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ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
4th Legislative Day
Wednesday, April 12, 2023

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

Prayer by Honorable Caleb Joshua Ness, Fryeburg.
National Anthem by Honorable Tammy L. Schmersal-Burgess, Mexico.
Pledge of Allegiance.
The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

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

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Refer to the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services Pursuant to Joint Order

Report of the **Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services** on Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Stakeholder Group Convened by the Emergency Medical Services' Board on Financial Health of Ambulance Services"

(S.P. 634) (L.D. 1602)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** pursuant to Joint Order 2023, S.P. 594.

Came from the Senate with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** in concurrence.

Refer to the Committee on Judiciary Pursuant to Joint Order

Report of the **Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary** on Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Committee To Ensure Constitutionally Adequate Contact with Counsel"

(S.P. 635) (L.D. 1603)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** pursuant to Joint Order 2023, S.P. 594.

Came from the Senate with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** in concurrence.

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

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Resolution: (S.P. 633)
JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 3, 2023 TO APRIL 9, 2023 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

WHEREAS, approximately 29 million people still lack health insurance in the United States, and the uninsured are less likely to receive preventive care and less likely to seek care as quickly when they are sick, resulting in higher costs when they do seek treatment; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, health care spending represented 17.5% of the nation's gross domestic product, and it is expected to reach 20.1% by 2025; and

WHEREAS, rising health care costs contribute to the nation's federal deficit and reduce the ability to spend in other important areas including education, housing and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the United States spends far more on medical care than any other industrialized nation, but is ranked 26 out of 43 in terms of life expectancy, and the overall United States death rate has increased, leading to a drop in overall life expectancy for the first time since 1993, particularly among people younger than 65; and

WHEREAS, only 3% of the nation's health care spending is focused on prevention and public health, when chronic conditions, which are the most common, costly and preventable of all health problems, account for 86% of the nation's health care costs; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, 7 in 10 deaths are related to chronic diseases such as obesity, diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease and cancer, which are largely preventable, and 90% of health care dollars are spent treating such diseases, with only 3 cents of each health care dollar spent in the United States going toward prevention; and

WHEREAS, health inequities related to income and access to coverage exist across demographic lines, but African Americans of all ages are more than twice as likely to die from diabetes than white persons, and Hispanic high school students are 80% more likely to have attempted suicide than non-Hispanic white high school students; and

WHEREAS, March 23, 2023 marked the 13th anniversary of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and during open enrollment for 2023, nearly 16,400,000 consumers selected or were automatically re-enrolled in health insurance coverage; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize April 3, 2023 to April 9, 2023 as National Public Health Week, and to express our support for expanding health care coverage and lowering health care costs for Maine families.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.
READ and **ADOPTED** in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 126)

**STATE OF MAINE
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April 12, 2023

Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Talbot Ross:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the following Joint Standing Committees have voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass:"

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

L.D. 1150 Resolve, Requiring the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to Document, Disclose and Publish All Best Management Practices Regarding the Use of Noise Devices to Control Birds at Orchards (EMERGENCY)

Education and Cultural Affairs

L.D. 271 An Act Requiring the University of Maine System and the Maine Community College System to Offer a For-credit Course on Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting and Trapping

L.D. 837 An Act to Ensure College Credit Classes Taken in Secondary School Are Credited at the University Level

L.D. 944 An Act to Allow Refugees, Asylees and Asylum Seekers to Qualify for In-state Tuition

Judiciary

L.D. 41 An Act to Increase the Hourly Reimbursement Rate of the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services Lawyers to \$150 per Hour (EMERGENCY)

L.D. 557 An Act to Decrease Discrimination Based on Evictions in Housing Applications

L.D. 558 An Act Regarding Rental Housing Applications

L.D. 681 An Act Regarding Indigent Legal Services

L.D. 690 An Act to Streamline Rental Application Screenings by Allowing Potential Tenants to Use Screening Services

Veterans and Legal Affairs

L.D. 1032 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Specify the Qualifications of Electors

L.D. 1055 An Act to Prohibit the Use of Ballot Drop Boxes

L.D. 1109 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Create Consistent Election Dates for Citizen-initiated Referenda in Even-numbered Election Years

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Sanford, Representative Mastraccio, who wishes to address the House on the record.

