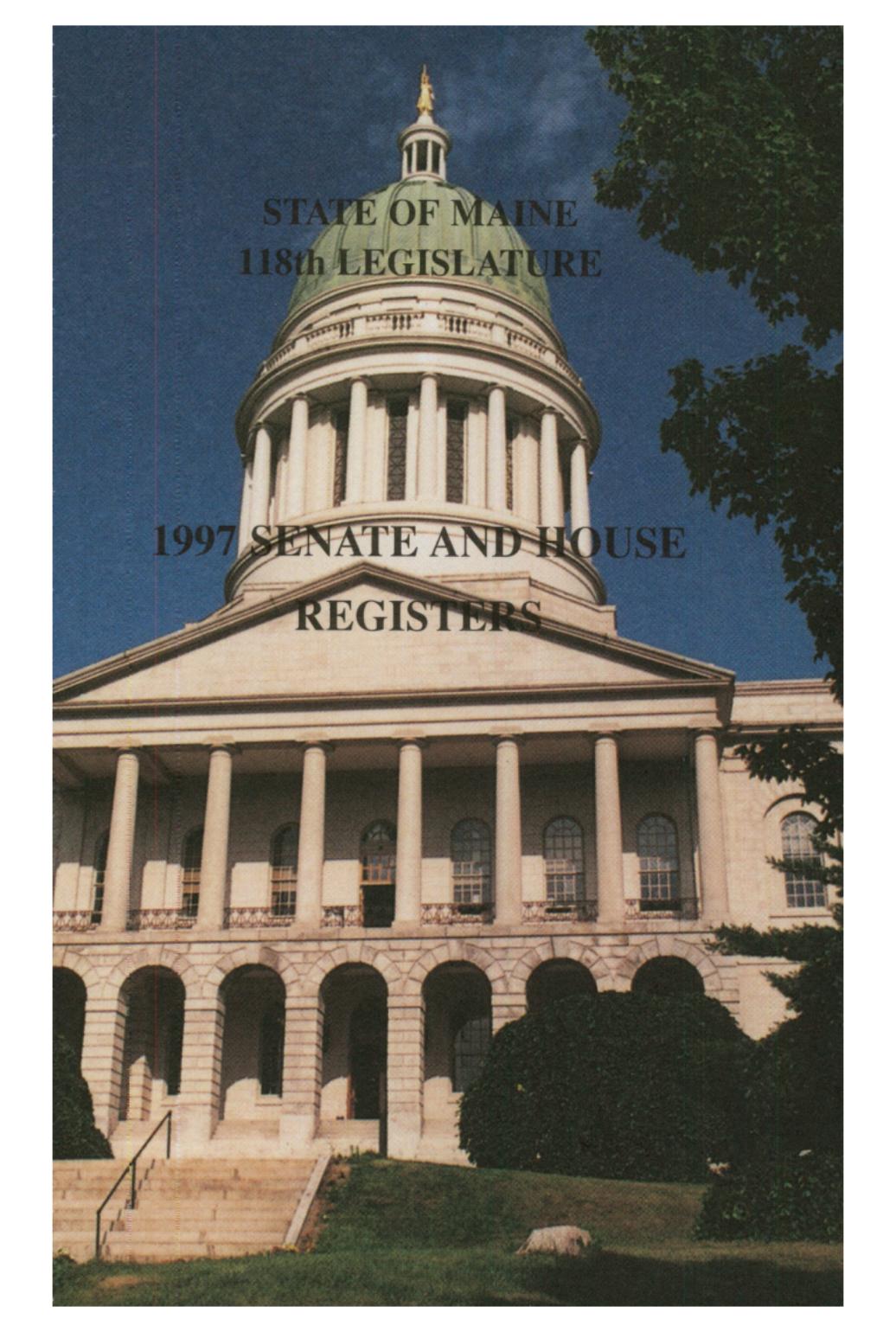


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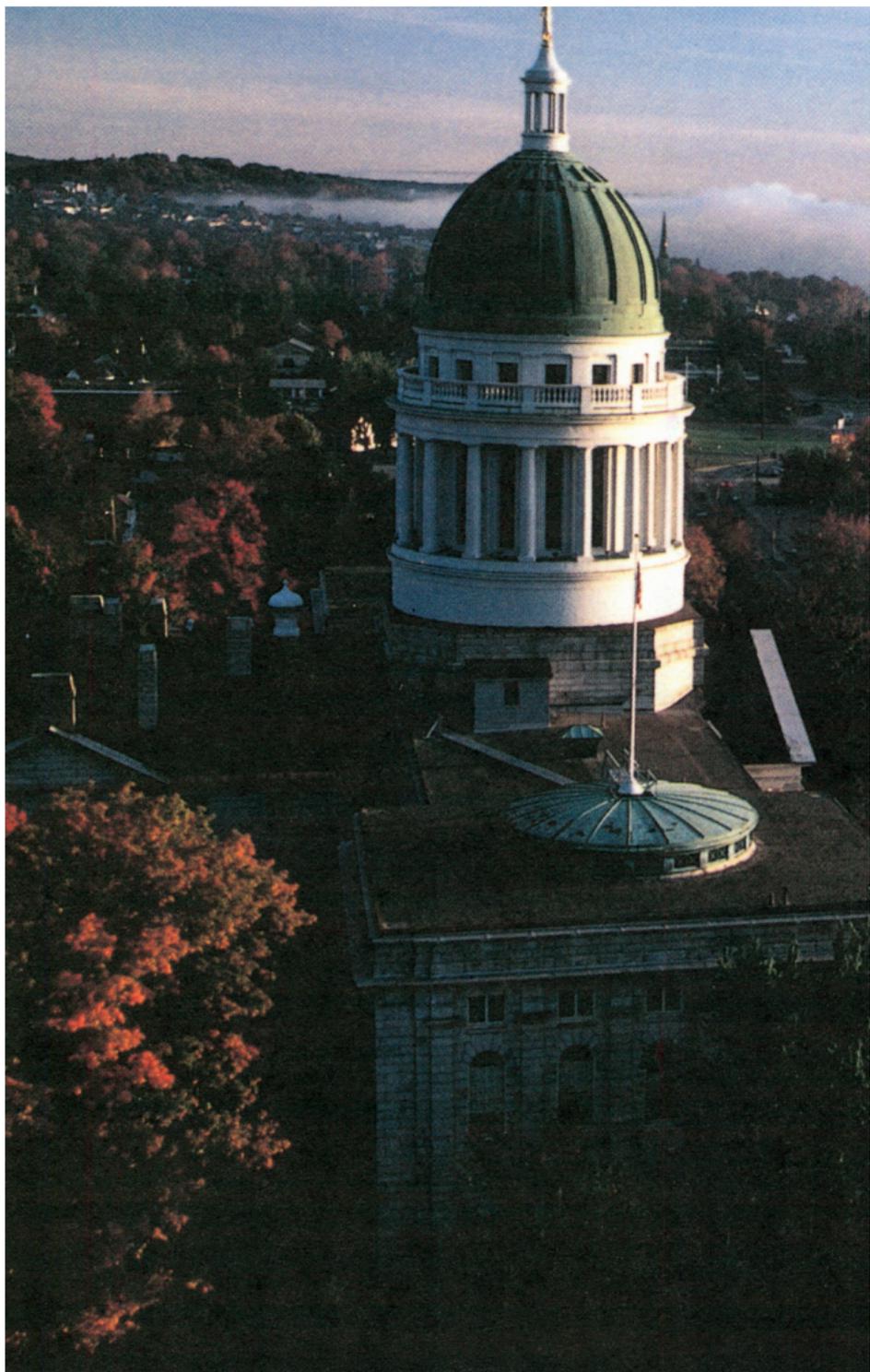
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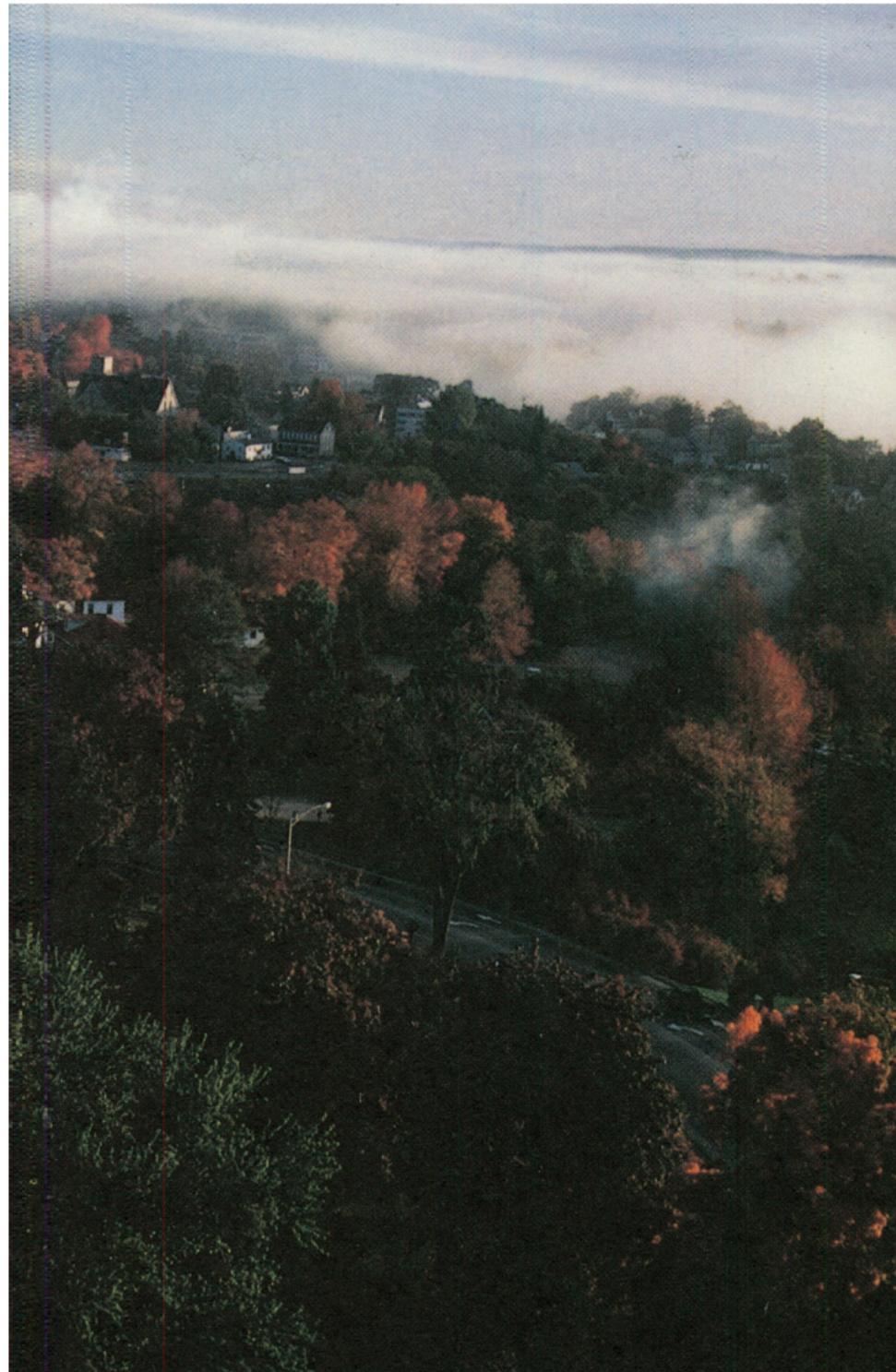
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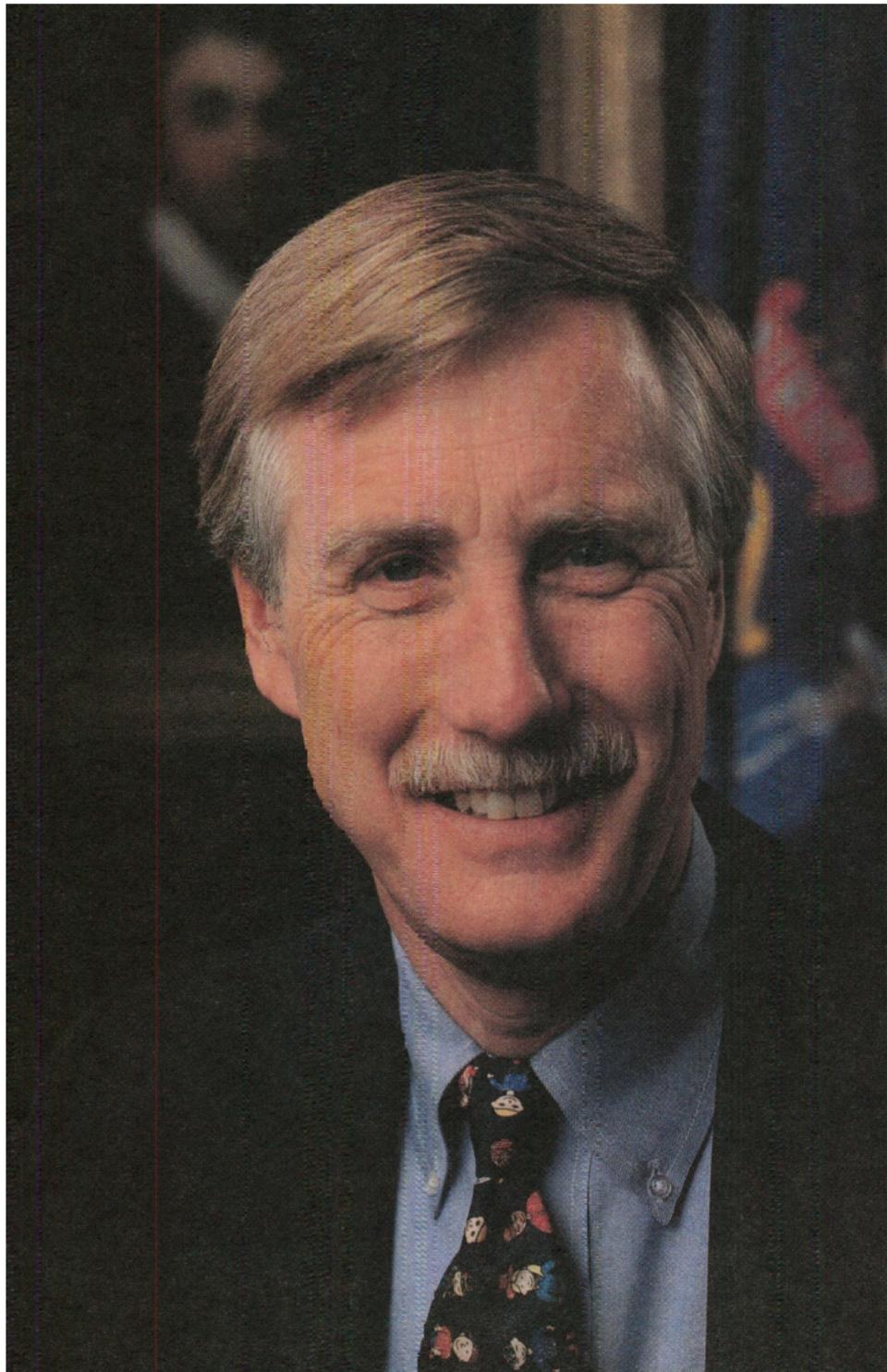
ANGUS S. KING, JR.

ANGUS S. KING, JR. is serving his first four-year term as Maine's Governor and is the nation's only sitting Independent Governor. Elected on November 8, 1994 as Maine's 71st Governor, he was victorious in his first run for public office.

Governor King began his career in 1969 as a staff attorney for Pine Tree Legal Assistance in Skowhegan. In 1972 he became Chief Counsel to the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Alcoholism and Narcotics in the office of then Senator William D. Hathaway. In 1975 he returned to Maine to practice law with the firm of Smith, Lloyd and King in Brunswick. In the same year he began his almost 20 year stint as host of the television show "Maine Watch" on the Maine Public Broadcasting Network. In 1983 he became vice-president and general counsel of Swift River/Hafslund Company, an alternative energy development company based in Portland and Boston. Governor King founded and served as President of Northeast Energy Management, Inc. in 1989, a position he held for 5 years. The Brunswick based company specialized in the development of large scale projects at commercial and industrial facilities in central and southern Maine.

Born on March 31st, 1944, the Governor graduated from Dartmouth College in 1966 and the University of Virginia Law School in 1969.

Governor King is married to Mary J. Herman. He is the father of four sons and one daughter: Angus III; Duncan; James; Benjamin; and Molly.



CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MAINE AS AMENDED.

PREAMBLE.

Objects of government. We the people of Maine, in order to establish justice, insure tranquility, provide for our mutual defense, promote our common welfare, and secure to ourselves and our posterity the blessings of liberty, acknowledging with grateful hearts the goodness of the Sovereign Ruler of the Universe in affording us an opportunity, so favorable to the design; and, imploring God's aid and direction in its accomplishment, do agree to form ourselves into a free and independent State, by the style and title of the State of Maine and do ordain and establish the following Constitution for the government of the same.

Article I.

Declaration of Rights.

Section 1. Natural rights. All people are born equally free and independent, and have certain natural, inherent and unalienable rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, acquiring, possessing and protecting property, and of pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness.

Section 2. Power inherent in people. All power is inherent in the people; all free governments are founded in their authority and instituted for their benefit; they have therefore an unalienable and inalienable right to institute government, and to alter, reform, or totally change the same, when their safety and happiness require it.

Section 3. Religious freedom; sects equal; religious tests prohibited; religious teachers. All individuals have a natural and unalienable right to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of their own consciences, and no person shall be hurt, molested or restrained in that person's liberty or estate for worshipping God in the manner and season most agreeable to the dictates of that person's own conscience, nor for that person's religious professions or sentiments, provided that that person does not disturb the public peace, nor obstruct others in their religious worship; — and all persons demeaning themselves peaceably, as good members of the State, shall be equally under the protection of the laws, and no subordination nor preference of any one sect or denomination to another shall ever be established by law, nor shall any religious test be required as

a qualification for any office or trust, under this State; and all religious societies in this State, whether incorporate or unincorporate, shall at all times have the exclusive right of electing their public teachers, and contracting with them for their support and maintenance.

Section 4. Freedom of speech and publication; libel; truth given in evidence; jury determines law and fact. Every citizen may freely speak, write and publish sentiments on any subject, being responsible for the abuse of this liberty; no laws shall be passed regulating or restraining the freedom of the press; and in prosecutions for any publication respecting the official conduct of people in public capacity, or the qualifications of those who are candidates for the suffrages of the people, or where the matter published is proper for public information, the truth thereof may be given in evidence, and in all indictments for libels, the jury, after having received the direction of the court, shall have a right to determine, at their discretion, the law and the fact.

Section 5. Unreasonable searches prohibited. The people shall be secure in their persons, houses, papers and possessions from all unreasonable searches and seizures; and no warrant to search any place, or seize any person or thing, shall issue without a special designation of the place to be searched, and the person or thing to be seized, nor without probable cause — supported by oath or affirmation.

Section 6. Rights of persons accused. In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall have a right to be heard by the accused and counsel to the accused, or either, at the election of the accused;

To demand the nature and cause of the accusation, and have a copy thereof;

To be confronted by the witnesses against the accused;

To have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in favor of the accused;

To have a speedy, public and impartial trial, and, except in trials by martial law or impeachment, by a jury of the vicinity. The accused shall not be compelled to furnish or give evidence against himself or herself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, property or privileges, but by judgment of that person's peers or the law of the land.

Section 6-A. Discrimination against persons prohibited. No person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law, nor be denied the equal protection of the laws, nor be denied the enjoyment of that person's civil rights or be discriminated against in the exercise thereof.

Section 7. No person to answer to certain crimes but on indictment; exceptions; juries. No person shall be held to answer for a capital or infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases of impeachment, or in such cases of offenses, as are usually cognizable by a justice of the peace, or in cases arising in the army or navy, or in the militia when in actual service in time of war or public danger. The Legislature shall provide by law a suitable and impartial mode of selecting juries, and their usual number and unanimity, in indictments and convictions, shall be held indispensable.

Section 8. No double jeopardy. No person, for the same offense, shall be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb.

Section 9. Sanguinary laws, excessive bail, cruel or unusual punishments prohibited. Sanguinary laws shall not be passed; all penalties and punishments shall be proportioned to the offense; excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel nor unusual punishments inflicted.

Section 10. Bailable offenses; habeas corpus. No person before conviction shall be bailable for any of the crimes which now are, or have been denominated capital offenses since the adoption of the Constitution, when the proof is evident or the presumption great, whatever the punishment of the crimes may be. And the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus shall not be suspended, unless when in cases of rebellion or invasion the public safety may require it.

Section 11. Attainder, ex post facto and contract-impairment laws prohibited. The Legislature shall pass no bill of attainder, ex post facto law, nor law impairing the obligation of contracts, and no attainder shall work corruption of blood nor forfeiture of estate.

Section 12. Treason; testimony of 2 witnesses. Treason against this State shall consist only in levying war against it, adhering to its enemies, giving them aid and comfort. No person shall be convicted of treason unless on the testimony of 2 witnesses to the same overt act, or confession in open court.

Section 13. Suspension of laws. The laws shall not be suspended but by the Legislature or its authority.

Section 14. Corporal punishment under military law. No person shall be subject to corporal punishment under military law, except such as are employed in the army or navy, or in the militia when in actual service in time of war or public danger.

Section 15. Right of petition. The people have a right at all times in an orderly and peaceable manner to assemble to consult upon the common good, to give instructions to their representatives, and to request, of either department of the government by petition or remonstrance, redress of their wrongs and grievances.

Section 16. To keep and bear arms. Every citizen has a right to keep and bear arms and this right shall never be questioned.

Section 17. Standing armies. No standing army shall be kept up in time of peace without the consent of the Legislature, and the military shall, in all cases, and at all times, be in strict subordination to the civil power.

Section 18. Quartering of soldiers on citizens. No soldier shall in time of peace be quartered in any house without the consent of the owner or occupant, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

Section 19. Right of redress for injuries. Every person, for an injury inflicted on the person or the person's reputation, property or immunities, shall have remedy by due course of law; and right and justice shall be administered freely and without sale, completely and without denial, promptly and without delay.

Section 20. Trial by jury. In all civil suits, and in all controversies concerning property, the parties shall have a right to a trial by jury, except in cases where it has heretofore been otherwise practiced; the party claiming the right may be heard by himself or herself and with counsel, or either, at the election of the party.

Section 21. Private property, when to be taken. Private property shall not be taken for public uses without just compensation; nor unless the public exigencies require it.

Section 22. Taxes. No tax or duty shall be imposed without the consent of the people or of their representatives in the Legislature.

Section 23. Title of nobility prohibited; tenure of offices. No title of nobility or hereditary distinction, privilege, honor or emolument, shall ever be granted or confirmed, nor shall any office be created, the appointment to which shall be for a longer time than during good behavior.

Section 24. Other rights not impaired. The enumeration of certain rights shall not impair nor deny others retained by the people.

Article II.

Electors.

Section 1. Qualifications of electors; written ballot; military servicemen; students. Every citizen of the United States of the age of 18 years and upwards, excepting persons under guardianship for reasons of mental illness, having his or her residence established in this State, shall be an elector for Governor, Senators and Representatives, in the city, town or plantation where his or her residence has been established, if he or she continues to reside in this State; and the elections shall be by written ballot. But persons in the military, naval or marine service of the United States, or this State, shall not be considered as having obtained such established residence by being stationed in any garrison, barrack or military place, in any city, town or plantation; nor shall the residence of a student at any seminary of learning entitle the student to the right of suffrage in the city, town or plantation where such seminary is established. No person, however, shall be deemed to have lost residence by reason of the person's absence from the state in the military service of the United States, or of this State.

Indians. Every Indian, residing on tribal reservations and otherwise qualified, shall be an elector in all county, state and national elections.

Section 2. Electors exempt from arrests on election days. Electors shall, in all cases, except treason, felony or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest on the days of election, during their attendance at, going to, and returning therefrom.

Section 3. Exemption from military duty. No elector shall be obliged to do duty in the militia on any day of election, except in time of war or public danger.

Section 4. Time of state election; absentee voting. The election of Senators and Representatives shall be on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November biennially forever and the election of Governor shall be on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November every 4 years. The Legislature under proper enactment shall authorize and provide for voting by citizens of the State absent therefrom in the Armed Forces of the United States or of this State and for voting by other citizens absent or physically incapacitated for reasons deemed sufficient.

Section 5. Voting machines. Voting machines, or other mechanical devices for voting, may be used at all elections under such regulations as may be prescribed by law, provided, however, the right of secret voting shall be preserved.

Article III.

Distribution of Powers.

Section 1. Powers distributed. The powers of this government shall be divided into 3 distinct departments, the legislative, executive and judicial.

Section 2. To be kept separate. No person or persons, belonging to one of these departments, shall exercise any of the powers properly belonging to either of the others, except in the cases herein expressly directed or permitted.

Article IV.

Part First.

House of Representatives.

