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**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION  
JOURNAL OF THE SENATE**

In Senate Chamber  
Thursday  
June 1, 2023

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

Prayer by Pastor Jared Larsen of Penney Memorial United Baptist Church in Augusta.

**PASTOR LARSEN:** Please join me in prayer. Our Father and our God, hallowed be Your name. You are beautiful and sufficient and loving in every way and might Your way be done here on earth as it is in your glorious presence. Father, I lift up this session to You now. Might Your mercy and justice and beauty be reflected by the governing authorities in this room. Give them wisdom beyond their own, Father, and bless their time as they discuss the management of this state, and in this, Father, bless them as they stand for what they believe and yet even in their differences bring unity - unity for the sake of those that they serve. Lord, bless their souls. Bless them to know Your love and Your grace and may they share that love and grace with everyone that they serve. There are those in this room who are hurting, Father, who are frustrated, who are questioning, who feel unsettled, who see their need for healing. Lord, bless them to know Your boundless love. Even as the deer pants for streams of water, might their soul pant for You. Might they know Your love, Father, because as they know Your love, it will spill out from them as they seek to serve this people. We offer this prayer up to You now, our gracious and compassionate God, who alone is worthy of our praise. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Stacy F. Brenner of Cumberland County.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

Off Record Remarks

Senator **MOORE** of Washington requested and received leave of the Senate that members and staff be allowed to remove their jackets for the remainder of this Legislative Day.

Off Record Remarks

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, the following Joint Order:  
S.P. 826

**ORDERED**, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, June 6, 2023, at 10:00 in the morning, or until the call of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, respectively.

**READ** and **PASSED**.

Ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**Joint Order**

Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

Craig Larrabee, of Belgrade, President and Chief Executive Officer of JMG, on his 30 years of leadership and commitment to Maine's students. Mr. Larrabee began his career at JMG as a Classroom Specialist in 1993, the same year JMG was founded. He was named President and CEO by JMG's Board of Directors in 2005. He is a driver of innovative student-centered approaches and a champion of results-driven public/private partnerships. Through his leadership, JMG has become the largest education nonprofit in Maine, serving more than 12,000 students annually, from middle school through postsecondary education, in all 16 counties. Mr. Larrabee is a champion of equitable solutions to address the diverse needs of all students. During Mr. Larrabee's 3 decades of service, JMG has benefited more than 90,000 Mainers, ensuring all students have the opportunity to fulfill their promise. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;  
SLS 621

Sponsored by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec.  
Cosponsored by Senators: **CURRY** of Waldo, **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland, **FARRIN** of Somerset, President **JACKSON** of Aroostook, **KEIM** of Oxford, **LIBBY** of Cumberland, **MOORE** of Washington, **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, **STEWART** of Aroostook, **TIMBERLAKE** of Androscoggin, **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, Representatives: **BRENNAN** of Portland, **CLOUTIER** of Lewiston, **CYRWAY** of Albion, **DODGE** of Belfast, **DUCHARME** of Madison, **LYMAN** of Livermore Falls, **MILLETT** of Waterford, **NEWMAN** of Belgrade, **SAMPSON** of Alfred, **SARGENT** of York, Speaker **TALBOT ROSS** of Portland, **THERIAULT** of Fort Kent, **WOODSOME** of Waterboro.

The Joint Order was **READ**.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Pouliot.

Senator **POULIOT**: Thank you, Mr. President. Well, I had some prepared remarks and they're not here, so I'm just going to speak off the cuff about Mr. Larrabee. You know, having been around here now for over a decade, I've had the fortunate occasion to make a lot of relationships with a lot of people and, you know, I consider Craig to be one of the closest relationships that I've been able to make around this building, especially around issues involving education. A lot of folks don't know, Mr. President, that my superlative in high school was actually teacher's pest. It's not one that I'm super proud of, but I really - I struggled in school. I struggled to stay engaged in my educational journey, if you will, and, fortunately, my senior year in high school, somebody said 'hey, you know, you should go check out the vocational school and learn about autobody reconditioning.' So, I did, even though I had really no interest in doing auto body. I just didn't have any interest in sitting in a traditional classroom. And so, I went to the vocational school, and I actually excelled. I don't know if they fell down, or what, but somehow, I got student of the month. And I graduated on time and ended up going to postsecondary at the University of Maine at Augusta and would consider myself to have now a pretty successful career in entrepreneurship. But I share that story, Mr. President, because for every person like me that - there's hundreds more out there who are struggling in school, struggling - struggling to stay engaged in their educational journey and to be successful. And but there are people out there like Craig Larrabee. People who understand that you need to meet a student where they're at in their educational journey in order to help them be successful in learning what they need, to have the tools to be successful citizens in life, and JMG is a very structured program that helps thousands of students across the state, but it's led by a guy named Craig Larrabee who is dedicated to making sure that all students from all different backgrounds, you know, they have access to the educational opportunities that they need to be successful. And I've found time and time again that Craig will come forward. You know, there's a lot of people in leadership positions who will just say 'hey, you know, curious about what you think about this,' because there's maybe a big vote coming up and they want to secure our support for something. Craig sincerely seeks out opinions from legislators from both sides of the aisle to get input on what they can be doing better as an organization and then utilizing those resources in partnerships with private organizations around the state to leverage the public dollar as a good steward of what's going on. So, I've seen firsthand the kind of work that taking an integrated approach to working with our students in more of a hands-on fashion, like what JMG does, can be successful for so many and I'm pleased that Craig is being recognized here today for his efforts. Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator **DAUGHTRY**: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, it is my honor to rise in support and honor Craig Larrabee, and I also think it's appropriate to be able to speak after the good Senator from Kennebec. I do feel when we both turned 25, we transitioned from being teacher's pests to legislative pests, and luckily, we had folks like Craig who were there to look out for us on the legislative side. Also, one thing that both the good Senator and I share, and I know that Craig shares as well, is a passion for recognizing that learning is not one

continuum, that learning looks different for every single person. What works for one student, might not work for everyone else, and everyone learns in a variety of ways. And what I've really appreciated over - I hate saying this - the last decade of our legislative career is having folks like Craig who really advocate for a student-centered driven outcome and recognizing that some people learn better with their hands, some people learn better through experimental learning, and having something like JMG for our students is absolutely critical. I mean, you can see the outcomes that have happened under Craig's tenure with JMG.

