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ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
4th Legislative Day
Tuesday, January 17, 2023

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Honorable Meldon H. Carmichael, Greenbush.
National Anthem by Annette Young Burns, Charlene Walsh, Mary Young and Laura Young, Owls Head.
Pledge of Allegiance.
Doctor of the day, Sydney Sewall, M.D., Hallowell.
The Journal of Tuesday, January 10, 2023 was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 29)

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

January 11, 2023
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under 22 MRSA, Subtitle 3, Part 3, Ch. 1058 (2) (B), I have reappointed Representative Margaret Craven of Lewiston to the *Maine Children's Trust Incorporated*, effective immediately.
Representative Craven will continue to serve on this board as the member of the House of Representatives.
Please contact my office if you have any questions regarding this reappointment.
Sincerely,
S/Rachel Talbot Ross
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Under suspension of the rules, members were allowed to remove their jackets.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 30)

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

January 11, 2023
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, Part 10-A, Ch. 319, §3371.2-B, I am pleased to reappoint the Honorable Bruce White of Waterville as a member of the House to the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission, effective immediately.
Furthermore, I am pleased to appoint the Honorable Michael Lajoie of Lewiston and the Honorable Daniel Newman of Belgrade as members of the House to the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission, effective immediately.

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

Sincerely,
S/Rachel Talbot Ross
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 25)

**MAINE HEALTH AND HIGHER
EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY
127 COMMUNITY DRIVE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330**

January 11, 2023
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority due by February 1, 2023.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you need additional information. I can be reached at 622-1958 or by email at Terry@mhhefa.com.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Terry Hayes
Executive Director

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 26)

**MAINE GOVERNMENTAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY
127 COMMUNITY DRIVE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330**

January 11, 2023
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority due by February 1, 2023.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you need additional information. I can be reached at 622-9386 or by email at Terry@mgfa.com.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Terry Hayes
Executive Director

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 27)

**MAINE MUNICIPAL BOND BANK
127 COMMUNITY DRIVE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330**

January 11, 2023

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

3 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank due by February 1, 2023.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you need additional information. I can be reached at 622-9386 or by email at Terry@mmbb.com.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Terry Hayes

Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 28)

MIDCOAST REGIONAL REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

January 10, 2023

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

3 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

The Honorable Rachell Talbot Ross

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Mr. President and Madam Speaker:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority.

MARRA was created in 2006 by the Maine Legislature (5 MRSA §13083-G) as a municipal corporation charged with the responsibility to implement the reuse master plans for Naval Air Station Brunswick (NAS Brunswick) and the Topsham Annex, which closed as a result of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process.

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

Sincerely,

S/Jeffrey K. Jordan

Deputy Director

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

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Resolve, to Improve Standards for Animal Rescue Entities
(H.P. 98) (L.D. 157)

Sponsored by Representative PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft. (BY REQUEST)

Bill "An Act to Facilitate the Construction of a Firehouse by Sinclair Township"

(H.P. 100) (L.D. 159)

Sponsored by Representative ALBERT of Madawaska.

Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Community-based Services for Youth Involved in the Juvenile Justice System"

(H.P. 96) (L.D. 155)

Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.

Bill "An Act Regarding Criminal Background Checks for the Sale, Transfer or Exchange of Firearms"

(H.P. 109) (L.D. 168)

Sponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representative: SALISBURY of Westbrook.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Special Education Funding for So-called Minimum Receiver School Administration Units"

(H.P. 95) (L.D. 154)

Sponsored by Representative MATHIESON of Kittery.

Cosponsored by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock and Representatives: CRAFTS of Newcastle, DAVIS of East Machias, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, SARGENT of York, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor.

Bill "An Act to Require Outdoor Recess Time for Students from Grade 6 to Grade 8"

(H.P. 97) (L.D. 156)

Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, DODGE of Belfast, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, Senator: ROTUNDO of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Responsibility for Technology Instruction Marketing Costs by the Maine Community College System"

(H.P. 114) (L.D. 173)

Sponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington.