Section 1. Legislative department; style of acts. The legislative power shall be vested in 2 distinct branches, a House of Representatives, and a Senate, each to have a negative on the other, and both to be styled the Legislature of Maine, but the people reserve to themselves power to propose laws and to enact or reject the same at the polls independent of the Legislature, and also reserve power at their own option to approve or reject at the polls any Act, bill, resolve or resolution passed by the joint action of both branches of the Legislature, and the style of their laws and Acts shall be, "Be it enacted by the people of the State of Maine."

Section 2. Number of Representatives; biennial terms; division of the State into districts for House of Representatives. The House of Representatives shall consist of 151 members, to be elected by the qualified electors, and hold their office 2 years from the day next preceding the first Wednesday in December following the general election. The Legislature which convenes in 1983 and every 10th year thereafter shall cause the State to be divided into districts for the choice of one Representative for each district. The number of Representatives shall be divided into the number of inhabitants of the State exclusive of foreigners not naturalized according to the latest Federal Decennial Census or a State Census previously ordered by the Legislature to coincide with the Federal Decennial Census, to determine a mean population figure for each Representative District. Each Representative District shall be formed of contiguous and compact territory and shall cross political subdivision lines the least number of times necessary to establish as nearly as practicable equally populated districts. Whenever the population of a municipality entitles it to more than one district, all whole districts shall be drawn

within municipal boundaries. Any population remainder within the municipality shall be included in a district with contiguous territory and shall be kept intact.

Section 3. Submission of reapportionment plan to Clerk of House; Legislature's action on commission's plan. The apportionment plan of the commission established under Article IV, Part Third, Section 1-A shall be submitted to the Clerk of the House no later than 120 calendar days after the convening of the Legislature in which apportionment is required. In the preparation of legislation implementing the plan, the commission, following a unanimous decision by commission members, may adjust errors and inconsistencies in accordance with the standards set forth in this Constitution, so long as substantive changes are not made. The Legislature shall enact the submitted plan of the commission or a plan of its own by a vote of 2/3 of the Members of each House within 30 calendar days after the plan of the commission is submitted. Such action shall be subject to the Governor's approval as provided in Article IV, Part Third, Section 2.

In the event that the Legislature shall fail to make an apportionment within 130 calendar days after convening, the Supreme Judicial Court shall, within 60 days following the period in which the Legislature is required to act, but fails to do so, make the apportionment. In making such apportionment, the Supreme Judicial Court shall take into consideration plans and briefs filed by the public with the court during the first 30 days of the period in which the court is required to apportion.

The Supreme Judicial Court shall have original jurisdiction to hear any challenge to an apportionment law enacted by the Legislature, as registered by any citizen or group thereof. If any challenge is sustained, the Supreme Judicial Court shall make the apportionment.

Section 4. Residency requirement. No person shall be a member of the House of Representatives, unless the person shall, at the commencement of the period for which the person is elected, have been 5 years a citizen of the United States, have arrived at the age of 21 years, have been a resident in this State one year; and for the 3 months next preceding the time of this person's election shall have been, and, during the period for which elected, shall continue to be a resident in the district which that person represents.

No person may be a candidate for election as a member of the House of Representatives unless, at the time of the nomination for placement on the primary, general or special election ballot, that person is a resident in the district which the candidate seeks to represent.

Section 5. Election of Representatives; lists of votes delivered forthwith; lists of votes examined by Governor; summons of persons who appear to be elected; lists shall be laid before the House. The meetings within this State for the choice of Representatives shall be warned in due course of law by qualified officials of the several towns and cities 7 days at least before the election, and the election officials of the various towns and cities shall preside impartially at such meetings, receive the votes of all the qualified electors, sort, count and declare them in open meeting; and a list of the persons voted for shall be formed, with the number of votes for each person against that person's name. Cities and towns belonging to any Representative District shall hold their meetings at the same time in the respective cities and towns; and such meetings shall be notified, held and regulated, the votes received, sorted, counted and declared in the same manner. Fair copies of the lists of votes shall be attested by the municipal officers and the clerks of the cities and towns and the city and town clerks respectively shall cause the same to be delivered into the office of the Secretary of State forthwith. The Governor shall examine the returned copies of such lists and 7 days before the first Wednesday of December biennially, shall issue a summons to such persons as shall appear to have been elected by a plurality of all votes returned, to attend and take their seats. All such lists shall be laid before the House of Representatives on the first Wednesday of December biennially, and they shall finally determine who are elected.

Section 6. Vacancies. Whenever the seat of a member shall be vacated by death, resignation, or otherwise the vacancy may be filled by a new election.

Section 7. To choose own officers. The House of Representatives shall choose their speaker, clerk and other officers.

Section 8. Power of impeachment. The House of Representatives shall have the sole power of impeachment.

Article IV.

Part Second.

Senate.

Section 1. Number of Senators. The Senate shall consist of an odd number of Senators, not less than 31 nor more than 35, elected at the same time and for the same term as Representatives by the qualified electors of the districts into which the State shall be from time to time divided.

Section 2. Submission of reapportionment plan to Secretary of Senate; Legislature's action on commission's plan; division of State into Senatorial Districts; division by Supreme Judicial Court. The Legislature which shall convene in the year 1983 and every 10th year thereafter shall cause the State to be divided into districts for the choice of a Senator from each district, using the same method as provided in Article IV, Part First, Section 2 for apportionment of Representative Districts.

The apportionment plan of the commission established under Article IV, Part Third, Section 1-A shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Senate no later than 120 calendar days after the convening of the Legislature in which apportionment is required. In the preparation of legislation implementing the plan, the commission, following a unanimous decision by commission members, may adjust errors and inconsistencies in accordance with the standards set forth in this Constitution, so long as substantive changes are not made. The Legislature shall enact the submitted plan of the commission or a plan of its own by a vote of 2/3 of the Members of each House, within 30 calendar days after the plan of the commission is submitted. Such action shall be subject to the Governor's approval as provided in Article IV, Part Third, Section 2.

In the event that the Legislature shall fail to make an apportionment within 130 days after convening, the Supreme Judicial Court shall, within 60 days following the period in which the Legislature is required to act but fails to do so, make the apportionment. In making such apportionment, the Supreme Judicial Court shall take into consideration plans and briefs filed by the public with the court during the first 30 days of the period in which the court is required to apportion.

The Supreme Judicial Court shall have original jurisdiction to hear any challenge to an apportionment law enacted by the Legislature, as registered by any citizen or group thereof. If any challenge is sustained, the Supreme Judicial Court shall make the apportionment.

Section 3. Election of Senators; lists of votes delivered forthwith. The meetings within this State for the election of Senators shall be notified, held and regulated and the votes received, sorted, counted, declared and recorded, in the same manner as those for Representatives. Fair copies of the lists of votes shall be attested by the clerks of the cities and towns or other duly authorized officials and sealed up in open meetings and such officials shall cause said lists to be delivered into the office of the Secretary of State forthwith.

Section 4. Lists of votes examined by Governor; summons to persons who appear to be elected. The Governor shall, as soon as may be, examine the copies of such lists, and at least 7 days before the said first Wednesday of December, issue a summons to such persons, as shall appear to be elected by a plurality of the votes in each senatorial district, to attend that day and take their seats.

Section 5. Determination of Senators elected; procedure for filling vacancies. The Senate shall, on said first Wednesday of December, biennially determine who is elected by a plurality of votes to be Senator in each district. All vacancies in the Senate arising from death, resignation, removal from the State or like causes, and also vacancies, if any, which may occur because of the failure of any district to elect by a plurality of votes the Senator to which said district shall be entitled shall be filled by an immediate election in the unrepresented district. The Governor shall issue a proclamation therefor and therein fix the time of such election.

Section 6. Qualifications. The Senators shall be 25 years of age at the commencement of the term, for which they are elected, and in all other respects their qualifications shall be the same as those of the Representatives.

Section 7. To try impeachments; limitation of judgment of impeachment; party liable to be tried and punished in court. The Senate shall have the sole power to try all impeachments, and when sitting for that purpose shall be on oath or affirmation, and no person shall be convicted without the concurrence of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the members present. Their judgment, however, shall not extend farther than to removal from office, and disqualification to hold or enjoy any office of honor, trust or profit under this State. But the party, whether convicted or acquitted, shall nevertheless be liable to indictment, trial, judgment and punishment according to law.

Section 8. To choose own officers. The Senate shall choose their President, Secretary and other officers.

Article IV.

Part Third.

Legislative Power.

Section 1. To meet annually; power of Legislature to convene itself at other times; extent of legislative power. The Legislature shall convene on the first Wednesday of December following the general election in what shall be designated the first regular session of the Legislature; and shall further convene on the first Wednesday

after the first Tuesday of January in the subsequent even-numbered year in what shall be designated the second regular session of the Legislature; provided, however, that the business of the second regular session of the Legislature shall be limited to budgetary matters; legislation in the Governor's call; legislation of an emergency nature admitted by the Legislature; legislation referred to committees for study and report by the Legislature in the first regular session; and legislation presented to the Legislature by written petition of the electors under the provisions of Article IV, Part Third, Section 18. The Legislature shall enact appropriate statutory limits on the length of the first regular session and of the second regular session. The Legislature may convene at such other times on the call of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, with the consent of a majority of the Members of the Legislature of each political party, all Members of the Legislature having been first polled. The Legislature, with the exceptions hereinafter stated, shall have full power to make and establish all reasonable laws and regulations for the defense and benefit of the people of this State, not repugnant to this Constitution, nor to that of the United States.

Section 1-A. Legislature to establish Apportionment Commission; number of quorum; compensation of commission members; commission's budget; division among political parties. A Legislature which is required to apportion the districts of the House of Representatives or the Senate, or both, under Article IV, Part First, Section 2, or Article IV, Part Second, Section 2, shall establish, within the first 3 calendar days after the convening of that Legislature, a commission to develop in accordance with the requirements of this Constitution, a plan for apportioning the House of Representatives, the Senate, or both.

The commission shall be composed of 3 members from the political party holding the largest number of seats in the House of Representatives, who shall be appointed by the Speaker; 3 members from the political party holding the majority of the remainder of the seats in the House of Representatives, who shall be appointed by the floor leader of that party in the House; 2 members of the party holding the largest number of seats in the Senate, who shall be appointed by the President of the Senate; 2 members of the political party holding the majority of the remainder of the seats in the Senate, to be appointed by the floor leader of that party in the Senate; the chairperson of each of the 2 major political parties in the State or their designated representatives; and 3 members from the public generally, one to be selected by each group of members of the commission representing the same political party, and the third to be selected by the

other 2 public members. The Speaker of the House shall be responsible for organizing the commission and shall be chairperson pro tempore thereof until a permanent chairperson is selected by the commission members from among their own number. No action may be taken without a quorum of 8 being present. The commission shall hold public hearings on any plan for apportionment prior to submitting such plan to the Legislature.

Public members of the commission shall receive the same rate of per diem that is paid to Legislators for every day's attendance at special sessions of the Legislature as defined by law. All members of the commission shall be reimbursed for actual travel expenses incurred in carrying out the business of the commission. The Legislature which is required to apportion shall establish a budget for the apportioning commission within the state budget document in the fiscal year previous to the fiscal year during which the apportioning commission is required to convene and shall appropriate sufficient funds for the commission to satisfactorily perform its duties and responsibilities. The budget shall include sufficient funds to compensate the chairperson of the commission and the chairperson's staff. The remainder of the appropriation shall be made available equally among the political parties represented on the commission to provide travel expenses, incidental expenses and compensation for commission members and for partisan staff and operations.

Section 2. Bills to be signed by the Governor; proceedings, in case the Governor disapproves; allowing the Governor 10 days to act on legislation. Every bill or resolution, having the force of law, to which the concurrence of both Houses may be necessary, except on a question of adjournment, which shall have passed both Houses, shall be presented to the Governor, and if the Governor approves, the Governor shall sign it; if not, the Governor shall return it with objections to the House in which it shall have originated, which shall enter the objections at large on its journals, and proceed to reconsider it. If after such reconsideration, 2/3 of that House shall agree to pass it, it shall be sent together with the objections, to the other House, by which it shall be reconsidered, and, if approved by 2/3 of that House, it shall have the same effect as if it had been signed by the Governor; but in all such cases, the votes of both Houses shall be taken by yeas and nays, and the names of the persons, voting for and against the bill or resolution, shall be entered on the journals of both Houses respectively. If the bill or resolution shall not be returned by the Governor within 10 days (Sundays excepted) after it shall have been presented to the Governor, it shall have the same force and effect as if the Governor had signed it unless the Legislature by their adjournment

prevent its return, in which case it shall have such force and effect, unless returned within 3 days after the next meeting of the same Legislature which enacted the bill or resolution; if there is no such next meeting of the Legislature which enacted the bill or resolution, the bill or resolution shall not be a law.

Section 2-A. Line-item veto of dollar amounts appearing in appropriation or allocation sections of legislative documents. The Governor has power to disapprove any dollar amount appearing in an appropriation section or allocation section, or both, of an enacted legislative document. Unless the Governor exercises the line-item veto power authorized in this section no later than one day after receiving for signature the enacted legislation, the powers of the Governor as set out in section 2 apply to the entire enacted legislation. For any disapproved dollar amount, the Governor shall replace the dollar amount with one that does not result in an increase in an appropriation or allocation or a decrease in a deappropriation or deallocation. When disapproving a dollar amount pursuant to this section, the Governor may not propose an increase in an appropriation or allocation elsewhere in the legislative document. The Governor shall specify the distinct dollar amounts that are revised, and the part or parts of the legislative document not specifically revised become law. The dollar amounts in an appropriation or allocation that have been disapproved become law as revised by the Governor, unless passed over the Governor's veto by the Legislature as the dollar amounts originally appeared in the enacted bill as presented to the Governor; except that, notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution for dollar amounts vetoed pursuant to this section, a majority of all the elected members in each House is sufficient to override the veto, and each dollar amount vetoed must be voted on separately to override the veto. Except as provided in this section, the Governor may not disapprove, omit or modify any language allocated to the statutes or appearing in an unallocated section of law. CR 1995, c. 1 (new).

Section 3. Each House the judge of its elections; majority, a quorum. Each House shall be the judge of the elections and qualifications of its own members, and a majority shall constitute a quorum to do business; but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day, and may compel the attendance of absent members, in such manner and under such penalties as each House shall provide.

Section 4. May punish and expel members. Each House may determine the rules of its proceedings, punish its members for disorderly behavior, and, with the concurrence of 2/3, expel a member, but not a 2nd time for the same cause.

Section 5. Shall keep a journal; yeas and nays. Each House shall keep a journal, and from time to time publish its proceedings, except such parts as in their judgment may require secrecy; and the yeas and nays of the members of either House on any question, shall, at the desire of 1/5 of those present, be entered on the journals.

Section 6. May punish for contempt. Each House, during its session, may punish by imprisonment any person, not a member, for disrespectful or disorderly behavior in its presence, for obstructing any of its proceedings, threatening, assaulting or abusing any of its members for anything said, done, or doing in either House; provided, that no imprisonment shall extend beyond the period of the same session.

Section 7. Compensation; traveling expenses. The Senators and Representatives shall receive such compensation, as shall be established by law; but no law increasing their compensation shall take effect during the existence of the Legislature, which enacted it. The expenses of the members of the House of Representatives in traveling to the Legislature, and returning therefrom, once in each week of each session and no more, shall be paid by the State out of the public treasury to every member, who shall seasonably attend, in the judgment of the House, and does not depart therefrom without leave.

Section 8. Members exempt from arrest; freedom of debate. The Senators and Representatives shall, in all cases except treason, felony or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest during their attendance at, going to, and returning from each session of the Legislature, and no member shall be liable to answer for anything spoken in debate in either House, in any court or place elsewhere.

Section 9. Either House may originate bills; revenue bills. Bills, orders or resolutions, may originate in either House, and may be altered, amended or rejected in the other; but all bills for raising a revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives, but the Senate may propose amendments as in other cases; provided, that they shall not, under color of amendment, introduce any new matter, which does not relate to raising a revenue.

Section 10. Members not to be appointed to certain offices. No Senator or Representative shall, during the term for which the Senator or Representative shall have been elected, be appointed to any civil office of profit under this State, which requires the approval of the Legislature for appointment or which shall have been created, or the emoluments of which increased during such term, except such offices as may be filled by elections by the people.

Section 11. Persons disqualified to be members. No member of Congress, nor person holding any office under the United States (post officers excepted) nor office of profit under this State, justices of the peace, notaries public, coroners and officers of the militia excepted, shall have a seat in either House while a member of Congress, or continuing in such office.

Section 12. Adjournments. Neither House shall during the session, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than 2 days, nor to any other place than that in which the Houses shall be sitting.

Section 13. Special legislation. The Legislature shall, from time to time, provide, as far as practicable, by general laws, for all matters usually appertaining to special or private legislation.

Section 14. Corporations, formed under general laws. Corporations shall be formed under general laws, and shall not be created by special Acts of the Legislature, except for municipal purposes, and in cases where the objects of the corporation cannot otherwise be attained; and, however formed, they shall forever be subject to the general laws of the State.

Section 15. Constitutional conventions. The Legislature shall, by a 2/3 concurrent vote of both branches, have the power to call constitutional conventions, for the purpose of amending this Constitution.

Section 16. Acts become effective in 90 days after recess; exception; emergency bill defined. No Act or joint resolution of the Legislature, except such orders or resolutions as pertain solely to facilitating the performance of the business of the Legislature, of either branch, or of any committee or officer thereof, or appropriate money therefor or for the payment of salaries fixed by law, shall take effect until 90 days after the recess of the session of the Legislature in which it was passed, unless in case of emergency, which with the facts constituting the emergency shall be expressed in the preamble of the Act, the Legislature shall, by a vote of 2/3 of all the members elected to each House, otherwise direct. An emergency bill shall include only such measures as are immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety; and shall not include (1) an infringement of the right of home rule for municipalities, (2) a franchise or a license to a corporation or an individual to extend longer than one year, or (3) provision for the sale or purchase or renting for more than 5 years of real estate.

Section 17. Proceedings for people's veto.

1. Petition procedure; petition for people's veto. Upon written petition of electors, the number of which shall not be less than

10% of the total vote for Governor cast in the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of such petition, and addressed to the Governor and filed in the office of the Secretary of State by the hour of 5:00 p.m., on or before the 90th day after the recess of the Legislature, or if such 90th day is a Saturday, a Sunday, or a legal holiday, by the hour of 5:00 p.m., on the preceding day which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or a legal holiday, requesting that one or more Acts, bills, resolves or resolutions, or part or parts thereof, passed by the Legislature but not then in effect by reason of the provisions of the preceding section, be referred to the people, such Acts, bills, resolves, or resolutions or part or parts thereof as are specified in such petition shall not take effect until 30 days after the Governor shall have announced by public proclamation that the same have been ratified by a majority of the electors voting thereon at a statewide election.

2. Effect of referendum. The effect of any Act, bill, resolve or resolution or part or parts thereof as are specified in such petition shall be suspended upon the filing of such petition. If it is later finally determined, in accordance with any procedure enacted by the Legislature pursuant to the Constitution, that such petition was invalid, such Act, bill, resolve or resolution or part or parts thereof shall then take effect upon the day following such final determination.

3. Referral to electors; proclamation by Governor. As soon as it appears that the effect of any Act, bill, resolve, or resolution or part or parts thereof has been suspended by petition in manner aforesaid, the Governor by public proclamation shall give notice thereof and of the time when such measure is to be voted on by the people, which shall be at the next statewide election not less than 60 days after such proclamation, or in case of no statewide election within 6 months thereafter the Governor may order such measure submitted to the people at a special election not less than 60 days nor more than 6 months after proclamation thereof. If the Governor fails to order such measure to be submitted to the people at the next statewide election, the Secretary of State shall, by proclamation, order such measure to be submitted to the people at such an election and such order shall be sufficient to enable the people to vote.

Section 18. Direct initiative of legislation.

1. Petition procedure. The electors may propose to the Legislature for its consideration any bill, resolve or resolution, including bills to amend or repeal emergency legislation but not an amendment of the State Constitution, by written petition addressed to the Legislature or to either branch thereof and filed in the office of the

Secretary of State by the hour of 5:00 p.m., on or before the 50th day after the date of convening of the Legislature in first regular session or on or before the 25th day after the date of convening of the Legislature in second regular session. If the 50th or 25th day, whichever applies, is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the period runs until the hour of 5:00 p.m., of the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.

2. Referral to electors unless enacted by the Legislature without change; number of signatures necessary on direct initiative petitions; dating signatures on petitions; competing measures. For any measure thus proposed by electors, the number of signatures shall not be less than 10% of the total vote for Governor cast in the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of such petition. The date each signature was made shall be written next to the signature on the petition, and no signature older than one year from the written date on the petition shall be valid. The measure thus proposed, unless enacted without change by the Legislature at the session at which it is presented, shall be submitted to the electors together with any amended form, substitute, or recommendation of the Legislature, and in such manner that the people can choose between the competing measures or reject both. When there are competing bills and neither receives a majority of the votes given for or against both, the one receiving the most votes shall at the next statewide election to be held not less than 60 days after the first vote thereon be submitted by itself if it receives more than 1/3 of the votes given for and against both. If the measure initiated is enacted by the Legislature without change, it shall not go to a referendum vote unless in pursuance of a demand made in accordance with the preceding section. The Legislature may order a special election on any measure that is subject to a vote of the people.

3. Timing of elections; proclamation by Governor. The Governor shall, by proclamation, order any measure proposed to the Legislature as herein provided, and not enacted by the Legislature without change, referred to the people at an election to be held in November of the year in which the petition is filed. If the Governor fails to order a measure proposed to the Legislature and not enacted without change to be submitted to the people at such an election by proclamation within 10 days after the recess of the Legislature to which the measure was proposed, the Secretary of State shall, by proclamation, order such measure to be submitted to the people at an election as requested, and such order shall be sufficient to enable the people to vote.

Section 19. Effective date of measures approved by people; veto power limited. Any measure referred to the people and

approved by a majority of the votes given thereon shall, unless a later date is specified in said measure, take effect and become a law in 30 days after the Governor has made public proclamation of the result of the vote on said measure, which the Governor shall do within 10 days after the vote thereon has been canvassed and determined; provided, however, that any such measure which entails expenditure in an amount in excess of available and unappropriated state funds shall remain inoperative until 45 days after the next convening of the Legislature in regular session, unless the measure provides for raising new revenues adequate for its operation. The veto power of the Governor shall not extend to any measure approved by vote of the people, and any measure initiated by the people and passed by the Legislature without change, if vetoed by the Governor and if the veto is sustained by the Legislature shall be referred to the people to be voted on at the next general election. The Legislature may enact measures expressly conditioned upon the people's ratification by a referendum vote.

Section 20. Meaning of words "electors," "people," "recess of Legislature," "statewide election," "measure," "circulator," and "written petition"; written petitions for people's veto; written petitions for direct initiative. As used in any of the 3 preceding sections or in this section the words "electors" and "people" mean the electors of the State qualified to vote for Governor; "recess of the Legislature" means the adjournment without day of a session of the Legislature; "statewide election" means any election held throughout the State on a particular day; "measure" means an Act, bill, resolve or resolution proposed by the people, or 2 or more such, or part or parts of such, as the case may be; "circulator" means a person who solicits signatures for written petitions, and who must be a resident of this State and whose name must appear on the voting list of the city, town or plantation of the circulator's residence as qualified to vote for Governor; "written petition" means one or more petitions written or printed, or partly written and partly printed, with the original signatures of the petitioners attached, verified as to the authenticity of the signatures by the oath of the circulator that all of the signatures to the petition were made in the presence of the circulator and that to the best of the circulator's knowledge and belief each signature is the signature of the person whose name it purports to be, and accompanied by the certificate of the official authorized by law to maintain the voting list of the city, town or plantation in which the petitioners reside that their names appear on the voting list of the city, town or plantation of the official as qualified to vote for Governor. The oath of the circulator must be sworn to in the presence of a person authorized by law to administer oaths. Written petitions for a

people's veto pursuant to Article IV, Part Third, Section 17 must be submitted to the appropriate officials of cities, towns or plantations for determination of whether the petitioners are qualified voters by the hour of 5:00 p.m., on the 5th day before the petition must be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, or, if such 5th day is a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday, by 5:00 p.m., on the next day which is not a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday. Written petitions for a direct initiative pursuant to Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 must be submitted to the appropriate officials of cities, towns or plantations for determination of whether the petitioners are qualified voters by the hour of 5:00 p.m., on the 10th day before the petition must be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, or, if such 10th day is a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday, by 5:00 p.m., on the next day which is not a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday. Such officials must complete the certification of such petitions and must return them to the circulators or their agents within 2 days for a petition for a people's veto and within 5 days for a petition for a direct initiative, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, of the date on which such petitions were submitted to them. The petition shall set forth the full text of the measure requested or proposed. Petition forms shall be furnished or approved by the Secretary of State upon written application signed in the office of the Secretary of State by a resident of this State whose name must appear on the voting list of the city, town or plantation of that resident as qualified to vote for Governor. The full text of a measure submitted to a vote of the people under the provisions of the Constitution need not be printed on the official ballots, but, until otherwise provided by the Legislature, the Secretary of State shall prepare the ballots in such form as to present the question or questions concisely and intelligibly. CR 1995, c. 3 (amd)

Section 21. City council of any city may establish direct initiative and people's veto. The city council of any city may establish the direct initiative and people's veto for the electors of such city in regard to its municipal affairs, provided that the ordinance establishing and providing the method of exercising such direct initiative and people's veto shall not take effect until ratified by vote of a majority of the electors of said city, voting thereon at a municipal election. Provided, however, that the Legislature may at any time provide a uniform method for the exercise of the initiative and referendum in municipal affairs.

