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**STATE OF MAINE
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In Senate Chamber
Thursday
January 31, 2019

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

Prayer by Reverend Larry Lakey, Winslow Baptist Church.

REVEREND LAKEY: Good morning. Thank you for the invitation to be here. Please bow with me in prayer. Heavenly Father, thank You for this day, for a new day to live and to serve. We remember those who are experiencing difficulty and heartache across our state and nation. May You join our hearts with theirs, entrusting for Your provision and protection. We remember the teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ who said, "As you wish that others would do to you, do so to them." May this universal truth, which adorns classrooms all across our state, be modeled and exemplified most clearly by this esteemed Body. May this truth be the hallmark of discourse and conduct here today and every day. Give them the courage needed to treat their adversaries well, to do good to those identified as political enemies, to show respect and deference towards one another, to repay insult with kindness and offense with mercy, to rise above the pettiness of political posturing and instead to do the hard work of forging partnerships for the greater good of all. May conflicts be turned into collaboration in order to work for good. Give them the integrity needed to put the needs of citizens ahead of their own interests and ahead of party affiliations. Let their voices speak for those who have no voice. Let their power be used to serve those who have no power. May this Senate protect and serve equally well the most silent as well as the most vocal, the most vulnerable as well as the most powerful. Give them the wisdom to fully see every issue they face. Protect them from reducing complexities into singular soundbites. Help them to consider different perspectives in competing interests. Grant them the seemingly lost art of listening before speaking or acting. May wisdom permeate every decision they make. Give them humility. May they put into practice the same principles they proclaim. May they work together to ease suffering and burdens and not impose them. May they be content to do good without acknowledgement or applause, but instead value sincerity and be satisfied with having fulfilled their commission well. May they seek not their own honor but the honor of those whom they have been called to serve and lead. As we wish that others would do to us, may we do so to them. May it be so today. In every way I pray these serving Senators would be blessed in their families, in their friendships, and in their work. May those whom they serve prosper. In the name of Jesus Christ I pray. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, January 29, 2019.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Everett B. Carson of Cumberland County.

Doctors of the day, Michael Henry, M.D. of Portland and Kymberlee Royals, M.D. of South Portland.

Off Record Remarks

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **LIBBY** of Androscoggin, the following Joint Order:
S.P. 143

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 10:00 in the morning.

READ and PASSED.

Ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act To Establish Regional School Leadership Academies"
H.P. 315 L.D. 406

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

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

Bill "An Act To Amend the Child and Family Services and Child Protection Act To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Make Best Efforts To Prevent Removal of a Child from a Home"

H.P. 356 L.D. 471

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

On motion by Senator **GRATWICK** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Provide for Student Loan Debt Relief"

H.P. 303 L.D. 394

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Enhance the Retired County and Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Municipal Firefighters Health Insurance Program"

H.P. 324 L.D. 415

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Dangerous Buildings"

H.P. 299 L.D. 390

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

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

Joint Resolution

The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 355

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FRED T. KOREMATSU

WHEREAS, in 1942, Fred T. Korematsu, a 23-year-old Japanese American, refused to go to the Federal Government's incarceration camps and was arrested and convicted of defying the government's order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Korematsu appealed his case all the way to the United States Supreme Court, which ruled against him in 1944, arguing that the incarceration was justified due to military necessity; and

WHEREAS, it was discovered in 1983 that government intelligence agencies had hidden key documents from the Supreme Court in 1944, documents that consistently showed that Japanese Americans had committed no acts of treason to justify mass incarceration; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Korematsu's 40-year-old case was reopened on the basis of government misconduct and overturned on November 10, 1983, a pivotal moment in civil rights history; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Korematsu was a patriotic American who tried to enlist in the United States National Guard and the United States Coast Guard after the nation entered World War II but was turned away on account of his Japanese ancestry and was fired from his job as a shipyard welder for the same reason; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Korematsu was an activist throughout his life and lobbied for an official apology from the government and token compensation for each of the surviving Japanese Americans who were incarcerated, and President Ronald W. Reagan signed redress and reparations legislation into law on August 10, 1988; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Korematsu, who received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, from President William J. Clinton in 1998, filed an amicus brief with the Supreme Court for 2 cases on behalf of Muslim inmates being held at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, in which he warned that the government's extreme national security measures were reminiscent of the past, and a 2nd amicus brief on behalf of an American Muslim man being held in solitary confinement in a United States military prison without trial that warned against the United States government repeating the mistakes of the past; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Korematsu died on March 30, 2005 and in 2010 the State of California made January 30th annually Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution, the first day in the United States named after an Asian American; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Korematsu's growing legacy continues to inspire people of all backgrounds and demonstrates the importance of speaking up to fight injustice; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize the story, achievements and legacy of Fred T. Korematsu, a great American, and urge the citizens of the State to recognize the importance of preserving civil liberties.

