)

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

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 30 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 14 Unanimous Reports
 - 6 Ought Not To Pass
 - 1 Ought To Pass
 - 7 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 6 Divided Reports
 - 1 Leave to Withdraw
 - 7 Carried Over
 - 1 Gubernatorial Nomination
 - 1 Pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Brownie Carson
Senate Chair
S/Ralph Tucker
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 403)

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

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 81 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 36 Unanimous Reports
 - 18 Ought Not To Pass
 - 7 Ought To Pass
 - 11 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 17 Divided Reports
 - 1 Leave to Withdraw
 - 27 Carried Over

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Geoff Gratwick
Senate Chair
S/Patty Hymanson
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 404)

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND
FINANCIAL
SERVICES**

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 51 Total Number of Bills and Papers
- 25 Unanimous Reports
 - 11 Ought Not To Pass
 - 2 Ought To Pass
 - 12 Ought To Pass As Amended
- 5 Divided Reports
- 1 Leave to Withdraw
- 17 Carried Over

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Heather B. Sanborn
Senate Chair
S/Denise A. Tepler
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 406)

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 19 Total Number of Bills and Papers
- 6 Unanimous Reports
 - 3 Ought Not To Pass
 - 2 Ought To Pass
 - 1 Ought To Pass As Amended
- 1 Divided Report
- 1 Leave to Withdraw
- 8 Carried Over
- 3 Gubernatorial Nominations

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Erin Herbig
Senate Chair
S/Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 405)

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 15 Total Number of Bills and Papers
- 11 Unanimous Reports
 - 4 Ought Not To Pass
 - 2 Ought To Pass
 - 5 Ought To Pass As Amended
- 4 Carried Over

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Jim Dill
Senate Chair
S/Catherine Nadeau
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 407)

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 72 Total Number of Bills and Papers
- 16 Unanimous Reports
 - 6 Ought Not To Pass
 - 5 Ought To Pass
 - 5 Ought To Pass As Amended
- 5 Divided Reports
- 37 Carried Over
- 14 Gubernatorial Nominations

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Michael E. Carpenter
Senate Chair
S/Donna Bailey
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 408)
STATE OF MAINE

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HOUSING**

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 32 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 7 Unanimous Reports
 - 3 Ought Not To Pass
 - 2 Ought To Pass
 - 2 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 5 Divided Reports
 - 16 Carried Over
 - 4 Gubernatorial Nominations

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Shenna Bellows
Senate Chair
S/Mike Sylvester
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 409)
STATE OF MAINE

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON MARINE RESOURCES**

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 9 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 4 Unanimous Reports
 - 4 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 2 Divided Reports
 - 3 Carried Over

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Dave Miramant
Senate Chair
S/Jay McCreight
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 410)

STATE OF MAINE

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 21 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 9 Unanimous Reports
 - 1 Ought Not To Pass
 - 1 Ought To Pass
 - 7 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 12 Carried Over

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Ned Claxton
Senate Chair
S/Danny Martin
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 411)

STATE OF MAINE

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 34 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 19 Unanimous Reports
 - 11 Ought Not To Pass
 - 8 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 5 Divided Reports
 - 10 Carried Over

Respectfully Submitted,
S/Ben Chipman
Senate Chair
S/Ryan Tipping
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 412)

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

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 40 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 29 Unanimous Reports
 - 12 Ought Not To Pass
 - 6 Ought To Pass
 - 11 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 2 Divided Reports
 - 2 Leave to Withdraw
 - 5 Carried Over
 - 1 Gubernatorial Nomination
 - 1 Pursuant to Chaptered Law

Respectfully Submitted,

S/Bill Diamond
Senate Chair
S/Andrew McLean
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 413)

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

March 17, 2020

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

We are pleased to report that all business which was placed before the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs during the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature has been completed. The breakdown of bills and papers before our committee follows:

- 38 Total Number of Bills and Papers
 - 10 Unanimous Reports
 - 3 Ought Not To Pass
 - 7 Ought To Pass As Amended
 - 10 Divided Reports
 - 1 Leave to Withdraw
 - 17 Carried Over