Section 22. Election officers and officials, how governed. Until the Legislature shall enact further laws not inconsistent with the Constitution for applying the people's veto and direct initiative, the election officers and other officials shall be governed by the provi-

sions of this Constitution and of the general law, supplemented by such reasonable action as may be necessary to render the preceding sections self-executing. The Legislature may enact laws not inconsistent with the Constitution to establish procedures for determination of the validity of written petitions. Such laws shall include provision for judicial review of any determination, to be completed within 100 days from the date of filing of a written petition in the office of the Secretary of State.

Section 23. Municipalities reimbursed annually. The Legislature shall annually reimburse each municipality from state tax sources for not less than 50% of the property tax revenue loss suffered by that municipality during the previous calendar year because of the statutory property tax exemptions or credits enacted after April 1, 1978. The Legislature shall enact appropriate legislation to carry out the intent of this section.

This section shall allow, but not require, reimbursement for statutory property tax exemptions or credits for unextracted minerals.

Article V.

Part First.

Executive Power.

Section 1. Governor. The supreme executive power of this State shall be vested in a Governor.

Section 2. Term of office; reelection eligibility. The Governor shall be elected by the qualified electors, and shall hold the office for 4 years from the first Wednesday after the first Tuesday of January next following the election and until the successor to the Governor has been duly elected and qualified. The person who has served 2 consecutive popular elective 4-year terms of office as Governor shall be ineligible to succeed himself or herself.

Section 3. Election; votes to be returned to Secretary of State; Secretary of State to lay lists before the Senate and House of Representatives; provision in case of tie. The meetings for election of Governor shall be notified, held and regulated and votes shall be received, sorted, counted and declared and recorded, in the same manner as those for Senators and Representatives. Copies of lists of votes shall be sealed and returned to the secretary's office in the same manner and at the same time as those for Senators. The Secretary of State for the time being shall, on the first Wednesday after the first Tuesday of January then next, lay the lists returned to the secretary's office before the Senate and House of Representatives to be by them

examined, together with the ballots cast if they so elect, and they shall determine the number of votes duly cast for the office of Governor, and in case of a choice by plurality of all of the votes returned they shall declare and publish the same. If there shall be a tie between the 2 persons having the largest number of votes for Governor, the House of Representatives and the Senate meeting in joint session, and each member of said bodies having a single vote, shall elect one of said 2 persons having so received an equal number of votes and the person so elected by the Senate and House of Representatives shall be declared the Governor.

Section 4. Qualifications. The Governor shall, at the commencement of the Governor's term, be not less than 30 years of age; a citizen of the United States for at least 15 years, have been 5 years a resident of the State; and at the time of election and during the term for which elected, be a resident of said State.

Section 5. Disqualifications. No person holding any office or place under the United States, this State, or any other power, shall assume the office of Governor, nor shall any such person exercise the office of Governor except as provided by this Constitution.

Section 6. Compensation. The Governor shall, at stated times, receive for services a compensation, which shall not be increased or diminished during the Governor's continuance in office.

Section 7. Commander in chief. The Governor shall be commander in chief of the army and navy of the State, and of the militia, except when the same are called into the actual service of the United States.

Section 8. To appoint officers. The Governor shall nominate, and, subject to confirmation as provided herein, appoint all judicial officers, except judges of probate and justices of the peace if their manner of selection is otherwise provided for by this Constitution or by law, and all other civil and military officers whose appointment is not by this Constitution, or shall not by law be otherwise provided for.

Procedure for confirmation. The procedure for confirmation shall be as follows: an appropriate legislative committee comprised of members of both houses in reasonable proportion to their membership as provided by law shall recommend confirmation or denial by majority vote of committee members present and voting. The committee recommendation shall be reviewed by the Senate and upon review shall become final action of confirmation or denial unless the Senate by vote of 2/3 of those members present and voting overrides the committee recommendation. The Senate vote shall be by the yeas and nays.

Affirmative vote of 2/3 of members required. All statutes enacted to carry out the purposes of the second paragraph of this section

shall require the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the members of each House present and voting.

Governor or President of Senate may call Senate into session. Either the Governor or the President of the Senate shall have the power to call the Senate into session for the purpose of voting upon confirmation of appointments.

Nomination by Governor made 7 days prior to appointment of nominee. Every nomination by the Governor shall be made 7 days at least prior to appointment of the nominee.

Section 9. To give information and recommend measures. The Governor shall from time to time give the Legislature information of the condition of the State, and recommend to their consideration such measures, as the Governor may judge expedient.

Section 10. May require information of any officer. The Governor may require information from any military officer, or any officer in the executive department, upon any subject relating to the duties of their respective offices.

Section 11. Power to pardon and remit penalties, etc.; conditions. The Governor shall have power to remit after conviction all forfeitures and penalties, and to grant reprieves, commutations and pardons, except in cases of impeachment, upon such conditions, and with such restrictions and limitations as may be deemed proper, subject to such regulations as may be provided by law, relative to the manner of applying for pardons. Such power to grant reprieves, commutations and pardons shall include offenses of juvenile delinquency.

Section 12. Shall enforce the laws. The Governor shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed.

Section 13. Convene the Legislature on extraordinary occasions, and adjourn it in case of disagreement; may change the place of meeting. The Governor may, on extraordinary occasions, convene the Legislature; and in case of disagreement between the 2 Houses with respect to the time of adjournment, adjourn them to such time, as the Governor shall think proper, not beyond the day of the next regular session; and if, since the last adjournment, the place where the Legislature were next to convene shall have become dangerous from an enemy or contagious sickness, may direct the session to be held at some other convenient place within the State.

Section 14. Vacancy, how supplied. Whenever the office of Governor shall become vacant because of the death, resignation or removal of a Governor in office, or any other cause, the President of

the Senate shall assume the office of Governor until another Governor shall be duly qualified. When the vacancy occurs more than 90 days preceding the date of the primary election for nominating candidates to be voted for at the biennial election next succeeding, the President of the Senate shall assume the office of Governor until the first Wednesday after the first Tuesday of January following the biennial election. At the biennial election, a Governor shall be elected to fill the unexpired term created by the vacancy. When the vacancy occurs less than 90 days preceding the date of a primary election the President of the Senate shall fill the unexpired term.

Whenever the offices of Governor and President of the Senate are vacant at the same time, the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall assume the office of Governor for the same term and under the same conditions as the President of the Senate.

Whenever the offices of Governor, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives are vacant at the same time, the person acting as Secretary of State for the time being shall exercise the office of Governor and shall forthwith by proclamation convene the Senate and the House of Representatives which shall fill respectively the vacancies in the offices of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, and by joint ballot of the Senators and Representatives in convention choose a person who shall assume the office of Governor for the same term and under the same conditions as the President of the Senate.

Mental or physical disability of the Governor continuously for more than 6 months. Whenever for 6 months a Governor in office shall have been continuously unable to discharge the powers and duties of that office because of mental or physical disability such office shall be deemed vacant. Such vacancy shall be declared by the Supreme Judicial Court upon presentment to it of a joint resolution declaring the ground of the vacancy, adopted by a vote of 2/3 of the Senators and Representatives in convention, and upon notice, hearing before the court and a decision by a majority of the court that ground exists for declaring the office to be vacant.

Section 15. Temporary mental or physical disability of Governor. Whenever the Governor is unable to discharge the powers and duties of that office because of mental or physical disability, the President of the Senate, or if that office is vacant, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall exercise the powers and duties of the office of Governor until the Governor is again able to discharge the powers and duties of that office, or until the office of Governor is declared to be vacant or until another Governor shall be duly qualified.

Whenever the Governor is unable to discharge the powers and duties of that office, the Governor may so certify to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, in which case and upon notice from the Chief Justice, the President of the Senate, or if that office is vacant, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall exercise the powers and duties of the office of Governor until such time as the Governor shall certify to the Chief Justice that the Governor is able to discharge such powers and duties and the Chief Justice shall so notify the officer who is exercising the powers and duties of the office of Governor.

When the Secretary of State shall have reason to believe that the Governor is unable to discharge the duties of that office, the Secretary of State may so certify to the Supreme Judicial Court, declaring the reason for such belief. After notice to the Governor, a hearing before the court and a decision by a majority of the court that the Governor is unable to discharge the duties of the office of Governor, the court shall notify the President of the Senate, or if that office is vacant the Speaker of the House of Representatives, of such inability and that officer shall exercise the functions, powers and duties of the office of Governor until such time as the Secretary of State or the Governor shall certify to the court that the Governor is able to discharge the duties of the office of Governor and the court, after notice to the Governor and a hearing before the court, decides that the Governor is able to discharge the duties of that office and so notifies the officer who is exercising the powers and duties of the office of Governor.

Whenever either the President of the Senate or Speaker of the House of Representatives shall exercise the office of Governor, the officer shall receive only the compensation of Governor, but the officer's duties as President or Speaker shall be suspended; and the Senate or House shall fill the vacancy resulting from such suspension, until the officer shall cease to exercise the office of Governor.

Article V.

Part Second.

Secretary.

Section 1. Election. The Secretary of State shall be chosen biennially at the first session of the Legislature, by joint ballot of the Senators and Representatives in convention.

Section 1-A. Succession to the office of Secretary of State. If a vacancy occurs in the office of the Secretary of State, the first deputy secretary of state shall act as the Secretary of State until a Secretary

of State is elected by the Legislature during the current session if in session, or at the next regular or special session.

Section 2. Records of State; deputies. The records of the State shall be kept in the office of the Secretary, who may appoint deputies to that office, for whose conduct the Secretary shall be accountable.

Section 3. Attend the Governor, Senate, and House. The Secretary of State shall attend the Governor, Senate and House of Representatives, in person or by the deputies of the Secretary of State as they shall respectively require.

Section 4. Records of executive and legislative departments. The Secretary of State shall carefully keep and preserve the records of all the official acts and proceedings of the Governor, Senate and House of Representatives, and, when required, lay the same before either branch of the Legislature, and perform such other duties as are enjoined by this Constitution, or shall be required by law.

Article V.

Part Third.

Treasurer.

Section 1. Election. The Treasurer shall be chosen biennially, at the first session of the Legislature, by joint ballot of the Senators, and Representatives in convention.

Section 1-A. Succession to the office of Treasurer. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Treasurer of State, the deputy treasurer of state shall act as the Treasurer of State until a Treasurer of State is elected by the Legislature during the current session if in session, or at the next regular or special session.

Section 2. Bond. The Treasurer shall, before entering on the duties of that office, give bond to the State with sureties, to the satisfaction of the Legislature, for the faithful discharge of that trust.

Section 3. Not to engage in trade. The Treasurer shall not, during the Treasurer's continuance in office, engage in any business of trade or commerce, or as a broker, nor as an agent or factor for any merchant or trader.

Section 4. No money drawn except upon appropriation or allocation. No money shall be drawn from the treasury, except in consequence of appropriations or allocations authorized by law.

Section 5. Bonding regulations; prohibiting use of proceeds from sale of bonds to fund current expenditures. The Legislature

shall enact general law prohibiting the use of proceeds from the sale of bonds to fund current expenditures and shall provide by appropriation for the payment of interest upon and installments of principal of all bonded debt created on behalf of the State as the same shall become due and payable. If at any time the Legislature shall fail to make any such appropriation, the Treasurer of State shall set apart from the first General Fund revenues thereafter received a sum sufficient to pay such interest or installments of principal and shall so apply the moneys thus set apart. The Treasurer of State may be required to set apart and apply such revenues at the suit of any holder of such bonds. The prohibition on use of proceeds from the sale of bonds to fund current expenditures shall only apply to those bonds authorized on or after July 1, 1977.

Article VI.

Judicial Power.

Section 1. Courts. The judicial power of this State shall be vested in a Supreme Judicial Court, and such other courts as the Legislature shall from time to time establish.

Section 2. Compensation. The Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and the Judges of other courts shall, at stated times receive a compensation, which shall not be diminished during their continuance in office; but they shall receive no other fee or reward for their services as Justices or Judges.

Section 3. To give opinion when required by Governor or either Branch of the Legislature. The Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court shall be obliged to give their opinion upon important questions of law, and upon solemn occasions, when required by the Governor, Senate or House of Representatives.

Section 4. Tenure of judicial officers; 6-month holdover period. All judicial officers appointed by the Governor shall hold their offices for the term of 7 years from the time of their respective appointments (unless sooner removed by impeachment or by address of both branches of the Legislature to the executive, provided further that justices of the peace may be removed from office in such manner as the Legislature may provide); provided, however, that a judicial officer whose term of office has expired or who has reached mandatory retirement age, as provided by statute, may continue to hold office until the expiration of an additional period not to exceed 6 months or until the successor to the judicial officer is appointed, whichever occurs first in time.

Section 5. Limitation on holding other office. No Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court or any other court shall hold office under the United States or any other state, nor under this State, except as justice of the peace or as member of the Judicial Council.

Section 6. Judges and registers of probate, election and tenure; vacancies. Judges and registers of probate shall be elected by the people of their respective counties, by a plurality of the votes given in, at the biennial election on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November, and shall hold their offices for 4 years, commencing on the first day of January next after their election. Vacancies occurring in said offices by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled by election in manner aforesaid at the November election, next after their occurrence; and in the meantime, the Governor may fill said vacancies by appointment, and the persons so appointed shall hold their offices until the first day of January next after the election aforesaid.

Note: Section 6 of Article VI has been repealed by Amendment which by virtue of Chapter 77 of the Resolves of the One Hundred and Third Legislature, 1967 "shall become effective at such time as the Legislature by proper enactment shall establish a different Probate Court system with full-time judges."

Article VII.

Military.

Section 1. Officers, how appointed. All commissioned officers of the militia shall be appointed and commissioned by the Governor, from such persons as are qualified by law to hold such offices.

Section 2. Qualifications and selection. The Legislature shall, by law, designate the qualifications necessary for holding a commission in the militia and shall prescribe the mode of selection of officers for the several grades.

Section 3. Adjutant General. The Adjutant General shall be appointed by the Governor. But the Adjutant General shall also perform the duties of quartermaster general and paymaster general until otherwise directed by law.

Section 4. Standard of organization, armament and discipline. The organization, armament and discipline of the militia and of the military and naval units thereof shall be the same as that which is now or may hereafter be prescribed by the laws and regulations of the United States; and it shall be the duty of the Governor to issue from time to time such orders and regulations and to adopt such other means of administration, as shall maintain the prescribed standard of

organization, armament and discipline; and such orders, regulations and means adopted shall have the full force and effect of the law.

Section 5. Persons exempt from military duty. Persons of the denominations of Quakers and Shakers, Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, Ministers of the Gospel and persons exempted by the laws of the United States may be exempted from military duty, but no other able-bodied person of the age of 18 and under the age of 45 years, excepting officers of the militia who have been honorably discharged, shall be so exempted.

Article VIII.

Part First.

Education.

Section 1. Legislature shall require towns to support public schools; duty of Legislature. A general diffusion of the advantages of education being essential to the preservation of the rights and liberties of the people; to promote this important object, the Legislature are authorized, and it shall be their duty to require, the several towns to make suitable provision, at their own expense, for the support and maintenance of public schools; and it shall further be their duty to encourage and suitably endow, from time to time, as the circumstances of the people may authorize, all academies, colleges and seminaries of learning within the State; provided, that no donation, grant or endowment shall at any time be made by the Legislature to any literary institution now established, or which may hereafter be established, unless, at the time of making such endowment, the Legislature of the State shall have the right to grant any further powers to alter, limit or restrain any of the powers vested in any such literary institution, as shall be judged necessary to promote the best interests thereof.

Section 2. Authority to pledge the credit of the State and to issue bonds for loans to Maine students in higher education and their parents. For the purpose of assisting the youth of Maine to achieve the required levels of learning and to develop their intellectual and mental capacities, the Legislature, by proper enactment, may authorize the credit of the State to be loaned to secure funds for loans to Maine students attending institutions of higher education, wherever situated, and to parents of these students. Funds shall be obtained by the issuance of state bonds, when authorized by the Governor, but the amount of bonds issued and outstanding shall not at one time exceed in the aggregate \$4,000,000. Funds loaned shall be on such terms and conditions as the Legislature shall authorize.

Article VIII.

Part Second.

Municipal Home Rule.

Section 1. Power of municipalities to amend their charters.

The inhabitants of any municipality shall have the power to alter and amend their charters on all matters, not prohibited by Constitution or general law, which are local and municipal in character. The Legislature shall prescribe the procedure by which the municipality may so act.

Section 2. Construction of buildings for industrial use. For the purposes of fostering, encouraging and assisting the physical location, settlement and resettlement of industrial and manufacturing enterprises within the physical boundaries of any municipality, the registered voters of that municipality may, by majority vote, authorize the issuance of notes or bonds in the name of the municipality for the purpose of purchasing land and interests therein or constructing buildings for industrial use, to be leased or sold by the municipality to any responsible industrial firm or corporation.

Article IX.

General Provisions.

Section 1. Oaths and subscriptions. Every person elected or appointed to either of the places or offices provided in this Constitution, and every person elected, appointed, or commissioned to any judicial, executive, military or other office under this State, shall, before entering on the discharge of the duties of that place or office, take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: "I, _____ do swear, that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of this State, so long as I shall continue a citizen thereof. So help me God."

Alternative affirmation. "I, _____ swear, that I will faithfully discharge, to the best of my abilities, the duties incumbent on me as _____ according to the Constitution and laws of the State. So help me God." Provided, that an affirmation in the above forms may be substituted, when the person shall be conscientiously scrupulous of taking and subscribing an oath.

Administration of oaths to Governor, Senators, Representatives, and other officers. The oaths or affirmations shall be taken and subscribed by the Governor before the presiding officer of the Senate, in the presence of both Houses of the Legislature, and by the Senators and Representatives before the Governor and by the residue

of said officers before such persons as shall be prescribed by the Legislature; and whenever the Governor shall not be able to attend during the session of the Legislature to take and subscribe said oaths or affirmations, such oaths or affirmations may be taken and subscribed in the recess of the Legislature before any Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court and provided further that, if the Governor shall be unable to appear and administer the oath to the Senators and Representatives, such oaths shall be administered by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court or in the absence of the Chief Justice, by the senior Associate Justice of said Supreme Judicial Court present at the State Capitol on the first day of the term for which said Senators and Representatives shall have been elected.

Section 2. Offices incompatible with each other; election to Congress disqualifies. No person holding the office of Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, or of any inferior court, Attorney General, district attorney, Treasurer of the State, Adjutant General, judge of probate, register of probate, register of deeds, sheriffs or their deputies, clerks of the judicial courts, shall be a member of the Legislature; and any person holding either of the foregoing offices, elected to, and accepting a seat in the Congress of the United States, shall thereby vacate said office; and no person shall be capable of holding or exercising at the same time within this State, more than one of the offices before mentioned.

Section 3. Commissions. All commissions shall be in the name of the State, signed by the Governor, attested by the Secretary or a deputy of the Secretary and have the seal of the State thereto affixed.

Section 4. Elections on the first Wednesday after first Tuesday of January may be adjourned from day to day. In case the elections, required by this Constitution on the first Wednesday after the first Tuesday of January biennially, by the 2 Houses of the Legislature, shall not be completed on that day, the same may be adjourned from day to day, until completed, in the following order: The vacancies in the Senate shall first be filled; and the Governor shall then be elected, if there be no choice by the people.

Section 5. Removal by impeachment or address. Every person holding any civil office under this State, may be removed by impeachment, for misdemeanor in office; and every person holding any office, may be removed by the Governor on the address of both branches of the Legislature. But before such address shall pass either House, the causes of removal shall be stated and entered on the journal of the House in which it originated, and a copy thereof served on the person in office, that the person may be admitted to a hearing in that person's own defense.

Section 6. Tenure of office. The tenure of all offices, which are not or shall not be otherwise provided for, shall be during the pleasure of the Governor.

Section 7. Valuation. While the public expenses shall be assessed on estates, a general valuation shall be taken at least once in 10 years.

Section 8. Taxation. All taxes upon real and personal estate, assessed by authority of this State, shall be apportioned and assessed equally according to the just value thereof.

1. Intangible property. The Legislature shall have power to levy a tax upon intangible personal property at such rate as it deems wise and equitable without regard to the rate applied to other classes of property.

2. Assessment of certain lands based on current use; penalty on change to higher use. The Legislature shall have power to provide for the assessment of the following types of real estate whenever situated in accordance with a valuation based upon the current use thereof and in accordance with such conditions as the Legislature may enact:

- A. Farms and agricultural lands, timberlands and woodlands;
- B. Open space lands which are used for recreation or the enjoyment of scenic natural beauty; and
- C. Lands used for game management or wildlife sanctuaries.

In implementing paragraphs A, B and C, the Legislature shall provide that any change of use higher than those set forth in paragraphs A, B and C, except when the change is occasioned by a transfer resulting from the exercise or threatened exercise of the power of eminent domain, shall result in the imposition of a minimum penalty equal to the tax which would have been imposed over the 5 years preceding that change of use had that real estate been assessed at its highest and best use, less all taxes paid on that real estate over the preceding 5 years, and interest, upon such reasonable and equitable basis as the Legislature shall determine. Any statutory or constitutional penalty imposed as a result of a change of use, whether imposed before or after the approval of this subsection, shall be determined without regard to the presence of minerals, provided that, when payment of the penalty is made or demanded, whichever occurs first, there is in effect a state excise tax which applies or would apply to the mining of those minerals.

3. School districts. The Legislature shall have power to provide that taxes, which it may authorize a School Administrative District or

a community school district to levy, may be assessed on real, personal and intangible property in accordance with any cost-sharing formula which it may authorize.

4. Watercraft. Beginning with the property tax year 1984, all watercraft as defined by the Legislature shall be exempt from taxation as personal property, provided that certain watercraft as defined by the Legislature shall be subject to an excise tax to be collected and retained by the municipalities.

Section 9. Power of taxation. The Legislature shall never, in any manner, suspend or surrender the power of taxation.

Section 10. Tenure of sheriffs. Sheriffs shall be elected by the people of their respective counties, by a plurality of the votes given in on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November, and shall hold their offices for 4 years from the first day of January next after their election, unless sooner removed as hereinafter provided.

Removal of sheriffs from office and replacement. Whenever the Governor upon complaint, due notice and hearing shall find that a sheriff is not faithfully or efficiently performing any duty imposed upon the sheriff by law, the Governor may remove such sheriff from office and appoint another sheriff to serve for the remainder of the term for which such removed sheriff was elected. All vacancies in the office of sheriff, other than those caused by removal in the manner aforesaid shall be filled in the same manner as is provided in the case of judges and registers of probate.

Section 11. Attorney General. The Attorney General shall be chosen biennially by joint ballot of the Senators and Representatives in convention. Vacancy in said office occurring when the Legislature is not in session, may be filled by appointment by the Governor, subject to confirmation as required by this Constitution for Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Section 12. Voting districts. The Legislature may by law authorize the dividing of towns into voting districts for all state and national elections, and prescribe the manner in which the votes shall be received, counted, and the result of the election declared.

Section 13. Bribery at elections. The Legislature may enact laws excluding from the right of suffrage, for a term not exceeding 10 years, all persons convicted of bribery at any election, or of voting at any election, under the influence of a bribe.