Cosponsored by Representative BOYLE of Gorham and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DRINKWATER of Milford, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senators: BLACK of Franklin, President JACKSON of Aroostook, LYFORD of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to Return the Name of the Maine Community College System to the Maine Technical College System" (H.P. 115) (L.D. 174)

Sponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington. Cosponsored by Senator LYFORD of Penobscot and Representatives: BOYLE of Gorham, DRINKWATER of Milford, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, THORNE of Carmel, Senators: BLACK of Franklin, President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Use of Municipal Waste-to-energy Processes as a Source of Renewable Energy" (H.P. 116) (L.D. 175)

Sponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington. Cosponsored by Senator LYFORD of Penobscot and Representatives: DRINKWATER of Milford, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, Senator: BLACK of Franklin.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Authority of the Public Utilities Commission Regarding Special Rate Contracts" (H.P. 118) (L.D. 177)

Sponsored by Representative FOSTER of Dexter. Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** and ordered printed. Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Fund the Lake Restoration and Protection Fund" (H.P. 105) (L.D. 164)

Sponsored by Representative BRIDGEO of Augusta. Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, HASENFUS of Readfield, LaROCHELLE of Augusta, NUTTING of Oakland.

Bill "An Act to Amend and Clarify the Laws Governing Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances and Other Harmful Chemicals" (H.P. 110) (L.D. 169)

Sponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington. Cosponsored by Representatives: DRINKWATER of Milford, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, Senator: BLACK of Franklin.

Bill "An Act to Provide That All Rules Regarding Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Are Major Substantive Rules" (H.P. 112) (L.D. 171)

Sponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington. Cosponsored by Senator BLACK of Franklin and Representatives: BOYLE of Gorham, DRINKWATER of Milford, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, THORNE of Carmel, Senator: LYFORD of Penobscot.

Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Establish a Substance Use Disorder Hotline and Consultation and Clinical Supervision Program" (H.P. 103) (L.D. 162)

Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville. Cosponsored by Senator BEEBE-CENTER of Knox and Representatives: KUHN of Falmouth, PERRY of Calais, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, ZAGER of Portland.

Bill "An Act to Allow Health Care Workers to Return to Work by Reinstating Exemptions from Immunization Requirements" (H.P. 113) (L.D. 172)

Sponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland. Cosponsored by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin and Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, CARLOW of Buxton, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, PAUL of Winterport, THERIAULT of Fort Kent, Senators: BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, MOORE of Washington.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Safety of Patients and Staff at the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center and the Riverview Psychiatric Center" (H.P. 117) (L.D. 176)

Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville. Cosponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec and Representatives: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, LaROCHELLE of Augusta, RECKITT of South Portland, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, Senator: BEEBE-CENTER of Knox.

Bill "An Act to Provide MaineCare Coverage for Doula Services" (H.P. 122) (L.D. 198)

Sponsored by Representative MATHIESON of Kittery. Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: DHALAC of South Portland, MADIGAN of Waterville, Senators: BAILEY of York, CARNEY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act to Improve the Health of Maine Residents by Removing Exclusions to the MaineCare Program" (H.P. 123) (L.D. 199)

Sponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland. Cosponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland and Representatives: DHALAC of South Portland, GATTINE of Westbrook, MEYER of Eliot, RANA of Bangor, ZAGER of Portland, Senators: INGWERSEN of York, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act to Require Medicaid Coverage for Certain Children Under 7 Years of Age" (H.P. 124) (L.D. 200)

Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville. Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed. Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Create a Training License and Program for Certain Advanced Practice Providers" (H.P. 99) (L.D. 158)

Sponsored by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland. Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Practicing Chiropractic Without a License" (H.P. 101) (L.D. 160)

Sponsored by Representative LIBBY of Auburn. Cosponsored by Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, MORRIS of Turner, WHITE of Waterville, ZAGER of Portland.

Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Change the Term "Woodsmen" to "Woodsperson" in the Junior Maine Guide Program

(H.P. 93) (L.D. 152)

Sponsored by Representative DILL of Old Town. (BY REQUEST)

Cosponsored by Representatives: HEPLER of Woolwich, LANDRY of Farmington, Senator: CURRY of Waldo.

Bill "An Act to Increase Communication Between the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and Lifetime License Holders by Requiring Free License Renewals Under Certain Circumstances"

(H.P. 104) (L.D. 163)

Sponsored by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich.

Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Authority of the Director of the Real Estate Commission to Dismiss Certain Claims That Do Not Allege Violations of Law or Rules"

(H.P. 111) (L.D. 170)

Sponsored by Representative ARATA of New Gloucester.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, MORRIS of Turner, SMITH of Palermo.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Address Employee Retention at the Maine State Police Crime Laboratory and the Computer Crimes Unit in the Department of Public Safety"

(H.P. 121) (L.D. 197)

Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland.

Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senators: HARRINGTON of York, HICKMAN of Kennebec.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow Electronic Distribution of Certain Documents to Municipalities and Electronic Acknowledgment of Receipt of Certain Documents as Acceptable Communications" (H.P. 94) (L.D. 153)

Sponsored by Representative DODGE of Belfast.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BELL of Yarmouth, DHALAC of South Portland, MATLACK of St. George, PLUECKER of Warren, ROBERTS of South Berwick, WARREN of Scarborough, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, ZEIGLER of Montville.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Governor's Salary"

(H.P. 106) (L.D. 165)

Sponsored by Representative BRIDGEO of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Representative: MILLETT of Waterford.

Bill "An Act to Provide Revenue for Property Tax Relief and Capital Infrastructure Projects"

(H.P. 107) (L.D. 166)

Sponsored by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor.

Cosponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland and Representatives: RIELLY of Westbrook, SUPICA of Bangor, ZAGER of Portland, Senators: CHIPMAN of Cumberland, DUSON of Cumberland.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Eligibility for the Maine Resident Homestead Property Tax Exemption"

(H.P. 108) (L.D. 167)

Sponsored by Representative BELL of Yarmouth.

Bill "An Act to Exempt Gold Star Parents from Income Tax"

(H.P. 119) (L.D. 195)

Sponsored by Representative HAGGAN of Hampden.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Modify the Law Regarding Tinted Glass in Motor Vehicles"

(H.P. 102) (L.D. 161)

Sponsored by Representative LANIGAN of Sanford.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BOYER of Poland, FREDERICKS of Sanford, SAYRE of Kennebunk.

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Pursuant to Statute

Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission

Representative MOONEN for the **Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 18-C, section 1-803, subsection 2 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission for Amending the Maine Uniform Probate Code and Related Provisions of Law"

(H.P. 120) (L.D. 196)

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

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

The following item was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

Bill "An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations from the General Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 127) (L.D. 206)

Sponsored by Representative SACHS of Freeport. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

ORDERS

On motion of Representative SHEEHAN of Biddeford, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 92) (Cosponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec and Representatives: HYMES of Waldo, MORIARTY of Cumberland, O'CONNELL of Brewer, TERRY of Gorham, THORNE of Carmel, ZAGER of Portland, Senator: NANGLE of Cumberland)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 81ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR

WHEREAS, on December 7, 1941, without warning and minutes before 8 a.m., aircraft of the Imperial Japanese Navy and Air Force attacked United States military installations at Pearl Harbor and elsewhere on the island of Oahu, Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, the bulk of the attack at Pearl Harbor lasted for approximately 5 hours, during which 2,403 members of the United States Armed Forces were killed or mortally wounded, 1,247 members of the Armed Forces were wounded and 57 civilians lost their lives; and

WHEREAS, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt declared the day of the attack on Pearl Harbor "a date which will live in infamy," and the people of the United States became united in remembrance of the fallen and committed to defending the United States against all aggressors; and