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

READ and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

Signed,

S/Cathy Breen
Senate ChairS/Drew M. Gattine
House Chair**COMMUNICATIONS****READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 85

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL
AFFAIRS**

January 29, 2019

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Kirsten Figueroa of Gardiner, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	3	Breen of Cumberland, Hamper of Oxford, Sanborn, L. of Cumberland
	Representatives	10	Gattine of Westbrook, Arata of New Gloucester, Dunphy of Old Town, Hubbell of Bar Harbor, Jorgensen of Portland, Keschl of Belgrade, Martin of Eagle Lake, Millett of Waterford, Pierce of Falmouth, Wadsworth of Hiram
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		0	

Thirteen members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Kirsten Figueroa of Gardiner, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services be confirmed.

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Aroostook, Senator **CARPENTER**, and the Senator from Kennebec, Senator **CYRWAY**, and further excused the same Senators from today's Roll Call votes.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158 and with Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#1)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BLACK, BREEN, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GRATWICK, GUERIN, HAMPER, HERBIG, KEIM, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: CARPENTER, CYRWAY

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Kirsten Figueroa** of Gardiner for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services was **CONFIRMED**.

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

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair would like to thank the Commissioner and please accept the greetings of the Maine Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 88

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

January 30, 2019

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife has had under consideration the nomination of Judith Camuso of Freeport, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	2	Dill of Penobscot, Davis of Piscataquis
	Representatives	9	Nadeau of Winslow, Fay of Raymond, Landry of Farmington, Martin of Sinclair, Martin of Eagle Lake, Mason of Lisbon Falls, Ordway of Standish, Theriault of China, Zeigler of Montville
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Sen. Luchini of Hancock, Rep. Stearns of Guilford

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Judith Camuso of Freeport, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Jim Dill
Senate Chair

S/Catherine M. Nadeau
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158 and with Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary called the Roll with the following results:

ROLL CALL (#2)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BLACK, BREEN, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GRATWICK, GUERIN, HAMPER, HERBIG, KEIM, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: CARPENTER, CYRWAY

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Judith Camuso** of Freeport for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife was **CONFIRMED**.

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

THE PRESIDENT: The Maine State Senate would ask that the new Commissioner, Judith Camuso, please rise and accept the greetings of the Maine State Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 87

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

January 29, 2019

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Heather Johnson of Norridgewock, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	3	Herbig of Waldo, Guerin of Penobscot, Millett of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Larsen-Daughtry of Brunswick, Austin of Gray, Babine of Scarborough, Crockett of Portland, Handy of Lewiston, Higgins of Dover-Foxcroft, Newell of Passamaquoddy Tribe, Stetkis of Canaan
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Rep. DeChant of Bath, Rep. Denno of Cumberland, Rep. Harrington of Sanford

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Heather Johnson of Norridgewock, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Erin Herbig
Senate Chair

S/Matthea Elisabeth Larsen-Daughtry
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158 and with Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#3)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BLACK, BREEN, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GRATWICK, GUERIN, HAMPER, HERBIG, KEIM, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: CARPENTER, CYRWAY

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Heather Johnson** of Norridgewock for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development was **CONFIRMED**.

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

THE PRESIDENT: Would Ms. Johnson please rise and accept the greetings of the Maine Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 92

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HOUSING

January 30, 2019

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing has had under consideration the nomination of Laura Fortman of Nobleboro, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Labor.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	3	Bellows of Kennebec, Guerin of Penobscot, Lawrence of York
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Representatives 9 Sylvester of Portland, Austin of Gray, Bradstreet of Vassalboro, Carney of Cape Elizabeth, Cuddy of Winterport, Doore of Augusta, Lockman of Amherst, Morris of Turner, Peoples of Westbrook

THE PRESIDENT: Would Laura Fortman please rise and accept the congratulations of the Maine Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 91