Section 14. Authority and procedure for issuance of bonds. The credit of the State shall not be directly or indirectly loaned in any

case, except as provided in sections 14-A, 14-B, 14-C and 14-D. The Legislature shall not create any debt or debts, liability or liabilities, on behalf of the State, which shall singly, or in the aggregate, with previous debts and liabilities hereafter incurred at any one time, exceed \$2,000,000, except to suppress insurrection, to repel invasion, or for purposes of war, and except for temporary loans to be paid out of money raised by taxation during the fiscal year in which they are made; and excepting also that whenever $\frac{2}{3}$ of both Houses shall deem it necessary, by proper enactment ratified by a majority of the electors voting thereon at a general or special election, the Legislature may authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State at such times and in such amounts and for such purposes as approved by such action; but this shall not be construed to refer to any money that has been, or may be deposited with this State by the Government of the United States, or to any fund which the State shall hold in trust for any Indian tribe. Whenever ratification by the electors is essential to the validity of bonds to be issued on behalf of the State, the question submitted to the electors shall be accompanied by a statement setting forth the total amount of bonds of the State outstanding and unpaid, the total amount of bonds of the State authorized and unissued, and the total amount of bonds of the State contemplated to be issued if the enactment submitted to the electors be ratified. For any bond authorization requiring ratification of the electors pursuant to this section, if any bonds have not been issued within 5 years of the date of ratification, then those bonds may not be issued after that date. Within 2 years after expiration of that 5-year period, the Legislature may extend, by a majority vote, the 5-year period for an additional 5 years or may deauthorize the bonds. If the Legislature fails to take action within those 2 years, the bond issue shall be considered to be deauthorized and no further bonds may be issued. For any bond authorization in existence on November 6, 1984, and for which the 5-year period following ratification has expired, no further bonds may be issued unless the Legislature, by November 6, 1986, reauthorizes those bonds by a majority vote, for an additional 5-year period, failing which all bonds unissued under those authorizations shall be considered to be deauthorized. Temporary loans to be paid out of moneys raised by taxation during any fiscal year shall not exceed in the aggregate during the fiscal year in question an amount greater than 10% of all the moneys appropriated, authorized and allocated by the Legislature from undedicated revenues to the General Fund and dedicated revenues to the Highway Fund for that fiscal year, exclusive of proceeds or expenditures from the sale of bonds, or greater than 1% of the total valuation of the State of Maine, whichever is the lesser.

Section 14-A. Authority to insure industrial, manufacturing, fishing, and agricultural mortgage loans. For the purposes of fostering, encouraging and assisting the physical location, settlement and resettlement of industrial, manufacturing, fishing, agricultural and recreational enterprises within the State, the Legislature by proper enactment may insure the payment of mortgage loans on real estate and personal property within the State of such industrial, manufacturing, fishing, agricultural and recreational enterprises not exceeding in the aggregate \$90,000,000 in amount at any one time and may also appropriate moneys and authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State at such times and in such amounts as it may determine to make payments insured as aforesaid. For the purposes of this section, a documented fishing vessel or a vessel registered under state law shall be construed as real estate.

Section 14-B. Authority to insure revenue bonds of the Maine School Building Authority. In order to encourage and assist in the provision and construction of public school buildings in the State, the Legislature by proper enactment may insure the payment of revenue bonds of the Maine School Building Authority on school projects within the State not exceeding in the aggregate \$6,000,000 in amount at any one time and may also appropriate moneys and authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State at such times and in such amounts as it may determine to make payments insured as aforesaid.

Section 14-C. Authority to insure mortgage loans for Indian housing. For the purpose of fostering and encouraging the acquisition, construction, repair and remodeling of houses owned or to be owned by members of the 2 tribes on the several Indian reservations, the Legislature by proper enactment may insure the payment of mortgage loans on such houses not exceeding in the aggregate \$1,000,000 in amount at any one time and may also appropriate moneys and authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State at such times and in such amounts as it may determine to make payments insured as aforesaid.

Section 14-D. Authority to insure Maine veterans' mortgage loans, and to appropriate moneys and issue bonds for the payment of same. For the purposes of recognizing the services and sacrifices of Maine's men and women who have served their state and country through honorable service in the Armed Forces of the United States in time of war or national emergency; enlarging the opportunities for employment of Maine's veterans; insuring the preservation and betterment of the economy of the State of Maine; and stimulating the flow of private investment funds to Maine's veterans, the Legislature by proper enactment may insure the payment of any

mortgage loan to resident Maine veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States, including a business organization owned in whole or in part by a resident Maine veteran, when such loans are made in connection with such legitimate purposes and under such terms and conditions as the Legislature may determine, not exceeding in the aggregate \$4,000,000 in amount at any one time and may also appropriate moneys and authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State at such times and in such amounts as it may determine to make payments insured as aforesaid.

Section 15. Municipal borrowing regulated by Legislature through general law. The Legislature shall enact general law regulating the total borrowing capacity of municipal corporations.

Section 16. Seat of government. Augusta is hereby declared to be the seat of government of this State.

Section 17. Continuity of Government in case of enemy attack. Notwithstanding any general or special provision of this Constitution, the Legislature, in order to insure continuity of state and local governmental operations in periods of emergency resulting from disasters caused by enemy attack, shall have the power and the immediate duty to provide for prompt and temporary succession to the powers and duties of public offices, of whatever nature and whether filled by election or appointment, the incumbents of which may become unavailable for carrying on the powers and duties of such offices, and to adopt such other measures as may be necessary and proper for insuring the continuity of governmental operations including but not limited to the financing thereof. In the exercise of the powers hereby conferred the Legislature shall in all respects conform to the requirements of this Constitution except to the extent that in the judgment of the Legislature so to do would be impracticable or would admit of undue delay.

Section 18. Limitation on use of funds of Maine State Retirement System. All of the assets, and proceeds or income therefrom, of the Maine State Retirement System or any successor system and all contributions and payments made to the system to provide for retirement and related benefits shall be held, invested or disbursed as in trust for the exclusive purpose of providing for such benefits and shall not be encumbered for, or diverted to, other purposes. Funds appropriated by the Legislature for the Maine State Retirement System are assets of the system and may not be diverted or deappropriated by any subsequent action.

Section 18-A. Funding of retirement benefits under the Maine State Retirement System. Beginning with the fiscal year starting

July 1, 1997, the normal cost of all retirement and ancillary benefits provided to participants under the Maine State Retirement System must be funded annually on an actuarially sound basis. Unfunded liabilities may not be created except those resulting from experience losses. Unfunded liability resulting from experience losses must be retired over a period not exceeding 10 years. CR 1995, c. 2 (new).

Section 18-B. Payment of unfunded liabilities of the Maine State Retirement System. Each fiscal year beginning with the fiscal year starting July 1, 1997, the Legislature shall appropriate funds that will retire in 31 years or less the unfunded liabilities of the Maine State Retirement System that are attributable to state employees and teachers. The unfunded liabilities referred to in this section are those determined by the Maine State Retirement System's actuaries and certified by the Board of Trustees of the Maine State Retirement System as of June 30, 1996. CR 1995, c. 2 (new).

Section 19. Limitation on expenditure of motor vehicle and motor vehicle fuel revenues. All revenues derived from fees, excises and license taxes relating to registration, operation and use of vehicles on public highways, and to fuels used for propulsion of such vehicles shall be expended solely for cost of administration, statutory refunds and adjustments, payment of debts and liabilities incurred in construction and reconstruction of highways and bridges, the cost of construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repair of public highways and bridges under the direction and supervision of a state department having jurisdiction over such highways and bridges and expense for state enforcement of traffic laws and shall not be diverted for any purpose, provided that these limitations shall not apply to revenue from an excise tax on motor vehicles imposed in lieu of personal property tax.

Section 20. Mining Excise Tax Trust Fund. The principal amount of the Mining Excise Tax Trust Fund or any successor fund may not be expended unless the expenditure is approved in a separate measure by a 2/3 vote of all the members elected to each House of the Legislature and by the Governor.

Section 21. State mandates. For the purpose of more fairly apportioning the cost of government and providing local property tax relief, the State may not require a local unit of government to expand or modify that unit's activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues unless the State provides annually 90% of the funding for these expenditures from State funds not previously appropriated to that local unit of government. Legislation implementing this section or requiring a specific expenditure as an exception to

this requirement may be enacted upon the vote of 2/3 of all members elected to each House. This section must be liberally construed.

Section 22. Revenues generated by fisheries and wildlife management. The amount of funds appropriated in any fiscal year to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, or any successor agency responsible for fisheries and wildlife management, other than commercial marine fisheries management, may not be less than the total revenues collected, received or recovered by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, or successor agency, from license and permit fees, fines, the sale, lease or rental of property, penalties, and all other revenue sources pursuant to the laws of the State administered by the department or successor agency, except that revenues received from the Federal Government may be allocated as provided by federal or state law and the Legislature may establish special funds and deposit revenues collected, received or recovered by the department or successor agency into those special funds, provided that the revenues are allocated and expended only for the purposes of those special funds as provided by law.

Sec. 23. State park land. State park land, public lots or other real estate held by the State for conservation or recreation purposes and designated by legislation implementing this section may not be reduced or its uses substantially altered except on the vote of 2/3 of all the members elected to each House. The proceeds from the sale of such land must be used to purchase additional real estate in the same county for the same purposes. CR 1993, c. 1 (new)

Article X.

Additional Provisions.

Section 1. (See Section 7 and Note.)

Section 2. (See Section 7 and Note.)

Section 3. Laws now in force continue until repealed. All laws now in force in this State, and not repugnant to this Constitution, shall remain, and be in force, until altered or repealed by the Legislature, or shall expire by their own limitation.

Section 4. Amendments to Constitution. The Legislature, whenever 2/3 of both Houses shall deem it necessary, may propose amendments to this Constitution; and when any amendments shall be so agreed upon, a resolution shall be passed and sent to the selectmen of the several towns, and the assessors of the several plantations, empowering and directing them to notify the inhabitants of their

respective towns and plantations, in the manner prescribed by law, at the next biennial meetings in the month of November, or to meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and holding biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of Senators and Representatives, on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November following the passage of said resolve, to give in their votes on the question, whether such amendment shall be made; and if it shall appear that a majority of the inhabitants voting on the question are in favor of such amendment, it shall be come a part of this Constitution.

Section 5. (See Section 7 and Note.)

Section 6. Constitution to be arranged by Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court; Constitution to be enrolled and printed with laws; supreme law of the State. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall arrange the Constitution, as amended, under appropriate titles and in proper articles, parts and sections, omitting all sections, clauses and words not in force and making no other changes in the provisions or language thereof, and shall submit the same to the Legislature; and such arrangement of the Constitution shall be made and submitted to the regular session of the Legislature in 1973 and every 10 years thereafter unless sooner authorized by the Legislature; and the draft and arrangement, when approved by the Legislature, shall be enrolled on parchment and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State; and printed copies thereof shall be prefixed to the books containing the Revised Statutes of the State. And the Constitution, with the amendments made thereto, in accordance with the provisions thereof, shall be the supreme law of the State.

Section 7. Original sections 1, 2, 5, of art. x not to be printed; section 5 in full force. Sections 1, 2 and 5, of Article 10 of the Constitution, shall hereafter be omitted in any printed copies thereof prefixed to the laws of the State; but this shall not impair the validity of acts under those sections; and said section 5 shall remain in full force, as part of the Constitution, according to the stipulations of said section, with the same effect as if contained in said printed copies.

Note: The omitted sections may be found in the text of the Constitution prefixed to the official publication of the laws passed by the first Legislature of the State, which convened May 31, 1820, pages xxiv-xxvii, and pages xxviii-xxx; in the text of the Constitution prefixed to the publication of the Laws of Maine, authorized by Resolve of March 8, 1821, Volume 1, pages 41-50, and in such text prefixed to the Revised Statutes of 1841, 1857 and 1871.

THE MAINE STATE HOUSE

(ORIGINAL BULFINCH DESIGN)

Built of Hallowell granite, the center section of the Maine State House embodies the strong architectural characteristics of the designer, Charles Bulfinch, and, in its original form, resembled another work of his, the Massachusetts State House. Rising upon a knoll above the surrounding city, the four-story building has a 300-foot front with a colonnaded portico centrally located, and two 75-foot wings facing east.

The cornerstone was laid in 1829, and the structure completed three years later. In 1911, it was enlarged according to designs by G. Henri Desmond, necessitating the demolition of almost all the old buildings save the front and rear walls. At this time the grounds were graded, additions made to the wings, and a new dome of higher proportion replaced the former one. This was surmounted by a statue, the draped female figure of Wisdom, designed by W. Clark Noble of Gardiner, and made of copper plated with gold.

Located on the ground floor is the old State Museum, which still houses fine exhibits of Maine wildlife. The Governor's offices are on the second floor as well as the Hall of Flags and the extensive Law Library. At either end of the third floor are the House of Representatives and Senate Chambers. Throughout the building are portraits of Governors and other outstanding men and women who have served Maine throughout her history as a province and a state.



LEGISLATIVE CODE OF ETHICS

Any public office holder is charged with responsible conduct commensurate with the trust placed in him/her by the electorate. In a free government the official is entrusted with the security, safety, health, prosperity, and general well-being of those whom he/she serves. With such a trust high moral and ethical standards producing the public's confidence, with the reduction to a minimum of any conflict between private interests and official duties, should be observed. No state legislator will accept any employment which can possibly impair his/her independence and integrity of judgement or will he/she exercise his/her position of trust to secure unwarranted privileges for themselves or for others. The Maine legislator will be ever mindful of the ordinary citizen who might otherwise be unrepresented, and will endeavor conscientiously to pursue the highest standards of legislative conduct.

Adopted by the 100th Legislature

HISTORY OF MAINE

Maine is a product of the Ice Age. The last glacier was responsible for cutting what had been a relatively straight coastline into the hundreds of bays, inlets and picturesque harbors we know today. The receding ice sheet formed the 2,000 or so islands found off the Maine coast.

EARLY INHABITANTS. The region's earliest inhabitants were Paleoindians, believed to have hunted caribou here sometime between 10,000 and 12,000 years ago. Evidence of a killing ground was discovered in 1980 beneath Azicohos Lake at the headwaters of the Androscoggin River. The Paleoindians were followed by a succession of Archaic Indians and they, in turn, were replaced by the mysterious "Red Paint" people — so named because of the red clay with which they lined the graves of their dead. Burial grounds for these early Maine residents date back to 3000 B.C. Huge oyster shell heaps on the Damariscotta estuary testify to the capacious appetites of Maine's aborigines.

Of Maine's two earliest Indian nations, the Micmacs of eastern Maine and New Brunswick were largely a warlike people, while the more numerous Abnakis (or Wabanakis) were a peaceful nation, given to farming and fishing as a way of life. Although dozens of tribes once inhabited the land, only two remain in any number today. The Passamaquoddies live on two reservations, the largest of which is located at Pleasant Point near Eastport. The Penobscots live on Indian Island in the Penobscot River at Old Town.

DISCOVERY AND COLONIZATION. Five hundred years before Columbus "discovered" America, Leif Ericson and a crew of 30 Viking sailors are believed to have explored the Maine coast and may have landed and tried to establish a settlement here. In 1498, six years after Columbus landed in the West Indies, John Cabot, an Italian sailor in the employ of King Henry VII of England, sailed into North American waters and may well have explored the Maine coast, although there is no concrete evidence of it. A century after Cabot's voyage a number of European ships briefly visited the area, some of them putting ashore to make repairs and process fish catches.

In 1604, the French were the first to try to establish a settlement on the Maine coast on St. Croix Island near Passamaquoddy Bay. A severe winter and scurvy decimated the colony and the settlers fled to Nova Scotia. The first English settlement was established by the

Plymouth Company at Popham in 1607, the same year of the settlement at Jamestown, Virginia. Because the Popham colony also failed to survive the harsh Maine winters, Jamestown enjoys the distinction of being regarded as America's first permanent settlement.

Several English settlements were established along the Maine coast in the 1620s, although the rugged climate, deprivations and Indian attacks wiped out many of them over the years. As Maine entered the 18th century, only a half dozen settlements still survived. By then, Massachusetts had bought up most of the land claims in this wilderness territory, an arrangement which lasted until 1820 when Maine separated from Massachusetts to become a separate state.

FRENCH AND INDIAN WARS. The question of Maine's ownership was a matter of continuing dispute between England and France throughout the first half of the 18th century. The period was also marked by a series of Indian raids on white settlements, forays which had the active support of the French interested in seeing the English settlers driven from the land. One of the significant military developments of the French and Indian Wars was the capture of the French fort at Louisburg, Nova Scotia, in 1745 by a contingent of forces led by William Pepperell of Kittery. The 1763 Treaty of Paris ended all French claims to the territory.

After the Indian threat lessened in the mid-1700s, the population of Maine began to grow, encouraged by an open offer by Massachusetts of 100-acre lots free to anyone who would settle the northern province. The population doubled from 12,000 to 24,000 between 1743 and 1763. By the end of the century, the number of Maine settlers had grown to more than 150,000.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR. Resistance to the oppressive colonial tax policies of the British Parliament began early in Maine. In 1765 a mob seized a quantity of tax stamps at Falmouth (now Portland), and attacks on customs agents in the province became common. A year after the famous Boston Tea Party of 1773, Maine staged its own version of that incident when a group of men burned a shipment of tea stored at York.

When open warfare finally erupted at Lexington and Concord, hundreds of Maine men actively joined the struggle for independence. The province saw plenty of action during the Revolution. In 1775, British warships under the command of the notorious Capt. Henry Mowatt shelled and burned Falmouth, an act intended to pun-

ish residents for their opposition to the Crown, but which only served to stiffen Maine's ardor for independence. The first naval battle of the Revolution occurred in June 1775 when a group of Maine patriots captured the armed British cutter "Margaretta" off Machias. Later that year many Maine men accompanied Col. Benedict Arnold on his long march through the north woods in a valiant but fruitless effort to capture Quebec. An ill-planned expedition by the American naval fleet to regain the British-held fortification at Castine in 1779 led to the most disastrous naval encounter of the war.

The Revolution cost Maine dearly. About 1,000 men lost their lives in the war, the district's sea trade was all but destroyed, the principal city had been levelled by British bombardment, and Maine's overall share of the war debt amounted to more than would later be imposed upon it by the Civil War.

STATEHOOD. Following the Revolution, frontier settlers who resented being ruled from Boston pressed for separation from Massachusetts. Coastal merchants, who held the balance of political power at the time, resisted the separation movement until the War of 1812 showed that Massachusetts was unable or unwilling to provide adequate protection for the people of the district against British raids. With popular sentiment unified behind statehood, the separation movement went forward. Congress established Maine as the 23rd state under the Missouri Compromise of 1820. This arrangement allowed Maine to join the Union as a free state, with Missouri entering a year later as a slave state, thereby preserving the numerical balance between free and slave states in the nation. By this time the population of Maine had reached nearly 300,000. The new state had nine counties and 236 towns.

Delegates met for three weeks in October of 1819 in Portland to hammer out a state constitution, a document strongly rooted in political independence, religious freedom and popular control of government. The president of the convention was William King, a prominent Bath merchant and shipbuilder who subsequently became Maine's first governor. Portland was selected as the state capital, but this was only temporary. In 1832 the capital was moved to Augusta, a more centrally located site.

NORTHEAST BOUNDARY DISPUTE. The precise boundary line between Maine and New Brunswick remained a matter of often-heated argument for years after the close of the Revolutionary War. The dispute festered and smoldered until 1839, when it threatened to

erupt into open warfare. The Maine Legislature that year raised funds to support a military force of 10,000 to protect the state's border claims at Madawaska. Several hundred British regulars were dispatched to the scene from Quebec. At this point the U. S. Congress entered the picture, approving \$10 million for military expenses should war break out. Nearly 50,000 troops were readied for action, and Major General Winfield Scott was dispatched to the scene. Scott managed to work out a temporary agreement between the two parties before the so-called "War of the Aroostook" reached the point of bloodshed. The Webster-Ashburton Treaty, hammered out in 1842 by U. S. Secretary of State Daniel Webster and English special minister Lord Ashburton, finally settled the question of where Maine's north-east boundary lay.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. Once Maine became a separate state there followed a period of tremendous economic growth in which a number of important mining and manufacturing industries emerged. In addition to lumbering, the traditional fishing and ship-building pursuits entered a boom period. Ice harvesting, granite and lime quarrying also developed as important industries. Water-powered factories began to spring up beside the numerous sawmills already located along Maine's important rivers. Textiles, paper and leather products all became primary sources of manufacturing employment. Fishing and farming were also important, but were subject to greater economic fluctuations. The overall economic picture – although periodically disturbed by such developments as the Civil War and the Industrial Revolution – continued on a relatively prosperous course through the remainder of the 19th century.

"THE MAINE LAW." The temperance movement had its origins in Maine, and to one degree or another dominated the political life of this state for more than a century. The world's first Total Abstinence Society was founded in Portland in 1815. A state organization of temperance societies was formed in 1834, and within a dozen years had developed enough political clout to force the enactment of a state law prohibiting the sale of alcoholic spirits except for "medicinal and mechanical" purposes. Under the fiery leadership of Portland's Neal Dow – known internationally as the "Father of Prohibition" – Maine approved a total ban on the manufacture and sale of liquor in 1851. This so-called "Maine Law" remained in effect, in one form or another, until the repeal of National Prohibition in 1934.

CIVIL WAR. Maine, which was admitted to the Union as a free state under the provisions of the Missouri Compromise, had a strong anti-

slavery tradition. Abolitionist societies were active throughout the state 25 years before the outbreak of the War Between the States. Harriet Beecher Stowe, wife of a Bowdoin College professor, wrote "Uncle Tom's Cabin" at Brunswick; the book inflamed anti-slavery sentiment throughout the northern states in the years immediately preceding the outbreak of hostilities. Thus, Maine's commitment to the Union cause during the war was considerable, both philosophically and materially. Some 73,000 Maine men served with the Union forces, and 10 percent of them lost their lives during the conflict. Maine contributed the services of two great generals, Oliver Otis Howard, who performed brilliantly at Gettysburg and Bull Run, and Joshua L. Chamberlain, the hero of Little Round Top. Chamberlain commanded the Union troops to whom Lee surrendered at Appomattox. After the war he was elected governor of Maine. Both generals were scholarly men. Howard was a principal founder of Howard University and served as its first president. Chamberlain became president of Bowdoin College.

THREE GIANTS. Prohibition and the abolitionist movement gave the Republican Party its start in Maine in 1854. Hannibal Hamlin, a Democratic U. S. senator who broke with his party over the slavery question, was instrumental in forming the Republican Party in Maine, and served as the state's first GOP governor. In 1860 Hamlin was elected the nation's first Republican vice president under Abraham Lincoln.

Also during this period there emerged Maine's most influential 19th century political figure, James G. Blaine. From the mid-1860s to the end of the century Blaine virtually dominated state and national Republican politics, as speaker of the U. S. House of Representatives, a powerful U. S. senator, and secretary of state in three Republican administrations. He was the GOP presidential candidate in 1884, but lost narrowly to Grover Cleveland.

Thomas B. Reed served continuously in Congress through the final quarter of the 19th century, and was its most powerful political figure during much of that time. A three-term House speaker, Reed was a masterful parliamentarian who used his position so vigorously to bring about vital reforms in House rules that he became known as "Czar Reed." He literally rewrote the book on parliamentary procedure; Reed's Rules of Order are still used in the Maine Legislature.

INDUSTRIAL GROWTH. Maine's textile and leather industries enjoyed a dramatic upward surge following the Civil War, while

farming activity correspondingly decreased. Responding to Thomas Edison's discoveries in the 1890s, Maine began utilizing its vast river resources for the development of hydroelectric power. Plants for the production of electricity were built principally on the Androscoggin, Kennebec, Penobscot and Saco Rivers.

Maine's industrial growth continued, although at a much slower pace, into the 20th century. Expansion of the pulp and paper industry offset the loss of textile mills to the South. Large potato-growing, dairy and poultry farms replaced the decreasing number of small family farms. The Great Depression of the 1930s brought the state's economy to a grinding halt along with the rest of the nation.

Throughout the second half of the 20th century, Maine has struggled to find a proper balance between resource-based industrial development and environmental protection. The state has come to rely heavily on tourism, small manufacturing enterprises and defense-related activities and installations for much of its economic base.

MAINE POLITICS TODAY. With only rare lapses, the Republican Party dominated Maine politics for a full century, from the birth of the GOP in 1854 until the election of Edmund S. Muskie as governor in 1954. Muskie and a small band of young progressives broadened the base of Democratic strength and began to convert Maine into a genuine two-party state.

Muskie was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1958. He became an early leader in the fight for a clean environment and also distinguished himself as an expert in urban legislation and budget control. In 1968 he was the Democratic nominee for vice president on a ticket headed by Hubert Humphrey, and four years later was a major contender for the presidential nomination.

Muskie left the Senate in 1979 when he was appointed secretary of state by President Jimmy Carter. He was succeeded by Democrat George J. Mitchell of Waterville, who went on to serve as Senate majority leader from 1988 until his retirement from Congress in 1994.

Margaret Chase Smith of Skowhegan achieved fame as the first American woman elected to both houses of Congress. She was first elected to the Senate in 1948 after nearly a decade in the House of Representatives. Noted for her political courage, integrity and independence, Smith was the first Republican senator to speak out

openly against the excesses of McCarthyism in the 1950s. In 1964, her name was placed in nomination for president at the Republican National Convention in San Francisco.

Republican William S. Cohen of Bangor, elected to Congress from the 2nd District in 1972, quickly gained national attention as one of three Republicans on the House Judiciary Committee to vote for the impeachment of President Richard Nixon. Cohen, who went on to serve three terms in the Senate 1978-1996, was appointed secretary of defense by President Bill Clinton in 1997.