WHEREAS, the following day, on December 8, 1941, Congress declared war against Japan and 3 days later against Germany, thus beginning the United States' involvement in a global conflict that would define a generation; and

WHEREAS, after nearly 4 years of warfare, on September 2, 1945, after victory on the European front, World War II ended with the Japanese surrendering aboard the USS Missouri; and

WHEREAS, on August 23, 1994, Congress enacted Public Law 103-308, which designated December 7th of each year as National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day and requests the President to issue each year a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day with appropriate ceremonies and activities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize the 81st anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor and the lasting significance of National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day and to honor both those who survived the attack and all those who paid the ultimate sacrifice and gave their lives in defense of freedom and liberty during World War II.

READ and ADOPTED.

Sent for concurrence.

On motion of Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 125) (Cosponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec and Senator: DUSON of Cumberland)

JOINT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE OBSERVANCE OF THE NATIONAL DAY OF RACIAL HEALING 2023

WHEREAS, racial divisiveness is rising in America's urban, rural and tribal communities and threatens the very core of this great country's unified front; and

WHEREAS, just as with those who came before us, it is our duty to protect those who live in this State and maintain communities in which they may all be given the opportunity to succeed; and

WHEREAS, we understand and recognize that there is a racial divide in our country and that we must all work earnestly to heal the wounds created by racial, ethnic and religious bias and build an equitable and just society so that all people can thrive; and

WHEREAS, children have the right to every opportunity to learn, grow and thrive in nurturing environments that do not violate their safety, dignity or humanity; and

WHEREAS, all persons have the capability to make a simple change within themselves that can have a profound positive effect on an entire society; and

WHEREAS, if we all dedicate ourselves to the principles of truth, racial healing and transformation, we can all bring about the necessary changes in thinking and behavior that will propel this great country forward as a unified force where racial biases will become a thing of the past; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, in conjunction with others throughout the United States of America, acknowledge January 17, 2023 as the National Day of Racial Healing.

READ and ADOPTED.

Sent for concurrence.

On motion of Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 126) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, ADAMS of Lebanon, ALBERT of Madawaska, ANDREWS of Paris, ANKELES of Brunswick, ARATA of New Gloucester, ARDELL of Monticello, ARFORD of Brunswick, BABIN of Fort Fairfield, BAGSHAW of Windham, BELL of Yarmouth, BLIER of Buxton, BOYER of Poland, BOYLE of Gorham, BRADSTREET of Vassalboro,