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

January 30, 2019

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing has had under consideration the nomination of John C. Rohde of Cumberland, for appointment as the Executive Director, Maine Workers' Compensation Board.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	3	Bellows of Kennebec, Guerin of Penobscot, Lawrence of York
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Representatives	9	Sylvester of Portland, Austin of Gray, Bradstreet of Vassalboro, Carney of Cape Elizabeth, Cuddy of Winterport, Doore of Augusta, Lockman of Amherst, Morris of Turner, Peoples of Westbrook
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NAYS	0
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ABSENT	1	Rep. Rykerson of Kittery
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Twelve members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of John C. Rohde of Cumberland, for appointment as the Executive Director, Maine Workers' Compensation Board be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Shenna Bellows
Senate Chair

S/Mike A. Sylvester
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1 Rep. Rykerson of Kittery

Twelve members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Laura Fortman of Nobleboro, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Labor be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Shenna Bellows
Senate Chair

S/Mike A. Sylvester
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158 and with Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#4)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BLACK, BREEN, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GRATWICK, GUERIN, HAMPER, HERBIG, KEIM, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: CARPENTER, CYRWAY

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Laura Fortman** of Nobleboro for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Labor was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158 and with Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#5)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BLACK, BREEN, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GRATWICK, GUERIN, HAMPER, HERBIG, KEIM, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: CARPENTER, CYRWAY

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 33 Senators having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **John C. Rohde** of Cumberland for appointment as the Executive Director, Maine Workers' Compensation Board was **CONFIRMED**.

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

THE PRESIDENT: Would Mr. Rohde please rise and accept the congratulations of the Maine State Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 89

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

January 29, 2019

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources has had under consideration the nomination of Patrick C. Keliher of South Gardiner, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Marine Resources.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	3	Miramant of Knox, Dow of Lincoln, Vitelli of Sagadahoc
	Representatives	10	McCreight of Harpswell, Alley of Beals, Blume of York, Devin of Newcastle, Faulkingham of Winter Harbor, Hepler of Woolwich, Hutchins of Penobscot, Javner of Chester, McDonald of Stonington, Tuell of East Machias
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		0	

Thirteen members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Patrick C. Keliher of South Gardiner, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Marine Resources be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Dave Miramant
Senate Chair

S/Jay McCreight
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158 and with Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#6)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BLACK, BREEN, CARPENTER, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GRATWICK, GUERIN, HAMPER, HERBIG, KEIM, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON

Representatives 9 McLean of Gorham, Austin of Skowhegan, Bryant of Windham, Collings of Portland, Martin of Greene, Perkins of Oakland, Sheats of Auburn, White of Waterville, White of Washburn

EXCUSED: Senators: CYRWAY

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Patrick C. Keliher** of South Gardiner for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Marine Resources was **CONFIRMED**.

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

THE PRESIDENT: Would Patrick C. Keliher please rise and accept the congratulations of the Maine State Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 86

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

January 29, 2019

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has had under consideration the nomination of Bruce A. Van Note of Topsham, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	2	Diamond of Cumberland, Chipman of Cumberland
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NAYS 0

ABSENT 2 Sen. Farrin of Somerset,
Rep. Cebra of Naples

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Bruce A. Van Note of Topsham, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Bill Diamond
Senate Chair

S/Andrew McLean
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158 and with Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#7)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BLACK, BREEN, CARPENTER, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GRATWICK, GUERIN, HAMPER, HERBIG, KEIM, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: CYRWAY

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Bruce A. Van Note** of Topsham for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation was **CONFIRMED**.

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

THE PRESIDENT: Would Bruce Van Note please rise and accept the congratulations of the Maine Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 90

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

January 30, 2019

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Douglas A. Farnham of Bangor, for appointment as the Adjutant General - Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	2	Luchini of Hancock, Herbig of Waldo
	Representatives	9	Schneck of Bangor, Ackley of Monmouth, Andrews of Paris, Cooper of Yarmouth, Hanington of Lincoln, Hickman of Winthrop, Hubbell of Bar Harbor, McCreight of Harpswell, Strom of Pittsfield
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Sen. Cyrway of Kennebec, Rep. Dolloff of Rumford

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Douglas A. Farnham of Bangor, for appointment as the Adjutant General - Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Louis J. Luchini
Senate Chair

S/John C. Schneck
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158 and with Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#8)

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BLACK, BREEN, CARPENTER, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DOW, FARRIN, FOLEY, GRATWICK, GUERIN, HAMPER, HERBIG, KEIM, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, SANBORN H, SANBORN L, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: CYRWAY

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Douglas A. Farnham** of Bangor for appointment as the Adjutant General - Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management was **CONFIRMED**.