Perhaps the most important political phenomenon of modern Maine is the emergence of independent voters as a dominating force. Independents outnumber both enrolled Democrats and Republicans and provide the swing vote in most elections today. In 1974, they helped elect the nation's only independent governor, James B. Longley of Lewiston. Longley was succeeded first by a Democrat and then a Republican, but in 1994 Maine elected another independent governor, Angus S. King, Jr., of Brunswick.

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DANIEL E. WATHEN

Chief Justice

Supreme Judicial Court

Daniel E. Wathen was born in Easton, Maine, on November 4, 1939, the son of Joseph J. and Wilda Dow Wathen. Chief Justice Wathen is a graduate of Easton High School, Ricker College (B.A., 1962), the University of Maine School of Law (LL.B., 1965, with high honors, Editor-in-Chief Maine Law Review, 1963-65), and the University of Virginia School of Law (LL.M., 1988). He was admitted to the Maine Bar in 1965, and engaged in the general practice of law from 1965 - 1977 in the law firm of Wathen & Wathen and predecessor firms. In 1977 he was appointed by Governor James B. Longley to the Maine Superior Court, in 1981 he was appointed an Associate Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court by Governor Joseph E. Brennan, and in 1992 he was appointed Chief Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court by Governor John R. McKernan, Jr.

Chief Justice Wathen is a member of the Maine State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the American Judicature Society, and a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and Maine Bar Foundation. He currently serves as Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors of the National Judicial College, and as a member of the Advisory Committee on Criminal Rules of the Judicial Conference of the United States, and the Advisory Board, Leadership Institute for Judicial Education.

Chief Justice Wathen and his wife Judith have two children and reside at Augusta.



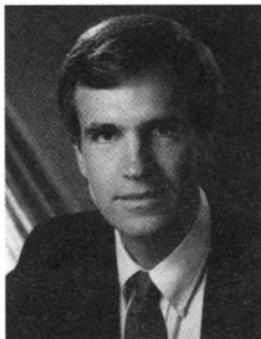
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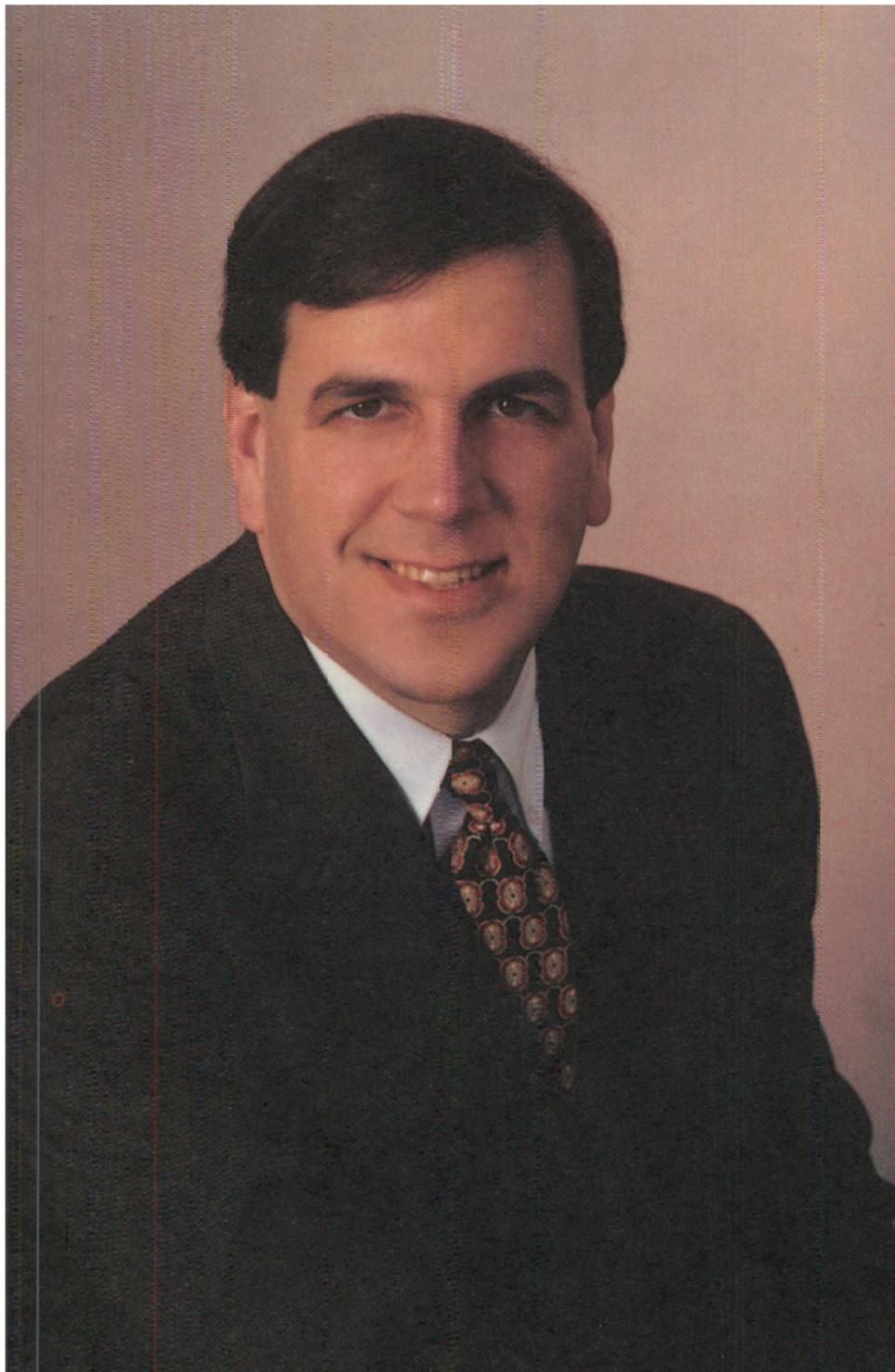
Mark W. Lawrence was unanimously elected President of the Maine Senate on December 4, 1996.

A native of Kittery, Lawrence was first elected to the Maine House of Representatives in 1988 becoming only the second Democrat to be elected representative from that town since the Civil War. He has become known for grassroots representation walking a distance equal to five times the length of the State of Maine to visit over 30,000 homes in the districts he has represented.

As Senate President, Lawrence has called for bi-partisanship and cooperation. His agenda includes building economic prosperity in Maine through investment in research and development and product innovation. He has been a strong advocate for protection of the natural resources and civil rights. He was also actively involved in fighting for the future of the United States Naval Shipyard in Kittery. Lawrence has served as the House Chair of the Legal Affairs Committee and, during his previous two terms in the Senate, as a member of the Education Committee, Chair of the Natural Resources Committee and Democratic floor leader.

In his district, Lawrence helped establish the Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve and was a founding member of the Laudholm Trust. He has served as a director of the local chamber of commerce and the historical and naval museum.

Lawrence attended public schools in Kittery and worked his way through Bowdoin College as a lobsterman and in local factories. He earned his law degree at the University of Maine School of Law and practices in Kittery where he and his wife Christina L. Cunningham live.



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PISCATAQUIS COUNTY - Abbot, Atkinson, Beaver Cove, Bowerbank, Brownville, Dover-Foxcroft, Greenville, Guilford, Medford, Milo, Monson, Parkman, Sangerville, Sebec, Shirley, Wellington, Willimantic, Plantations of Kingsbury, Lake View, the unorganized territories of Blanchard, Northeast Piscataquis, Northwest Piscataquis, Southeast Piscataquis, and the unorganized townships of TaR 10/TaR12 and T1 R9

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KENNEBEC COUNTY - Augusta, China, Vassalboro and most of Winslow

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ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Mechanic Falls

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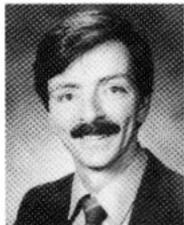
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RULES OF THE SENATE 118TH LEGISLATURE

Part 1

General Provisions

Rule 101. Title of Senator. The President, when speaking to any member of the Senate, and the members, when referring to each other in debate, shall use in their addresses the title of Senator, and by way of distinction name the county in which the Senator resides.

Rule 102. Lobbyists banned from member's desk. At no time may a registered lobbyist be at the desk of any member.

Part 2

President and President Pro Tempore

Rule 201. Duties and powers of the President.

1. Duties. The President shall: Take the chair at the time to which the Senate has adjourned and, after the appearance of a quorum, cause the journal of the preceding day to be read; Address the Senate when speaking; Appoint all committees, a sergeant-at arms, a postmaster, a president pro tempore to perform the duties of the Chair during the President's absence and chamber staff, unless the Senate otherwise directs. The President may rescind these appointments at any time; Appoint the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading and the Committee on Engrossed Bills. Each committee consists of 4 members. Any one member of either committee constitutes a quorum of that committee. The Revisor of Statutes is clerk of the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading; Enforce the observance of order and decorum; Decide questions of order without debate within 7 legislative days; Appoint the Committee on Conduct and Ethics which is comprised of 5 members. At least 2 of the members must represent the political party that has the greatest number of members in the Senate, and at least 2 of the members must represent the political party that has the next greatest number of members in the Senate; Rise to put a question and declare all votes, but if any Senator doubts the vote, all those voting in the affirmative, when called upon by the President, shall rise and stand until they are counted, and also those in the negative, in like manner, to make the vote certain; and Vote in all cases, unless excluded by interest.

2. Powers. The President may: Name a Senator to perform the duties of the Chair; Appoint a temporary Secretary of the Senate and a temporary Assistant Secretary of the Senate to fill any vacancy that may occur in those offices while the Legislature is not in ses-

sion and to serve until the Senate elects a Secretary or Assistant Secretary. The election must occur within 60 days of the vacancy; and Appoint legal counsel while the Legislature is in session.

Rule 202. Duties of the President pro tempore. The President pro tempore shall:

1. Preside over the Senate. Preside at the time to which the Senate has adjourned when the President is absent; and

2. President assumes office of Governor. When the President assumes the office of Governor, exercise the powers and duties of the office of President until the vacancy in the Senate created by the President's succession to the office of Governor is filled, the Senator so elected is seated and a President is elected.

Part 3 Secretary

Rule 301. Duties of the Secretary. The Secretary shall:

1. Presiding officer. Preside until a President pro tempore is chosen when the President pro tempore is absent;

2. Numbering of bills and resolves. Number bills and resolves in the order in which they are reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, and enter them upon the calendar in that order;

3. Messages. Carry all messages from the Senate to the House and to the Governor unless the Senate directs some other mode of transmission. All papers must be transmitted to the Governor and the House under the direction of the Secretary or the Assistant Secretary;

4. Senate order or joint order. Forward a copy of each Senate order or joint order requiring action by any department, bureau, commission, board or agency of the State that is passed by both chambers of the Legislature to the department, bureau, commission, board or agency immediately after the adjournment of the legislative day in which the order was passed by the concurring chamber of the Legislature; and

5. Questions of order. Enter on the journal the decision on a question of order.

Part 4 Members

Rule 401. Rights and duties of members. Members of the Senate have the following rights and duties.

1. Member may not speak. A Senator may not address the Senate until recognized by the President. When a Senator speaks, the Senator shall stand in the Senator's place and address the President.

2. Speak more than 3 times. If there is objection, a Senator may not speak more than once on a question to the exclusion of any other Senator without leave of the Senate. If the Senator is the mover of the matter under debate, then the Senator may speak 3 times without leave.

3. Duty to vote. Every Senator who is present shall vote unless excused by the Senate, or excluded by interest.

4. Roll call. Once the Secretary of the Senate commences with a roll call, all Senators must remain seated until the vote has been announced.

5. Question put to vote. A Senator may not speak on a question after it is put to vote.

6. Pairing of votes. A member who is absent by leave of the presiding officer and who has notified the presiding officer of the member's intent to pair the member's vote may join in voting for or against a measure with another member present at the time of the vote who stands on the opposite side of the question, provided that the absent member has submitted in writing the request for pairing and has received approval in writing by the President. The vote of the absent member and the member with whom that member is paired does not become part of the total number of votes causing passage or rejection of the measure.

7. Present bill. Members or members-elect who present a bill, resolve or a petition shall place their signatures on the bill, resolve or petition and a brief descriptive title of its contents.

8. Exchange seats. Members of the Senate may exchange seats with permission of the President.

9. Absent from Senate. A member may not be absent from the Senate without leave, unless there is a quorum left present.

10. Paid representative. A member of the Senate may not act as a paid representative for any party before the Legislature or any legislative committee.

Part 5

Proceedings and Debates

Rule 501. Motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn must always be first in order, and it must be decided without debate.

Rule 502. Motions and concurrence. The following rules apply to motions and questions of concurrence with the House.

A. When a question is under debate, a motion may not be received except a motion:

- (1) To adjourn;
- (2) To reconsider;
- (3) To lay on the table;
- (4) To postpone to a day certain;
- (5) To commit;
- (6) To amend; or
- (7) To postpone indefinitely.

These motions have precedence in the order in which they are arranged.

Questions of concurrence or otherwise with the House have precedence over each other in the following order:

- 1st. To recede;
- 2nd. To concur;
- 3rd. To insist; or
- 4th. To adhere.

Rule 503. Consideration of motion. A motion must be reduced to writing, if desired by the President or any Senator, and is then considered to be in possession of the Senate, to be disposed of by the Senate, but the mover may withdraw it at any time before a decision or any amendment is made to it.

Rule 504. Germaneness. An amendment must be germane to the proposition under consideration. An amendment proposing to establish a general provision of law upon a private and special bill or beyond the second degree is not in order.

Rule 505. Printing and distribution of amendments. An amendment to a bill or resolve may not be acted upon by the Senate until the same has been printed and distributed to the members under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate, unless the amendment bears the recommendation of the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading that the printing be dispensed with. All amendments filed with the Secretary of the Senate for printing must bear the signature of the member filing the amendment.

Rule 506. Reconsideration. A proposed amendment may be amended before it is adopted, but not afterwards, unless the vote adopting it is first reconsidered.

When a motion has been made and carried in the affirmative or negative, it is in order for any member of the Senate who voted with the prevailing side, or in the negative on a tie vote, to move to reconsider on the same or succeeding day. A motion to reconsider may not be tabled unassigned. When a motion for reconsideration has been decided, the vote may not be reconsidered. A motion to reconsider is not in order more than once on the same question.

When a member of the Senate moves or gives notice of intention to move a reconsideration of any vote, the papers to which the motion relates remain in possession of the Secretary until the question of reconsideration has been decided, or the right to move the question is lost. All matters acted upon must be held in the Senate for at least 30 minutes after adjournment unless sent forthwith or held for reconsideration by a member.

A motion to reconsider takes precedence over all other questions except a motion to adjourn. However, if a motion to reconsider is made while another question is pending, the motion to reconsider may only be entered and may not be put until the other question is disposed of.

Rule 507. Questions of order. If an appeal of a decision of the President on a question of order is taken, the question of order may be debated like other questions.

Rule 508. Question divided. A question containing 2 or more propositions capable of division must be divided whenever desired by any member.

Rule 509. Papers read once. Every paper must be read once at the table before any Senator is obliged to vote on the paper. If a Senator objects to a reading of a paper that has already been read to the Senate, the Senate must determine the question.

Rule 510. Second reading. All bills and resolves in their second reading must be committed to the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading to be examined and corrected.

After the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading has reported to the Senate that its examination and correction of a bill or resolve has been completed and that bill or resolve has been read by the Secretary, any member of the Senate may request that the bill or resolve be read and considered by paragraphs. This request may only be made before the question is put on passage of that bill or resolve. A bill or resolve may not have a second reading unless a time not less than one hour after the first reading is assigned for the second reading.

A resolve of any kind, or an order making any grant of money, lands, or other public property may not be passed without being read on 2 several days; the time for the second reading must be assigned by the Senate.

Rule 511. Enactment of engrossed bills. A bill or resolve may not pass to be engrossed until the bill or resolve has had 2 readings. All bills and resolves, immediately after being engrossed, must be committed to the Committee on Engrossed Bills to be examined; if found by the committee to be truly and strictly engrossed, and before any bill is passed to be enacted or any resolve is finally passed, the title of the bill or resolve must be read.

Rule 512. Order of Business. After the reading of the journal, the following is the order of business:

1st. **House papers.** House papers, and first reading of accompanying bills and resolves;

2nd. **Messages and documents.** Messages and documents from the Governor and heads of departments;

3rd. **Documents requiring reference to committee.** Reception of petitions, bills and resolves requiring reference to any committee;

4th. **Orders.** Orders;

5th. **Reports of committees.** Reports of committees;

6th. **Second readings.** Bills and resolves reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading;

7th. **Bills and resolves; enactment or passage.** Bills on their passage to be enacted, and resolves on their final passage; and

8th. **Orders of the day.** Orders of the day.

Rule 513. Calendar. Bills and resolves are taken up for their second reading and passage to be engrossed, or other disposition, in the order that they stand on the calendar. If a bill or resolve, after it is put on the calendar, is laid on the table, and no time is assigned for its further consideration, then the bill or resolve must go to the foot of the calendar. Papers from the House, concerning which there has been a disagreeing vote of the 2 chambers, must be disposed of before commencing with the calendar. This rule does not apply to or interfere with motions to reconsider, or special assignments or other privileged questions.

Rule 514. Transact business. Business may not be transacted after the hour of 9:00 p.m. without the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the members present and voting.

Rule 515. Roll call. A roll call must close no more than 30 minutes after the call was commenced. When the yeas and nays are taken, the names of the Senators must be called alphabetically.

A roll call may be requested while the result of a division is being announced.

Rule 516. Unfinished business. The business that was unfinished in the Senate at the time of the last adjournment has precedence in the orders of the day.

Rule 517. Notice to Senate. The President shall give the Senate notice before an engrossed bill or resolve may be sent to the House.

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Rule 520. Rules of parliamentary practice. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure* govern the Senate in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules of the Senate or of the joint rules of the 2 chambers.

Rule 521. Impeachment. Prior to final action by the Senate on any paper initiating any impeachment proceeding under the Constitution of Maine, Article IV, Part First, Section 8; Article IV, Part Second, Section 7; and Article IX, Section 5, and prior to final action by the Senate on any paper initiating any address proceeding under the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 5, the Secretary of State shall furnish members of the Senate with copies of the 1986 report to the 112th Legislature on impeachment and address.

Rule 522. Committee of the whole. The Senate may at any time, upon motion, by a vote of a majority of the members present, resolve itself into a committee of the whole for the purpose of considering any subject named in the motion. The President shall appoint a chair. If a message is announced while the Senate is in this committee, the President shall resume the chair for the purpose of receiving the message; immediately after which the committee shall proceed, until dissolved in the usual manner.

Rule 523. Line-item veto. When a bill or resolve is returned by the Governor with any dollar amount disapproved pursuant to the Governor's line-item veto power, the Senate shall act upon the disapproved item or items within 5 days of receiving the bill or resolve from the Governor or within the remaining balance of time available after receiving the bill or resolve from the House.

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ELIZABETH H. MITCHELL
of Vassalboro
Speaker of the House

Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives Elizabeth H. Mitchell launched a new political era in 1996 when she was elected the first female House speaker in the state's 176-year history. The highest ranking Maine woman ever to serve in state office, Mitchell earlier in her career broke ground by becoming the first female House majority leader.

Libby Mitchell entered the House of Representatives in 1974. She was reelected by her Vassalboro constituents to five consecutive sessions and in 1980 was elected House majority leader. In 1984 Mitchell won the Democratic Party nomination for United States Senate and challenged incumbent U.S. Senator William Cohen.

Speaker Mitchell has been a lifelong champion of education. In 1983 she was named vice chair of the Governor's Task Force on Educational Excellence in Maine and gained recognition for guiding Maine's landmark 1984 education reforms through the legislature. She served for six years on the Joint Standing Committee on Education and chaired the committee from 1992-1994.

From 1986 to 1990 Mitchell served as director and chair of the Maine State Housing Authority. Under her leadership the Authority won several national awards for excellence. In 1989 Mitchell was appointed chair of the National Task Force on the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit by U.S. Senator George Mitchell. She also served as a member of the executive committee of the National Council of State Housing Finance Agencies.

In 1990 Mitchell decided to return to the legislature and won election to her former House seat. As House chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance, she successfully led efforts to address the state's workers' compensation crisis and was chief architect of the Maine Mutual Insurance Corporation. In 1994 Mitchell was elected assistant House floor leader.

A strong believer in community service, Mitchell currently serves as chair of the board of directors of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston. She has been a director of the Maine Homeless Coalition, Home Resources of Maine, Kennebec Health Association, Kennebec Valley Medical Center, Oak Grove-Coburn School and the Vassalboro Community School Parent Teacher Organization.

Mitchell is a graduate of Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina, and received her master's degree in teaching from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

A former teacher, Speaker Mitchell lives in Vassalboro with her husband Jim. They have four children and one grandchild. Her daughter, J. Elizabeth Mitchell, also serves in the Maine legislature as a representative from Portland.



THE MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Of the 151 members of the House of the 118th Maine Legislature, 81 are Democrats, 69 are Republicans, and one is an Independent.

There are 35 women in the House; 23 are Democrats, 11 are Republicans, and one is an Independent.

Representative Albert P. Gamache of Lewiston, 79, has the distinction of being the senior member of the House, while Representative Tarren R. Bragdon of Bangor, 21, is the youngest. At 21 years and 12 days, Representative Bragdon has the additional honor of being the youngest member ever elected to the Maine House of Representatives.

Upon her election as Speaker of the House, Representative Elizabeth H. Mitchell of Vassalboro will become the first woman chosen to preside in either chamber of the Maine Legislature. Representative Mitchell served as Majority Leader of the House in the 110th and 111th Legislatures and as Assistant Majority Leader of the House in the 109th and 117th Legislatures.

Representative Edward L. Dexter of Kingfield is the member with the longest service in the House, having been first elected in 1976 and re-elected in 1992. Today he begins his 10th term. Representative Elizabeth H. Mitchell is the woman with the longest service, having been first elected in 1974 and re-elected in 1990. Today she begins her 9th term. She is also one of two Representatives to have served in the earliest Legislature, having been elected to the 107th Legislature in 1974 along with Representative Ronald E. Usher of Westbrook.

Representative Usher is one of two members with prior service in the State Senate. He served in the Senate from Cumberland County in the 108th through the 113th Legislatures. Representative John L. Tuttle, Jr., of Sanford served in the Senate from York County in the 112th and 113th Legislatures.

Of the 60 new members of the House, five have prior service in the House. Representative Joseph Bruno of Raymond was a member of the House in the 116th Legislature. Representative Lucien A. Dutremble of Biddeford was a member of the House in the 108th, 109th, and 113th through 116th Legislatures. Representative Thomas W. Murphy, Jr., of Kennebunk was a member of the House in the 110th through 113th Legislatures. Representative James G. Skoglund of St. George was a member of the House in the 114th through 116th Legislatures. Representative Usher was a member of the House in the 107th Legislature.

Ninety-six members of the House have had previous legislative experience. As indicated, Representative Dexter begins his 10th term. Representative Elizabeth H. Mitchell begins her 9th term.

Representative Dutremble begins his 7th term. Representative Norman R. Paul of Sanford begins his 6th term. Representatives Murphy and Tuttle begin their 5th term in the House. Twelve members begin their 4th term today, 21 members begin their 3rd term, 57 members begin their 2nd term, and there are 55 members beginning their first term, 36 Democrats and 19 Republicans. Eleven members are beginning their 4th consecutive term and by the provisions of Maine's term limit laws will be prohibited from running for the House in 1998. The combined experience of returning members of the House is 340 years. The average age of the members of the House is 50.1 (50.0 for men and 50.3 for women).

By way of occupation, the 118th House is composed of 20 educators (14 active and six retired) while another three are in education administration (two active and one retired). There are seven attorneys in the House, four farmers, three social workers, two lobstermen, and five people who work in the field of health care. Five legislators are involved in the pulp and paper industry while another three are involved in forestry. Sixteen members are businesspeople, three are homemakers, and seven are self-employed. Overall there are 32 retirees in the House, many of those members having come from the ranks of business and local, state and federal government.

Four legislators formerly served as legislative staff. Representatives Douglas J. Ahearn of Madawaska and Joseph E. Clark of Millinocket served on the House Chamber staff, Representative Jeffery G. Joyner of Hollis served on the Senate Chamber staff, and Representative Glenys P. Lovett of Scarborough served as Chief Committee Clerk and also served as committee clerk to the Committee on Business Legislation.

Of the 151 members of the House, 88 were born in Maine, 31 of them in the communities they currently represent. Sixteen members were born in Massachusetts, 12 members were born in New York, two members were born in New Brunswick, Canada, and the rest were born in 17 other states. All have been elected to serve two-year terms.

*Extract from Swearing-in Ceremonies Programme
December 4, 1996*



MAINE STATE SEAL

Maine became a state March 15, 1820, and in June of that year a committee was appointed by the Legislature "to report a suitable Device and Seal for the State of Maine."

