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STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
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In Senate Chamber
Tuesday
January 14, 2020

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

Prayer by Senator Dana L. Dow of Lincoln County.

SENATOR DOW: Good morning. Let us be in the spirit of prayer. Heavenly Father, we are grateful that You have brought us here together. We are grateful that You have created us all as separate individuals and we focus on that thought today. We are individuals. We are all different. We all think differently but yet here we are and we've been placed here to give our wisdom to reflect on Your work here. We thank You for that. We thank You for Your wisdom. We thank You for Your love for us that allows us to love each other and be friends as we go about this business and we thank You for that. We ask it all in Your name. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Lisa M. Keim of Oxford County.

Reading of the Journal of Wednesday, January 8, 2020.

Doctor of the day, Alexandra Barr, DO of Portland.

Off Record Remarks

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from York, Senator **WOODSOME**, the Senator from York, Senator **LAWRENCE**, the Senator from Cumberland, Senator **H. SANBORN**, and the Senator from Waldo, Senator **HERBIG**, and further excused the same Senators from today's Roll Call votes.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 804

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

January 8, 2020

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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of Lee Smith of Albany Township, for appointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission.

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, J. of Penobscot, Black, R. of Franklin
	Representatives	8	Hickman, C. of Winthrop, Hall, R. of Wilton, Kinney, M. of Knox, Maxmin, C. of Nobleboro, O'Neil, M. of Saco, Pluecker, B. of Warren, Roberts, T. of South Berwick, Skolfield, T. of Weld
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Diamond, B. of Cumberland, Rep. Kryzak, T. of Acton, Rep. McCrea, D. of Fort Fairfield

Ten 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 Lee Smith of Albany Township, for appointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Jim Dill
Senate Chair

S/Craig V. Hickman
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** 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 (#378)

YEAS: Senators: None

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

EXCUSED: Senators: HERBIG, LAWRENCE, SANBORN H, WOODSOME

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 31 Senators having voted in the negative, with 4 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 **Lee Smith** of Albany Township for appointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 803

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

January 8, 2020

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

Dear Secretary Grant,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 3 MRSA, Chapter 10 §227, I have reappointed the following individuals to the Maine-Canadian Legislative Advisory Commission:

Hon. Erik Jorgensen of Portland
Hon. John Martin of Eagle Lake

If you have any questions regarding these appointments, Please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 805

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

January 9, 2020

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

RE: Appointment of Lucas St. Clair of Falmouth to the Board of Trustees, Maine Public Broadcasting

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Lucas St. Clair of Falmouth for appointment to the Board of Trustees, Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation.

Pursuant to PL 367, S.P. 592, L.D. 1551 §2, this appointment is contingent on confirmation by the Maine Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 808

**STATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 13, 2020

Chief Justice Leigh I. Saufley
Maine Supreme Judicial Court
205 Newberry Street, Room 139
Portland, Maine 04101

Dear Chief Justice Saufley:

We are pleased to invite you to address a Joint Session of the 129th Maine Legislature on Tuesday, January 28, 2020, at 11 a.m., concerning the State of the Judiciary and any other matters that you may care to bring to our attention.

We look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

S/Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 806

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

January 10, 2020

The 129th Legislature of the State of Maine
State House
Augusta, Maine

Dear Honorable Members of the 129th Legislature:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Maine Constitution, I am vetoing L.D. 553, "An Act to Ensure Proper Oversight of Sports Betting in the State."

Since the Murphy decision in the United States Supreme Court in May of 2018, a number of states have rushed to pass laws that legalize tax and regulate sports gambling in a great variety of ways.

The Supreme Court said we could regulate it; but that does not mean we have to.

I respect the long hours and hard work that the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs put into this bill following its submission as a concept draft and the number of work sessions in which the Committee tried to combine the best of several bills on this difficult subject matter. And I believe this bill is a good effort by those who wish to bring out into the open a black market activity that is practiced by many now and who want to regulate that activity without over-regulating or over-taxing it so as to drive it back underground. The bill is a step forward towards achieving that delicate balance.