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

THE PRESIDENT: Would the General please rise and accept the congratulations of the Maine Senate.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 93

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

January 30, 2019

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson
President of the Senate of Maine
129th Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources has had under consideration the nomination of Gerald D. Reid of Harpswell, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	3	Carson of Cumberland, Chenette of York, Foley of York
	Representatives	8	Tucker of Brunswick, Campbell of Orrington, Fay of Raymond, Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach, Hobbs of Wells, Johansen of Monticello, Skolfield of Weld, Zeigler of Montville
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Rep. Devin of Newcastle, Rep. Lyford of Eddington

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Gerald D. Reid of Harpswell, for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Brownie Carson
Senate Chair

S/Ralph L. Tucker
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

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

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158 and with Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#9)

YEAS: Senators: CHIPMAN

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BLACK, BREEN,
CARPENTER, CARSON, CHENETTE, CLAXTON,
DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DOW,
FARRIN, FOLEY, GRATWICK, GUERIN, HAMPER,
HERBIG, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LUCHINI, MILLETT,
MIRAMANT, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN,
SANBORN H, SANBORN L, TIMBERLAKE, VITELLI,
WOODSOME, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: CYRWAY, KEIM

One Senator having voted in the affirmative and 32 Senators having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators being excused, and 1 being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Gerald D. Reid** of Harpswell for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection was **CONFIRMED**.

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

THE PRESIDENT: Would Mr. Reid please rise and accept the greetings of the Maine State Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 81

**LORING DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY OF MAINE
LIMESTONE, MAINE**

January 22, 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 12 023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Loring Development Authority of Maine due by February 1, 2019.

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

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Carl W. Flora
President and CEO

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 82

**EFFICIENCY MAINE TRUST
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 30, 2019

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

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section §12023, I am pleased to deliver this the letter of transmittal for the required report from Efficiency Maine Trust due by February 1, 2019.

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Stoddard
Executive Director

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 83

**STATE OF MAINE
CONNECTME AUTHORITY
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 31, 2019

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

Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon and President Jackson,

Please find attached the required report pursuant to 5 M.R.S. Section 12023 from the ConnectME Authority.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Regards,

S/Richard Thompson
Chair, ConnectME Authority
Deputy Commissioner, DAFS

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 84

**FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MAINE
94 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04332**

January 30, 2019

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

Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 Slate House Station
Augusta. Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon and President Jackson:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A. § 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Finance Authority of Maine due February 1, 2019.

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Bruce Wagner
Chief Executive Officer

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

SENATE PAPERS

Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To Conduct a Feasibility Study on Locating a Grain Processing Facility in Aroostook County (EMERGENCY)
S.P. 160 L.D. 495

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop and Senators: BLACK of Franklin, CARPENTER of Aroostook, DILL of Penobscot, GUERIN of Penobscot, Representatives: MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MARTIN of Sinclair, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, STEWART of Presque Isle.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Providing of Human Food Waste to Swine Producers"

S.P. 162 L.D. 497

Presented by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop and Senators: BLACK of Franklin, DIAMOND of Cumberland, DILL of Penobscot, Representatives: HALL of Wilton, KINNEY of Knox, O'NEIL of Saco, PLUECKER of Warren, SKOLFIELD of Weld.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Support Maine Aquaculture"

S.P. 169 L.D. 547

Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland and Senators: MIRAMANT of Knox, SANBORN, L. of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, TEPLER of Topsham, TUELL of East Machias.

On motion by Senator **BREEN** of Cumberland, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require an Owner of a Dangerous Dog To Remain at the Scene of an Assault by the Dog"

S.P. 150 L.D. 485

Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner and Senator: BELLOWS of Kennebec, Representatives: DOORE of Augusta, FECTEAU of Augusta.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit a Person under 18 Years of Age from Being Charged with the Crime of Engaging in Prostitution"

S.P. 170 L.D. 548

Presented by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, MILLETT of Cumberland, WOODSOME of York.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, To Establish a Maine State High School Diploma
S.P. 149 L.D. 484

Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec. (BY REQUEST)

Bill "An Act To Promote Academic Achievement through Hunger Relief for Maine Children"

S.P. 171 L.D. 549

Presented by Senator BREEN of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative DOORE of Augusta and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, SANBORN, L. of Cumberland, Representatives: MORALES of South Portland, PIERCE of Falmouth.