There is no account of the deliberations of this committee, but the description of the Laws of 1820 is so full that there is no doubt regarding the reasons for the choice of symbols: "A shield, argent, charged with a Pine Tree; a Moose Deer, at the foot of it, recumbent. Supporters: on the dexter side, a Husbandman, resting on a scythe; on the sinister side, a Seaman, resting on an anchor. In the foreground, representing sea and land, and under the shield, the name of the State in large Roman capitals. The whole surmounted by a Crest, the North Star. The motto, in small Roman capitals, in a label interposed between the Shield and the Crest, viz: 'Dirigo' - (I direct or I lead)."

Adopted by the Legislature of 1820

REPRESENTATIVES
118th Maine Legislature
THE HOUSE

District 1

Kenneth F. Lemont (R-Kittery)
YORK COUNTY - Kittery (part of)

District 2

David N. Ott (R-York)
YORK COUNTY - York (part of)

District 3

Gary J. Wheeler (D-Eliot)
YORK COUNTY - Eliot, Kittery (part of), Ogunquit (part of)
and York (part of)

District 4

Jay MacDougall (R-North Berwick)
YORK COUNTY - North Berwick and South Berwick (part of)

District 5

Thomas J. Wright (D-Berwick)
YORK COUNTY - Berwick and South Berwick (part of)

District 6

Howard A. Chick (R-Lebanon)
YORK COUNTY - Lebanon and Sanford (part of)

District 7

Joseph G. Carleton, Jr. (R-Wells)
YORK COUNTY - Ogunquit (part of) and Wells

District 8

Thomas W. Murphy, Jr. (R-Kennebunk)
YORK COUNTY - Kennebunk

District 9

Norman R. Paul (D-Sanford)
YORK COUNTY - Sanford (part of)

District-10

John L. Tuttle, Jr. (D-Sanford)
YORK COUNTY - Sanford (part of)

District 11

Richard A. Nass (R-Acton)

YORK COUNTY - Acton, Alfred, Newfield, Parsonsfield and
Shapleigh**District 12**

Michael J. McAlevey (R-Waterboro)

YORK COUNTY - Limerick, Limington (part of) and
Waterboro**District 13**

Jeffery G. Joyner (R-Hollis)

YORK COUNTY - Arundel, Hollis (part of) and Lyman

District 14

John W. Vedral III (R-Buxton)

YORK COUNTY - Buxton and Hollis (part of)

District 15

Christopher P. O'Neil (D-Saco)

YORK COUNTY - Dayton and Saco (part of)

District 16

Thomas J. Kane (D-Saco)

YORK COUNTY - Saco (part of)

District 17

Steven M. Joyce (R-Biddeford)

YORK COUNTY - Biddeford (part of) and Kennebunkport

District 18

Roger D. Frechette (D-Biddeford)

YORK COUNTY - Biddeford (part of)

District 19

Lucien A. Dutremble (D-Biddeford)

YORK COUNTY - Biddeford (part of)

District 20

George J. Kerr (D-Old Orchard Beach)

YORK COUNTY - Old Orchard Beach

District 21

Glenys P. Lovett (R-Scarborough)

CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Scarborough (part of)

District 22

Robert E. Pendleton, Jr. (R-Scarborough)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Gorham (part of) and
Scarborough (part of)

District 23

Janice E. Labrecque (R-Gorham)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Gorham (part of)

District 24

Peter E. Cianchette (R-South Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Cape Elizabeth (part of) and
South Portland (part of)

District 25

Jean Ginn Marvin (R-Cape Elizabeth)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Cape Elizabeth (part of)

District 26

Christopher T. Muse (D-South Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - South Portland (part of)

District 27

Alton E. Morgan (D-South Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - South Portland (part of)

District 28

Ronald E. Usher (D-Westbrook)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Westbrook (part of)

District 29

William Lemke (D-Westbrook)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Westbrook (part of)

District 30

J. Elizabeth Mitchell (D-Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Long Island and Portland (part of)

District 31

Michael V. Saxl (D-Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Portland (part of)

District 32

Richard R. Farnsworth (D-Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Portland (part of)

District 33

Michael W. Quint (D-Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Portland (part of)

District 34

F. Thomas Gieringer, Jr. (R-Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Portland (part of)

District 35

G. Steven Rowe (D-Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Portland (part of)

District 36

Elizabeth Townsend (D-Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Portland (part of)

District 37

Michael F. Brennan (D-Portland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Portland (part of)

District 38

Joseph Bruno (R-Raymond)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Raymond and Windham (part of)

District 39

Carol A. Kontos (D-Windham)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Windham (part of)

District 40

Robert F. Fisk, Jr. (R-Falmouth)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Cumberland (part of) and
Falmouth

District 41

Clifton Foster (R-Gray)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Gray and New Gloucester (part of)

District 42

Joseph B. Taylor (R-Cumberland)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Cumberland (part of) and
North Yarmouth

District 43

Adam Mack (R-Standish)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Standish
YORK COUNTY - Limington (part of)

District 44

John T. Buck (R-Yarmouth)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Yarmouth

District 45

Harry G. True (R-Fryeburg)
OXFORD COUNTY - Brownfield, Fryeburg, Hiram, Porter
and Stow
YORK COUNTY - Cornish

District 46

G. Paul Waterhouse (R-Bridgton)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Bridgton and Harrison
OXFORD COUNTY - Denmark, Lovell and Sweden

District 47

Richard H. Thompson (D-Naples)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Baldwin, Casco, Naples and
Sebago

District 48

Thomas Bull (D-Freeport)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Freeport and Pownal

District 49

Reginald G. Pinkham (R-Brunswick)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Brunswick (part of)

District 50

Thomas M. Davidson (D-Brunswick)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Brunswick (part of)

District 51

David Etnier (D-Harpswell)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Harpswell
SAGADAHOC COUNTY - Arrowsic, Georgetown and
Phippsburg

District 52

Verdi L. Tripp (D-Topsham)
SAGADAHOC COUNTY - Topsham (part of)

District 53

David C. Shiah (D-Bowdoinham)
SAGADAHOC COUNTY - Bowdoin, Bowdoinham,
Richmond and Topsham (part of), plus the unorganized
territory of Perkins Township

District 54

Arthur F. Mayo III (R-Bath)
SAGADAHOC COUNTY - Bath (part of)

District 55

Judith B. Peavey (R-Woolwich)
LINCOLN COUNTY - Dresden and Westport
SAGADAHOC COUNTY - Bath (part of), West Bath and
Woolwich

District 56

Wendy Pieh (D-Bremen)
KNOX COUNTY - Cushing and Friendship
LINCOLN COUNTY - Bremen, Bristol, Damariscotta,
South Bristol and Plantation of Monhegan

District 57

Benjamin L. Rines, Jr. (D-Wiscasset)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Windsor
LINCOLN COUNTY - Alna, Somerville, Whitefield and
Wiscasset, plus the unorganized territory of Hibberts Gore

District 58

Kenneth A. Honey (R-Boothbay)
LINCOLN COUNTY - Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor,
Edgecomb, Newcastle and Southport

District 59

Robert W. Spear (R-Nobleboro)
LINCOLN COUNTY - Jefferson, Nobleboro and Waldoboro

District 60

Christine R. Savage (R-Union)
KNOX COUNTY - Appleton, Hope, Union, Warren and
Washington

District 61

James G. Skoglund (D-St. George)
KNOX COUNTY - Owl's Head, St. George, South Thomaston,
Thomaston and Plantation of Matinicus Isle, plus the
unorganized territory of Criehaven

District 62

Paul Chartrand (D-Rockland)
KNOX COUNTY - Rockland

District 63

Judith A. Powers (D-Rockport)
KNOX COUNTY - Camden and Rockport

District 64

John H. Underwood (R-Oxford)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Mechanic Falls
OXFORD COUNTY - Hebron (part of), Otisfield and Oxford

District 65

Alvin L. Barth, Jr. (R-Bethel)
FRANKLIN COUNTY - Eustis, Madrid, Rangeley, Weld and Plantations of Coplin, Dallas, Rangeley and Sandy River, plus unorganized territories
OXFORD COUNTY - Andover, Bethel, Byron, Gilead, Hanover, Newry, Stoneham, Upton and Plantations of Lincoln and Magalloway, plus unorganized territories including Albany and Mason Townships

District 66

Edward L. Dexter (R-Kingfield)
FRANKLIN COUNTY - Carrabassett Valley, Kingfield and New Vineyard, plus unorganized territories including Wyman Township
SOMERSET COUNTY - Bingham, Caratunk, Embden, Jackman, Moose River, Moscow, New Portland and Plantations of Brighton, Dennistown, Highland, Pleasant Ridge, The Forks and West Forks, plus unorganized territories including Concord, Lexington and Seboomook Townships and Rockwood Strip

District 67

John L. Baker (D-Dixfield)
OXFORD COUNTY - Dixfield, Mexico, Peru and Roxbury

District 68

Tom J. Winsor (R-Norway)
OXFORD COUNTY - Greenwood, Norway, Waterford and West Paris

District 69

Rosita Gagne (D-Buckfield)
OXFORD COUNTY - Buckfield, Hartford, Hebron (part of), Paris and Sumner

District 70

Robert A. Cameron (R-Rumford)
OXFORD COUNTY - Rumford and Woodstock, plus the
unorganized territory of Milton Township

District 71

Lois A. Snowe-Mello (R-Poland)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Minot and Poland
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - New Gloucester (part of)

District 72

Robert J. Winglass (R-Auburn)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Auburn (part of)

District 73

Belinda A. Gerry (I-Auburn)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Auburn (part of)

District 74

Brian Bolduc (D-Auburn)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Auburn (part of)

District 75

Roy I. Nickerson (R-Turner)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Greene and Turner

District 76

Roland B. Samson (D-Jay)
FRANKLIN COUNTY - Chesterville, Jay and New Sharon
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Vienna
SOMERSET COUNTY - Mercer

District 77

Charles C. LaVerdiere (D-Wilton)
FRANKLIN COUNTY - Avon, Carthage, Phillips, Strong,
Temple and Wilton, plus the unorganized territory of Perkins
and Washington Townships

District 78

Walter R. Gooley (R-Farmington)
FRANKLIN COUNTY - Farmington and Industry

District 79

Linda Rogers McKee (D-Wayne)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Fayette, Wayne and Winthrop

District 80

Elaine Fuller (D-Manchester)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Belgrade, Manchester, Mount Vernon
and Readfield

District 81

June C. Meres (R-Norridgewock)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Rome
SOMERSET COUNTY - Anson, Norridgewock, Skowhegan
(part of), Smithfield and Starks

District 82

Elizabeth Watson (D-Farmingdale)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Farmingdale, Litchfield and West
Gardiner

District 83

Bonnie Green (D-Monmouth)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Sabattus and Wales
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Monmouth

District 84

Nancy L. Chizmar (D-Lisbon)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Lisbon (part of)

District 85

William E. Bodwell II (R-Brunswick)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Durham and Lisbon (part of)
CUMBERLAND COUNTY - Brunswick (part of)

District 86

Richard H. Mailhot (D-Lewiston)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Lewiston (part of)

District 87

Thomas P. Shannon (D-Lewiston)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Lewiston (part of)

District 88

Patricia Lemaire (D-Lewiston)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Lewiston (part of)

District 89

Albert P. Gamache (D-Lewiston)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Lewiston (part of)

District 90

Gerald N. Bouffard (D-Lewiston)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Lewiston (part of)

District 91

Patrick Colwell (D-Gardiner)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Gardiner and Randolph (part of)

District 92

Scott W. Cowger (D-Hallowell)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Chelsea, Hallowell, Pittston and
Randolph (part of)

District 93

Randall L. Berry (D-Livermore)
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY - Leeds, Livermore and
Livermore Falls
OXFORD COUNTY - Canton

District 94

Elizabeth H. Mitchell (D-Vassalboro)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Augusta (part of) and Vassalboro

District 95

David R. Madore (R-Augusta)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Augusta (part of)

District 96

Julie Ann O'Brien (R-Augusta)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Augusta (part of)

District 97

Shirley K. Richard (D-Madison)
SOMERSET COUNTY - Athens, Cambridge, Harmony,
Madison and Solon

District 98

Pamela Henderson Hatch (D-Skowhegan)
SOMERSET COUNTY - Skowhegan (part of)

District 99

Joseph M. Jabar, Sr. (D-Waterville)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Waterville (part of)

District 100

Kenneth T. Gagnon (D-Waterville)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Waterville (part of)

District 101

Paul L. Tessier (D-Fairfield)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Waterville (part of)
SOMERSET COUNTY - Fairfield

District 102

Marc J. Vigue (D-Winslow)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Winslow

District 103

Thomas E. Poulin (D-Oakland)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Oakland and Sidney

District 104

Sumner A. Jones, Jr. (R-Pittsfield)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Clinton
SOMERSET COUNTY - Detroit and Pittsfield

District 105

David A. Lindahl (R-Northport)
WALDO COUNTY - Belfast, Islesboro and Northport

District 106

Randall L. Bumps (R-China)
KENNEBEC COUNTY - Albion, Benton and China, plus the
unorganized territory of Unity Township

District 107

Joseph E. Brooks (D-Winterport)
WALDO COUNTY - Brooks, Frankfort, Jackson, Monroe,
Prospect, Stockton Springs and Winterport

District 108

Vaughn A. Stedman (R-Hartland)
SOMERSET COUNTY - Canaan, Cornville, Hartland, Palmyra
and St. Albans

District 109

Donald P. Berry, Sr. (R-Belmont)
WALDO COUNTY - Belmont, Lincolnville, Morrill,
Searsmont, Searsport, Swanville and Waldo

District 110

Rodney W. McElroy (R-Unity)
WALDO COUNTY - Burnham, Freedom, Knox, Liberty,
Montville, Palermo, Thorndike, Troy and Unity

District 111

Sharon Libby Jones (D-Greenville)
PISCATAQUIS COUNTY - Abbot, Beaver Cove, Bowerbank,
Brownville, Greenville, Guilford, Monson, Sebec, Shirley,
Wellington, Willimantic and Plantation of Kingsbury, plus
unorganized territories including Barnard, Blanchard and
Elliotsville Townships

District 112

Ruel P. Cross (R-Dover-Foxcroft)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Bradford
PISCATAQUIS COUNTY - Atkinson, Dover-Foxcroft,
Parkman and Sangerville

District 113

Joseph H. Bigl (R-Bucksport)
HANCOCK COUNTY - Bucksport
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Orrington

District 114

Debra D. Plowman (R-Hampden)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Dixmont, Hampden and Newburgh

District 115

Charles D. Fisher (D-Brewer)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Brewer (part of)

District 116

Richard H. Campbell (R-Holden)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Bradley, Brewer (part of),
Eddington, Holden and Veazie

District 117

Christina L. Baker (D-Bangor)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Bangor (part of)

District 118

Joseph C. Perry (D-Bangor)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Bangor (part of)

District 119

Tarren R. Bragdon (R-Bangor)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Bangor (part of)

District 120

Jane W. Saxl (D-Bangor)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Bangor (part of)

District 121

Matthew Dunlap (D-Old Town)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Indian Island Voting District and
Old Town (part of)

District 122

Julie Winn (D-Glenburn)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Glenburn, Kenduskeag, Levant
(part of) and Orono (part of)

District 123

Kathleen Alicia Stevens (D-Orono)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Orono (part of)

District 124

Russell P. Treadwell (R-Carmel)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Carmel, Etna, Hermon, Levant
(part of) and Plymouth

District 125

Susan Kasprzak (R-Newport)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Charleston, Corinth, Exeter,
Newport and Stetson

District 126

James H. Tobin, Jr. (R-Dexter)
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Corinna, Dexter and Garland
SOMERSET COUNTY - Ripley

District 127

Edward J. Povich (D-Ellsworth)
HANCOCK COUNTY - Dedham, Ellsworth, Mariaville and Otis
PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Clifton

District 128

Royce W. Perkins (R-Penobscot)
HANCOCK COUNTY - Blue Hill, Brooksville, Castine,
Orland, Penobscot, Surry and Verona

District 129

Paul Volenik (D-Brooklin)
HANCOCK COUNTY - Brooklin, Cranberry Isles, Deer Isle,
Frenchboro, Sedgwick, Stonington, Swan's Island and Tremont
KNOX COUNTY - Isle au Haut, North Haven and Vinalhaven

District 130

Kyle W. Jones (D-Bar Harbor)
HANCOCK COUNTY - Bar Harbor, Mount Desert and
Southwest Harbor

District 131

James D. Layton (R-Cherryfield)
HANCOCK COUNTY - Franklin and Sullivan, plus
unorganized territories
WASHINGTON COUNTY - Addison, Cherryfield, Columbia,
Harrington, Milbridge and Steuben

District 132

William D. Pinkham (R-Lamoine)

HANCOCK COUNTY - Eastbrook, Gouldsboro, Hancock, Lamoine, Osborn, Sorrento, Trenton, Waltham and Winter Harbor, plus the unorganized territory of Township 8

District 133

Martha A. Bagley (D-Machias)

WASHINGTON COUNTY - Beals, Cutler, Jonesboro, Jonesport, Machias, Machiasport, Roque Bluffs and Whiting, plus unorganized territory

District 134

Albion D. Goodwin (D-Pembroke)

WASHINGTON COUNTY - Charlotte, Cooper, Crawford, Dennysville, Eastport, Indian Township Voting District, Lubec, Meddybemps, Pembroke, Perry and Pleasant Point Voting District, plus unorganized territories including Edmunds, No. 14, No. 21 and Trescott Townships

District 135

Joseph D. Driscoll (D-Calais)

WASHINGTON COUNTY - Alexander, Baileyville, Calais, Princeton, Robbinston and Plantation of Baring

District 136

George H. Bunker, Jr. (D-Kossuth Township)

HANCOCK COUNTY - Amherst, Aurora and Great Pond, plus unorganized territories

PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Burlington, Lakeville, Lee, Lowell, Springfield, Winn and Plantations of Carroll, Drew and Webster, plus unorganized territories including Grand Falls, Prentiss and Summit Townships

WASHINGTON COUNTY - Beddington, Centerville, Columbia Falls, Danforth, Deblois, East Machias, Marshfield, Northfield, Talmadge, Topsfield, Vanceboro, Waite, Wesley, Whitneyville and Plantations of Codyville and Grand Lake Stream, plus unorganized territories including Brookton, Forest City and Lambert Lake Townships

District 137

Laura Sanborn (D-Alton)

PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Alton, Edinburg, Greenbush, Hudson, Lagrange, Milford, Old Town (part of) and Passadumkeag, plus the unorganized territories of Argyle and Greenfield Townships

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY - Unorganized territory of Orneville Township

District 138

Priscilla Lane (R-Enfield)

PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Enfield, Howland and Lincoln (part of)

District 139

Stephen S. Stanley (D-Medway)

PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Chester, East Millinocket, Lincoln (part of), Maxfield, Medway, Woodville and Plantation of Seboeis, plus unorganized territories

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY - Medford, Milo and Plantation of Lake View

District 140

Joseph E. Clark (D-Millinocket)

PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Millinocket, Mount Chase and Stacyville, plus unorganized territories including Long A Township

District 141

Henry L. Joy (R-Crystal)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Amity, Bancroft, Crystal, Dyer Brook, Haynesville, Hersey, Island Falls, Linneus, Oakfield, Orient, Sherman, Weston and Plantations of Glenwood, Macwahoc and Reed, plus unorganized territories including Benedicta Township

PENOBSCOT COUNTY - Mattawamkeag and Patten, plus the unorganized territory of Kingman Township

District 142

Dean F. Clukey (R-Houlton)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Hodgdon, Houlton and Plantation of Cary

District 143

Edgar Wheeler (R-Bridgewater)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Bridgewater, Chapman, Hammond, Littleton, Ludlow, Masardis, Merrill, Monticello, New Limerick, Presque Isle (part of), Smyrna, Westfield and Plantation of Moro, plus unorganized territories including E Township

District 144

Richard Kneeland (R-Easton)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Blaine, Easton, Fort Fairfield and Mars Hill

District 145

James O. Donnelly (R-Presque Isle)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Presque Isle (part of)

District 146

Mabel J. Desmond (D-Mapleton)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Ashland, Castle Hill, Mapleton,
New Sweden, Wade, Washburn and Woodland**District 147**

Irvin G. Belanger (R-Caribou)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Caribou (part of)

District 148

Gary O'Neal (D-Limestone)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Limestone (part of)

District 149

Rosaire J. Sirois (D-Caribou)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Caribou (part of), Caswell, Grand
Isle, Hamlin, Limestone (part of), Stockholm, Van Buren and
Plantation of Cyr, plus unorganized territories including
Connor Township**District 150**

Douglas J. Ahearne (D-Madawaska)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Frenchville, Madawaska, Perham,
Saint Agatha and Westmanland, plus unorganized territories**District 151**

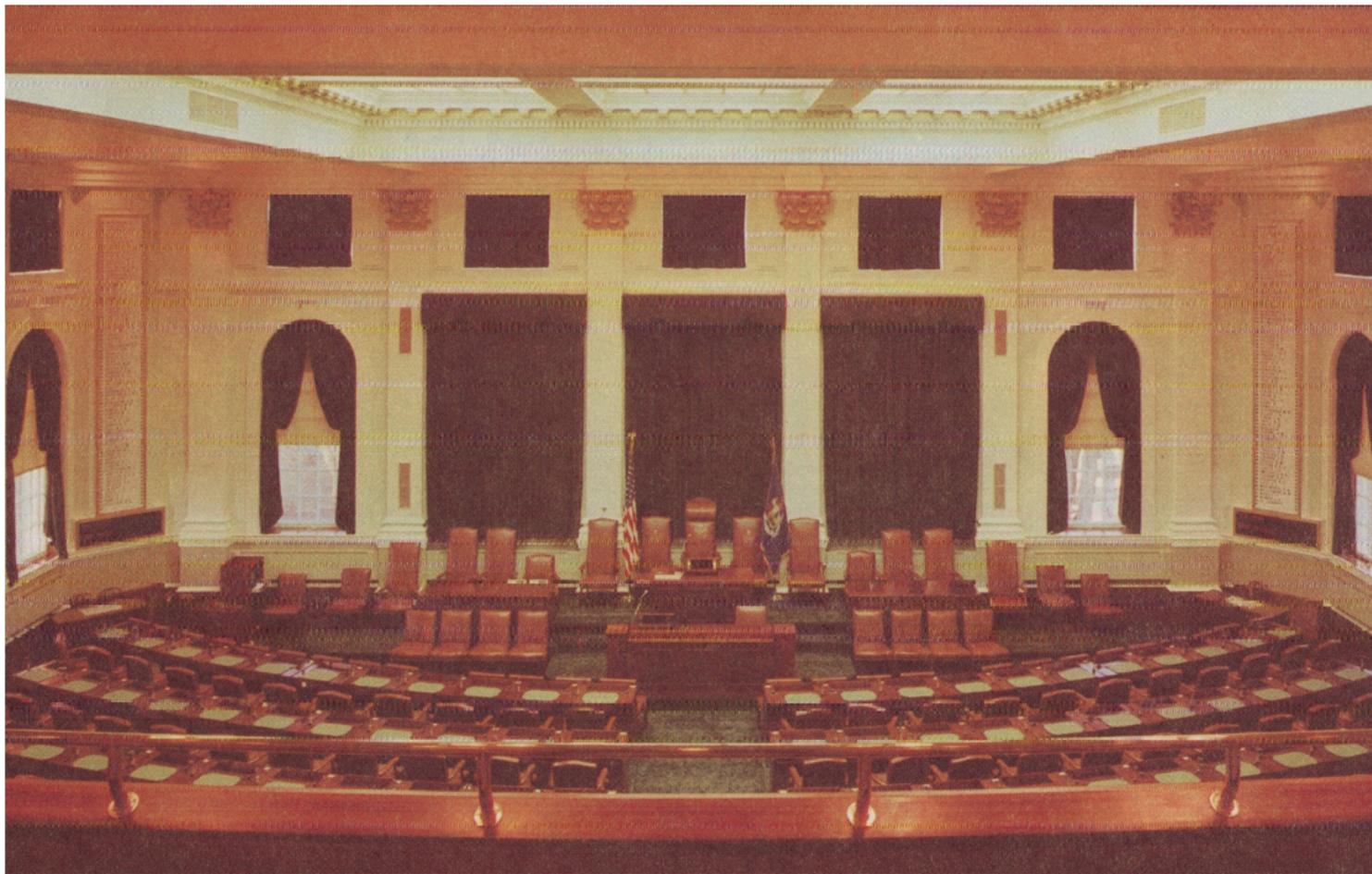
Duane J. Belanger (R-Wallagrass)

AROOSTOOK COUNTY - Allagash, Eagle Lake, Fort Kent,
New Canada, Portage Lake, St. Francis, Wallagrass and
Plantations of Garfield, Nashville, Oxbow, St. John and
Winterville, plus unorganized territories**Tribal Representatives**

Paul Bisulca (Penobscot Nation)

Frederick Moore III (Passamaquoddy Tribe)

Democrats	81
Republicans	69
Independent	<u>1</u>
Total	151



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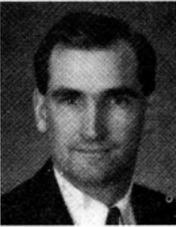
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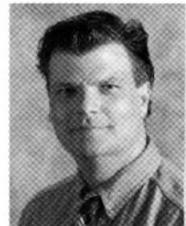


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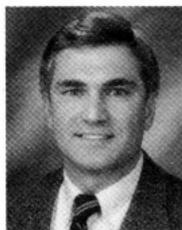


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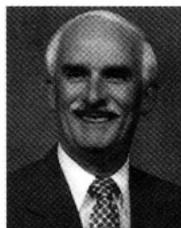
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Democrats	81
Republicans	69
Independent	1
TOTAL	<hr/> 151

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ENGROSSED BILLS

Thomas M. Davidson (D-Brunswick), Chair	David A. Lindahl (R-Northport)
Kathleen Alicia Stevens (D-Orono)	Robert J. Winglass (R-Auburn)
Patricia Lemaire (D-Lewiston)	Harry G. True (R-Fryeburg)
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RULES OF THE HOUSE 118TH LEGISLATURE

PART 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Rule 101. Chaplains. Every morning the House on assembling shall join with the Chaplains in religious service. On the first legislative day of each week, the National Anthem must follow the religious service. Every morning the House after assembling shall recite the pledge of allegiance.

