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

In Senate Chamber
Tuesday
January 22, 2019

Senate called to order by President Troy D. Jackson of Aroostook County.

Prayer by Pastor Joshua Lovelace, Truth Baptist Church in Jefferson.

PASTOR LOVELACE: Let us pray. Our Father and Our God, I thank You so much for Your blessings. I thank You for Your grace and for Your mercy. I thank You, Lord, for these men and women that are here today. Lord, as they govern, as they help with the laws, and as they help with decisions made for this state, I thank You for every one of them. I thank You for their sacrifice. I thank You, Lord, for what You have done in their hearts and lives to be here today and, Lord, I pray for wisdom that You would impart upon them. I pray for grace and mercy that You impart upon them and, Lord, as we make decisions, as they make decisions for this state, Lord, I thank You for the godly wisdom, Lord, that they would seek to know this is the right decision for this state. Lord, I thank You so much for all that You have done, for the weather that You provided. I know it's cold but we also know, Lord, that You're always in control. Lord, I pray that You would bless this time together today. Lord, I pray that You would give continued wisdom and continued grace. I pray all these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Jeffrey L. Timberlake of Androscoggin County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, January 17, 2019.

Doctor of the day, Lisa Letourneau, M.D. of Portland.

Off Record Remarks

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act To Appropriate Funds To Provide Sea Protection and Public Access to the Historic Whaleback Lighthouse in Kittery"
H.P. 117 L.D. 135

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

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

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

Bill "An Act To Increase the State Share of the Cost of Health Insurance for Retired Teachers" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 141 L.D. 178

Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Senator **BELLOWS** of Kennebec moved to **REFER** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Senator **BELLOWS** of Kennebec requested and received leave of the Senate to withdraw her motion to **REFER** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

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

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the State from Asking a Prospective Hire about the Person's Compensation History until after a Job Offer Is Made"

H.P. 105 L.D. 123

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING**.

On motion by Senator **CLAXTON** of Androscoggin, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require That Nonmotorized Carriages Be Equipped with Reflectors and Lights"

H.P. 161 L.D. 198

Resolve, To Name the Bridge on Main Street in the Town of Orono the Brandon M. Silk Memorial Bridge

H.P. 163 L.D. 200

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

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 53

**STATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA MAINE**

January 16, 2019

Honorable Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Grant,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 1, MRSA, Ch. 14, §534.1-G, I am pleased to appoint Mr. Jeremy Cluchey of Bowdoinham as a member of the public to seat 15 on the InforME Board, effective immediately.

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

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 54

**STATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA MAINE**

January 16, 2019

Honorable Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Grant,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, Part 10-A, Ch. 319, §3371.2-B, I am pleased to appoint the following members of the Maine House of Representatives to the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission, effective immediately:

Representative Catherine Nadeau of Winslow to seat 3
Representative Charlotte Warren of Hallowell to seat 4
Representative Timothy Theriault of China to seat 5

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

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 56

**STATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA MAINE**

January 17, 2019

Honorable Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Grant,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 10, MRSA, Part 2, Ch. 107, §929-A.2B-1, I am pleased to appoint the following members of the Maine House of Representatives to the Maine Economic Growth Council, effective immediately:

Representative Dale Denno of Cumberland
Representative Harold "Trey" Stewart of Presque Isle

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

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.C. 55

**MAINE MUNICIPAL
AND
RURAL ELECTRIFICATION
COOPERATIVE AGENCY**

January 15, 2019

Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Municipal and Rural Electrification Cooperative Agency due by February 1 2019.

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Scott M. Hallowell
MMRECA

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Bill "An Act To Protect Law Enforcement and Corrections Officers by Creating the Crime of Aggravated Assault on an Officer"
S.P. 74 L.D. 262

Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative HANLEY of Pittston and Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, DAVIS of Piscataquis, FOLEY of York, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, CAMPBELL of Orrington, NADEAU of Winslow, WHITE of Waterville.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Certain Sex Offenders from Establishing Residence in Certain Multiunit Residential Buildings in which Minors Reside"
S.P. 75 L.D. 263

Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative ARATA of New Gloucester and Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, FOLEY of York, Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, CAMPBELL of Orrington, COSTAIN of Plymouth, NADEAU of Winslow, WHITE of Waterville.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Taking of a Blood Sample from an Operator of a Motor Vehicle Involved in a Fatal Accident"
S.P. 76 L.D. 264

Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative ARATA of New Gloucester and Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, FOLEY of York, GUERIN of Penobscot, Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, CAMPBELL of Orrington, COSTAIN of Plymouth, NADEAU of Winslow, WHITE of Waterville.