Representative **MASTRACCIO**: Thank you, Madam Speaker, Women and Men of the House. I rise today to honor Leon Tanguay, who passed away in January at the age of 98. Yesterday would've been his 99th birthday. Mr. Tanguay was a

veteran of the United States Army, serving in World War II. Drafted in 1943, just short of his 19th birthday, he headed for England and the invasion of Normandy. As an Army scout, Leon had gone out ahead of his platoon as they made their way inland from the Beaches of Normandy. Alone, just outside of Sancerre, France, he was captured by the Germans. He spent nine months as a prisoner of war in Germany. He and other prisoners spent most of their time working on Germany's railroad. Leon witnessed Nazi cruelty firsthand. By April of 1945, the Germans had fled in anticipation of the arrival of the Allied Forces and he and his fellow prisoners were ultimately liberated. After the war, Leon married, bought a house and raised a family of five children in Sanford. He worked as a mason, well-known for his stone fireplaces, until he retired at the age of 85. When he passed, he was still living in the same house he had purchased after the war. In 2022, the street where he lived was renamed Tanguay Street in his honor. Leon Tanguay was a much-beloved member of the Sanford community and a regular participant at any event honoring those who serve our country. He was well aware that he was one of the lucky ones and celebrated that fact every day. He will be long-remembered and missed by all who knew him. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Portland, Representative Moonen, who wishes to address the House on the record.

Representative **MOONEN**: Thank you, Madam Speaker. In 2019, which was the 75th anniversary of the Allies landing in France on D-Day, I had the extraordinary opportunity to join a delegation of legislative leaders from around the country on an NCSL trip to Normandy. We spent a week talking across party lines and learning from each other as well as touring the key beaches, battlefields, and towns of D-Day and the days that followed. One of those days, we visited the American Cemetery, where we laid a wreath at the memorial to the thousands of Americans lost in Normandy. Then we stayed for the lowering of the flags that occurs just before the cemetery closes for the day. In a you-can't-make-this-stuff-up moment, there was someone else present for that flag-lowering; 95-year-old Leon Tanguay of Sanford, Maine. As you heard, Leon fought in France, he earned the Silver Star, and he was captured and held as a prisoner of war in Nazi Germany for nine months. That trip in 2019 was his very first time returning to Normandy in the 75 years since the war ended. Meeting Leon and his family and friends from Sanford and Shapleigh who accompanied him on his return trip and watching him speak in both English and French, with so many people coming up to him and thanking him and wishing him well, added so much more to an incredibly moving day.

Last summer, I saw Leon at a Memorial Day event at the Veterans Cemetery in Sanford. I was so excited to see him again, though I do have to admit he was a lot more excited to see the Chief Executive. He was in great spirits and he told us about his plans for another return trip to Normandy for his upcoming 100th birthday. I'm so sorry that trip won't happen but I am so grateful for the incredible coincidence of timing that allowed me to meet Leon in Normandy that day and for his life of service to Maine, to our country and to freedom and democracy around the world. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act to Prohibit All State Subsidies for Electric Vehicles"

(H.P. 1048) (L.D. 1623)

Sponsored by Representative RUDNICKI of Fairfield.

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 Regarding Environmental Justice"

(H.P. 1046) (L.D. 1621)

Sponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: BELL of Yarmouth, BRIDGEO of Augusta, DOUDERA of Camden, FAY of Raymond, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, HOBBS of Wells, Senators: BRENNER of Cumberland, CARNEY of Cumberland.