One thing, looking at his resume, that I particularly enjoy, is that Mr. Larrabee has been with the organization since it was founded in 1993. He started out as a classroom specialist in Washington County. He has literally come up through the ranks, whether it was from being a manager to being in the position of president and CEO. One of the things, if you look at how many students it started serving to where they are today, JMG started around 1500 students and has now risen to be able to work with more than 12,000 students. In a state of our size, I think that number alone speaks for Mr. Larrabee's work. One of the other things is being able to see it expanded, and this was something that I know the good Senator from Kennebec and I are passionate about, is having JMG grow from just our high school to our middle school students as well. We're talking, you know, often about an at-risk student population, that the folks who they're connecting through with JMG when they're able to start that educational journey earlier, they have better outcomes. And I'll end with a quote from Craig; 'I chose to work at JMG in 1993 because JMG gave me the opportunity to work with a population of students that I knew from personal experience needed help and guidance to become successful.' And I think he sums it up best and why he's the perfect fit and why the state is so lucky to have Craig Larrabee with JMG. Thank you so much, Craig.

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

Senator **LIBBY**: Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to stand briefly to say how proud I am of this program. I was on the original legislation, and I have Governor McKernan and his staff to thank for that, and I was also an original board member, and I think the program has grown immensely. I wouldn't really have understood if it wasn't for the McKernan administration what the vision was, and this gentleman has done an unbelievable job over all these years, crafting a fantastic program. We've provided office space for the program over at Thomas College, where I also work, and I couldn't - I couldn't ask you to support this any more than just standing up here and saying, you know, what - it is an unbelievable program this government created, we should all be proud of it as well, not -- you know, there's a lot of thanks to go around. Thank you, Mr. President.

**THE PRESIDENT**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Keim.

Senator **KEIM**: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I, too, am honored to be standing and recognizing Craig Larrabee today and JMG. I first learned about JMG not in this building - and I haven't been serving a decade, you all are so old - but I first learned of JMG in my local community, and it was at Spruce Mountain High School, and I - I heard it from - from community members, from teachers, and from parents just telling

me what an incredible program was at Spruce Mountain. And I thought it was just their own school, and the difference it was making in kids' lives. And so, it was from that and me wanting to learn more to say what's going on here and what are they doing that's being so impactful, that ended up bringing me to kind of understand JMG and then get to know Craig and the incredible program that they have. And so, I think in one of my very first meetings with him, I said 'Craig, I want JMG to be in every school in Maine, but first, I want it in every school in my district, and how soon can we make that happen?' And thankfully, he was right on board with that, and we expanded, and it is in every school in my district. And I am unashamed to say that I cry at every JMG ceremony I've ever attended because of the children. And I know this says that there's, you know, JMG has benefitted 90,000 Mainers, and it's a huge number, but it's nothing when you compare it to actually the individual life that gets changed. And as they talk about their specialists, why does this program work? Because the specialists are mentors. They love these children; they are there for them sort of in season and out of season. The kids can call these - their specialist if they're having trouble with schoolwork or if they're having trouble at home, and the specialists help the teachers be more effective at their job because they're the helping hands to that student, wherever that student happens to be falling - falling down. And so, it can be schoolwork, but it's also life, it's considering what's next in their future. And it's just been, for me, one of the brightest spots in the education system is this program and how it's helping students who have some sort of risk factor in their lives which, let's face it, almost all kids do, right? But they're finding help, and they're finding hope, and they - they're there for them now right through when they begin college. So, what an incredible program. And I think it's especially fitting that, as you read this sentiment, it basically says Craig Larrabee a couple of times, but the entire thing is about JMG. And that's what I love about Craig Larrabee is that he's all in for this program, he's all in for his specialists who make it such a remarkable program, and for the students that they're helping. So, he is a mentor at the top of this organization to help inspire the specialists to be what they are to the students, and they all, together, work to inspire the students to be absolutely the best they can be. So, I thank Craig for his remarkable leadership. I know that many lives have been changed and I thank him especially for the lives that have been changed in my district, in the kids who have been completely and totally put on a new path because of his work. Thank you.

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The President requested the Sergeant-At-Arms escort the Senator from Sagadahoc, Senator **VITELLI**, to the rostrum where she assumed the duties as President Pro Tem.

The President took a seat on the Floor.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tem **ELOISE A. VITELLI** of Sagadahoc county.

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**THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Jackson.

Senator **JACKSON:** Thank you, Madam President. Ladies and

gentlemen of the Senate, there is absolutely no way that I can compare with the previous four speakers and the great words, but I did want to come down personally and recognize Craig and JMG because I've certainly had personal experience with the great program it is. You know, I have two outstanding sons, two young men that I'm super, super proud of, and I think, not knowing much about parenting or, you know, being a father, as they grew up, it became more clear to me how different kids can be for absolutely no reason. And while both of my sons, like I said, I mean, wildly successful, in my opinion, and I'm super proud of, one of them had a bit of a harder time in school, didn't really want to be in school at all, didn't have any interest in it. And Senator Keim talked about the people that Craig has put in place for us, you know, someone that he had put in place in Fort Kent, Sue Dubay, who, you know, really worked hard to bring my son into the program and do whatever she could to keep him engaged in that program. It was really quite impressive, I mean, you know, she was able to reach him in a way that neither me or my partner could as far as school. And that, you know, and since that time in Caribou, Valerie Waldemarson is there and she's - and that's all because of Craig's leadership. And that, to me, is what a leader does is puts good people in place and let's them operate. And that's why, you know, I've been so proud to get to know him. I think the first time was way back in 2012, when we were having budget negotiations, and he was here trying to get just a small amount of money, a very small amount of money for JMG, and it was the first time I met him, and it was the first time the realization for me was like well, you know, that's the guy that has been creating the program that helped one of my sons get through high school. And so, from that day on, you know, I considered him a friend and somebody that, you know, I always wanted to push forward. And I think the other thing - and we all know this in this building - we get a little bit territorial about things, we certainly get territorial about funding revenues, and there was some of that with JMG and other institutions here in Maine, and I think Craig's personality from then to now has broken down those barriers. I mean, now, when you talk to people about JMG, I mean, they're very supportive, and that, again, I think really speaks to his leadership, the people he's put in leadership, the board members that are here today - I didn't realize that Senator Libby was a previous board member, but that makes perfect sense, too - and like I said, I just wanted to come down and thank him and them for all their work. I mean, it has had a definite personal affect on mine and my family's life and so many other people across the state and I just know it's a great program and they're great people. So, thank you for that.