On motion by Senator **DESCHAMBAULT** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Match the State's Definition of 'Hemp' to the Definition in Federal Law"

S.P. 81 L.D. 269

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop and Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: ACKLEY of Monmouth, BERRY of Bowdoinham, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PLUECKER of Warren.

On motion by Senator **DILL** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

Bill "An Act To Secure the Future of the Frances Perkins Homestead"

S.P. 58 L.D. 246

Presented by Senator DOW of Lincoln.
Cosponsored by Speaker GIDEON of Freeport and Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: DEVIN of Newcastle, KORNFIELD of Bangor, STOVER of Boothbay.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Amount of Time School Counselors and Social Workers Spend Providing Students Direct and Indirect Counseling"

S.P. 59 L.D. 247

Presented by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PIERCE of Falmouth.

Bill "An Act To Require the State To Meet the Mandatory 55 Percent Contribution to Schools"

S.P. 71 L.D. 259

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship and Senators: DILL of Penobscot, MILLETT of Cumberland, Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, DOUDERA of Camden, HOBBS of Wells, LANDRY of Farmington, PLUECKER of Warren, RISEMAN of Harrison.

On motion by Senator **MILLETT** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding a Transmission and Distribution Utility's Use of the Right of Eminent Domain To Locate Its Transmission Lines"

S.P. 83 L.D. 271

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship and Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis, Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, RISEMAN of Harrison, RYKERSON of Kittery.

Bill "An Act To Require Transmission and Distribution Utilities To Purchase Electricity from Renewable Resources at Certain Prices"

S.P. 85 L.D. 273

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, EVANGELOS of Friendship, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, PLUECKER of Warren, RISEMAN of Harrison.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Handling Fee for Beverage Containers Reimbursed to Redemption Centers"

S.P. 60 L.D. 248

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative TUCKER of Brunswick and Senators: CARSON of Cumberland, FOLEY of York, Representatives: CAMPBELL of Orrington, DEVIN of Newcastle, SKOLFIELD of Weld.

Bill "An Act To Allow the Sale of Ethanol-free Gasoline Statewide"

S.P. 86 L.D. 274

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, HOBBS of Wells, LANDRY of Farmington, PLUECKER of Warren, RYKERSON of Kittery.

On motion by Senator **CARSON** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Eliminate the 2-year Limit on MaineCare Coverage for Approved Drugs for Opioid Use Disorder"

S.P. 78 L.D. 266

Presented by Senator SANBORN, L. of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative HYMANSON of York and Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, GRATWICK of Penobscot, MOORE of Washington, Representative: PERRY of Calais.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Multiple-party Accounts with Financial Institutions" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 54 L.D. 242

Presented by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Protection of Patients in Medical Reviews by Health Insurance Carriers"

S.P. 61 L.D. 249

Presented by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais and Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, DAVIS of Piscataquis, LIBBY of Androscoggin, SANBORN, L. of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MEYER of Eliot, TEPLER of Topsham.

Bill "An Act To Permit Disability Insurance To Be Offered through the Surplus Lines Market"

S.P. 72 L.D. 260

Presented by Senator FOLEY of York.
Cosponsored by Representative PRESCOTT of Waterboro and Senators: GUERIN of Penobscot, SANBORN, H. of Cumberland, Representative: MAREAN of Hollis.

On motion by Senator **H. SANBORN** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Ban Telephone Solicitations Using an Artificial or Prerecorded Voice and Enhance Caller Identification"

S.P. 89 L.D. 277

Presented by Senator CHENETTE of York.
Cosponsored by Representative NADEAU of Winslow and Senator: MIRAMANT of Knox, Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, RILEY of Jay.