Respectfully Submitted,

S/Louis J. Luchini
Senate Chair
S/John C. Schneck
House Chair

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 417)

**STATE OF MAINE
SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT
78 EXCHANGE STREET, SUITE 350
BANGOR, MAINE 04401**

April 14, 2020

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

Dear Speaker Gideon:

I am writing to confirm that as Senior Associate Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court, upon Chief Justice Saufley's resignation as Chief Justice, I will be "perform[ing] any and all duties of the Chief Justice" pursuant to 4 M.R.S. § 1 until the appointment of a new Chief Justice. In the interim, the operation of the judicial branch will continue to be "business as usual," at least to the extent that anything is "usual" during this COVID-19 crisis.

Our focus will continue to be the concurrent priorities of keeping the public (and our employees) safe while still providing protection from harm and ensuring basic constitutional rights. The Justices of the court, the Chiefs of the trial courts, and top level administrators will continue to meet, essentially daily, to constantly review and reassess the measures we have taken to date.

Our public-facing measures are posted on the JB website, and our internal measures are posted on the JB intranet. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the judicial branch, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Best wishes, and thank you for all you are doing for the people of Maine,

S/Hon. Andrew M. Mead
Senior Associate Justice
Acting Chief Justice

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 393)

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

September 30, 2020

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

Dear Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has approved the request by the sponsor, Senator Millett of Cumberland, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw:"

L.D. 2152 An Act To Permit Naloxone Possession and Administration in Public and Private Schools

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources has approved the request by the sponsor, Representative Ingwersen of Arundel, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw:"

L.D. 2147 An Act To Require Reporting of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances, PFAS, in Products and of Discharges of Firefighting Foam Containing PFAS

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House

RECEIVED by the Clerk of the House with accompanying papers and **PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 394)

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

September 29, 2020
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the following Joint Standing Committees have voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass:"

Health and Human Services

- L.D. 2099 An Act To Amend Provisions of the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act
- L.D. 2117 An Act To Expand and Rename the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program
- L.D. 2135 An Act To Amend the Definition of "Tobacco Product" To Exclude Matches and Lighters (EMERGENCY)

Judiciary

- L.D. 89 An Act To Impose Requirements on the Rental of Residential Property That Has Been Used in the Manufacture of Methamphetamine

- L.D. 639 An Act To Protect Student Privacy
- L.D. 657 An Act To Reorganize the Probate Courts
- An Act To Require the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services To Pay Court-appointed Attorneys for Certain Probate Court Cases

- L.D. 1554 Resolve, Establishing a Commission To Reform Child Protective Services

- L.D. 1990 An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Access to Prescription Monitoring Information

Transportation

- L.D. 992 Resolve, To Extend the Down East Sunrise Trail from Ayers Junction to Calais

- L.D. 1141 Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Construct the Merrymeeting Trail from Topsham to Gardiner

Veterans and Legal Affairs

- L.D. 661 An Act To Increase Gaming Opportunities for Charitable Veterans' Organizations

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 414)

**MAINE'S PERMANENT COMMISSION
ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

July 9, 2020
Dear Legislator,

The members of **Maine's Permanent Commission on the Status of Women** are pleased to present our 2020 report to Governor Janet Mills and the Maine Legislature.

We are releasing this report against the extraordinary backdrop of a global pandemic and the Black Lives Matter protests that are sweeping the country. These will change Maine - and the country - in ways we can't entirely foresee. These changes will affect Maine's ability to implement our recommendations - for better or worse - and may ultimately change the recommendations themselves.

We wholeheartedly support movement toward building equity across our society. Our report had already flagged the glaring omission in the committee's membership of women of color and tribal representatives. We also struggled to find data that help tell the story of the unique challenges and hardships experienced by women of color. The disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on Maine people of color is a call to action.

Thus, a central recommendation is to fill the vacant seats with members from those communities. We also strongly recommend that we engage key partners in a research project to better understand the needs of women of color and tribal communities in Maine.

The report includes additional recommendations in the areas of:

- Economic Security
- Freedom from Violence
- Education
- Health
- Underserved Women

Finally, Permanent Commission members are united in believing that, as we celebrate the centennial of women winning the right to vote, it is time for Maine's Constitution to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex.

