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**STATE OF MAINE
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JOURNAL OF THE SENATE**

In Senate Chamber
Tuesday
February 18, 2020

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

Prayer by Pastor Rob Green of Bible Baptist Church in Wiscasset.

PASTOR GREEN: Let's pray. Father in Heaven, we come before You this morning. We thank You for allowing us to be here. We thank You for this state of Maine, for allowing us to live in these United States. We thank You for the freedoms we enjoy, Father, the freedom to travel, to work, to enjoy pleasure, to worship, to help each other, and to elect the leaders that we have in this Senate Chamber this morning. Thank You for each of these men and women who have chosen to serve whom we have chosen to serve as our representatives. Lord, we thank You for our republic. We thank You for our form of government. I pray today for our state. I ask, Father, that You keep us financially strong, morally right, educational effective, most of all, Lord, that You keep us free. Protect our citizens. Protect our first responders, Lord, the State Police, the sheriff's departments, the town police, Father, our EMTs, our fire departments, and our hospitals. For our Senators today, Father, I ask that You give them wisdom, prudence, foresight, good judgment, direction, discretion, and vigilance, Father. Then, Lord, I ask for them that You give them health, You give them safety, You give them peace, protection, and contentment. Lord, I thank You for the ant. Your word says that as you look at the ant you will learn. Lord, if we just work together, stick to our job, to help each other, to build the whole, to work while we can, to aid the hurting, and to unite these United States. Thank You, Father, for these men and women. Bless them today. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Posting of the Colors by Loring Job Corps Honor Guard.

National Anthem Performed by Caitlin Geishaker of Augusta.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Catherine E. Breen of Cumberland County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, February 13, 2020.

Doctor of the day, Hilary Schroeder, MD of Portland.

Off Record Remarks

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

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

READ and PASSED.

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

Subsequently, the Senator from Sagadahoc, Senator **VITELLI**, reported that she had delivered the message with which she was charged.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Order

The following Joint Order:

H.P. 1502

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall report out, to the House, a bill relating to food or food products containing cannabidiol derived from hemp.

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

READ and PASSED, in concurrence.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 925

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

February 14, 2020

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

Re: Appointment of Peter J. Rogers of Yarmouth to Director of the
Maine Emergency Management Agency

Dear President Jackson:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Peter J. Rogers
of Yarmouth for appointment as the Director of the Maine
Emergency Management Agency.

Pursuant to Title 37-B, MRSA §704, this appointment is
contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the
Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 919

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

February 05, 2020

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the
Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety
has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought
Not to Pass":

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| L.D. 1971 | An Act To Allow Certain Retired Law
Enforcement Officers and Trained Law
Enforcement Officers To Serve as School
Security Officers |
| L.D. 1991 | An Act To Prohibit the Sale of Drug
Paraphernalia That Encourage Drug Use by
Young People |

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Susan Deschambault
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Charlotte May Warren
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 927

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

February 11, 2020

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the
Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has
voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to
Pass":

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| L.D. 882 | Resolve, To Require the Examination of the
System of Learning Results |
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This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Rebecca Millett
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Victoria P. Kornfield
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 920

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

February 04, 2020

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1913 An Act To Prohibit Certain Wheeling Charges
for the Transmission of Electricity

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Mark W. Lawrence
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Seth A. Berry
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 922

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

February 04, 2020

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 284 An Act To Improve Care Provided to Forensic
Patients

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Geoff Gratwick
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Patty Hymanson
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 921

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

February 06, 2020

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1138 An Act To Ensure Health Insurance Coverage
for Treatment for Childhood Postinfectious
Neuroimmune Disorders Including Pediatric
Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders
Associated with Streptococcal Infections and
Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric
Syndrome

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Heather B. Sanborn
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Denise A. Tepler
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 928

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

February 10, 2020

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1973 An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding
Municipal Conservation Commissions

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ned Claxton
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Danny Martin
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 929

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

February 10, 2020

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the
Joint Standing Committee on Taxation has voted unanimously to
report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 451 An Act To Repeal the Recently Enacted
Changes to the Law Governing Tax Lien
Foreclosure