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 Streamline the Process for Amending a Birth Certificate of an Adult When Genetic Parentage is Not Disputed"

(H.P. 1049) (L.D. 1624)

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

Cosponsored by Senator HARRINGTON of York and Representatives: ARDELL of Monticello, BOYER of Poland, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, DUNPHY of Embden, LAJOIE of Lewiston, NESS of Fryeburg, NEWMAN of Belgrade, Senator: LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Mi'kmaq Nation"

(H.P. 1045) (L.D. 1620)

Sponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representative: DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe.

Resolve, to Reestablish the Criminal Records Review Committee

(H.P. 1047) (L.D. 1622)

Sponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland and Representatives: BOYER of Poland, MOONEN of Portland, SALISBURY of Westbrook, Senators: BAILEY of York, BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, BENNETT of Oxford.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Improve Maine's Reproductive Privacy Laws"

(H.P. 1044) (L.D. 1619)

Sponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, ARFORD of Brunswick, BELL of Yarmouth, BOYLE of Gorham, BRENNAN of Portland, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, COLLINGS of Portland, COPELAND of Saco, CRAFTS of Newcasttle, CRAVEN of Lewiston, CROCKETT of Portland, DHALAC of South Portland, DILL of Old Town, DODGE of Belfast, DOUDERA of Camden, EATON of Deer Isle, FAY of Raymond, GATTINE of Westbrook, GEIGER of Rockland, GERE of Kennebunkport, GOLEK of Harpswell, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, HASENFUS of Readfield, HEPLER of Woolwich, HOBBS of Wells, JAUCH of Topsham, KESSLER of South Portland, KUHN of Falmouth, LANDRY of Farmington, LaROCHELLE of Augusta, LEE of Auburn, LOOKNER of Portland, MADIGAN of Waterville, MALON of Biddeford, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, MATHIESON of Kittery, MATLACK of St. George, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, MONTELL of Gardiner, MOONEN of Portland, MORIARTY of Cumberland, MURPHY of Scarborough, O'CONNELL of Brewer, O'NEIL of Saco, OSHER of Orono, PAULHUS of Bath, PLUECKER of Warren, PRINGLE of Windham, RANA of Bangor, RECKITT of South Portland, RIELLY of Westbrook, RISEMAN of Harrison, ROBERTS of South Berwick, ROEDER of Bangor, RUNTE of York, SACHS of Freeport, SALISBURY of Westbrook, SARGENT of York, SAYRE of Kennebunk, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, SHAW of Auburn, SHEEHAN of Biddeford, SKOLD of Portland, STOVER of Boothbay, SUPICA of Bangor, TERRY of Gorham, WARREN of Scarborough, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, WORTH of Ellsworth, ZAGER of Portland, ZEIGLER of Montville, Senators: BAILEY of York, BALDACCI of Penobscot, BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, BRENNER of Cumberland, CARNEY of Cumberland, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, DUSON of Cumberland, GROHOSKI of Hancock, INGWERSEN of York, LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec, LAWRENCE of York, NANGLE of Cumberland, PIERCE of Cumberland, RAFFERTY of York, RENY of Lincoln, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, TIPPING of Penobscot, VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested.

Representative ARATA of New Gloucester **REQUESTED** a roll call on the motion to **REFER** the Bill to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from New Gloucester, Representative Arata.

Representative **ARATA**: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, this bill does not belong in the Judiciary Committee because it legalizes late-term abortion until birth for any reason, with no penalties for those who perform abortions without medical licensing or training. It has no business being referred to the Judiciary Committee. The Judiciary members have no frame of reference for specifically how an abortion of a fully-developed baby would be performed. Judiciary Committee members do not have expertise on how much pain dismemberment prior to removal from the uterus would cause to the baby. Judiciary Committee members do not have expertise on the physical and emotional damage late-term abortion causes, including death. The Judiciary Committee does not

have expertise on whether such a bill will lead to rapists coming to Maine to get abortions performed on rape victims by unlicensed people in order to cover up the evidence of the rape. Madam Speaker, this bill is beneath the dignity of this Body and should die here today before it has a chance to kill anybody. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Reference to the Committee on Judiciary. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 30