But, respectfully, I remain unconvinced at this time that the majority of Maine people are ready to legalize, support, endorse and promote betting on competitive athletic events.

Before Maine joins the frenzy of states hungry to attract this market, I believe we need to examine the issue more clearly; better understand the evolving experiences of other states; and thoughtfully determine the best approach for Maine. That approach needs to balance the desire to suppress gambling activities now being conducted illegally and the need to protect youthful gamblers and those least able to absorb losses under a closely regulated scheme.

This bill prohibits gambling on sports by people under the age of 21, and I am aware that mobile sports gambling operators offer

sophisticated mechanisms to detect problem gamblers and gambling by young people. But it is difficult to envision a system which does this and at the same time would employ broad based marketing and aggressive advertising in social media and on television, including ads during the very games on which live bets are being placed. These ads would unduly draw in people who should not be risking money impetuously because of youth or financial or family circumstances.

It may be that the regulations permitted by this bill would allow reasonable oversight of marketing and access to youth. But that is far from certain given the federal and regional jurisdiction over much of the relevant media.

We are also told that the state can access new revenues by legalizing sports betting. But for the more than dozen states that have enacted legislation regarding this form of gambling, revenues have fallen far short of projections for a variety of reasons, and the economic impact of mobile sports gambling on preexisting facilities, given the potential saturation in the market, is uncertain. In addition, while legalized sports gambling may attract some revenue to the state coffers, the same economic premise in theory would justify legalizing all forms of gambling — betting on the weather, spelling bees and school board elections, for instance.

Finally, we are also told that Maine needs to legalize sports gambling in order to preserve its existing market share in the betting industry. That premise is still speculative, and, in any event, merits a longer term analysis given the constantly changing dynamics of gambling in New England.

Should the Legislature override this veto, or should Legislature take up a similar measure next year, my administration will continue to help with drafting and analysis to best address the unique needs of our state. In that respect, I commend the broad regulatory authority described in this bill that includes strict licensing criteria and the state's right to establish a maximum wager, to collect child support arrearages, to avoid insider betting and to promote social responsibility. At the same time, if the Legislature is serious about cracking down on illegal activities, it should consider penalties that are more serious and more consistent with the Maine Criminal Code, including recognizing the financial gain of the offender, rather than the misdemeanor penalties described in section 1216 of the bill. In the meantime, of course, federal sanctions prohibit gambling activities of any sort that are not allowed under state law.

I appreciate the Legislature's interest in this evolving issue and respectfully request that you sustain this veto while we closely monitor the impact of legalization and the successes and failures in other states as they seek to regulate and benefit from sports betting.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The accompanying Bill:

An Act To Ensure Proper Oversight of Sports Betting in the State
S.P. 175 L.D. 553

On motion by Senator **LIBBY** of Androscoggin, **TABLED** until
Later in Today's Session, pending **CONSIDERATION**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 807

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

January 10, 2020

The 129th Legislature of the State of Maine
State House
Augusta, Maine

Dear Honorable Members of the 129th Legislature:

By the authority conferred by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am vetoing LD 268, An Act to Create a Credit under the Commercial Forestry Excise Tax for Landowners Using Businesses Based in the United States.

LD 268 proposes to tie a state tax credit from the Commercial Forestry Excise Tax (CFET) to the percentage of United States residents a company employs in the woods. While I applaud the goal of the bill to encourage companies to hire Maine people, I am concerned that this bill will present unintended but significant, legal, programmatic, and financial issues for the state.

Basing a tax credit on the percentage of contracted United States residents could well run afoul of both the Commerce Clause and the foreign Commerce Clause of the United States Constitution, which prohibit regulation or taxation on private businesses that cause them to discriminate against residents of other states or countries. If this bill were to become law, it would likely expose the state to long and costly litigation ultimately with no benefit to Maine people, but with potentially significant cost to the state.