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ben Chipman
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Ryan Tipping
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 923

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

February 11, 2020

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the
Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has voted
unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to
Pass":

L.D. 1310 An Act To Address the Shortage of Department
of Transportation Snowplow Drivers and Other
Transportation Workers

L.D. 1887 Resolve, To Reduce the Operational Costs of
Ferries in the State (EMERGENCY)

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bill Diamond
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Andrew McLean
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 930

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

February 12, 2020

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the
Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has voted
unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to
Pass":

L.D. 1992 An Act To Broaden Eligibility for Disabled
Veterans License Plates

L.D. 2030 An Act To Provide an Appeals Process for
Administrative Suspensions of Provisional
Driver's Licenses

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Bill Diamond
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Andrew McLean
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 926

**LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL
CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

**QUASI-INDEPENDENT STATE ENTITY REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019**

February 3, 2020

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 MRSA, Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from Child Development Services due by February 3, 2020.

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Roy K. Fowler
State Director
State IEU, Child Development Services
Maine Department of Education

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

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

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act Regarding Health Insurance Options for Town Academies" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 754 L.D. 2108

Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative JAVNER of Chester and Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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.

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

At this point a message was received from the House of Representatives, borne by Representative MOONEN of Portland, informing the Senate that the House concurred with the proposition for a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature to be held in the Hall of the House at 10:45 in the morning for the purpose of extending to Major General Douglas A. Farnham, Adjutant General of the Maine National Guard and Commissioner of the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, an invitation to attend the Convention and make such communication as pleases him.

COMMUNICATION

The Following Communication: S.C. 924

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

February 13, 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Peter DelGreco of North Yarmouth, for appointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees.

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	Millett, R. of Cumberland, Pouliot, M. of Kennebec
	Representatives	5	Kornfield, V. of Bangor, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Drinkwater, G. of Milford, Fecteau, J. of Augusta, Sampson, H. of Alfred
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		6	Sen. Carson, B. of Cumberland, Rep. Brennan, M. of Portland, Rep. Farnsworth, D. of Portland, Rep. Ingwersen, H. of Arundel, Rep. McCrea, D. of Fort Fairfield, Rep. Rudnicki, S. of Fairfield

Seven 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 Peter DelGreco of North Yarmouth, for appointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Rebecca Millett
Senate Chair

S/Victoria P. Kornfield
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

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

The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from York, Senator **LAWRENCE**, the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator **LIBBY**, the Senator from Cumberland, Senator **CHIPMAN**, and the Senator from York, Senator **WOODSOME**, and further excused the same Senators from today's Roll Call votes.

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 (#398)

YEAS: Senators: None

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

EXCUSED: Senators: CHIPMAN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, 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 **Peter DelGreco** of North Yarmouth for appointment to the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees was **CONFIRMED**.

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

ORDERS

Joint Order

Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

Greg Sweetser, of Cumberland, who is retiring after 24 years of service as Executive Director of the Ski Maine Association, a nonprofit association representing the Maine ski industry whose mission is to increase the availability and enjoyment of Maine skiing and snowboarding for children, families and individuals. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
SLS 859

Sponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative: MORIARTY of Cumberland.

The Joint Order was **READ**.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Breen.

Senator **BREEN:** Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate, it gives me great pleasure today to recognize the hard work and retirement of a friend in this building and a constituent in my Senate district, Greg Sweetser, who is retiring as the Executive Director of Ski Maine, an industry group that works to promote skiing and all sorts of outdoor recreation in Maine. As you might know, the economic impact of the skiing industry in Maine is over \$300 million. This doesn't include indirect values such as home purchases or property tax paid by seasonal residents who ski. Mainers and visitors make 1.3 million