Rule 102. Monitors. A monitor shall see to the observance of the rules of the House. If any member violates any of the rules of the House and persists in violating the rules after being notified of the violation by any monitor, the monitor shall give information of the violation to the House.

Rule 103. Vacancy in the office of Clerk or Assistant Clerk. A Clerk or Assistant Clerk is either appointed or elected in the following circumstances.

A. In the case of a vacancy in the office of Clerk:

- (1) When the Legislature is in session, the House elects a clerk;
or
- (2) When the Legislature is not in session, the Assistant Clerk is Clerk pro tempore to serve until the Legislature is in session and elects a Clerk.

B. In the case of a vacancy in the office of Assistant Clerk:

- (1) When the Legislature is in session, the House elects an Assistant Clerk; or
- (2) When the Legislature is not in session, the Speaker shall appoint an Assistant Clerk to serve until the Legislature is in session and elects an Assistant Clerk.

C. In the case of a vacancy in the offices of the Clerk and Assistant Clerk:

- (1) When the Legislature is in session, the House elects a Clerk and Assistant Clerk; or
- (2) When the Legislature is not in session, the Speaker shall appoint a Clerk and Assistant Clerk to serve until the Legislature is in session and elects a Clerk and Assistant Clerk.

Rule 104. Partisan staff. The floor leaders shall appoint partisan staff with staffing patterns determined by House leadership.

Rule 105. Lobbyists banned from House floor. One-half hour before the beginning of any regularly scheduled session, registered lobbyists are banned from the floor of the House of Representatives.

Rule 106. Admission to Representatives' hall. Only a member or officer of the House, a member of the Senate, the Secretary of the Senate, the Assistant Secretary of the Senate, the Governor, heads of state departments and bureaus, Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, Chaplains of the Senate and reporters of the proceedings and debates of the House may be admitted within the Representatives' hall, unless invited by some member of the House. While the House is in session, only members and officers of the House and officers of the Senate on official business are admitted inside the rail, except members of the press, who shall occupy places at the press table, and guests of the Speaker.

PART 2

SPEAKER

Rule 201. Duties and Powers of the Speaker

1. Duties. The Speaker shall:

- A. Take the chair at the hour to which the House has adjourned, call the members to order and, after the appearance of a quorum, cause the journal of the preceding day to be read;
- B. Announce the business before the House in the order in which it is to be acted upon;
- C. Receive, submit to vote and announce the result of all motions that are in proper order and that arise in the course of proceedings;
- D. Enforce the observance of order and decorum;
- E. Decide all questions of order within 7 legislative days, subject to an appeal to the House;
- F. Receive all messages and other communications and announce them to the House;
- G. Authenticate by the Speaker's signature bills that have passed to be enacted and resolves that have finally passed;

- H. Name a member to perform the duties of Speaker during the Speaker's absence;
- I. Appoint and may rescind the appointments of the following individuals at any time:
 - (a) The members who are to serve on committees; and
 - (b) A sergeant-at-arms, an assistant sergeant-at-arms, a document clerk, doorkeepers, a courier and 5 pages;
- J. At the commencement of the session, appoint the following standing committees:
 - (a) On Leave of Absence;
 - (b) On Bills in the Second Reading;
 - (c) On Engrossed Bills;
 - (d) On Ethics;
 - (e) On Elections; and
 - (f) On Rules and Business of the House.

Each committee consists of 8 members, except the Committee on Rules and Business of the House, which consists of 3 members and the Speaker ex officio. Each committee shall consider and report on all subjects referred to the committee;

- K. Name the person to speak when 2 or more members rise at the same time; in other instances, recognize the member who rises first and addresses the chair;
 - L. Appoint one monitor for each division of the House; and
 - M. Decide whether debate is relevant to some definite question under consideration.
- 2. Powers.** The Speaker may:
- A. Appoint honorary pages;
 - B. Appoint legal counsel while the Legislature is in session;
 - C. Address the House on points of order, in preference to other members; and
 - D. Vote in all cases.

PART 3

CLERK

Rule 301. Duties of the Clerk. The Clerk shall:

- 1. Journal.** Keep a journal of what is done by the House;
- 2. Read papers.** Read papers when required by the House or Speaker;
- 3. Note answers of members.** Note the answers of members when the House orders or when a question is taken by yeas and nays;
- 4. Notify members of committee appointments.** Notify members of their committee appointments and of the business referred to committees;
- 5. Authenticate by Clerk's signature.** Authenticate by the Clerk's signature all the orders and proceedings of the House not authenticated by the Speaker;
- 6. Responsible for documents.** Have responsibility for all the documents and papers of every kind confided to the care of the House;
- 7. Transmit messages and papers.** Transmit all messages and papers from the House to the Governor or to the Senate;
- 8. Preside in Speaker's absence.** Preside in the case of the absence of the Speaker or Speaker pro tempore at the hour for meeting, until a Speaker pro tempore is chosen;
- 9. File papers and documents.** File in an orderly manner at the close of the session all papers and documents in possession of the House that were passed upon or received during the session;
- 10. Preside at commencement of next Legislature.** Preside at the commencement of the next Legislature until the election of the Speaker;
- 11. Record House business.** Record what is done by the House until a new Clerk is chosen and qualified;
- 12. Prepare daily calendar.** Prepare a daily calendar of bills, resolves and other papers assigned for that day's consideration, bills and resolves that have had their first reading, showing the disposition of each, and orders presented to the Clerk by members; and
- 13. Enter questions on journal.** Enter every question of order that is decided on appeal on the journal of the House with the decision of every question. The journal must include all rulings of the Chair.

PART 4

MEMBERS

Rule 401. Rights and duties of members. Members of the House have the following rights and duties.

1. Member's seat. The seat a member draws at the commencement of the session is that member's during the session, unless the member has leave of the Speaker to change it. No other person may occupy a member's seat at any time during a session of the House.

2. Pairing of votes. A member may not pair that member's vote with the vote of another member.

3. Sit at Speaker's or Clerk's desk. A member may not sit at the desk of the Speaker or Clerk, except by the permission of the Speaker.

4. Member may not speak. A member may not speak without first rising and addressing the Speaker and being recognized, and a member may not speak while away from that member's seat without leave from the Speaker. A member shall sit down as soon as the member is done speaking.

5. Debate. A member shall limit debate to that which is relevant to some definite question under consideration.

6. May not interrupt. A member may not interrupt another member while the other is speaking, except to call to order or correct a mistake. A member may not stand up to the interruption of another while any member is speaking, pass unnecessarily between the Speaker of the House and the person speaking, stand in an aisle or sit or stand covered during the session of the House.

7. Speak more than twice. A member may not speak more than twice to the same question without first asking leave of the House. Any other member objecting to that member speaking more than twice to the same question must stand and be recognized by the Speaker of the House and the objection must be noted.

8. Counsel. A member may not act as counsel for any party before a joint committee of the Legislature or a committee of the House.

9. Leave of absence. A member may not be absent more than 2 days without leave of the House; and a member may not have such a leave, unless it is reported by the Committee on Leave of Absence.

10. Papers. Any member having obtained leave of absence shall leave any papers relating to the business before the House with the Clerk.

11. Breach of rules. When any member is guilty of a breach of any of the rules and orders of the House and the House has determined that the member has violated a rule or order, that member may not be allowed to vote or speak, unless by way of excuse for the breach, until the member has made satisfaction.

12. Voting. A member who is in the House when a question is put shall vote, unless the presiding officer for reasons excuses that member. When yeas and nays are ordered, a member may not leave the member's seat until the vote is declared. A call for yeas and nays must close no more than 30 minutes after a roll call is commenced. In all elections by the House, or on joint ballot of the Chambers, a member may not leave the member's seat after voting, before a return of the House is had.

13. Sponsor obtains signatures. A bill or resolve in final form that is ready for signature whose primary sponsor is a member of the House may be circulated for signatures only by the sponsor or cosponsors of that bill or resolve. This does not preclude a bill or a resolve from being held for signature in the Office of the Speaker of the House, the offices of the minority or majority party or the Office of the Revisor of Statutes.

PART 5

PROCEEDINGS AND DEBATES

Rule 501. Order of business. After reading of the journal, the following is the order of business:

- 1st. Senate papers and first reading of accompanying bills and resolves;
- 2nd. Messages and documents from the executive and heads of departments;
- 3rd. Reception of petitions, bills and resolves requiring reference to any committee;
- 4th. Orders;
- 5th. Expressions of legislative sentiment - Special sentiment calendar;
- 6th. Reports of committees and first reading of accompanying bills and resolves;
- 7th. Consent calendar - First Day;
- 8th. Consent calendar - Second Day;
- 9th. Bills and resolves reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading and on their passage to be engrossed;
- 10th. Bills on their passage to be enacted; and
- 11th. Orders of the day.

A paper may not be taken up out of its regular order. Business may not be transacted in the House after the hour of 9:00 p.m.

Rule 502. Unfinished business. The unfinished business of the House at the time of the last adjournment has preference in the orders of the day and continues to be among the orders of the day for each succeeding day until action on it is completed.

Rule 503. Motions and concurrence. The following rules apply to motions and questions of concurrence with the Senate.

A. When a question is under debate, a motion may not be received, except a motion:

- 1st. To adjourn;
- 2nd. To table unassigned;
- 3rd. For the previous question;
- 4th. To commit;
- 5th. To table to a day certain;
- 6th. To amend; or
- 7th. To postpone indefinitely.

These motions have precedence in the order in which they are arranged. A motion to adjourn must be decided without debate.

B. Questions of concurrence with the Senate have precedence in the following order:

- 1st. To recede;
- 2nd. To concur;
- 3rd. To insist; or
- 4th. To adhere.

Rule 504. Previous question. When a motion for the previous question is made, the consent of one third of the members present is necessary to authorize the Speaker to entertain the motion. Debate is not allowed until the matter of consent is determined. The previous question must be submitted in the following words: Shall the main question be put now? A member may not speak more than 5 minutes on the motion for the previous question. A call for the yeas and nays or for division of a question is in order after the main question has been ordered to be put. After the adoption of the previous question, the vote must be taken upon amendments and then upon the main question.

Rule 505. Consideration of business. In filling blanks and assigning times for the consideration of business, the longest time must be put first.

Rule 506. Germane amendments. An amendment must be germane to the proposition under consideration.

Rule 507. Printing and distribution of amendments. An amendment to a bill or resolve may not be acted upon by the House until the same has been printed and distributed to the members under the direction of the Clerk, unless the same bears the recommendation of the Committee on Rules and Business of the House that such printing be dispensed with; and any amendment not so printed or bearing such recommendation must lie on the table until printed or until the Committee has recommended that such printing be dispensed with. All amendments filed with the Clerk for printing must bear the signature of the member filing the same.

Rule 508. Withdrawal of motion, order or amendment. A motion, order or amendment may be withdrawn by a sponsor only prior to a vote, except that a motion to reconsider may be withdrawn only with consent of the House.

Rule 509. Process when declared vote doubted. When a vote declared by the Speaker is doubted, the members for and against the question, when called on by the Speaker, shall vote again without further debate.

Rule 510. Yeas and nays. A call for the yeas and nays is in order at any time before a vote is made certain and declared.

Rule 511. Motion to reconsider. When a motion has been made and carried in the affirmative or negative, it is in order for any member who voted with the prevailing side, or in the negative on a tie vote, to move to reconsider on the same or succeeding day. A motion to reconsider may not be tabled unassigned. A motion to reconsider is not in order more than once on the same question. When a member moves or gives notice of the member's intention to move a reconsideration of any vote, the papers to which the motion relates must remain in possession of the Clerk until the question of reconsideration has been decided, or the right to move such a question is lost.

Rule 512. Elections. In all elections by ballot of the House a time must be assigned for the election at least one day prior to the election.

Rule 513. Opinion of justices. A proposition to require the opinion of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, as provided by the Constitution, may not be acted upon until the next day after the proposition is made.

Rule 514. Signature required. All petitions, memorials and other papers addressed to the House, and all bills and resolves to be introduced in the House, must bear the signature of the member or member-elect presenting them.

Rule 515. Second reading. All bills and resolves in their Second Reading must be committed to the standing Committee on Bills in the Second Reading to be examined and corrected. The Revisor of Statutes is the clerk of the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading.

Rule 516. Two several readings. A bill may not pass to be engrossed until the bill has had 2 several readings; the House shall assign the time for the second reading. Every resolve that requires the approval of the Governor must have 2 several readings.

Rule 517. Engrossed bills. All engrossed bills and resolves must be committed to the standing Committee on Engrossed Bills to be strictly examined; if found by the committee to be truly and strictly engrossed, the committee shall so report to the House, and the question must be taken without any further reading.

Rule 518. Report by committee. A bill or resolve must be reported by a committee.

Rule 519. Special consent calendar. A bill or resolve that bears a unanimous Ought to Pass or Ought to Pass as Amended report by the committee to which it has been referred, upon notification to the House, must, without further action, be placed by the Clerk upon the special consent calendar and remain there for 2 legislative days; the bill or resolve, at the termination of these 2 days, is considered as passed to be engrossed. Upon objection of any member to the placement or retention of any bill or resolve on the consent calendar, that bill or resolve ceases to be a consent calendar bill. If a bill or resolve is taken from the special consent calendar, the first order of business with respect to the bill or resolve must be whether to accept the committee report.

Any expression of legislative sentiment must be placed by the Clerk upon a special consent calendar and remain there for one legislative day. At the end of the legislative day the legislative sentiment is considered passed or adopted. Upon objection of any member to the placement or retention of such an expression on the consent calendar, the legislative sentiment must be removed and the question before the House is passage or adoption.

Rule 520. Notice to House. The Speaker shall give the House notice before an engrossed bill or resolve may be sent to the Senate.

Rule 521. Veto. When a bill or resolve is returned by the Governor with objections, the question must be stated by the Chair: Shall this bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor? and the same in substance in the case of a resolve. The question may be postponed to a day within the session, not exceeding one week. No other question may apply to bills and resolves originating in either branch.

When a bill or resolve is returned by the Governor with any dollar amount disapproved pursuant to the Governor's line-item veto power, the House shall act upon the disapproved item or items within 5 days of receiving the bill or resolve from the Governor.

Rule 522. Rules of parliamentary practice. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Mason's Rules govern the House in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules and orders of the House and the joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives. In the event that Mason's Rules do not cover the parliamentary practice in question, then Reed's Rules govern. If neither Mason's Rules nor Reed's Rules cover the parliamentary practice in question, the rules of any other standard authority may be applied.

Rule 523. Dispensation of rule or order. A rule or order of the House may not be dispensed with unless two thirds of the members present consent to the dispensation.

Rule 524. Amendment, adoption or repeal of rule or order. A rule or order of the House may not be altered or repealed, nor may any new standing rule or order be adopted, unless one day's previous notice is given in each case. The notice must be entered on the journal. Notwithstanding this rule and Rule 523, after the convening of the First Regular Session, and before the third Friday in January in odd years, any amendment to the House Rules proposed by a House Order may be adopted by a majority vote in the House. If the amendment has already failed to be adopted during that session, it may only be adopted if, upon reconsideration, it receives the approval of two thirds of the members present in the House.

Rule 525. Penobscot Nation and Passamaquoddy Tribe. The member of the Penobscot Nation and the member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe elected to represent their people at the biennial session of the Legislature must be granted seats on the floor of the House of Representatives; be granted, by consent of the Speaker, the privilege of speaking on pending legislation; must be appointed to sit with joint standing committees as nonvoting members during the committees' deliberations; and be granted such other rights and privileges as may from time to time be voted by the House of Representatives.

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CAPITOL PARK

One of the crowning jewels in the State of Maine is the beautiful landscape between the State House and the Kennebec River known as Capitol Park.

It is the earliest known, consciously designed public ground in Maine. The spatial structures of Capitol Park was established in 1827, the same year in which the Legislature approved a permanent seat of the government be established in Augusta.

The act approved on February 24, 1827, placed the sum of \$500 at the disposal of the Governor and Council "to enable them to cause such a lot as may be chosen to be improved, fenced and ornamented with forest trees."

The final selection was a 34-acre lot on the west bank of the Kennebec at the head of tide 40 miles inland, in the town of Augusta. Charles Bulfinch, Architect of the Capitol, proposed a site plan for the immediate Capitol grounds designating them on a conical elevation at the northwestern corner of the lot with access roads.

The balance of the property, a rectangle of approximately 20 acres, was fenced off to keep out cattle and planted with rows of forest trees from the Capitol site to the River.

The intent of the design was to create a dignified setting for viewing the State Capitol Building along with other public functions. That role is still being carried on today.

In looking back, the Park has survived many historic uses. During the Civil War it was used as a camp site and parade ground. After the war the land was leased for farming, but by 1878 the site was restored to its former appearance.

In 1851 the railroad bisected the lower end of the Park, a use which has been abandoned. Then in 1920 Frederick Law Olmsted's firm was commissioned by Governor Miliken to prepare a plan for the Capitol grounds, Capitol Park, the adjoining Driving Park to the south and neighboring Blaine House grounds.

According to the plan, Capitol park would be used passively; and the adjoining municipal park would provide opportunity for activity, thus joining the two parks into one.

Although the plan was never fully implemented, the Olmstead concept has set a course for which there is a strong following. With that awareness, plans are underway to restore and preserve this hidden inheritance and to encourage wide spread use by the citizens of Maine.



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JOINT RULES - 118TH LEGISLATURE

PART 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS

Rule 101. Scope.

These Joint Rules are adopted pursuant to the Constitution of Maine to assist in carrying out the responsibilities of the Legislative Branch. The rules govern the transaction of business by both chambers, between the chambers and by members of both chambers, including many of the activities of joint legislative committees. The business of the separate chambers and most actions of members are governed by chamber rules.

Rule 102. Amendment of Rules.

Joint Rules may be amended by a majority vote in each chamber on or before the 3rd Friday in January of the first regular session. After that, a vote of 2/3 of the members present in each chamber is required.

Rule 103. Suspension of Rules.

Except as provided in Joint Rule 308, a joint rule or order may be suspended only with the consent of 2/3 of the members present in each chamber.

Rule 104. Conflict of Interest.

A member may not vote on any question in either chamber of the Legislature or in committee when that question immediately involves that member's private right, as distinct from the public interest.

Rule 105. Payment of House and Senate Employees.

The Secretary of the Senate shall certify vouchers of the officers and employees of the Senate and the Clerk of the House shall certify vouchers of the officers and employees of the House to the Executive Director of the Legislative Council.

Salary and benefit information regarding employees and officers of the Legislature is public information and when requested must be provided within a reasonable time by the Executive Director of the Legislative Council.

Rule 106. Records of Certain Legislator Expenses.

Upon request, the presiding officer of each chamber shall provide to the Legislative Council or any council member the total monthly

or annual cost of telephone expenses and of postage expenses for all members in the chamber. The presiding officers shall also provide monthly and annual telephone and postage expenses of individual members upon the request of any member of the council.

Rule 107. Notice of Legislative Council Meetings.

Meeting times of the Legislative Council must be publicized, at a minimum, by posting notice on the door of the meeting room in a timely fashion. When feasible, other advance notice of Legislative Council meetings must be given.

PART 2 LEGISLATION

Rule 201. Prefiling.

A member-elect may file bills and resolves for introduction with the Revisor of Statutes prior to the convening of each first regular session.

Rule 202. Cloture for Legislators at the First Regular Session.

All requests for bills and resolves submitted by Legislators for a first regular session must be submitted in complete form, as provided in Joint Rule 208, to the Revisor of Statutes by 4:00 p.m. on the 3rd Friday in December.

Rule 203. Cloture for Legislators at the Second Regular Session.

The Legislative Council shall set a cloture date and establish procedures for submission of legislation by Legislators to the Revisor of Statutes at a second regular session. Procedures established for each second regular session must ensure compliance with the requirements of the Constitution of Maine, Article IV, Part Third, Section 1.

Any vote of the Legislative Council to accept or reject a bill or resolve proposed for introduction under the procedures established under this Joint Rule must be taken by the yeas and nays, and that vote must be recorded and made available for public inspection.

Rule 204. Cloture for State Department, Agency or Commission Bills and Resolves.

1. Deadlines for Requests. A state department, agency or commission may not file a request for a bill or resolve after the first Wednesday in December.

2. Deadline When Governor Newly Elected. If the Governor is newly elected and the convening of the first regular session coincides with the beginning of the Governor's first term, then any bill or

resolve submitted by a state department, agency or commission must be submitted within 30 days after the Governor is administered the oath of office.

3. Identification of Agency. Each bill or resolve submitted for preparation under this rule must clearly designate, under the title, the department, agency or commission on whose behalf the bill or resolve is submitted.

Rule 205. Filing after Cloture.

Any request for a bill or resolve submitted to the Revisor of Statutes by a Legislator or a department, agency or commission after the cloture date must be transmitted to the Legislative Council. The council shall ascertain from the sponsor the facts supporting the request notwithstanding cloture. If a majority of the council approves, the legislation is eligible for introduction as other legislation that is in compliance with Rule 202 or 203.

Rule 206. Sponsorship.

1. Number; Governor's Bills. A bill, resolve, order, resolution or memorial may have up to 10 sponsors: one primary sponsor, one lead cosponsor from the other chamber and 8 cosponsors from either chamber. Each bill or resolve requested by the Governor or a department, agency or commission must indicate the requestor below the title.

2. Duplicate Requests; Chamber of Origin. For duplicate or closely related bills or resolves, the Legislative Council may establish a policy for combination of requests and the number of cosponsors permitted on combined requests. A bill, resolve, order, resolution or memorial having cosponsors must originate in the chamber of the primary sponsor.

3. Indian Representatives. The member of the Penobscot Nation and the member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe elected to represent their people at each biennial Legislature may sponsor or cosponsor legislation specifically relating to Indians and Indian land claims and may sponsor and cosponsor expressions of legislative sentiment in the same manner as other members of the House.

Rule 207. Disclosure of Titles of Bills and Resolves.

1. Legislator and Department Bills. The names of sponsors and the titles of requests for bills and resolves submitted by legislators or by departments, agencies or commissions become public information on the cloture date, and a list of titles and sponsors must be published as soon as practicable after cloture. The names of sponsors and

the titles of requests for bills and resolves submitted after cloture are public information when transmitted to the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205. The names of sponsors and the titles of requests for bills and resolves submitted for a special session are public information when transmitted to the Legislative Council.

2. Governor Bills. The titles of requests for bills and resolves submitted by the Governor are considered public information upon filing. The Governor may direct that the title of a particular bill or resolve remain confidential until that bill or resolve is printed.

Rule 208. Requirements for Drafting.

A request for a bill or resolve filed with the Revisor of Statutes is considered complete when the request is properly titled and accompanied by sufficient instructions, information and data required for its preparation. Drafts prepared by an outside source must be filed in final form by the appropriate cloture date.

When directed by the sponsor, the Revisor of Statutes shall prepare a bill or resolve in concept form. The bill or resolve shall contain only an enacting clause and a summary of the proposed legislation and shall not be fully drafted by the Revisor of Statutes. The bill or resolve prepared in this form shall be printed and referred to a committee in the same manner as other legislation and may be reported in fully drafted form by that committee in the same manner as other legislation. Each committee may establish a limit on the number of bills or resolves in concept form that it hears. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 402, members of legislative leadership and committee chairs have access to the contents of a file for a bill or resolve that is prepared in concept form. This method of drafting legislation is not allowed for legislation submitted by the Governor, by agencies or departments of state government, by study commissions, or pursuant to statute. Any request for a bill or resolve submitted after cloture must state if it is a request for a concept draft. Any committee amendment must be germane to the detailed summary of the concept draft. This paragraph of Joint Rule 208 shall have a sunset date of December 1, 1998. The sunset date may be extended by a majority vote of both branches of the Legislature.