On motion by Senator **HERBIG** of Waldo, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Establish and Coordinate a Volunteer Corps of Search and Rescue Specialists within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife"

S.P. 70 L.D. 258

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative DOUDERA of Camden and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, CYRWAY of Kennebec, Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, EVANGELOS of Friendship, HOBBS of Wells, LANDRY of Farmington, PLUECKER of Warren, RISEMAN of Harrison.

Bill "An Act To Increase Opportunities for Hunters, Anglers and Sporting Camps by Extending the Seasons on Upland Game"

S.P. 77 L.D. 265

Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin.
Cosponsored by Representative LANDRY of Farmington and Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, President JACKSON of Aroostook, LUCHINI of Hancock, Representatives: COSTAIN of Plymouth, DUNPHY of Old Town, HALL of Wilton, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MARTIN of Sinclair.

Bill "An Act To Change the Bag Limits on Wild Turkey"

S.P. 87 L.D. 275

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, CYRWAY of Kennebec, President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, LANDRY of Farmington, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, PLUECKER of Warren, RISEMAN of Harrison.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Practice of Pharmacy"

S.P. 79 L.D. 267

Presented by Senator SANBORN, L. of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, CLAXTON of Androscoggin, MOORE of Washington, Representatives: KESCHL of Belgrade, PERRY of Calais.

Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Establish the Statute of Limitations in Product Liability Cases"

S.P. 62 L.D. 250

Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis. (BY REQUEST)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Condominium Act by Extending the Lien Period for Nonpayment of Assessments"

S.P. 63 L.D. 251

Presented by Senator FOLEY of York.
Cosponsored by Senators: BLACK of Franklin, FARRIN of Somerset, GUERIN of Penobscot, Representatives: MAREAN of Hollis, PRESCOTT of Waterboro.

Bill "An Act To Raise Juror Pay to \$50 per Day"

S.P. 91 L.D. 279

Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.
Cosponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais and Senators: BLACK of Franklin, DIAMOND of Cumberland, GUERIN of Penobscot, HAMPER of Oxford, MIRAMANT of Knox, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Create an Hourly Rate Compensation System for Loggers and Truckers"

S.P. 55 L.D. 243

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake and
Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, DIAMOND of Cumberland,
DILL of Penobscot, LAWRENCE of York, Representative:
SYLVESTER of Portland.

Bill "An Act Regarding Pay Equality"

S.P. 90 L.D. 278

Presented by Senator BREEN of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland,
Representative MOONEN of Portland and Senators: President
JACKSON of Aroostook, MILLETT of Cumberland, ROSEN of
Hancock, SANBORN, L. of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc,
WOODSOME of York, Representatives: BRYANT of Windham,
McCREIGHT of Harpswell.

On motion by Senator **BELLOWS** of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to
the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Ensure That the Legislature Has the Information
Necessary To Do the Work of the People of Maine"

S.P. 69 L.D. 257

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship and
Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, HOBBS of Wells, LANDRY
of Farmington, PLUECKER of Warren, RISEMAN of Harrison.

On motion by Senator **CLAXTON** of Androscoggin, **REFERRED**
to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and
ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Create a Credit under the Commercial Forestry
Excise Tax for Landowners Using Businesses Based in the
United States"

S.P. 80 L.D. 268

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative TIPPING of Orono and
Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook, CHIPMAN of Cumberland,
DAVIS of Piscataquis, Representatives: MARTIN of Eagle Lake,
STANLEY of Medway.

Bill "An Act To Provide Equity in the State Income Tax Deduction
for Maine Public Employees Retirement System Pensions"
S.P. 88 L.D. 276

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell and
Senators: DESCHAMBAULT of York, VITELLI of Sagadahoc,
Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, EVANGELOS of
Friendship, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, PLUECKER of Warren.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, To Rename the Stinson Bridge the Woodsome-Carroll
Bridge

S.P. 56 L.D. 244

Presented by Senator WOODSOME of York.
Cosponsored by Senator: DIAMOND of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Restrict the Authority for Posting of Roads"
S.P. 73 L.D. 261

Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin.
Cosponsored by Representative HALL of Wilton and Senators:
DAVIS of Piscataquis, DILL of Penobscot, FARRIN of Somerset,
Representatives: DUNPHY of Old Town, MARTIN of Sinclair,
PERKINS of Oakland, STANLEY of Medway, STEWART of
Presque Isle.