ski visits per year. The Ski Maine Association coordinates with the Office of Tourism and advocates for the state's winter sports industries through governmental affairs and public relations. It works to foster cooperation between the major ski areas and the small ones alike. It was the leader in establishing the 5th Grade Passport Program which let many young Mainers ski for the very first time because their families were not skiers and they did not have the means. The Passport Program grew into WinterKids, which Greg Sweetser helped found. WinterKids' mission is to create opportunities for children to be active, vibrant, and healthy in the outdoors. School kids from all over Maine are eligible to participate in WinterKids. They also distribute safety information for skiing and snowboarding for all Maine kids and families who participate in ski recreational programs. As the parent of a young man who makes his living at a ski area right here in Maine, I am here to tell you it's great work, especially if you like to work overnight making snow. Somebody's got to do it and my son loves it. So, I thank Greg for all he's done. On a personal note, he has not worked just for the ski industry. He has certainly worked in partnership with many other recreational boosters, trying to boost the rural economy in Maine, expand the economic capacity of the state's rural mountain communities. Not just downhill skiing, he also includes such activities as snowboarding, snowshoeing, and Nordic skate skiing. Greg is retiring after 24 years to help run his family's business, Sweetser's Apple Barrel and Orchards. Many of you may have visited. It's a fifth generation family farm in Cumberland Center that has 1,000 apple trees, including 53 apple varieties. So when he's not busy contributing to the ski economy he's busy contributing to our agricultural economy. So I want to thank Greg on behalf of the Senate and for my district and I thank you, Mr. President.

The Joint Order was **PASSED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair is very pleased to honor and recognize in the rear of the Chamber Greg Sweetser of Cumberland. Would he please rise and accept the congratulations of the Maine State Senate.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (2/4/20) matter:

JOINT RESOLUTION - Recognizing February 5, 2020 As
National Girls And Women In Sports Day
S.P. 746

Tabled - February 4, 2020 by Senator **HERBIG** of Waldo

Pending - **ADOPTION**

The Joint Resolution was **READ**.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Waldo, Senator Herbig.

Senator **HERBIG:** Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, women and men of the Senate, I feel really privileged today to get to recognize National Girls and Women in Sports Day. This was on February 5th but because of the weather we've been having I'm joined by some really special guests here in the Chamber today to take a moment to acknowledge the importance of sports in women's and girl's lives. So a lot of you may not realize this but, actually, in the late '90s Senator Luchini and myself were the top two long distance runners in the state of Maine. Senator Luchini was the best male runner in the state of Maine and I was the best female runner. What's really funny about this is that somebody just recently handed me a newspaper article that they had done about Senator Luchini and I in the late '90s because we were recruits, which was a big deal in rural Maine at that time. Both Senator Luchini and I pretty much had our choice of colleges we could go to because of our achievement in distance running. Now we're here today, so look at us. What's really interesting about that, having that choice was a pretty big deal, which being able to go to any college you want for free is an incredible opportunity, one that probably Senator Luchini could have counted on most of his life but for me, I was a Title 9 girl. Title 9 was such an incredible thing to happen in this country that gave women the same opportunities as men, to be able to have the same opportunities in academics. I was able to attend a college that I never would have been able to afford otherwise and, in turn, I was able to be the very first person in my family to go to college. Title 9 made such an impact in the trajectory of life. It is the basis for why I probably ran for office and why I am in this Chamber today. I was able to go to BC on a scholarship. I was able to travel this country and world. I was able to see myself in environments that I never would have thought possible otherwise. Aside from the fact that athletics teaches you wonderful things about leadership, discipline. I mean it's not a coincidence that there are a bunch of distance runners in these two Chambers. Sports teaches you incredible skills about yourself. It allows you to set goals and realize your full potential. You know, I will also say that it wasn't just my life it changed. I think about the day that I graduated from Boston College, first person in my family to go to college. I come from a family of poultry farmers in Waldo County. My grandparents, it was the first day they had gone to Boston was to see me graduate from BC in that big football stadium. You know, it makes me think that in this Chamber we do a lot of things, passing laws and creating more opportunities for more people in the state and in this country, and I tell you this story because I want you to realize that some of the things that we do create incredible opportunities and change people's lives. This is just my story but I think about the hundreds of thousands of women that have been impacted by this, not just to be able to achieve incredible things in athletics but also in academics and how the bar that they have set for themselves has been raised because of an important thing like Title 9 and because of days like this. So thank you for listening to my story. Thank you to the incredible women that are here joining me today. This is an important part of our history that continues to put more women in leadership roles and in places like this Chamber. So thank you.