We look forward to working with you to implement these recommendations.

Sincerely,

Members of the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women
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The Following Communication: (H.C. 415)

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR
66 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0066
Letter of Transmittal**

Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Honorable Janet T. Mills
Governor of Maine

I am pleased to submit the Single Audit of the State of Maine for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. The audit was conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the requirements of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996; and Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our audit complies with 5 MRSA §243 and is also a prerequisite for the receipt of Federal financial assistance. During fiscal year 2019, \$3.2 billion in Federal financial assistance was received by the State of Maine. This document contains the following reports and schedules:

- Independent Auditor's Report
- Basic Financial Statements, Management's Discussion and Analysis, Notes to Financial Statements, and Required Supplementary Information
- Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters based on an Audit of Financial Statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*
- Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance
- Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
- Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
- Financial Statement Findings
- Indexes to Federal Program Findings
- Federal Findings and Questioned Costs
- Corrective Action Plan
- Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings

On behalf of the Office of the State Auditor, I thank employees throughout Maine Government who assisted us during the audit. Please contact me if you have questions or comments about the 2019 Single Audit of the State of Maine.
Respectfully submitted,
S/Pola A. Buckley
State Auditor
March 31, 2020
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Respectfully submitted,
S/Pola A. Buckley, CPA, CISA
State Auditor
April 23, 2020

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 418)
**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

August 11, 2020
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
129th Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Speaker Gideon:

I am notifying you that, pursuant to 12 MRSA §683-A, I have forwarded to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry the following nomination made to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission by the Hancock County Commissioners on March 3, 2020:

Millard Billings of Hancock County

The County asks that this nomination be considered to fill the vacant four-year term that began July 9, 2020 through July 8, 2024. This position is scheduled to be filled by Hancock County. Pursuant to 12 MRSA 683-A, this appointment is subject to confirmation by the Maine Senate after review by the committee having jurisdiction over conservation matters.

Sincerely,
S/Grant T. Pennoyer
Executive Director

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 416)
**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR
66 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0066
LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL**

Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Honorable Janet T. Mills
Governor of the State of Maine

I am pleased to submit the State of Maine Management Letter for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. During our audit of the State of Maine, we became aware of matters that offer opportunities for our government to improve its operations. Recommendations regarding these matters accompany this Management Letter as Management Letter Comments. This publication of our Management Letter includes two sections: Management Letter Comments previously issued in relation to the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) audit; and Management Letter Comments newly issued in relation to the Single Audit. Management Letter Comments related to the CAFR audit were separately issued on January 27, 2020 and are included in this report to provide the reader with a comprehensive set of our recommendations. Please feel free to contact me with questions you may have. Like you, we are committed to improving our State government for the benefit of our citizens. Healthy discussion of the problems found and solutions considered are part of a dialogue that aims at improvement. I welcome your thoughts and inquiries about these matters.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 419)
**MAINE LEGISLATURE
STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

September 14, 2020
Dear Speaker Gideon,

Enclosed you will find a report from the Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations focused on combating racial disparities in Maine. The report contains an immediate proposal to pass 26 specific bills should the 129th Legislature reconvene for a special session, also noting 20 bills that could combat disparities with some additional work. The report also lists recommendations for future Legislatures with the goal of making racial equity a central consideration in Maine lawmaking.

The report is the product of close collaboration between legislators and the Permanent Commission. Fifty-five legislators from across political parties joined the process to review and discuss all 454 bills that remained active before the 129th Legislature. Legislators and Permanent Commission members used a series of assessment tools to determine the potential each bill had to combat racial disparities. Following the legislators' participation, the Permanent Commission continued to discuss the status of racial equity when it comes to lawmaking in Maine and developed their final set of recommendations. We send our deepest thanks to you for supporting this effort, and we hope this begins a conversation that will lead to strong action

across our full Legislature. The Permanent Commission is eager and open to be a part of that work.