Bill "An Act To Eliminate Certain Motor Vehicle Inspections in the
State"

S.P. 82 L.D. 270

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter
Harbor and Senator: DESCHAMBAULT of York, Representatives:
CEBRA of Naples, EVANGELOS of Friendship, HOBBS of Wells,
PLUECKER of Warren.

Bill "An Act To Improve Public Safety by Restricting the Use of
Distracting Electronic Devices While Operating a Motor Vehicle"
S.P. 92 L.D. 280

Presented by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Senator: GRATWICK of Penobscot,
Representative: CARNEY of Cape Elizabeth.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Reestablish a Presidential Primary System in Maine"

S.P. 57 L.D. 245

Presented by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Representative MOONEN of Portland.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Prohibit New or Increased Fees or Taxes by Means of Direct Initiatives of Legislation

S.P. 64 L.D. 252

Presented by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford and Senator: DOW of Lincoln, Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, STEWART of Presque Isle.

Bill "An Act To Remove the Bet Limit for Winner-take-all Hands in Games of Chance Tournament Games"

S.P. 65 L.D. 253

Presented by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop and Senators: CYRWAY of Kennebec, FARRIN of Somerset, LUCHINI of Hancock, Representatives: SCHNECK of Bangor, SHEATS of Auburn.

Bill "An Act To Clarify Liquor Label Approval and Registration Requirements"

S.P. 66 L.D. 254

Presented by Senator DILL of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town and Senators: BLACK of Franklin, DIAMOND of Cumberland, GRATWICK of Penobscot, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representatives: DILLINGHAM of Oxford, KORNFELD of Bangor, SCHNECK of Bangor.

Bill "Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Require That Signatures on a Direct Initiative of Legislation Come from Each Congressional District"

S.P. 67 L.D. 255

Presented by Senator FARRIN of Somerset.
Cosponsored by Representative STROM of Pittsfield, Representative STETKIS of Canaan and Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook, LUCHINI of Hancock, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, DILLINGHAM of Oxford, GRIGNON of Athens, HANINGTON of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Ban the Use of Leadership Political Action Committees for Personal Profit"

S.P. 68 L.D. 256

Presented by Senator CHENETTE of York.
Cosponsored by Representative SCHNECK of Bangor and Senators: President JACKSON of Aroostook, LUCHINI of Hancock.

Bill "An Act To Allow Voting by Mail"

S.P. 84 L.D. 272

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PLUECKER of Warren, RISEMAN of Harrison, RYKERSON of Kittery.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

The following matters in the consideration of which the Senate was engaged at the time of Adjournment had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by Senate Rule 516.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (1/15/19) matter:

Bill "An Act To Ensure Access to Justice for Victims of Sexual Assault"

S.P. 20 L.D. 67

Tabled - January 15, 2019 by Senator **DESCHAMBAULT** of York

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested and ordered printed.)

On motion by Senator **DESCHAMBAULT** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (1/17/19) matter:

Bill "An Act To Allow Regional Service Center Municipalities To Assess an Additional One Percent Sales Tax for Infrastructure Costs"

S.P. 43 L.D. 156

On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, **ADJOURNED** until Thursday, January 24, 2019 at 10:00 in the morning in memory of and lasting tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr..

Tabled - January 17, 2019 by Senator **CHIPMAN** of Cumberland

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(Committee on **TAXATION** suggested and ordered printed.)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

Off Record Remarks

Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Off Record Remarks

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

Senator **BELLOWS:** So the Winthrop Field Hockey State Champions for Class C are in the House Chamber and because our House counterparts are a little bit slow today they are not with us. But if you do see the Lady Ramblers around the halls please congratulate them. They broke a 29 year State Championship drought for the Ramblers and it really was a testament for stick-to-itiveness. Last year they were runners up for the same title and with a phenomenal amount of teamwork and dedication, with Jessica Merrill, who's the Head Coach; with 9 seniors, including Captains Moriah Hajduk, Layne Audet, Kate Perkins, Bre Feeney, Hanna Caprara ; the Winthrop Ramblers, with a combination of commitment, teamwork, and trust, brought it home. They had a season record of 17-1-0. So truly remarkable. Please give the Winthrop Ramblers your congratulations today in the hallway. Thank you, Mr. President.

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