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The President Pro Tem requested the Sergeant-At-Arms escort the Senator from Aroostook, Senator **JACKSON**, to the rostrum where he resumed his duties as President.

The Sergeant-At-Arms escorted the Senator from Sagadahoc, Senator **VITELLI**, to her seat on the Floor.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

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The Joint Order was **PASSED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair is very pleased to recognize Craig Larrabee, members of JMG. I see also the Honorable Jeremy Fisher, who is a board member. Would they all please rise and accept the greetings and congratulations of the Maine Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair is very pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Phil Curtis and David Crabtree. They're from Old Orchard Beach and the guests today of the Senator from York, Senator Bailey, and the entire Maine Senate. Would they please rise and accept the congratulations of the Maine Senate.

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**Unfinished Business**

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

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Phil Curtis, of Old Orchard Beach, on his induction into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 451

Tabled - May 3, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **PASSAGE**

(In Senate, May 3, 2023, **READ.**)

The Joint Order was **READ.**

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Bailey.

Senator **BAILEY:** Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate, today I am pleased to welcome Phil Curtis of Old Orchard Beach to the Senate Chamber. In the fall, Phil will be inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. During his career, Phil was a second term state series all-star selection while playing at the University of Maine in 1960. From 1963 to 1975, Phil went on to coach for 13 years at Thornton Academy, where he became the winningest baseball coach in school history. He coached the Golden Trojans to over 100 wins. In 1969, Portland Press Herald sportswriter Vern Putney and baseball impresario John Haley founded the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame to preserve and promote the rich history of baseball in Maine. The Hall also honors those Mainers who have had a lasting impact on the sport. These Mainers include players, coaches, umpires, organizers, and benefactors. Each has achieved prominence or made valuable contributions to baseball in Maine. In a few months, Phil will join these Mainers, getting his chapter in the history book of Maine baseball.

Phil, congratulations on receiving this well-deserved honor and well-earned recognition. It is my honor to present you with this legislative sentiment that commemorates the special achievement, and I would just note it comes as no surprise that I learned Phil is also a life-long Red Sox fan. Thank you, Mr. President.

The Joint Order was **PASSED.**

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**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication: S.C. 584

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND  
FORESTRY**

May 31, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of Gwendolyn Hilton of Starks, for reappointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission.

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

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| YEAS   | Senators        | 2 | Ingwersen, H. of York, Black, R. of Franklin   |
|        | Representatives | 6 | Pluecker, B. of Warren, Costain, D. of Plymouth, Cray, D. of Palmyra, Guerrette, T. of Caribou, Hepler, A. of Woolwich, Osher, L. of Orono |
| NAYS   |                 | 0 |  |
| ABSENT |                 | 5 | Sen. Hickman, C. of Kennebec, Rep. Hall, R. of Wilton, Rep. Jackson, C. of Oxford, Rep. Jauch, R. of Topsham, Rep. Shaw, K. of Auburn      |

Eight 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 Gwendolyn Hilton of Starks, for reappointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Henry Ingwersen  
Senate Chair

S/Bill Pluecker  
House Chair

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

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

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The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#194)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Gwendolyn Hilton** of Starks for reappointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission was **CONFIRMED**.

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

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The Following Communication: S.C. 565

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 26, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of James Brann of Wells, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors.

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:

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| YEAS   | Senators        | 1 | Curry, C. of Waldo  |
|        | Representatives | 6 | Roberts, T. of South Berwick,<br>Collamore, A. of Pittsfield,<br>LaRochelle, R. of Augusta,<br>Sayre, D. of Kennebunk,<br>Walker, M. of Naples, White,<br>B. of Waterville                  |
| NAYS   |                 | 0 |   |
| ABSENT |                 | 6 | Sen. Guerin, S. of<br>Penobscot, Sen. Rafferty, J.<br>of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of<br>Portland, Rep. Lanigan, L. of<br>Sanford, Rep. Ness, C. of<br>Fryeburg, Rep. Smith, K. of<br>Palermo |

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 James Brann of Wells, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#195)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **James Brann** of Wells for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 566

**STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 26, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Deborah Bronk, PhD of Trevett, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors.

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:

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|--------|-----------------|---|---|
| YEAS   | Senators        | 1 | Curry, C. of Waldo  |
|        | Representatives | 6 | Roberts, T. of South Berwick,<br>Collamore, A. of Pittsfield,<br>LaRoche, R. of Augusta,<br>Lemelin, M. of Chelsea,<br>Sayre, D. of Kennebunk,<br>White, B. of Waterville                 |
| NAYS   |                 | 0 |   |
| ABSENT |                 | 6 | Sen. Guerin, S. of<br>Penobscot, Sen. Rafferty, J.<br>of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of<br>Portland, Rep. Ness, C. of<br>Fryeburg, Rep. Smith, K. of<br>Palermo, Rep. Walker, M. of<br>Naples |

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 Deborah Bronk, PhD of Trevett, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#196)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

Representatives 7

Roberts, T. of South Berwick, Collamore, A. of Pittsfield, Crockett, E. of Portland, Ness, C. of Fryeburg, Sayre, D. of Kennebunk, Smith, K. of Palermo, Walker, M. of Naples

NAYS 0

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

ABSENT 4

Sen. Rafferty, J. of York, Rep. Lanigan, L. of Sanford, Rep. LaRochelle, R. of Augusta, Rep. White, B. of Waterville

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Deborah Bronk**, PhD of Trevett for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

Nine 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 Sascha Deri of Brunswick, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

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

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

The Following Communication: S.C. 567

**STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 30, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Sascha Deri of Brunswick, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors.