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 To Amend the Definition of 'Subdivision' in the Laws Governing Planning and Land Use Regulation for Subdivisions and a Provision Excepting the Division of a New or Existing Structure from Those Laws Beginning July 1, 2018"
S.P. 172 L.D. 550

Presented by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington and Senators: FOLEY of York, POULIOT of Kennebec, Representatives: JORGENSEN of Portland, TUCKER of Brunswick.

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 Provide Lung Cancer Counseling and Screening for MaineCare Recipients"

S.P. 158 L.D. 493

Presented by Senator SANBORN, L. of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington, Representative GATTINE of Westbrook and Senator: BREEN of Cumberland, Representatives: MARTIN of Eagle Lake, PIERCE of Falmouth.

Bill "An Act To Update the Family Planning Statutes"

S.P. 159 L.D. 494

Presented by Senator SANBORN, L. of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative GATTINE of Westbrook and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, BREEN of Cumberland, MILLETT of Cumberland, SANBORN, H. of Cumberland, Representatives: COOPER of Yarmouth, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PIERCE of Falmouth.

Resolve, Regarding Reimbursement of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Codes under MaineCare

S.P. 163 L.D. 498

Presented by Senator SANBORN, L. of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland and Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, GRATWICK of Penobscot, Representatives: COOPER of Yarmouth, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, RILEY of Jay.

Bill "An Act To Extend the Limitation on Prescribing Opioids for Certain Individuals with Chronic Pain"

S.P. 165 L.D. 500

Presented by Senator CHENETTE of York. (BY REQUEST)
Cosponsored by Senator: DIAMOND of Cumberland, Representative: MAREAN of Hollis.

Bill "An Act To Ban Nicotine Liquid Containers"

S.P. 173 L.D. 551

Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford and Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, DIAMOND of Cumberland, GRATWICK of Penobscot, President JACKSON of Aroostook, SANBORN, L. of Cumberland, Representative: MORALES of South Portland.

Bill "An Act Relating to Penalties for an Employer for the Retail Sale of Tobacco Products to a Minor when the Employer Possesses a Driver's License Reader"

S.P. 174 L.D. 552

Presented by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative ORDDAY of Standish and Representatives: BLIER of Buxton, COREY of Windham.

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 Give the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife the Authority To Change the Opening Dates of Trapping Seasons Based on Weather Conditions"

S.P. 155 L.D. 490

Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin.
Cosponsored by Representative LANDRY of Farmington and Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, DIAMOND of Cumberland, DILL of Penobscot, LUCHINI of Hancock, Representatives: DUNPHY of Old Town, LYFORD of Eddington, MARTIN of Sinclair, STANLEY of Medway.

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 Improve Efficiencies in Cosmetology Licensing"

S.P. 151 L.D. 486

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Senators: GRATWICK of Penobscot, LIBBY of Androscoggin, Representatives: BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland, RYKERSON of Kittery.

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 Amend the Law Regarding Cessation of Alimony upon Cohabitation"

S.P. 144 L.D. 479

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative BAILEY of Saco.

Bill "An Act To Provide Campground Owners Immunity from Liability for the Inherent Risks of Camping"

S.P. 153 L.D. 488

Presented by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative O'CONNOR of Berwick and
Senator: KEIM of Oxford, Representatives: HUTCHINS of
Penobscot, McDONALD of Stonington, MORRIS of Turner.

Bill "An Act To Extend from 6 Months to One Year the Notice Period Required under the Maine Tort Claims Act"

S.P. 157 L.D. 492

Presented by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Extend the Availability of Protection from Abuse and Protection from Harassment Orders"

S.P. 161 L.D. 496

Presented by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec,
CARPENTER of Aroostook, GRATWICK of Penobscot, KEIM of
Oxford, Representatives: BAILEY of Saco, RECKITT of South
Portland.