BRENNAN of Portland, BRIDGEO of Augusta, CAMPBELL of Orrington, CARLOW of Buxton, CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, COLLAMORE of Waldoboro, COLLINGS of Portland, COPELAND of Saco, COSTAIN of Plymouth, CRAFTS of Newcastle, CRAVEN of Lewiston, CRAY of Palmyra, CROCKETT of Portland, CYRWAY of Albion, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, DAVIS of East Machias, DHALAC of South Portland, DILL of Old Town, DODGE of Belfast, DOUDERA of Camden, DRINKWATER of Milford, DUCHARME of Madison, DUNPHY of Embden, EATON of Deer Isle, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, FAY of Raymond, FOSTER of Dexter, FREDERICKS of Sanford, GALLETTA of Durham, GATTINE of Westbrook, GEIGER of Rockland, GERE of Kennebunkport, GIFFORD of Lincoln, GOLEK of Harpswell, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, GREENWOOD of Wales, GRIFFIN of Levant, GUERRETTE of Caribou, HAGGAN of Hampden, HALL of Wilton, HASENFUS of Readfield, HENDERSON of Rumford, HEPLER of Woolwich, HOBBS of Wells, HYMES of Waldo, JACKSON of Oxford, JAUCH of Topsham, JAVNER of Chester, KESSLER of South Portland, KUHN of Falmouth, LAJOIE of Lewiston, LANDRY of Farmington, LANIGAN of Sanford, LaROCHELLE of Augusta, LAVIGNE of Berwick, LEE of Auburn, LEMELIN of Chelsea, LIBBY of Auburn, LOOKNER of Portland, LYMAN of Livermore Falls, MADIGAN of Waterville, MALON of Biddeford, MASON of Lisbon, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, MATHIESON of Kittery, MATLACK of St. George, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Waterford, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, MONTELL of Gardiner, MOONEN of Portland, MORIARTY of Cumberland, MORRIS of Turner, MURPHY of Scarborough, NESS of Fryeburg, NEWMAN of Belgrade, NUTTING of Oakland, O'CONNELL of Brewer, O'NEIL of Saco, OSHER of Orono, PARRY of Arundel, PAUL of Winterport, PAULHUS of Bath, PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft, PERRY of Calais, PERRY of Bangor, PLUECKER of Warren, POIRIER of Skowhegan, POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset, POMERLEAU of Standish, PRINGLE of Windham, QUINT of Hodgdon, RANA of Bangor, RECKITT of South Portland, RIELLY of Westbrook, RISEMAN of Harrison, ROBERTS of South Berwick, ROEDER of Bangor, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, RUNTE of York, RUSSELL of Verona Island, SACHS of Freeport, SALISBURY of Westbrook, SAMPSON of Alfred, SARGENT of York, SAYRE of Kennebunk, SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, SHAW of Auburn, SHEEHAN of Biddeford, SKOLD of Portland, SMITH of Palermo, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, STOVER of Boothbay, STROUT of Harrington, SUPICA of Bangor, SWALLOW of Houlton, TERRY of Gorham, THERIAULT of Fort Kent, THORNE of Carmel, UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle, WALKER of Naples, WARREN of Scarborough, WHITE of Waterville, WHITE of Guilford, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, WOOD of Greene, WOODSOME of Waterboro, WORTH of Ellsworth, ZAGER of Portland, ZEIGLER of Montville, Senators: BAILEY of York, BALDACCI of Penobscot, BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, BENNETT of Oxford, BLACK of Franklin, BRAKEY of Androscoggin, BRENNER of Cumberland, CARNEY of Cumberland, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, CURRY of Waldo, DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, DUSON of Cumberland, FARRIN of Somerset, GROHOSKI of Hancock, GUERIN of Penobscot, HARRINGTON of York, HICKMAN of Kennebec, INGWERSEN of York, President JACKSON of Aroostook, KEIM of Oxford, LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec, LAWRENCE of York, LIBBY of Cumberland, LYFORD of Penobscot, MOORE of Washington, NANGLE of Cumberland, PIERCE of Cumberland, POULIOT of

Kennebec, RAFFERTY of York, RENY of Lincoln, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, STEWART of Aroostook, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, TIPPING of Penobscot, VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

**JOINT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**

WHEREAS, January 16, 2023 marks the national and state holiday in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., commemorating his birth on January 15, 1929; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a Baptist minister who advocated the furtherance of civil and human rights for all Americans through nonviolence; and

WHEREAS, this man of great spirit showed this country a dream of "an oasis of freedom and justice"; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King, a model of an American patriot, provided the nation with one of the most prophetic and influential voices in our history; and

WHEREAS, for his tireless work to ensure equality and justice, Dr. King was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, a high and honorable distinction, in 1964; and

WHEREAS, his eloquence, his perseverance and his faith moved mountains and brought about landmark legal and social changes by appealing to the better instincts and consciences of his fellow human beings; and

WHEREAS, the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., which ended so tragically on April 4, 1968, is a shining example to Americans and citizens of the world at large of uncompromising dedication to the highest ideals; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Gerald Talbot of Portland submitted legislation in 1975 to create a day commemorating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. prior to the federal legislation creating the holiday; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to acknowledge the extraordinary life and works of this teacher, reformer and humanitarian, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and pause in our deliberations to recognize and commemorate the occasion of his birth.

READ and ADOPTED.

Sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

In accordance with House Rule 519 and Joint Rule 213, the following item:

Recognizing:

the Maine Central Institute eSports Team, of Pittsfield, which won the first-ever Maine Principals' Association eSports State Championship in Super Smash Brothers Ultimate. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

(HLS 20)

Presented by Representative COLLAMORE of Pittsfield.

Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

On motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending **PASSAGE** and later today assigned.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following matter, in the consideration of which the House was engaged on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

Bill "An Act Regarding Municipal Efforts to Avert Evictions and Heating Shut-offs During Winter" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 75) (L.D. 107)

(Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested)

TABLED - January 10, 2023 (Till Later Today) by Representative COPELAND of Saco.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Allow a Person to File a Paper Copy of a Timber Harvest Notification Form"

(S.P. 84) (L.D. 180)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Support Reentry and Reintegration into the Community"

(S.P. 82) (L.D. 178)

Bill "An Act to Provide Support for Restorative Justice Practices in Maine"

(S.P. 83) (L.D. 179)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide Excess General Fund Revenue to the School Revolving Renovation Fund and the Education Stabilization Fund"

(S.P. 97) (L.D. 193)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Ensure Safe Access to Schools by Implementing Interlocking Door Controller Technology"

(S.P. 104) (L.D. 204)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Resource Fund"

(S.P. 91) (L.D. 187)

Bill "An Act to Update and Clarify the Public Utilities Commission's Reporting Requirements"

(S.P. 100) (L.D. 194)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require the Department of Environmental Protection to Pay for Certain Water Tests for Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 92) (L.D. 188)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Child Welfare"

(S.P. 81) (L.D. 151)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Implement Secure Children's Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility Services

(S.P. 85) (L.D. 181)

Bill "An Act to Create a 9-month Time Limit on General Assistance Benefits for Able-bodied Adults Without Dependents"

(S.P. 86) (L.D. 182)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate Time Limits on the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program into Municipal General Assistance Programs"

(S.P. 87) (L.D. 183)

Bill "An Act to Develop a Long-term Plan to Address Mental Health Needs in Rural Maine"

(S.P. 94) (L.D. 190)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Include an Expanded Archery Permit in the Super Pack License Issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife"

(S.P. 93) (L.D. 189)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow Incentive Continuity Following a Catastrophic Occurrence Under the Pine Tree Development Zone and Major Food Processing and Manufacturing Facility Expansion Tax Credit Programs"

(S.P. 80) (L.D. 150)

Bill "An Act to Provide for the 2023 and 2024 Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 88) (L.D. 184)

Bill "An Act to Exempt Certain Motor Vehicle Dealers from Display Area Size Requirements"

(S.P. 103) (L.D. 203)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Prosecutor Positions"

(S.P. 90) (L.D. 186)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Reduce the Benefit Penalty Imposed on Career Educators Who Retire After 35 Years of Service"

(S.P. 89) (L.D. 185)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Certain Business Equipment Tax Benefits"

(S.P. 95) (L.D. 191)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Concerning the Future of Clean Election Funding"

(S.P. 96) (L.D. 192)

Bill "An Act to Make Permanent the Ability of Certain Retailers and Distilleries to Sell Liquor for Off-premises Consumption and Cocktails for On-premises Consumption"

(S.P. 101) (L.D. 201)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Requirements for Off-premises Sales by Cannabis Store Licensees" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 102) (L.D. 202)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Update the Reimbursement for Travel-related Expenses Incurred as a Result of the Performance of Legislative Duties" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 105) (L.D. 205)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** in concurrence.

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 106)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, January 24, 2023, at 10:00 in the morning, or until the call of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, respectively.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **PASSED**.

READ and **PASSED** in concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

On motion of Representative MOONEN of Portland, the House adjourned at 12:21 p.m., until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 24, 2023, or until the call of the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate, respectively, pursuant to the Joint Order (S.P. 106) and in honor and lasting tribute to Debra Silver of Hollis, Rick G. Thayer of Kittery, Charles T. McHugh of Baileyville, Remy Pettengill of South China and the Honorable Mary Been Najarian of Falmouth.