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 Curry, C. of Waldo, Guerin, S. of Penobscot

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#197)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI



No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Sascha Deri** of Brunswick for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 568

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 26, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Dawn M. DiBlasi of Fairfield, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors.

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        | 1 | Curry, C. of Waldo   |
|        | Representatives | 6 | Roberts, T. of South Berwick,<br>Collamore, A. of Pittsfield,<br>LaRochelle, R. of Augusta,<br>Lemelin, M. of Chelsea,<br>Sayre, D. of Kennebunk,<br>Walker, M. of Naples                    |
| NAYS   |                 | 0 |  |
| ABSENT |                 | 6 | Sen. Guerin, S. of<br>Penobscot, Sen. Rafferty, J.<br>of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of<br>Portland, Rep. Ness, C. of<br>Fryeburg, Rep. Smith, K. of<br>Palermo, Rep. White, B. of<br>Waterville |

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 Dawn M. DiBlasi of Fairfield, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#198)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Dawn M. DiBlasi** of Fairfield for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 569

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 26, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Daniel Greisen of Yarmouth, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors.

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        | 1 | Curry, C. of Waldo   |
|        | Representatives | 6 | Roberts, T. of South Berwick,<br>Collamore, A. of Pittsfield,<br>LaRochelle, R. of Augusta,<br>Lemelin, M. of Chelsea,<br>Sayre, D. of Kennebunk,<br>Walker, M. of Naples                    |
| NAYS   |                 | 0 |  |
| ABSENT |                 | 6 | Sen. Guerin, S. of<br>Penobscot, Sen. Rafferty, J.<br>of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of<br>Portland, Rep. Ness, C. of<br>Fryeburg, Rep. Smith, K. of<br>Palermo, Rep. White, B. of<br>Waterville |

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 Daniel Greisen of Yarmouth, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#199)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Daniel Greisen** of Yarmouth for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

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

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair is very pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Daniel Greisen. He's from the city of Yarmouth and is the guest today of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Pierce, and the entire Maine Senate. Would he please rise and accept the greetings and congratulations of the Maine Senate.

The Following Communication: S.C. 570

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 30, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Barbara Silber Lamont of Portland, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors.

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 | Curry, C. of Waldo, Guerin, S. of Penobscot   |
|        | Representatives | 6 | Roberts, T. of South Berwick, Collamore, A. of Pittsfield, Crockett, E. of Portland, Sayre, D. of Kennebunk, Smith, K. of Palermo, Walker, M. of Naples |
| NAYS   |                 | 0 |   |
| ABSENT |                 | 5 | Sen. Rafferty, J. of York, Rep. Lanigan, L. of Sanford, Rep. LaRochelle, R. of Augusta, Rep. Ness, C. of Fryeburg, Rep. White, B. of Waterville         |

Eight 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 Barbara Silber Lamont of Portland, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#200)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Barbara Silber Lamont** of Portland for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 571

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 26, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of John Lesko of Portland, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors.

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        | 1 | Curry, C. of Waldo  |
|      | Representatives | 6 | Roberts, T. of South Berwick, Collamore, A. of Pittsfield, LaRochelle, R. of Augusta, Sayre, D. of Kennebunk, Walker, M. of Naples, White, B. of Waterville |

NAYS 0

ABSENT 6 Sen. Guerin, S. of Penobscot, Sen. Rafferty, J. of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of Portland, Rep. Lanigan, L. of Sanford, Rep. Ness, C. of Fryeburg, Rep. Smith, K. of Palermo

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 John Lesko of Portland, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#201)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **John Lesko** of Portland for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

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

Off Record Remarks

The Following Communication: S.C. 572

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 26, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Phillip Rench of Waterboro, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors.

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        | 1 | Curry, C. of Waldo  |
|        | Representatives | 6 | Roberts, T. of South Berwick, Collamore, A. of Pittsfield, LaRochelle, R. of Augusta, Sayre, D. of Kennebunk, Walker, M. of Naples, White, B. of Waterville               |
| NAYS   |                 | 0 |   |
| ABSENT |                 | 6 | Sen. Guerin, S. of Penobscot, Sen. Rafferty, J. of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of Portland, Rep. Lanigan, L. of Sanford, Rep. Ness, C. of Fryeburg, Rep. Smith, K. of Palermo |

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 Phillip Rench of Waterboro, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#202)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Phillip Rench** of Waterboro for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 573

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 26, 2023

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Charles Rudelitch of Harrington, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors.

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        | 1 | Curry, C. of Waldo  |
|        | Representatives | 6 | Roberts, T. of South Berwick,<br>Collamore, A. of Pittsfield,<br>LaRochelle, R. of Augusta,<br>Sayre, D. of Kennebunk,<br>Walker, M. of Naples, White,<br>B. of Waterville                  |
| NAYS   |                 | 0 |   |
| ABSENT |                 | 6 | Sen. Guerin, S. of<br>Penobscot, Sen. Rafferty, J.<br>of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of<br>Portland, Rep. Lanigan, L. of<br>Sanford, Rep. Ness, C. of<br>Fryeburg, Rep. Smith, K. of<br>Palermo |

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 Charles Rudelitch of Harrington, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

Representatives 6

Roberts, T. of South Berwick,  
Collamore, A. of Pittsfield,  
LaRoche, R. of Augusta,  
Lemelin, M. of Chelsea,  
Sayre, D. of Kennebunk,  
Walker, M. of Naples

**ROLL CALL (#203)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT,  
BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN,  
CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN,  
GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN,  
INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE,  
LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE,  
POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO,  
STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI,  
PRESIDENT JACKSON

NAYS 0

ABSENT 6

Sen. Guerin, S. of  
Penobscot, Sen. Rafferty, J.  
of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of  
Portland, Rep. Ness, C. of  
Fryeburg, Rep. Smith, K. of  
Palermo, Rep. White, B. of  
Waterville

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators  
having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and  
none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and  
voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's  
recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Charles  
Rudelitch** of Harrington for appointment of the Maine Space  
Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

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 Kristin Sims of Appleton, for appointment of the  
Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

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

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 574

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with  
Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the  
Yeas and Nays.

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 26, 2023

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#204)**

Dear Mr. President:

YEAS: Senators: None

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule  
505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on  
Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business  
has had under consideration the nomination of Kristin Sims of  
Appleton, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board  
of Directors.