Bill "An Act To Ban Child Marriage"

S.P. 167 L.D. 545

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative COSTAIN of Plymouth and
Senators: CYRWAY of Kennebec, GRATWICK of Penobscot,
LIBBY of Androscoggin, Representatives: BEEBE-CENTER of
Rockland, EVANGELOS of Friendship, MATLACK of St. George.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Pay Transparency and To Reduce Gender and Racial Wage Inequities"

S.P. 145 L.D. 480

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship and
Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook, DILL of Penobscot,
GRATWICK of Penobscot, LIBBY of Androscoggin,
Representatives: BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland, MATLACK of St.
George, RISEMAN of Harrison, RYKERSON of Kittery.

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 Allow the Expansion of the Types of Newspapers That Qualify as Legal Notice Publishers by Removing the 2nd Class Postal Matter Requirement"

S.P. 146 L.D. 481

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative MATLACK of St. George and
Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook, DIAMOND of Cumberland,
GRATWICK of Penobscot, LIBBY of Androscoggin,
Representatives: BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland, EVANGELOS of
Friendship, RISEMAN of Harrison, RYKERSON of Kittery.

Bill "An Act To Reduce the Participation Thresholds for Various Municipal Referenda and To Change the Measurement of Those Thresholds from Votes Cast for and against the Question to Votes in Favor of the Question"

S.P. 147 L.D. 482

Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative DOORE of Augusta and
Representative: WARREN of Hallowell.

Bill "An Act To Allow Municipalities To Enforce New Noise Ordinances on Existing Shooting Ranges"

S.P. 154 L.D. 489

Presented by Senator CHENETTE of York. (BY REQUEST)
Cosponsored by Representative BAILEY of Saco and Senator:
MILLETT of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Authority To Recall Municipal Officials"

S.P. 176 L.D. 554

Presented by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Senators: KEIM of Oxford, MOORE of
Washington.

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 Improve the Maine Seed Capital Tax Credit Program"

S.P. 148 L.D. 483

Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative HUBBELL of Bar Harbor and
Senators: DOW of Lincoln, FOLEY of York, HERBIG of Waldo,
LIBBY of Androscoggin, Representative: GATTINE of Westbrook.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Study the Corner of Smithwheel Road and Ocean Park Road and the Intersection of Saco Avenue, Temple Street and Old Orchard Road in Old Orchard Beach

S.P. 152 L.D. 487

Presented by Senator CHENETTE of York.
Cosponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

Bill "An Act To Regulate the Brightness of Headlights"
S.P. 156 L.D. 491

Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis. (BY REQUEST)

Bill "An Act To Enhance Highway Safety by Strengthening the So-called Move Over Law"

S.P. 168 L.D. 546

Presented by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, DAVIS of Piscataquis, Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, WHITE of Waterville.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Payment per Signature on Petitions for Direct Initiatives and People's Veto Referendums"
S.P. 164 L.D. 499

Presented by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative SCHNECK of Bangor and Senators: CYRWAY of Kennebec, LUCHINI of Hancock, Representatives: ACKLEY of Monmouth, COOPER of Yarmouth, HANINGTON of Lincoln, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, STROM of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Provide Funding for the Homeless Veterans Center in Caribou"

S.P. 166 L.D. 501

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative DeVEAU of Caribou.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Proper Oversight of Sports Betting in the State"

S.P. 175 L.D. 553

Presented by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Representative STROM of Pittsfield.

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

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (1/29/19) matter:

Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Health and Human Services To Convene a Task Force To Study the Need for Long-term Acute Care Hospital

S.P. 117 L.D. 439

Tabled - January 29, 2019 by Senator **GRATWICK** of Penobscot

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act To Permit the Indoor Production of Industrial Hemp" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 380 L.D. 523

Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Bureau of Parks and Lands To Establish a Law Enforcement Training Program for Park Managers and Certain Bureau Staff

H.P. 384 L.D. 527

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Maine's Rail Infrastructure and Expand Passenger Rail Service"
H.P. 392 L.D. 535

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Support the Gulf of Maine Research Institute's Establishment of a Near-shore Coastal Sensor Network"
H.P. 394 L.D. 537

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Establish a Statewide Voluntary Firearm Collection Day and Ongoing Program"
H.P. 373 L.D. 516

Bill "An Act To Eliminate the Statutory Duty To Retreat and Affirm the Right of Self-defense"
H.P. 390 L.D. 533