Sincerely,
S/Rep. Rachel Talbot Ross
S/ Rep. Craig Hickman

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 420)

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

October 23, 2020
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
Please be advised that pursuant to her authority, Governor Janet T. Mills has nominated the following:
on July 17, 2020

The Honorable Nichi S. Farnham of Bangor for appointment to the Maine Human Rights Commission.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §4561, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

James I. Cohen of Portland and Carol Murray of Sanford for appointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority.

Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §8112, these appointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

The Honorable David R. Hastings of Fryeburg, the Honorable William Schneider of Durham and Dennis Marble of Hampden for appointment to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.

Pursuant to Title 1 MRSA §1002, these appointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Andrew Conant, CPA of Hancock, Steven J. Silver, Esquire of South Portland and Charmaine Brown, DVM of Monmouth for appointment to the Gambling Control Board.

Pursuant to Title 8, MRSA §1002, these appointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

The Honorable David Mitchell of Calais, for reappointment as a District Court Judge.

Pursuant to Title 4, MRSA §157, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Thomas J. Zuke of Saco for reappointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority Board of Directors.

Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §1964-A, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

Dana F. Connors of Gray for reappointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority.

Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §8112, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 421)
**FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MAINE
5 COMMUNITY DRIVE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04332-0949**

November 1, 2020
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
Maine House of Representatives
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon:
Enclosed please find a copy of the Finance Authority of Maine's Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Report as required by 10 MRSA §974. Please let me know if you have questions or require further information.

Sincerely,
S/Bruce Wagner
Chief Executive Officer

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 422)
**STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

November 14, 2020
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon:
Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has approved the request by the sponsor, Senator Herbig of Waldo, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw:"
L.D. 814 An Act To Strengthen Maine's Economy through Research and Innovation led by the University of Maine System

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 423)
**STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

November 13, 2020
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon:
Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the following Joint Standing Committees have voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass:"

LEGISLATIVE RECORD – HOUSE APPENDIX

- Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry
 L.D. 2128 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 348: On Farm Raising, Slaughter and Processing of Less Than 1,000 Ready-to-Cook Whole Poultry Carcasses, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (EMERGENCY)
- Appropriations and Financial Affairs
 L.D. 1692 An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Fund Training for Mill Workers and Loggers (BOND ISSUE)
- Criminal Justice and Public Safety
 L.D. 1096 An Act To Require That Comprehensive Substance Use Disorder Treatment Be Made Available to Maine's Incarcerated Population
- L.D. 1108 Resolve, Establishing the Task Force on Alternatives to Incarceration for Maine Youth (EMERGENCY)
- L.D. 1727 An Act To Correct Various Statutes Related to the Department of Corrections
- Education and Cultural Affairs
 L.D. 2016 An Act Regarding School Discipline for Maine's Youngest Students
- Energy, Utilities and Technology
 L.D. 1741 Resolve, Directing the Public Utilities Commission To Examine Performance-based Rates for Electric Utilities

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of House

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The Following Communication: (S.C. 1061)
MAINE SENATE
129th LEGISLATURE

March 17, 2020
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear Speaker Gideon:
In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A. §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nominations:
Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor and Housing:

- Laura A. Buxbaum of Waldoboro for appointment, as a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority.
- Patrick E. Clancy of Kennebunkport for appointment, as a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority.
- Shirrin Blaisdell of Manchester for reappointment, to the Maine Public Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees.

Best Regards,
S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

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The Following Communication: (S.C. 1105)
MAINE SENATE
129th LEGISLATURE

August 24, 2020
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002
Dear Speaker Gideon:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A. §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nominations:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Judiciary:

- David J. Mitchellof Calais for reappointment, as a District Court Judge. Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs:
- Steven J. Silver of South Portland for appointment, to the Gambling Control Board.
- Andrew Conant of Hancock for appointment, to the Gambling Control Board.
- Dr. Charmaine A. Brown DVM of Monmouth for appointment, to the Gambling Control Board.
- Dennis Marble of Hampden for appointment, to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.
- The Honorable David R. Hastings of Fryeburg for appointment, to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.
- The Honorable William J. Schneiderof Durham for appointment, to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.

Best Regards,
S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

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