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT,  
BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN,  
CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN,  
GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN,  
INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE,  
LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE,  
POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO,  
STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI,  
PRESIDENT JACKSON

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:

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

YEAS Senators 1 Curry, C. of Waldo

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Kristin Sims** of Appleton for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 575

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 26, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Scott Wardwell of Presque Isle, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors.

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        | 1 | Curry, C. of Waldo  |
|        | Representatives | 6 | Roberts, T. of South Berwick,<br>Collamore, A. of Pittsfield,<br>LaRochelle, R. of Augusta,<br>Sayre, D. of Kennebunk,<br>Walker, M. of Naples, White,<br>B. of Waterville                  |
| NAYS   |                 | 0 |   |
| ABSENT |                 | 6 | Sen. Guerin, S. of<br>Penobscot, Sen. Rafferty, J.<br>of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of<br>Portland, Rep. Lanigan, L. of<br>Sanford, Rep. Ness, C. of<br>Fryeburg, Rep. Smith, K. of<br>Palermo |

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 Scott Wardwell of Presque Isle, for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#205)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Scott Wardwell** of Presque Isle for appointment of the Maine Space Corporation, Board of Directors was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 564

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT,  
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**

May 26, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson  
President of the Senate of Maine  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Lance Boucher of Manchester, for reappointment to the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority.

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:

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| YEAS | Senators        | 1 | Curry, C. of Waldo   |
|      | Representatives | 6 | Roberts, T. of South Berwick,<br>Collamore, A. of Pittsfield,<br>LaRochelle, R. of Augusta,<br>Sayre, D. of Kennebunk,<br>Walker, M. of Naples, White,<br>B. of Waterville |

NAYS 0

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| ABSENT |  | 6 | Sen. Guerin, S. of Penobscot, Sen. Rafferty, J. of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of Portland, Rep. Lanigan, L. of Sanford, Rep. Ness, C. of Fryeburg, Rep. Smith, K. of Palermo |
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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 Lance Boucher of Manchester, for reappointment to the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#206)**

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BAILEY, BEEBE-CENTER, BENNETT, BLACK, BRAKEY, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DUSON, FARRIN, GROHOSKI, GUERIN, HARRINGTON, HICKMAN, INGWERSEN, KEIM, LAFOUNTAIN, LAWRENCE, LIBBY, LYFORD, MOORE, NANGLE, PIERCE, POULIOT, RAFFERTY, RENY, ROTUNDO, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, TIPPING, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

EXCUSED: Senators: BALDACCI

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be **ACCEPTED** and the nomination of **Lance Boucher** of Manchester for reappointment to the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority was **CONFIRMED**.

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 581

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY**

May 30, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President  
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Sen. Grohoski of Hancock, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1388 An Act to Protect Utility Customers and Improve Disclosure of Political and Advertising Spending by Public Utilities and Their Affiliates



Sincerely,

S/Sen. Mark W. Lawrence  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. S. Paige Zeigler  
House Chair

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

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The Following Communication: S.C. 562

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON MARINE RESOURCES**

May 18, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President  
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Golek of Harpswell, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1618 Resolve, to Convene a Lobster Industry Working Group

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Cameron deGrasse Reny  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Allison Hepler  
House Chair

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

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The Following Communication: S.C. 576

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

May 22, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President  
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House  
131st Maine State Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Perry of Bangor, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 680 An Act Examining On-premises Liquor License Requirements

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Laura Supica  
House Chair

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

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The Following Communication: S.C. 577

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

May 30, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate  
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House  
131st Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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":

L.D. 326 An Act to Improve Recruitment and Retention of First Responders

L.D. 799 An Act to Fund Patrol Positions for the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office

L.D. 823 An Act to Reimburse the Town of Charleston for Expenses Related to the Mountain View Correctional Facility

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Beebe-Center  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Suzanne M. Salisbury  
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 582

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

May 30, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate  
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House  
131st Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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":

- L.D. 618 An Act to Eliminate Critical Race Theory, Social and Emotional Learning and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion from School Curricula
- L.D. 809 An Act to Allow Regional School Units with School Choice to Opt Out of School Choice
- L.D. 897 An Act Regarding the University of Maine System Hiring Practices
- L.D. 1370 An Act to Simplify the School Budget Validation Process
- L.D. 1838 An Act to Create the Empowerment Scholarship Account Program

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty Senate Chair  
S/Rep. Michael F. Brennan House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 578

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

May 23, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate  
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House  
131st Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

- L.D. 54 An Act to Require Compliance with Natural or Agricultural Resource Protection Ordinances
- L.D. 1433 An Act to Exclude Pegmatites from the Definition of "Metallic Mineral"
- L.D. 1476 An Act to Amend the Definition of "Metallic Mineral" in the Maine Metallic Mineral Mining Act
- L.D. 1508 An Act to Ensure a Strategic Approach to Maine's Energy Transition by Imposing a Moratorium on Lithium Mining
- L.D. 1564 An Act to Eliminate Metallic Mineral Mining Activities Without a Permit
- L.D. 1839 An Act to Study a Permitting Process for and Establish a Moratorium on Certain Tall Structures

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Stacy Fielding Brenner Senate Chair  
S/Rep. Lori K. Gramlich House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 563

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

May 26, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate  
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House  
131st Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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. 73 An Act to Require Bottled Water Companies to Monitor for Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances
- L.D. 785 An Act to Create Accountability Within the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services
- L.D. 1187 An Act to Protect Inpatient Psychiatric Services in Northern Maine by Preserving the Current Reimbursement Rate

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci                      S/Rep. Michele Meyer  
Senate Chair    House Chair

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

The Following Communication:      S.C. 583

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

May 30, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate  
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House  
131st Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

- L.D. 1574 An Act to Create Rent Stabilization and Amend the Laws Regarding Termination of Tenancy and Rent Increase Limitations
- L.D. 1731 An Act Regarding Confidentiality of Juvenile History Record Information

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney    S/Rep. Matt Moonen  
Senate Chair    House Chair