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Establish the Summer Success Program Fund"
H.P. 359 L.D. 502

Bill "An Act To Provide Additional Funding for the Maine Bicentennial Commission"
H.P. 360 L.D. 503

Bill "An Act To Enhance the Development of Innovative Career and Technical Education Programs"
H.P. 361 L.D. 504

Resolve, To Create the Task Force To Study and Plan for the Implementation of Maine's Early Childhood Special Education Services (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 369 L.D. 512

Bill "An Act To Limit the Number of Students and Prevent the Addition of Grade Levels at Virtual Public Charter Schools"
H.P. 370 L.D. 513

Resolve, To Reduce Food Waste in Schools
H.P. 398 L.D. 541

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Require the Use of Reusable Food Ware at Eating Establishments"
H.P. 362 L.D. 505

Resolve, Regarding the Promotion of Composting
H.P. 381 L.D. 524

Bill "An Act To Protect Public Health through Subsurface Wastewater Disposal System Inspections"
H.P. 400 L.D. 543

Bill "An Act To Create Extended Producer Responsibility for Post-consumer Waste Generated from the Use of Tobacco Products"
H.P. 401 L.D. 544

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

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

Resolve, To Study the Protection of Youth and Young Adults from Addiction and Premature Death by Restricting Marketing of Tobacco Products
H.P. 365 L.D. 508

Bill "An Act To Create an Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Coordinator Position within the Department of Health and Human Services"
H.P. 368 L.D. 511

Bill "An Act To Ensure Access to Medical Cannabis for Visiting Qualifying Patients"
H.P. 395 L.D. 538

Resolve, To Ensure Appropriate Personal Needs Allowances for Persons Residing in Long-term Care Facilities
H.P. 396 L.D. 539

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

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

Off Record Remarks

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Subrogation Rights for Medical Payments Coverage"

H.P. 387 L.D. 530

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Increase the Registration Fee for Snowmobiles for Residents"

H.P. 382 L.D. 525

Bill "An Act To Increase the Number of Clubs in Penobscot County That May Be Issued a Special Dog Training Area License"

H.P. 385 L.D. 528

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

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

Resolve, Directing Professional Licensing and Certification Boards To Study the Barriers To Obtaining Professional Licensure and Certification

H.P. 389 L.D. 532

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Provide Architects, Engineers and Certain Other Professionals Immunity from Civil Liability When Volunteering for Evaluating Damage from Disasters"

H.P. 363 L.D. 506

Bill "An Act To Provide Counsel for a Person Who Is the Subject of an Adult Guardianship, Conservatorship or Other Protective Arrangement Proceeding"

H.P. 388 L.D. 531

Bill "An Act To Direct the Judicial Branch To Establish a Veterans Treatment Court"

H.P. 393 L.D. 536

Bill "An Act Regarding Qualifications for District Attorneys"

H.P. 397 L.D. 540

Bill "An Act To Allow a Person To Enter a Place of Public Accommodation Accompanied by a Medically Necessary Assistance Animal That Is a Dog"

H.P. 399 L.D. 542

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

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

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Employer Recovery of Overcompensation Paid to an Employee"

H.P. 364 L.D. 507

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Imposition by Municipalities of General Restrictions on Rents and Rental Properties"

H.P. 379 L.D. 522

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Resolve Tie Votes by the Washington County Budget Advisory Committee" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 377 L.D. 520

Bill "An Act To Amend the Archives and Records Management Law"

H.P. 378 L.D. 521

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

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

Off Record Remarks

Bill "An Act To Change the Exclusion Amount under the Estate Tax"

H.P. 375 L.D. 518

Bill "An Act To Provide Property Tax Deferral for Senior Citizens and People with Physical Disabilities"

H.P. 386 L.D. 529

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

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

Bill "An Act To Require Horse-drawn Carriages and Wagons To Be Equipped with Reflectors"

H.P. 383 L.D. 526

Comes 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.

Bill "An Act To Authorize Funding for Transitional Housing for Women Veterans and Their Families"

H.P. 367 L.D. 510

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Political Party Representation of Election Clerks"

H.P. 371 L.D. 514

Bill "An Act To Facilitate Fair Ballot Representation for All Candidates"

H.P. 374 L.D. 517

Bill "An Act To Make Ballot Questions Easier To Read and Understand for Maine Voters" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 391 L.D. 534

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

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

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