YEA - Abdi, Ankeles, Arford, Bell, Boyle, Brennan, Bridgeo, Cloutier, Cluchey, Collings, Copeland, Crafts, Craven, Crockett, Dhalac, Dill, Dodge, Doudera, Fay, Gattine, Geiger, Golek, Graham, Gramlich, Hasenus, Hepler, Hobbs, Jauch, Kessler, Kuhn, Lajoie, Landry, LaRochelle, Lee, Madigan, Mastraccio, Mathieson, Matlack, Meyer, Millett R, Milliken, Moonen, Moriarty, Murphy, O'Neil, Osher, Paulhus, Perry A, Perry J, Pluecker, Pringle, Rana, Reckitt, Rielly, Riseman, Roeder, Runte, Russell, Sachs, Salisbury, Sayre, Shagoury, Sheehan, Skold, Stover, Supica, Terry, Williams, Worth, Zager, Zeigler, Madam Speaker.

NAY - Albert, Andrews, Arata, Ardell, Babin, Bagshaw, Blier, Boyer, Bradstreet, Campbell, Carlow, Carmichael, Collamore, Costain, Cray, Cyrway, Davis, Drinkwater, Ducharme, Dunphy, Faulkingham, Foster, Fredericks, Gifford, Greenwood, Griffin, Guerrette, Hall, Henderson, Hymes, Jackson, Javner, Lavigne, Lemelin, Libby, Lyman, Mason, Millett H, Ness, Newman, Nutting, Parry, Poirier, Polewarczyk, Pomerleau, Quint, Rudnicki, Sampson, Schmersal-Burgess, Smith, Soboleski, Strout, Swallow, Theriault, Thorne, Underwood, Walker, White B, White J, Wood S, Woodsome.

ABSENT - Adams, Eaton, Galletta, Gere, Haggan, Lanigan, Lookner, Malon, Montell, Morris, O'Connell, Paul, Perkins, Roberts, Sargent, Shaw, Warren.

Yes, 72; No, 61; Absent, 17; Vacant, 1; Excused, 0.

72 having voted in the affirmative and 61 voted in the negative, 1 vacancy with 17 being absent, and accordingly the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

ORDERS

On motion of Representative STOVER of Boothbay, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 1050) (Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MADIGAN of Waterville, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, O'NEIL of Saco, RANA of Bangor, SUPICA of Bangor, TERRY of Gorham) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 2023 AS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, sexual assault affects all communities in Maine and people of all races, genders and economic backgrounds, and over 14,000 people in Maine are sexually assaulted each year and one in 5 Maine citizens will experience sexual violence in their lifetimes; and

WHEREAS, the effects of sexual violence have wide-ranging public health ramifications and societal costs, and survivors and their loved ones can experience consequences including mental health crises, substance use disorder, homelessness, lost wages and health care costs, among others; and

WHEREAS, sexual violence affects certain groups more often, and that disproportionate impact is related to historical experiences of marginalization and oppression, providing the evidence that sexual assault is a tool of control and power; and

WHEREAS, systems of support for survivors of sexual assault often have inadequate resources, do not provide adequate options for justice and healing and retraumatize survivors; and

WHEREAS, widespread stigma and misconceptions around sexual violence result in low rates of reporting of crimes, increased isolation and shame for victims and the continuation of cultures of violence; and

WHEREAS, raising awareness in our communities about the causes of and solutions to sexual violence can lead to long-term positive cultural and systemic changes, and building a future free from sexual violence requires us to commit to making those changes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize April 2023 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and to express our support for and encouragement of all those affected by sexual violence; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault as a token of our respect and support.

READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Boothbay, Representative Stover.

Representative **STOVER**: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Sexual Assault Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for us to learn more about preventing sexual violence. It is an opportunity to express our support and encouragement to all who are affected. No one person, organization, agency or community can eliminate sexual violence on their own but we can work together to educate our communities about how we can prevent sexual violence and support survivors in our communities. Please join me as we thank and recognize our local sexual assault support centers and the Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault for their tireless advocacy on behalf of survivors across the State of Maine.