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

The Following Communication:      S.C. 579

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

May 30, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate  
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House  
131st Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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. 1195 An Act to Provide That Documents Obtained by Subpoena by the Government Oversight Committee May Be Reviewed by Committee Members and Staff
- L.D. 1738 An Act to Create Lodging for Legislators
- L.D. 1744 An Act to Strengthen Accountability in Rulemaking by Providing for Legislative Oversight
- L.D. 1840 An Act to Reform the State's Administrative and Rule-making Procedures
- L.D. 1885 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Improve Representation by Simplifying Legislative Redistricting for the Maine House of Representatives

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Tim Nangle    S/Rep. Holly B. Stover  
Senate Chair    House Chair

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

The Following Communication: S.C. 580

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

May 24, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate  
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House  
131st Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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. 842 An Act to Strengthen the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority by Inviting Participation on the Board of Directors by and Negotiating for Funding from the State of New Hampshire and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- L.D. 862 An Act to Move Jurisdiction over Railroad Lines from the Department of Transportation to an Independent Rail Authority

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ben Chipman  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lynne A. Williams  
House Chair

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

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**SENATE PAPERS**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Adjustments for Sudden and Severe Disruption of Municipal Valuation"  
S.P. 828 L.D. 2006

Presented by Senator KEIM of Oxford.  
Cosponsored by Representative DILL of Old Town and Senator: TIPPING of Penobscot, Representative: LYMAN of Livermore Falls.  
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

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**ORDERS**

**Joint Resolution**

On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, under unanimous consent on behalf of President **JACKSON** of Aroostook, the following Joint Resolution:

S.P. 827

**JOINT RESOLUTION  
SUPPORTING THE WRITERS GUILD OF AMERICA**

**WHEREAS**, the Writers Guild of America West and the Writers Guild of America East, labor unions that represent over 11,500 writers in film and television across the country, are currently without a contract and are on strike; and  
**WHEREAS**, the Writers Guild of America's reasonable demands to the major media companies that employ their members, including The Walt Disney Company, NBCUniversal Media, Paramount Pictures Corporation, Netflix Inc., Apple Inc. and Amazon.com, Inc., have not been met; and  
**WHEREAS**, writers are facing the most comprehensive assault on their compensation and working conditions in a generation, with media companies taking advantage of the industry's transition to global streaming to underpay workers, resulting in writers doing more work for less pay and with less job security; and  
**WHEREAS**, this erosion of writer pay and working conditions has happened while their employers have collected almost \$30,000,000,000 in entertainment operating profits each year from 2017 to 2021; and  
**WHEREAS**, without writers, the entertainment industry would not have stories to tell; 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 express our support for the writers of film and television and their demands for a fair resolution of their contract negotiations.

**READ** and **ADOPTED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

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**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**House**

**Ought to Pass As Amended**

The Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Support Maine's Potato Farmers and Processors"

H.P. 141 L.D. 220

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-224)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-224)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-224) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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The Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Resolve, to Establish a Pilot Project to Support Farm Apprenticeships in Maine

H.P. 557 L.D. 901

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-225)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-225)**.

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

Resolve **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-225) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act to Improve Safety for Individuals Living in Recovery Residences"

H.P. 77 L.D. 109

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-230)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-230)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-230) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act to Compensate Tribal Governments for Basic Training for a Law Enforcement Officer Hired by Another Government Agency"

H.P. 150 L.D. 229

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-242)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-242)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-242) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act to Support Law Enforcement in Interactions with Individuals with Histories of Trauma"

H.P. 536 L.D. 847

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-229)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-229)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-229) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Resolve, to Reestablish and Continue the Work of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State

H.P. 1090 L.D. 1701

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-228)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-228)**.

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

Resolve **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-228) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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The Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Issuing of Diplomas for Students at the Long Creek Youth Development Center"

H.P. 669 L.D. 1033

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-244)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-244)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-244) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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The Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** on Bill "An Act to End Homelessness and Assist Students Who Are Homeless by Establishing a Housing Voucher Program and Providing Site-based Housing Services"

H.P. 918 L.D. 1422

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-239)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-239)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-239) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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The Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act to Responsibly Regulate Recreational Boats on Maine Lakes"

H.P. 230 L.D. 379

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-240)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-240)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-240) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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The Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Hunting Laws as They Pertain to the Training of Dogs" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 352 L.D. 547

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-226)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-226)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-226) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Resolve, to Study Expansion of Civics Education and Engagement Through the Secretary of State  
H.P. 808 L.D. 1260

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-245).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-245).**

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

Resolve **READ ONCE.**

Committee Amendment "A" (H-245) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act Relating to Requirements for School Bus Drivers"  
H.P. 666 L.D. 1030

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-223).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-223).**

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

Bill **READ ONCE.**

Committee Amendment "A" (H-223) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Operating Under the Influence"  
H.P. 974 L.D. 1519

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

Signed:

Senators:  
BEEBE-CENTER of Knox  
HARRINGTON of York  
LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec

Representatives:  
SALISBURY of Westbrook  
ARDELL of Monticello  
HASENFUS of Readfield  
LOOKNER of Portland  
NEWMAN of Belgrade  
NUTTING of Oakland  
PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-233).**

Signed:

Representatives:  
MATHIESON of Kittery  
MILLIKEN of Blue Hill

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

Reports **READ.**

On motion by Senator **BEEBE-CENTER** of Knox, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Resolve, Naming a Pond in Elm Stream Township as Plummer Pond  
H.P. 430 L.D. 661

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-227).**

Signed:

Senators:  
LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec  
BLACK of Franklin  
CURRY of Waldo

Representatives:  
LANDRY of Farmington  
DILL of Old Town  
DRINKWATER of Milford  
GOLEK of Harpswell  
HEPLER of Woolwich  
MASON of Lisbon  
THORNE of Carmel  
WOOD of Greene  
WOODSOME of Waterboro

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

Signed:

Representative:

CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-227)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-227)**.

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **LAFOUNTAIN** of Kennebec, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Resolve **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-227) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED** in concurrence.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Reduce Commercial Sexual Exploitation"

H.P. 931 L.D. 1435

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-194)**.