The Joint Resolution was **ADOPTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair would like to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Sheila Brennan Nee, Director of the Maine Sports Commission; Allison Casiles, Assistant Ticket Office Manager for the Portland Sea Dogs; Edniesha Curry, Assistant Men's Basketball Coach at the University of Maine; Liis Emajoe, Assistant Women's Soccer Coach at the University of Maine; Samantha Hegmann, Associate Athletic Director and Senior Woman Administrator at the University of Maine; Tyson McHatten, Senior Associate Director of Athletics, External Operations/Communications at the University of Maine; Shaunessy Saucier, Manager of Business Development for Maine Black Bear Sports Properties in Old Town; Kimberly Turner, Associate Athletic Director of the University of Southern Maine; Seth Woodcock, Senior Associate Athletic Director for Development at the University of Maine in Farmington; and Lauren Young of Bangor, a Soccer athlete at the University of Maine. Would they please rise and accept the congratulations of the Maine State Senate.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

The Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 12: Licensure of Manufacturers and Wholesalers, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Maine Board of Pharmacy (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1338 L.D. 1872

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

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

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Require Background Investigations for Certain Individuals To Receive Federal Tax Information in Accordance with Federal Standards" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1375 L.D. 1931

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

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

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Protect Teachers from Professional Teacher Certificate Endorsement Changes"

H.P. 1329 L.D. 1858

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-676)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-676)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-676) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, To Establish the Commission To Study the Use of Adjunct Professors in Maine's Public University and College System

H.P. 1344 L.D. 1878

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-679)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-679)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-679) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Establish Standards for Operation and Maintenance and Asset Management for Publicly Owned Treatment Works and Municipal Satellite Collection Systems"

H.P. 1263 L.D. 1779

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-677)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-677)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-677) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Support Replacement of At-risk Home Heating Oil Tanks"

H.P. 1264 L.D. 1780

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-678)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-678)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-678) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Increase the Minimum Amount of Insurance Coverage Required for Medical Payments for Vehicle Liability Insurance"

H.P. 1325 L.D. 1854

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

Signed:

Senators:

SANBORN, H. of Cumberland
FOLEY of York

Representatives:

BLIER of Buxton
FOLEY of Biddeford
MASTRACCIO of Sanford
MELARAGNO of Auburn
MORRIS of Turner
PRESCOTT of Waterboro
SWALLOW of Houlton

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives:

TEPLER of Topsham
BRENNAN of Portland
BROOKS of Lewiston

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

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **H. SANBORN** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator BELLOWS for the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Unemployment Compensation Laws" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 658 L.D. 1911

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-388)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-388) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act To Create Certain Recreational Opportunities on State-owned Land"
S.P. 390 L.D. 1270

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

Signed:

Senators:

DILL of Penobscot
BLACK of Franklin

Representatives:

HICKMAN of Winthrop
HALL of Wilton
KRYZAK of Acton
MAXMIN of Nobleboro
McCREA of Fort Fairfield
O'NEIL of Saco
PLUECKER of Warren
ROBERTS of South Berwick
SKOLFIELD of Weld

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

DIAMOND of Cumberland

Representative:

KINNEY of Knox

Reports **READ**.

Senator **DILL** of Penobscot moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Clarify Lobbyist Reporting Requirements and Simplify Registration Requirements for State Employees Who Lobby on Behalf of a State Department or Agency"

S.P. 639 L.D. 1867

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-389)**.