Subsequently, the Joint Resolution was **ADOPTED**. Sent for concurrence.

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

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

Recognizing:

Shawn Vincent, of Auburn, Principal of Bruce M. Whittier Middle School in Poland, who has been named Principal of the Year by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

(HLS 238)

Presented by Representative BOYER of Poland. Cosponsored by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin, Representative FAY of Raymond, Representative LEE of Auburn, Representative LIBBY of Auburn, Representative SHAW of Auburn.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative ARATA of New Gloucester, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE
Divided Reports

Majority Report of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-31)** on **RESOLUTION**, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Establish a Right to a Clean and Healthy Environment (H.P. 575) (L.D. 928)

Signed:

Senators:

BRENNER of Cumberland
CARNEY of Cumberland

Representatives:

GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach
BELL of Yarmouth
BRIDGEO of Augusta
DOUDERA of Camden
HOBBS of Wells
O'NEIL of Saco

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on same **RESOLUTION**.

Signed:

Senator:

LYFORD of Penobscot

Representatives:

CAMPBELL of Orrington
SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico
SOBOLESKI of Phillips
WOODSOME of Waterboro

READ.

On motion of Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard beach, **TABLED** pending **ACCEPTANCE** of either Report and later today assigned.

Majority Report of the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act to Allow Persons 70 Years of Age or Older to Use a Subpermittee to Harvest Deer" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 58) (L.D. 90)

Signed:

Senators:

LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec
BLACK of Franklin
CURRY of Waldo

Representatives:

LANDRY of Farmington
CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham
DILL of Old Town
DRINKWATER of Milford
GOLEK of Harpswell
MASON of Lisbon
WOOD of Greene
WOODSOME of Waterboro

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-28)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

THORNE of Carmel

READ.

On motion of Representative TERRY of Gorham, the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-29)** on Bill "An Act to Simplify the Sale of Food Requirement for Certain Licenses for the Sale of Liquor to Be Consumed on the Licensed Premises" (H.P. 87) (L.D. 141)

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec
BRENNER of Cumberland
TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin

Representatives:

SUPICA of Bangor
ANDREWS of Paris
BOYER of Poland
COLLINGS of Portland
HYMES of Waldo
MALON of Biddeford
MONTELL of Gardiner
RIELLY of Westbrook
RUDNICKI of Fairfield

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

RISEMAN of Harrison

READ.

On motion of Representative SUPICA of Bangor, the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-29)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-29)** and sent for concurrence.

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(S.P. 27) (L.D. 35) Bill "An Act to Establish Adult Protective Services Training Requirements for Professionals Mandated to Report Suspected Abuse, Neglect or Exploitation to Enhance Protection of Incapacitated and Dependent Adults" Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 13) (L.D. 9) Bill "An Act to Establish Processing Time Limits for Permit by Rule Applications Under the Site Location of Development Laws" Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-30)**

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the Senate Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in concurrence and the House Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence.

ENACTORS
Acts

An Act to Strengthen Maine's Health Care Workforce by Preventing Discrimination by Requiring Maintenance of Certification for Insurance Reimbursement

(H.P. 145) (L.D. 224)
(C. "A" H-21)

An Act to Expand Access to Banking Services for Minors
(S.P. 310) (L.D. 752)
(C. "A" S-16)

An Act to Promote Higher Blends of Biofuel by Regulating the Sale or Transfer of Biofuels
(S.P. 313) (L.D. 755)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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

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

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Standardize Requirements Between Boards of Visitors for County Jails and Department of Corrections Correctional Facilities"

(S.P. 643) (L.D. 1626)

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 Reform the Occupational Licensing Regime by Including Portability and Removing Good Character Requirements"

(S.P. 645) (L.D. 1628)

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 Update Criminal Indictment Procedures and Expand the Provision of Counsel to Certain Indigent Defendants"

(S.P. 642) (L.D. 1625)

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

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.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Recognize the Right to Personal Privacy

(S.P. 646) (L.D. 1629)

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 Improve Disclosure of Lobbyist Activities"

(S.P. 644) (L.D. 1627)

Bill "An Act Regarding Campaign Finance and Lobbying Disclosure and Enforcement of Income Source Reporting Requirements"

(S.P. 647) (L.D. 1630)

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.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act to Strengthen the Teaching of Wabanaki Studies in Maine Schools"

(H.P. 1052) (L.D. 1642)

Sponsored by Representative OSHER of Orono.