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland  
BAILEY of York  
BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Representatives:

MOONEN of Portland  
ANDREWS of Paris  
KUHN of Falmouth  
LEE of Auburn  
MORIARTY of Cumberland  
RECKITT of South Portland  
SHEEHAN of Biddeford

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

Signed:

Representatives:

HAGGAN of Hampden  
HENDERSON of Rumford  
POIRIER of Skowhegan

(Representative DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe - of the House - supports the Majority **Ought To Pass as Amended** Report.)

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-194)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-194)**.

Reports **READ**.

Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Stewart.

Senator **STEWART:** Thank you, Mr. President. There's an amendment coming for this bill, so with that, I'd request this item be tabled until later in today's session.

On motion by Senator **STEWART** of Aroostook, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law to Encourage Housing Construction"

H.P. 215 L.D. 341

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

Signed:

Senators:

GROHOSKI of Hancock  
CHIPMAN of Cumberland

Representatives:

PERRY of Bangor  
CROCKETT of Portland  
MATLACK of St. George  
QUINT of Hodgdon

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-236)**.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland



Representatives:

CARMICHAEL of Greenbush  
LAVIGNE of Berwick

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

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **GROHOSKI** of Hancock, the Majority  
**OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to  
Exempt Nonprofit Land Trusts from Sales Tax"  
H.P. 464 L.D. 695

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by  
Committee Amendment "A" (H-234)**.

Signed:

Senators:

GROHOSKI of Hancock  
CHIPMAN of Cumberland

Representatives:

PERRY of Bangor  
CROCKETT of Portland  
HASENFUS of Readfield  
MATLACK of St. George  
RANA of Bangor

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject  
reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by  
Committee Amendment "B" (H-235)**.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

CARMICHAEL of Greenbush  
LAVIGNE of Berwick  
QUINT of Hodgdon  
RUDNICKI of Fairfield

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS  
AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-234)** Report  
**READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE  
ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT  
"A" (H-234)**.

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **GROHOSKI** of Hancock, the Majority  
**OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE  
AMENDMENT "A" (H-234)** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-234) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in  
concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and  
**PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE  
AMENDMENT "A" (H-234)**, in concurrence.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL  
AFFAIRS** on RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the  
Constitution of Maine to Increase the Percentage of the  
Population Required to Submit a State Referendum Question  
H.P. 912 L.D. 1416

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

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

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject  
reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by  
Committee Amendment "A" (H-241)**.

Signed:

Representative:

RISEMAN of Harrison

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

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec, the Majority  
**OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

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**Senate**

**Change of Committee**

Senator BALDACCI for the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Contract for Discounted Insulin Manufactured and Distributed by Civica Rx

S.P. 718 L.D. 1793

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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**Ought to Pass As Amended**

Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Extend Funding for the Land for Maine's Future Program"

S.P. 522 L.D. 1285

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-141)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-141) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Senator BEEBE-CENTER for the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act to Clarify Provisions of the Maine Good Samaritan Law"

S.P. 361 L.D. 864

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-144)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-144) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator RAFFERTY for the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Continue the Department of Education Diploma Program Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 370 L.D. 873

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-142)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-142) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act to Decriminalize Public Drinking"

S.P. 415 L.D. 1046

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

Signed:

Senators:

HARRINGTON of York  
LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec

Representatives:

ARDELL of Monticello  
HASENFUS of Readfield  
LAJOIE of Lewiston  
NEWMAN of Belgrade  
NUTTING of Oakland  
PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-145)**.

Signed:

Senator:

BEEBE-CENTER of Knox

Representatives:

SALISBURY of Westbrook  
LOOKNER of Portland  
MATHIESON of Kittery  
MILLIKEN of Blue Hill

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **BEEBE-CENTER** of Knox, the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**

Sent down for concurrence.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Establish Welfare Work Requirements for Able-bodied Adults Without Dependents" S.P. 343 L.D. 784

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

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot  
INGWERSEN of York

Representatives:

MEYER of Eliot  
CRAVEN of Lewiston  
GRAHAM of North Yarmouth  
MADIGAN of Waterville  
SHAGOURY of Hallowell  
ZAGER of Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-143)**.

Signed:

Senator:

MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

FREDERICKS of Sanford  
GRIFFIN of Levant  
JAVNER of Chester  
LEMELIN of Chelsea

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**.

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**ENACTORS**

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

**Emergency Resolve**

Resolve, to Establish the Commission Regarding Foreign-trained Physicians Living in Maine

H.P. 584 L.D. 937  
(C "A" H-128)

On motion by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL STUDY TABLE** pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

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**Emergency Resolve**

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 119: Motor Vehicle Fuel Volatility Requirements, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection

H.P. 1064 L.D. 1652

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 34 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 34 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **FINALLY PASSED** and, having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

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**Acts**

An Act to Allow the Deferral of a Moose Hunting Permit If More than One Permit Is Awarded Within the Same Household

H.P. 298 L.D. 481  
(C "A" H-119)

An Act to Allow Clerks to Issue Absentee Ballots After the 3rd Business Day Before Election Day to Voters with a Physical or Mental Disability and Certain Voters' Caregivers

H.P. 552 L.D. 886  
(C "A" H-133)

An Act Concerning Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Data Collection in Health Care Facilities

H.P. 603 L.D. 956  
(C "A" H-127)

An Act to Authorize Municipalities to Allow Firefighters to Have Increased Lighting on Their Personal Vehicles

H.P. 821 L.D. 1296  
(C "A" H-139)

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

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An Act to Provide Natural Organic Reduction Facilities for Maine Residents for the Conversion of Human Remains to Soil

H.P. 341 L.D. 536  
(C "A" H-129)

On motion by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

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An Act to Provide Substance Use Disorder Counseling for MaineCare Members with an Acquired Brain Injury  
H.P. 344 L.D. 539  
(C "A" H-138)

On motion by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

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An Act to Establish Peer Respite Centers for Adults with Mental Health Challenges in Maine  
H.P. 345 L.D. 540  
(C "A" H-137)

On motion by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

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An Act to Address Food Insecurity and Support Local Agriculture  
H.P. 1037 L.D. 1612  
(C "A" H-126)

On motion by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

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An Act to Align the Automobile Title Requirements with Those of Antique Automobiles  
H.P. 613 L.D. 966  
(C "A" H-135)