Signed:

Senators:

LUCHINI of Hancock
CYRWAY of Kennebec
HERBIG of Waldo

Representatives:

SCHNECK of Bangor
ACKLEY of Monmouth
COOPER of Yarmouth
DOLLOFF of Rumford
HANINGTON of Lincoln
HICKMAN of Winthrop
HUBBELL of Bar Harbor
McCREIGHT of Harpswell
STROM of Pittsfield

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

Signed:

Representative:

ANDREWS of Paris

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **LUCHINI** of Hancock, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-389) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

SECOND READERS

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

House

Bill "An Act To Correct the Maine Revised Unclaimed Property Act To Reflect Recent Changes" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 1335 L.D. 1864

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

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

House As Amended

Bill "An Act To Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2021"

H.P. 1332 L.D. 1861
(C "A" H-673)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Protection from Abuse Laws Concerning Consent Agreements"

H.P. 1336 L.D. 1865
(C "A" H-674)

Bill "An Act To Provide Noncommercial Lobster and Crab Fishing Licenses and Scallop Licenses to Disabled Veterans at No Cost"

H.P. 1348 L.D. 1882
(C "A" H-672)

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

Senate

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Waste Discharge Analysis by Laboratories Operated by Waste Discharge Facilities"

S.P. 708 L.D. 2006

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate As Amended

Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Submit a State Plan Amendment To Exempt Retirement and Educational Assets from Calculations for Medicaid Eligibility

S.P. 102 L.D. 362
(C "A" S-387)

Bill "An Act To Add Rivers, Streams and Brooks to the Department of Environmental Protection's Compensation Fee Program"

S.P. 601 L.D. 1777
(C "A" S-385)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Prohibiting the Use of Handheld Phones and Devices While Driving" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 653 L.D. 1901
(C "A" S-386)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

An Act To Increase Access to and Reduce the Cost of Epinephrine Autoinjectors by Amending the Definition of "Epinephrine Autoinjector"

S.P. 674 L.D. 1972
(C "A" S-379)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and, having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Make March Maine Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

S.P. 719 L.D. 2029
(C "A" S-378)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and, having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

Acts

An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Ancient Burying Grounds

H.P. 777 L.D. 1054
(C "A" H-669)

An Act To Clarify the Financial Reporting Responsibilities of Political Action Committees and Ballot Question Committees

S.P. 641 L.D. 1869
(C "A" S-377)

An Act To Modify the Financial Disclosure Requirements for a Governor-elect

S.P. 643 L.D. 1871
(C "A" S-376)

An Act Regarding the Naming of Bridges and Designating Bridge 5818 as the Specialist Wade A. Slack Memorial Bridge

H.P. 1341 L.D. 1875

An Act To Repeal and Replace the Canton Water District Charter
H.P. 1346 L.D. 1880
(C "A" H-670)

An Act Regarding the Recommendations of the Federal
Traumatic Brain Injury State Partnership Program Concerning the
Membership of the Acquired Brain Injury Advisory Council
H.P. 1349 L.D. 1883

An Act To Establish First Responders Day on September 11th
H.P. 1362 L.D. 1908
(C "A" H-668)

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and, having been signed by the
President, were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for
approval.

Resolve

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services
To Review the State's Public Health Infrastructure
H.P. 190 L.D. 227
(C "A" H-667)

FINALLY PASSED and, having been signed by the President,
was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

Off Record Remarks

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

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

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

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Lower Health Care Costs"
S.P. 755 L.D. 2110

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Speaker GIDEON of Freeport and Senators:
BELLOWS of Kennebec, BREEN of Cumberland, CARPENTER
of Aroostook, HERBIG of Waldo, LIBBY of Androscoggin,
SANBORN, H. of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc,
Representative: TEPLER of Topsham.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council
pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Bill "An Act To Establish Patient Protections in Billing for Health
Care"

S.P. 756 L.D. 2111

Presented by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham and
Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, CARPENTER of Aroostook,
HERBIG of Waldo, President JACKSON of Aroostook, LIBBY of
Androscoggin, SANBORN, H. of Cumberland, VITELLI of
Sagadahoc, Representative: Speaker GIDEON of Freeport.
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council
pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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.

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

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Pursuant to Public Law

The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An
Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Commission To
Study Long-term Care Workforce Issues"
H.P. 1504 L.D. 2109

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, pursuant to Public Law,
chapter 343, Part BBBB, section 1.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**
and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND**
HUMAN SERVICES.

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

Bill and accompanying papers **REFERRED** to the Committee on
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, 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, February 20, 2020 at 10:00 in the morning.