Cosponsored by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, President JACKSON of Aroostook, RAFFERTY of York.

Bill "An Act Regarding Instructional Materials, Surveys, Analyses, Evaluations and Events at Public Schools"

(H.P. 1053) (L.D. 1643)

Sponsored by Representative SAMPSON of Alfred.

Cosponsored by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin and Representatives: BOYER of Poland, DRINKWATER of Milford, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, FOSTER of Dexter, LYMAN of Livermore Falls, POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset, QUINT of Hodgdon, WHITE of Guilford.

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 Reduce Plastic Packaging Waste"

(H.P. 1055) (L.D. 1645)

Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: CARLOW of Buxton, DOUDERA of Camden, HOBBS of Wells, JAUCH of Topsham, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senators: BLACK of Franklin, INGWERSEN of York.

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 Vacate or Adjust Sentences and Expunge Arrests, Convictions and Adjudications for Cannabis-related Offenses"

(H.P. 1056) (L.D. 1646)

Sponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland.

Cosponsored by Representative RISEMAN of Harrison, Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin and Representatives: DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, O'NEIL of Saco, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WHITE of Guilford, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, Senator: HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Discrimination Against Cannabis Establishment Owners and Employees and Cannabis Users"

(H.P. 1057) (L.D. 1647)

Sponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland.

Cosponsored by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin and Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, WHITE of Guilford, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Resolve, to Further Study the Role of Water as a Resource

(H.P. 1051) (L.D. 1641)

Sponsored by Representative SAYRE of Kennebunk.

Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland and Representatives: BELL of Yarmouth, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, JAUCH of Topsham, OSHER of Orono.

Bill "An Act to Permit the Expenditure of Accumulated Tax Increment Revenues"

(H.P. 1054) (L.D. 1644)

Sponsored by Representative SALISBURY of Westbrook.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, GATTINE of Westbrook, KUHN of Falmouth, RIELLY of Westbrook, SACHS of Freeport.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Require Proper Storage of Forensic Exam Evidence"

(S.P. 649) (L.D. 1632)

Bill "An Act to Establish a Community-based Reentry Program in All Department of Corrections Facilities"

(S.P. 650) (L.D. 1633)

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 Charter a Maine State Bank That Accepts Deposits and Issues Gold Currency Celebrating Maine's Heritage"

(S.P. 652) (L.D. 1635)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Revocation of a Professional or Occupational License for Lapsed Child Support Payments"

(S.P. 654) (L.D. 1637)

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 Ensure the Right to Work Without Payment of Dues or Fees to a Labor Union"

(S.P. 653) (L.D. 1636)

Bill "An Act to Address Unsafe Staffing of Nurses and Improve Patient Care"

(S.P. 656) (L.D. 1639)

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 Lower the State's Individual Income Tax"

(S.P. 655) (L.D. 1638)

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

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

Bill "An Act to Grant Municipalities the Authority to Set Certain Lower Motor Vehicle Speed Limits Without a Department of Transportation Speed Study"

(S.P. 651) (L.D. 1634)

Bill "An Act to Require Industry Training and Certification for Persons Undertaking Corrosion Prevention and Mitigation for Bridges"

(S.P. 657) (L.D. 1640)

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

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

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

On motion of Representative MASTRACCIO of Sanford, the House adjourned at 11:45 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 13, 2023, in honor and lasting tribute to Timothy Michael Anderson of Sanford.