On motion by Senator **CHIPMAN** of Cumberland, placed on the **SPECIAL HIGHWAY TABLE** pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

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**Resolves**

Resolve, to Require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Develop a Plan for Communication Regarding Certain Municipal Regulation  
H.P. 308 L.D. 491

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

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Resolve, to Establish a Pilot Project to Improve Access to Credit for Low-income Individuals  
H.P. 703 L.D. 1107  
(C "A" H-134)

On motion by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

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Resolve, to Reduce Barriers to Recovery from Addiction by Expanding Eligibility for Targeted Case Management Services  
H.P. 750 L.D. 1178  
(C "A" H-136)

On motion by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE** pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

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

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**Joint Order**

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

The Honorable Joe Rafferty, of Kennebunk, Maine State Senator representing Senate District 34, on his retirement from coaching the Kennebunk High School football team after 44 years. He coached the team to a state championship in 1991 and three other state finals, with a 217-184 record overall. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

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

The Joint Order was **READ**.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from Sagadahoc, Senator Vitelli.

Senator **VITELLI:** Thank you, Mr. President. It is with extreme honor and pleasure that I rise to celebrate and recognize the career achievement of one of our own, Senator Joe Rafferty. You just heard a little bit about his record of 217 to 184 career record of wins, but beyond the wins, Coach Rafferty regarded connecting with the players and supporting his team members to be his real job. To quote the coach himself, he said; 'I think in terms of coaching, I think people look a lot closer at is my son happy, are they being treated well, are they being taken care of? You know, wins and losses, some years you're great and some years you're not.' Coach Rafferty emphasized hard work, focus, and

commitment with his players and, in return, Rafferty's players knew they could expect the same from their long-time head coach. He was a physical education teacher in Kennebunk for four decades. Kennebunk is undergoing field improvements and Rafferty felt it was a good opportunity for change, but his coaching style and his caring nature has had a positive impact on his players, the community, and the families that he served for many years. I think it is our honor to have such a fine, kind, caring individual amidst our ranks, and I'm pleased that he has chosen to move on and take on additional continuing responsibilities in making Maine and the people in it in even better place. Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you, Coach.

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

Senator **DAUGHTRY:** Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I rise to honor our good colleague. Long before the nation had Ted Lasso, Maine had Coach Rafferty. I had actually heard of Coach before he was able to join us in the Senate and I always heard not only about his ability to pull off the impossible with his team, but his ability to be committed to building the whole person, that it wasn't just the score. My good colleague from Sagadahoc read a lot of his amazing achievements and his roster, but I wanted to talk a little bit about his humanity and how that applied to his coaching. You know, the quote about is my son happy, are they being treated well, I think really applies to his whole life and his whole career. I really did wonder when we had a coach come into our caucus, how that would work out. Would we, as a Senate, get more touchdowns? Would we make it more efficiently to the finish line? Would a German suddenly have, you know - who would be the kicker? I'm not really sure, out of the crew of us, but we could've figured that out. Kidding aside, getting to know Coach through the Education Committee has been one of the greatest honors of my life. Getting to see his complete and utter devoted passion and compassion for students across Maine is truly humbling. Watching him, when I was Chair of Education and did the switcheroo and had Coach step in as chair, I got to see him take that same patience and introspection that he had on the field and apply it to his legislative work. And even just in those caucuses and on the committee, we got to see exactly what made him stand out on the field. I also personally am grateful for his leadership, his support and, in my family when I talk about Coach, he's earned in our family as our Legislative Dad due to his heart. I want to say that now, as he's retiring, he has his incredible legislative career ahead of him. He has his football stats, but I like to think that, you know, it's not quite over, he's going to be collecting new stats in the legislature. He already has six laws to his name, and I think the laws that he's been able to pass in with us really speak to exactly his educational career - looking out for apprenticeships, tutoring, and for our most vulnerable students with his student homelessness bill, as well as the work that he's been doing on the sexual assault kit system as well. I know that this is, you know, the retirement of one career while the next is still going on, but reading everything that I have about your career, Coach, makes me realize that they are intrinsically linked, and that we are so much richer as a state, as, you know, football enthusiasts, but most importantly as Mainers, we're lucky to have you.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from Arrostook, Senator Stewart.

Senator **STEWART:** Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, I just rise today to congratulate Coach Rafferty, Senator Rafferty, on his retirement, and to do so in a bipartisan manner here. I have just heard some really wonderful things about how great of a coach he is and, you know, I played football myself in high school and learned a lot - sometimes more so from the coaches that I had than the teachers, probably because I paid more attention to them than I did at school, but - I know how much of an impact a good coach can have on a young person, and I know that the kids that you worked with were incredibly blessed to have had that opportunity. And so, congratulations on a really fantastic career and run and all the best to you.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair would say that - I say this often, but despite our differences and some of the debates that we have, we do get to know people here and regard them as family and, you know, long after we are done here, and long after I am done here, I will not remember the arguments and disagreement, I'll remember the people. And I certainly will be forever honored to have met all of you, but especially Coach Rafferty.

The Joint Order was **PASSED**, in concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair is very pleased to recognize in the rear of the Chamber Coach Rafferty's wife, Norma, and numerous people that played for him.

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Off Record Remarks

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Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

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

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**Senate**

**Ought to Pass As Amended**

Senator **RAFFERTY** for the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Allow Retired Teachers and Educational Technicians to Be Recertified"  
S.P. 311 L.D. 753

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-152).**

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-152) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Senator RAFFERTY for the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, to Reestablish the Task Force to Study the Creation of a Comprehensive Career and Technical Education System (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 520 L.D. 1283

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-153)**.

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

Resolve **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-153) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Senator LAWRENCE for the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act to Improve the Telecommunications Relay Services Council by Reducing Its Membership and Allowing for the Hiring of an Executive Director"

S.P. 434 L.D. 1065

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-154)**.

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

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-154) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Paper**

Bill "An Act to Advance Self-determination for Wabanaki Nations"  
H.P. 1287 L.D. 2007

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

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

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

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Off Record Remarks

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On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, **ADJOURNED**, pursuant to the Joint Order, until Tuesday, June 6, 2023, at 10:00 in the morning, or until the call of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.