Additionally, the CFET is levied on owners of more than 500 acres of forest land, imposed upon the privilege of using one's land in commercial forestry enterprise in this State. Some 750 landowners who collectively own more than 9 million acres of forest land are subject to the tax. Each year, the state collects about \$2.5 million, which covers 40 percent of the cost of the forest fire activities within the Maine Forest Service. The new tax incentive in LD 268 could create a financial hole in the state's critical fire protection services. Filling this gap would require a tax increase assessed to the remaining landowners or an additional General Fund appropriation.

For these reasons, I return LD 268 unsigned and vetoed and urge the Legislature to sustain this veto.

Sincerely,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The accompanying 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

On motion by Senator **LIBBY** of Androscoggin, **TABLED** until
Later in Today's Session, pending **CONSIDERATION**.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Maritime Education by Amending the Laws Governing the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering"
S.P. 710 L.D. 2020

Presented by Senator HERBIG of Waldo.
Cosponsored by Representative CUDDY of Winterport and Senators: President JACKSON of Aroostook, LUCHINI of Hancock, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: FARNSWORTH of Portland, FECTION of Biddeford, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, INGWERSEN of Arundel, MATLACK of St. George.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Bill "An Act To Provide Funding for Capital Improvements and Equipment for Career and Technical Education Centers and Regions"
S.P. 712 L.D. 2022

Presented by Senator HERBIG of Waldo.
Cosponsored by Representative FECTION of Biddeford and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, CLAXTON of Androscoggin, DIAMOND of Cumberland, President JACKSON of Aroostook, LUCHINI of Hancock, Representatives: CUDDY of Winterport, HOBBS of Wells, RILEY of Jay.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Bill "An Act To Remove from the Calculation of the Cost of Education the Maine Public Employees Retirement System Teacher Plan Unfunded Actuarial Liability"

S.P. 714 L.D. 2024

Presented by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor and Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DODGE of Belfast, FARNSWORTH of Portland, INGWERSEN of Arundel, McCREA of Fort Fairfield.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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 Provide Funding for Broadband Internet Infrastructure in Unserved and Underserved Areas"

S.P. 711 L.D. 2021

Presented by Senator HERBIG of Waldo.
Cosponsored by Representative RILEY of Jay and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, CLAXTON of Androscoggin, President JACKSON of Aroostook, LUCHINI of Hancock, Representatives: CUDDY of Winterport, DOUDERA of Camden, FECTEAU of Biddeford, HICKMAN of Winthrop.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize Emergency Medical Services Personnel To Provide Treatment within Their Scope of Practice in a Hospital Setting with the Permission of the Hospital"

S.P. 715 L.D. 2025

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham and Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook, CLAXTON of Androscoggin, GRATWICK of Penobscot, MOORE of Washington, Representatives: McCREA of Fort Fairfield, PERRY of Calais, WHITE of Waterville.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Bill "An Act To Revise Certain Financial Regulatory Provisions of the Maine Insurance Code"

S.P. 716 L.D. 2026

Presented by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland.
Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Bill "An Act To Clarify Insurance Requirements under the Peer-to-peer Car Sharing Insurance Act" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 717 L.D. 2027

Presented by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham and Senator: FOLEY of York.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Experience Requirement for Auditors Working in the Office of the State Auditor Who Are Seeking Licensure as Certified Public Accountants"

S.P. 713 L.D. 2023

Presented by Senator HERBIG of Waldo.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Extend to Other Public Sector Employees the Same Protections Provided to State Employees upon the Expiration of Contracts"

S.P. 709 L.D. 2019

Presented by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative CARNEY of Cape Elizabeth and Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, CHENETTE of York, MILLETT of Cumberland.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Make March Maine Childhood Cancer Awareness Month"

S.P. 719 L.D. 2029

Presented by Senator KEIM of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Senator: ROSEN of Hancock, Representative: HEAD of Bethel.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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 Regarding the Sale of Information by the Secretary of State"

S.P. 718 L.D. 2028

Presented by Senator WOODSOME of York.

Cosponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias and Senator: CYRWAY of Kennebec.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

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

Bill "An Act To Provide an Appeals Process for Administrative Suspensions of Provisional Driver's Licenses"

S.P. 720 L.D. 2030

Presented by Senator KEIM of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Senator: FARRIN of Somerset.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

RECALLED FROM GOVERNOR'S DESK

Resolve, To Require the Construction of a New District Headquarters Building for the Bureau of Forestry in Fort Kent
S.P. 295 L.D. 1016
(S "A" S-335 to C "A" S-94)

(In Senate, June 20, 2019, **FINALLY PASSED**, in concurrence.)

(**RECALLED** from the Governor's Desk, pursuant to Joint Order (S.P. 704), in concurrence.)

On motion by Senator **DILL** of Penobscot, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **CONSIDERATION**.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

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

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (6/13/13) matter:

Resolve, Directing the Department of Public Safety To Conduct a Study To Develop Best Practices for Improving the Security of Municipal Properties

S.P. 684 L.D. 1982

Tabled - January 8, 2020 by Senator **LIBBY** of Androscoggin

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.

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

Off Record Remarks

RECESSED until the sound of the bell.

After Recess the Senate was called to order by the President.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass Pursuant to Resolve

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, To Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission To Continue Studying and Recommend Funding Solutions for the State's Transportation Systems (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1446 L.D. 2036

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**, pursuant to Resolve 2019, chapter 97, section 7.

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

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

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

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

Off Record Remarks

RECESSED until the sound of the bell.

After Recess the Senate was called to order by the President.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Maine State Grant Program" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1435 L.D. 2014

Bill "An Act Regarding School Discipline for Maine's Youngest Students"

H.P. 1437 L.D. 2016

Bill "An Act To Modify Teacher Certification Expiration Dates for Teachers Who Use Family Medical Leave"

H.P. 1445 L.D. 2035

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 Extend Arrearage Management Program Requirements for Transmission and Distribution Utilities for One Year"

H.P. 1434 L.D. 2013

Bill "An Act To Promote Renewable Energy Resources by Establishing an Energy-to-Gas Pilot Project"

H.P. 1438 L.D. 2017

Bill "An Act To Require a Cable System Operator To Provide a Pro Rata Credit When Service Is Cancelled by a Subscriber"

H.P. 1441 L.D. 2031

Item "An Act To Reduce Financial Burdens on Small Water Utilities" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1442 L.D. 2032

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** and ordered printed.

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

Bill "An Act To Ensure Proper Closure of Oil Terminal Facilities"

H.P. 1443 L.D. 2033

Comes 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.

Bill "An Act To Provide for Leave from Work for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking"

H.P. 1436 L.D. 2015

Comes 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 Require That Parking Lots for State Agencies Meet the Standards Set Forth in the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1439 L.D. 2018

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.

Bill "An Act Making Technical Changes to the Maine Tax Laws"

H.P. 1429 L.D. 2008

Bill "An Act To Update References Contained in the Maine Revised Statutes to the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1431 L.D. 2010

Bill "An Act To Update Certain Provisions in the Income Tax and Service Provider Tax Laws"

H.P. 1432 L.D. 2011

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor To Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory

H.P. 1433 L.D. 2012

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 Permit the Expansion of Municipal Membership of the Greater Portland Transit District" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1430 L.D. 2009

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.

**Pursuant to Statute
Criminal Law Advisory Commission**

The **Criminal Law Advisory Commission**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, section 1354, subsection 2 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Criminal Code"

H.P. 1447 L.D. 2037

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

**Pursuant to Statute
Family Law Advisory Commission**

The **Family Law Advisory Commission**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 19-A, section 354, subsection 2 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act Concerning Name Changes for Minors"

H.P. 1444 L.D. 2034

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

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

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator **LIBBY** of Androscoggin, **ADJOURNED** until Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 10:00 in the morning.