Rule 209. Bill Titles and Summaries.

The Revisor of Statutes has authority to change the title of a bill or resolve to ensure that the title accurately and concisely reflects the content and scope of the bill or resolve. If the primary sponsor objects to the change, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House shall jointly decide what the title should be.

The Revisor of Statutes shall prepare and include a summary of each bill, resolve and amendment. The Revisor of Statutes has authority to ensure that the summary is concise and accurately reflects the intent of the bill or resolve.

Rule 210. Form.

All bills and other instruments, including bills proposed by initiative, must be allocated to the Maine Revised Statutes as appropriate and corrected for form, legislative style and grammar by the Revisor of Statutes before printing.

Rule 211. Signatures on Drafts of Bills, Resolves and Amendments.

The Revisor of Statutes shall notify the primary sponsor of a bill or resolve that the bill or resolve is ready in final form for signature. The primary sponsor is responsible for obtaining signatures from cosponsors. The primary sponsor shall sign the bill or notify the Revisor of Statutes of any changes that are necessary within deadlines established by the presiding officers. The primary sponsor shall present the signed cosponsor sheet to the Revisor of Statutes. If the primary sponsor does not contact the Office of the Revisor of Statutes within this period, the bill is void.

If changes are requested, the Revisor of Statutes shall notify the primary sponsor when changes have been made and the bill is available for signature; the primary sponsor and cosponsors shall sign the bill within the established deadlines. Further changes must be proposed to the committee of reference. If the primary sponsor does not sign the bill within this period, the bill is void. If cosponsors do not sign the bill within either period, their names must be removed from the bill.

Rule 212. Errors.

Clerical errors in bills and resolves may be corrected upon suggestion by the Revisor of Statutes without motion to amend.

Rule 213. Expressions of Legislative Sentiment.

All expressions of legislative sentiment must conform to guidelines issued by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House and must be presented in a manner standardized by the Revisor of Statutes.

The expressions of legislative sentiment may not be part of the permanent journal or the legislative record but must appear on the Advance Calendar and Journal of each body. The Secretary of the

Senate and the Clerk of the House shall print the expressions in an appendix to the legislative record. When the Legislature is not in session, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House may authorize expressions of legislative sentiment at the request of legislative members.

Rule 214. Memorials.

A memorial is not in order for introduction unless approved by a majority of the Legislative Council.

Rule 215. Actions Relating to the United States Constitution.

All memorials, resolutions, applications and petitions that relate to the Legislature's functions under the United States Constitution, Article V are in order for introduction without approval from the Legislative Council. Passage of these items must be accomplished as follows:

1. Calling of United States Constitutional Convention. An item requesting the calling of a United States Constitutional Convention requires a 2/3 vote of the members present in each chamber;

2. Ratification of Amendment. An item requesting ratification of an amendment to the United States Constitution requires a majority vote of the members present in each chamber; and

3. Any Other Action. An item requesting any other action under the United States Constitution, Article V requires a majority vote of the members present in each chamber.

Rule 216. Claims against the State.

A claim of an amount of \$2,000 or less is in order for introduction only after the claim has been first disapproved or partially approved for payment under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1510-A. A claim of an amount greater than \$2,000 is in order for introduction only in the form of a resolve authorizing a suit against the State.

Rule 217. Measures Rejected at a Prior Session.

A bill, resolve, constitutional resolution, resolution, memorial or order that has been introduced and finally rejected in a regular or special session may not be introduced in a subsequent regular or special session of the same Legislature except by vote of 2/3 of both chambers.

Rule 218. Legislation Filed Pursuant to Law or Resolve.

Legislation filed pursuant to law or resolve must identify the source of the legislation and must cite the law or resolve that authorizes the filing. The legislation must be introduced in the chamber of the sponsor or the chamber of origin of the authorizing law or resolve.

**PART 3
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES**

**SUBPART A
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES**

Rule 301. Joint Standing Committee Responsibilities and Jurisdiction.

Joint standing committees are formed to assist the Legislature in the performance of its constitutional duties and are vested with the general authority granted in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 165 and certain other specific authority granted from time to time by the Legislature. The responsibilities of joint standing committees include, but are not limited to:

1. Pending Legislation. Considering and reporting to both chambers on legislation pending before the Legislature;

2. Budget and Fiscal Policy Issues. Reviewing and making recommendations on budgeting and fiscal policy issues concerning State Government;

3. Actions of Departments and Agencies. Conducting oversight and review of the actions of departments and agencies of State Government, including, but not limited to, review of agency rules under Title 5, chapter 375, subchapters II and II-A and agency evaluations under the State Government Evaluation Act;

4. Gubernatorial Appointments. Reviewing and making recommendations on gubernatorial appointments that require legislative confirmation under Title 3, chapter 6; and

5. Other Tasks. Performing other tasks assigned to them, including, but not limited to, reviewing specific provisions of law, conducting studies on assigned topics, issuing reports on policy and legal issues of interest to the Legislature, reporting out specific legislation pursuant to joint order and authorizing the annual budgets of certain counties.

As authorized by Title 3, section 165, there are 17 joint standing committees, which must be appointed at the commencement of the first regular session and which exercise jurisdiction in the following areas:

- Agriculture, conservation and forestry
- Appropriations and financial affairs
- Banking and insurance
- Business and economic development
- Criminal justice
- Education and cultural affairs
- Health and human services
- Inland fisheries and wildlife
- Judiciary
- Labor
- Legal and veterans affairs
- Marine resources
- Natural resources
- State and local government
- Taxation
- Transportation
- Utilities and energy

Rule 302. Membership.

Each of the joint standing committees consists of 13 members, 3 from the Senate and 10 from the House of Representatives. The first Senate member named is the Senate chair. The first House member named is the House chair. The Senate chair shall preside and in the Senate chair's absence, the House chair shall preside and, thereafter, as the need may arise, the chair shall alternate between the members from each chamber in the sequence of their appointment to the committee. The sequence of appointment for the biennium is as announced by the presiding officers in each chamber. Every member of the Senate and the House of Representatives is entitled to at least one initial committee assignment.

Rule 303. Committee Clerks.

The hiring of all committee clerks must be mutually agreeable to both the Senate and House chairs. If not agreeable to both, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House shall decide. Committee clerks serve at the pleasure of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. The salary of each committee clerk is established by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, and the employment of the committee clerks terminates no later than the end of the session.

Rule 304. Procedures for Public Hearings and Work Sessions.

At the beginning of each legislative biennium, all committees shall adopt procedures that govern public hearings, work sessions and confirmation hearings. Copies of the procedures must be sent to the presiding officers, the Secretary of the Senate, the Clerk of the House and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council upon adoption and must be posted and made available upon request at all public hearings and work sessions.

The rules of procedure in committee are the same as the rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives to the extent applicable. Committee procedures must be consistent with these rules.

The presiding chair shall decide all questions of order, subject to appeal to the committee. The chair's ruling stands unless overruled by a majority vote of the committee membership.

Scheduling of bills to be considered in public hearings and work sessions must be arranged by the Senate chair with the agreement of the House chair; if agreement is not reached, the committee shall decide by majority vote of the membership.

At public hearings, the chair may limit testimony as necessary for the orderly conduct of the hearing. Members may question witnesses to clarify testimony and to elicit helpful and pertinent information. While aggressive and probing questions may sometimes be appropriate, members shall exhibit respect for the witnesses and for one another. Members shall refrain from interrogation that is argumentative, oppressive, repetitive or unnecessarily embarrassing to hearing participants. Advocacy and discussion among members are not appropriate at public hearings. A committee member who is the primary sponsor of a bill and any member who testifies for or against the bill should ordinarily refrain from questioning other witnesses.

Rule 305. Scheduling Public Hearings and Work Sessions.

At the beginning of each regular session, each committee shall recommend to the presiding officers specific days for its public hearings and work sessions, taking into consideration the availability of assigned staff and hearing rooms. Upon approval of the schedule by the presiding officers, the chairs shall try to schedule all committee work on those days. Each committee shall distribute a detailed list of hearings and work sessions that have been scheduled for the following week to all committee members. This schedule must also be posted.

Public hearings must be advertised 2 weekends in advance of the hearing date. All exceptions must be approved by both presiding officers.

The committee shall direct the committee clerk to notify all sponsors of the bill of the public hearing and work session on the bill.

It is the intent of the Legislature that a person not be denied access to committee public hearings and work sessions because of a disability. Committees shall provide reasonable access for disabled persons to their proceedings.

Rule 306. Quorum.

A quorum is 7 members, and a quorum must be present to start a meeting or to take a vote. A quorum is not required to continue a meeting. If a quorum is present, but there is not a Senator among those present, the committee may take a vote only with the authorization of the President of the Senate.

Rule 307. Testimony.

Testimony before a joint standing committee is not presented under oath, except that a committee is authorized to administer oaths in the case of legislative confirmation hearings under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 157 and may be so authorized by the Legislature when the committee is acting as a special investigating committee under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 165, subsection 7.

All written materials presented to the committee must bear the name, address and affiliation, if applicable, of the presenter and the date presented.

Rule 308. Reference of Bills to Committee.

All bills and resolves must be referred to committee, except that this provision may be suspended by a majority vote in each chamber.

1. Legislature in Session. When the Legislature is in session, the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House shall jointly suggest an appropriate committee reference for every bill, resolve and petition offered. The suggested reference must be placed upon the Advance Journal and Calendar of each chamber. If they are unable to agree, the question of reference must be referred to a conference of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. Upon their agreement, the suggested reference must be placed upon the Advance Journal and Calendar of each chamber. If they are unable to agree, the question of suggested reference must be referred to the Legislative Council for resolution. Upon the decision of the Legislative Council, the suggested reference must be placed upon the Advance Journal and Calendar of each chamber.

Each suggested reference appearing upon the Advance Journal and Calendar of each chamber must contain a recommendation for the printing of the document being referred and may contain a recommendation on the number of copies of that document to be printed.

Any member may move for reconsideration of a committee reference on the floor. Notwithstanding House Rule 53, Senate Rule 33 and Joint Rule 103, a majority vote is necessary to overturn the original committee of reference.

2. Legislature Not in Session. When the Legislature is not in session or is in recess for more than 4 days, the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House may refer the bills to the appropriate joint standing committee for public hearing and order printing, subject to the approval of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.

3. Reference to More Than One Committee. When a bill or resolve has a subject matter that falls within the jurisdiction of more than one committee, suggested references may be made and the full Legislature may vote to refer a bill or resolve to more than one committee. When references are made to more than one committee, the first named committee is responsible for the scheduling and conduct of all public hearings and work sessions. Committees to whom a bill or resolve is referred pursuant to this rule shall participate equally in all public hearings and work sessions and shall make a joint report or joint reports. If a member serves on more than one committee to whom a bill or resolve is referred, that member may cast only one vote.

Rule 309. Notice to Report.

A joint standing committee to which a bill or resolve has been referred shall, after receiving notice of the reporting deadline from the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, report that bill out of committee to the floor for consideration in accordance with that deadline.

Rule 310. Reports of Bills from Committee.

1. Deadline for Reports. The joint standing committees shall report out every bill that has been referred to them in the manner prescribed in these rules and in accordance with deadlines established by the presiding officers.

2. Committee Reports. The report of the committee must include a recommendation. Recommendations that may be made are:

Ought to Pass
Ought to Pass as Amended
Ought to Pass in New Draft
Ought Not to Pass
Refer to Another Committee

The committee shall vote on all recommendations to be included in reports on a bill during a work session on that bill. When the committee recommendation is not unanimous, a minority report or reports are required. All reports on any legislative document must be submitted to the Legislature at the same time.

3. Unanimous Ought Not to Pass Report. When a joint standing committee votes unanimously to report a bill "Ought Not to Pass," the committee shall notify the presiding officers, the sponsor and the cosponsors of the bill of their action. This communication must appear on the calendar in each chamber, and the bill, upon notification of both chambers, must be placed in the legislative file and may be recalled only as provided in Rule 404.

4. Ought to Pass in New Draft Report. When the changes voted by the committee are major, the committee may elect to report the bill out "Ought to Pass in New Draft," with authorization of the presiding officers. When a plurality of the committee recommends this report, the chairs shall submit a request for authority to report the bill out in this fashion. New drafts printed pursuant to these rules must include the legislative document number that the new bill replaces and the names of the original sponsor and cosponsors. The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House shall determine the number of copies that must be printed of each new draft.

5. Committee Voting. The committee clerk shall prepare the committee jacket or jackets following the vote and obtain signatures from committee members as required. If all members are not present for the vote, the bill must be held until the following periods have expired.

- A. If any member is absent from the State House and the State Office Building at the time of the vote, that member's vote may be registered with the clerk up until noon on the 2nd business day following the vote.
- B. If any member is absent from the committee at the time of the vote but present in the State House or the State Office Building, that member's vote may be registered with the clerk up until 5:00 p.m. on the day of the vote.

A member may abstain from voting only for a conflict of interest under Joint Rule 104.

Except for a motion to adjourn, a question may not be decided and official action may not be taken in the absence of a quorum.

Rule 311. Errors and Inconsistencies Legislation.

Prior to reporting out any omnibus bill concerning errors and inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine, the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary shall, after giving notice and an opportunity to be heard, hear proposed amendments and determine which amendments should be included in the bill reported out. A floor amendment may not be entertained in either chamber unless the amendment is printed and distributed at least 24 hours prior to introduction.

Rule 312. Fiscal Notes.

Every bill or resolve that affects state revenues, appropriations or allocations or that requires a local unit of government to expand or modify that unit's activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues and that has a committee recommendation other than "Ought Not to Pass" or "Referral to Another Committee" must include a fiscal note. This statement must be incorporated in the bill before it is reported out of committee. Any amendment introduced that would affect the fiscal impact of the original bill must also include a fiscal note. The Office of Fiscal and Program Review has the sole responsibility for preparing all fiscal notes.

Rule 313. Confidentiality.

The committee shall protect confidential records, including those records excluded from the definition of "public records" under the freedom of access laws, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 402, subsection 3, from public disclosure by holding executive sessions to discuss information contained in those records. Executive sessions must be held in accordance with the provisions of the freedom of access laws, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, chapter 13, subchapter I.

Before the committee files leave the custody of the committee, the committee chairs shall direct the custodian of the files to protect the confidentiality of the records in any appropriate manner, including returning the records to the person or department from which they came; destroying the records; or blocking out personally identifying information in the records and retaining them in the files, if the law declaring the records confidential permits disclosure in this manner.

The committee chairs shall also ensure that the files include a notation indicating what type of confidential records were reviewed by the committee.

Rule 314. Participation in Budget Hearings and Work Sessions.

As used in this Rule, “policy committee” means a joint standing committee or joint select committee of the Legislature having subject matter jurisdiction other than the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

In regard to the Governor’s biennial budget recommendations, the Legislature shall set priorities and implement policy as follows.

1. Budget Recommendations. Budget recommendations made by the Governor on areas within the jurisdiction of a policy committee must be initially heard jointly by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and the policy committee having jurisdiction over the subject matter presented.

2. Subcommittee; Appointment. Each policy committee shall appoint a subcommittee of at least 3 and not more than 5 of its members to serve as liaisons to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. At least one member of the subcommittee must be appointed by the Senate chair of the policy committee and at least 2 members must be appointed by the House chair of the policy committee. This subcommittee must include members of the 2 parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature. Whenever possible, the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs shall notify each member of a policy committee in a timely manner of all subsequent deliberations on budget items relative to that policy committee’s jurisdiction. Each policy committee through its subcommittee shall advise the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs of its respective policy committee’s recommendations regarding budget items relative to that committee’s jurisdiction and through its subcommittee may participate in all subsequent deliberations of the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on these budget items.

3. Membership Published. The membership of each subcommittee must be published in the Advance Journal and Calendar.

4. Policy Committee Recommendations. Each policy committee shall provide the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs with the policy committee’s recommendations regarding the relevant part of the Governor’s budget. These recommendations must be delivered within a time period set by the chairs

of the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs after consultation with the chairs of the policy committee. The recommendations must be made within the budgetary constraints set by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

5. Additional Funds. Following submission of the policy committee's biennial budget recommendations within established budget constraints, each policy committee may recommend additional funds for program priorities that exceed the original budgeting constraints and if recommendations for additional funds are made, the committee shall explain those recommendations.

6. Decision-making Authority. The Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs shall consider the policy committees' budget recommendations during the deliberations of the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs but retains sole decision-making authority on budget matters.

7. List of Priorities. Within 5 business days after reporting out all bills involving appropriations or revenues, the policy committees shall submit to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs a list indicating these committees' priorities for final passage of these bills.

SUBPART B SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

Rule 351. Joint Select Committees.

A joint select committee consists of 3 Senators and 7 members of the House of Representatives, unless the order creating the committee provides a different number.

When a select committee is appointed by both chambers the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House shall inform each other of the names of the members so that the names may be entered upon the Advance Journal and Calendar of each chamber.

Rule 352. Committees of Conference.

When the chambers do not agree on an action, a committee of conference is in order. A committee of conference consists of 3 members from each chamber who voted on the prevailing side. A committee of conference shall meet and submit a report within 10 legislative days to the chamber asking for the conference. The report must be agreed to by a majority of the members from each chamber. The committee report may be that it is unable to agree. The committee

report may be either accepted or rejected, but no other action may be had except through another committee of conference. If necessary, a new committee of conference may be formed.

Rule 353. Study Committee Reports.

Committees authorized by the Legislative Council to undertake studies shall complete the studies, including reports and necessary implementing legislation, by the date established by the Legislative Council.

Any committee that finds that it is unable to comply with its deadline shall submit a written request for an extension to the Legislative Council prior to the deadline.

PART 4 FLOOR ACTION ON LEGISLATION

Rule 401. Printing of Bills.

Every bill or resolve submitted by a Legislator must be printed unless withdrawn by the sponsor before printing. After it is printed, a bill or resolve is considered to be in the possession of the Legislature and may not be withdrawn by the sponsor. Every bill presented for reference to committee or to be engrossed without reference to committee must be printed before appearing on the Advance Journal and Calendar of either chamber.

Every amendment must be printed and distributed before being taken up in either chamber. Every committee amendment must indicate the committee making the report.

The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House are responsible for the printing and initial distribution of legislative documents and amendments.

Rule 402. Consideration of Bills.

When a bill, resolve, order or memorial passes one chamber, if rejected in the other chamber, it must be returned by the Secretary or the Clerk, as the case may be, for further consideration.

Rule 403. Amendment of Bills.

A floor amendment may not be permitted on any bill or resolve until a favorable report of the committee to which the bill or resolve has been referred has been accepted and the bill or resolve is before the Senate in the 2nd reading or before the House in the 2nd reading.

Rule 404. Rejection of Bills.

A bill, resolve, constitutional resolution, resolution, memorial or order that is finally rejected may not be recalled from the legislative files except by joint order approved by a vote of 2/3 of both chambers.

Rule 405. Engrossing of Bills.

Notwithstanding Senate Rule 23 and House Rule 48, the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House may order any bill or resolve to be engrossed upon its introduction to either the Senate or the House. Any bill or resolve engrossed pursuant to this Rule must be committed to the Committee on Engrossed Bills, whose duties are to examine the engrossed bills and resolves and to see that the engrossed bills and resolves have been truly engrossed. Before any bill is passed to be enacted, or any resolve finally passed, it must be reported by that committee to be truly and strictly engrossed.

Rule 406. Enactment of Bills.

Every bill that has passed both chambers to be enacted and all resolutions having the force of law that have finally passed both chambers must be presented by the Secretary of the Senate to the Governor for approval; and the Secretary of the Senate shall enter on the journal of the Senate the day on which those bills or resolutions are presented to the Governor.

Rule 407. Responsibility for Legislative Papers.

All endorsements on papers passing between the 2 chambers must be under the signature of the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House, respectively; but after the final passage of bills and resolves they must be signed by the presiding officer of each chamber.

When one chamber has passed upon a legislative paper and forwarded it to the other, the receiving chamber shall promptly, upon receipt, place that paper on its calendar.

Rule 408. Joint Conventions.

Business may be transacted in convention of the 2 chambers only by unanimous consent of the convention, except for such business as may be agreed upon by the 2 chambers before the convention is formed.

Rule 409. Communications.

Whenever a message is sent from the Senate to the House, the chair shall appoint a messenger who, after being recognized, shall announce the message respectfully to the chair.

In a like manner, messages from the House are communicated to the presiding officer of the Senate.

PART 5
LEGISLATIVE CONFIRMATIONS

Rule 501. Partisan Staff Assistants for Nominations.

The members of the Legislative Council representing each party shall, within 7 legislative days after the convening of the first regular session, appoint a partisan staff assistant for nominations. Each of these assistants serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority during the biennium for which the assistant is chosen. A vacancy in either of these positions must be filled for the remainder of the biennium in the same manner as the original appointment. Partisan staff assistants for nominations shall provide all necessary assistance to each joint standing committee required by law to recommend action on a gubernatorial nominee.

Rule 502. Notice of Gubernatorial Appointments.

The procedures for legislative confirmation are established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, chapter 6. Upon receipt by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of notification from the Governor of the name of a nominee and of the office to which that person is nominated, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House shall, without delay, forward that notice and copies of accompanying materials to the chairs of the joint standing committee that is charged by law with reviewing nominations to that office, to the Legislative Information Office and to the 2 partisan staff assistants for nominations. The Legislative Information Office shall establish an official file for each nominee.

Rule 503. Committee Preconference Hearing.

The joint standing committee must hold a prehearing conference within 21 days of the notification from the Governor unless the committee decides otherwise. The prehearing conference must be consistent with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 156.

Rule 504. Committee Public Hearing.

The joint standing committee shall hold a public hearing on the nomination in Augusta at a time convenient to the public within 30 days, or 35 days for judicial officers, from the date of the Governor's notice of the nomination to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. At least 7 days before the hearing, the Legislative Information Office shall publish in the state paper and in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the nominee resides a notice of that hearing, which must contain the time and place of the hearing, the name of the nominee, the office to which that person has been nominated and a general description of the

duties of that office. The notice must also contain a statement that written comments relevant to the qualifications of the nominee together with supporting materials may be filed with the Legislative Information Office by 9 a.m. on the hearing date. At the hearing, the committee shall take written or oral testimony limited to relevant comments and questions regarding the qualifications of the nominee. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 157, for the purposes of reviewing nominations pursuant to this rule, the joint standing committee has the power to administer oaths and to take testimony under oath. All testimony taken at the hearing must be recorded and testimony and other materials received by the committee must be preserved according to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 159. The 2 partisan assistants for nominations shall provide the committee with a written report of their investigations before the committee votes to recommend or deny confirmation.

Rule 505. Committee Vote.

Within 35 days, or 40 days for judicial officers, from the date of the Governor's notice of the nomination to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, the committee shall recommend confirmation or denial by majority vote of the committee members present and voting. The vote of the committee may be taken only upon an affirmative motion to recommend confirmation of the nominee, and a tie vote of the committee is considered a recommendation of denial. A vote may not be taken sooner than 15 minutes after the close of the public hearing unless by agreement of all committee members present. The committee vote must be by the yeas and nays. The chairs of the committee shall send written notices of the committee's recommendation to the President of the Senate.

Rule 506. Senate Vote.

Within 45 days, or 50 days for judicial officers, from the date of the Governor's notification of the nomination to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, the Senate shall review the recommendation of the committee on the nomination and, after review, shall vote by the yeas and nays on that recommendation.

After vote by the Senate, the committee's recommendation becomes final action of confirmation or denial unless the Senate by a vote of 2/3 of those members present and voting overrides the committee's recommendation. If the committee recommends to deny confirmation and the Senate votes by a vote of 2/3 or greater of those members present and voting to override the committee's recommendation, the nomination is considered confirmed. Following Senate confirmation or denial, notice of the action taken must be given to the Speaker of the House.

Rule 507. Withdrawal of Nomination.

If the Governor withdraws a nomination at any time prior to the Senate vote by sending a written notice of withdrawal to the President of the Senate, the Legislature may not take any further action on that nomination.

Rule 508. Nomination Made Within 30 Days of Adjournment.

If the Governor posts a nomination within 30 days preceding the statutory date of adjournment, a legislative committee to which a nominee is referred for confirmation review may by 2/3 vote request the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to delay this review in order to complete the committee's legislative work. If the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House approve the request, the time periods for legislative action begin on the date the Legislature adjourns.

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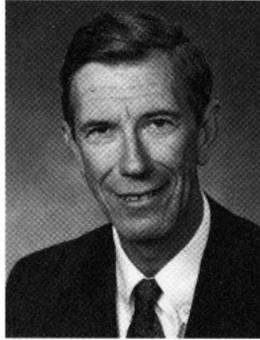
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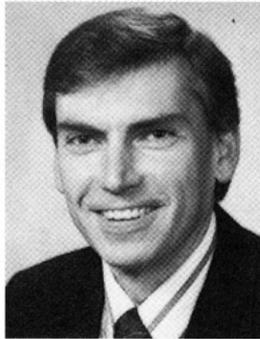


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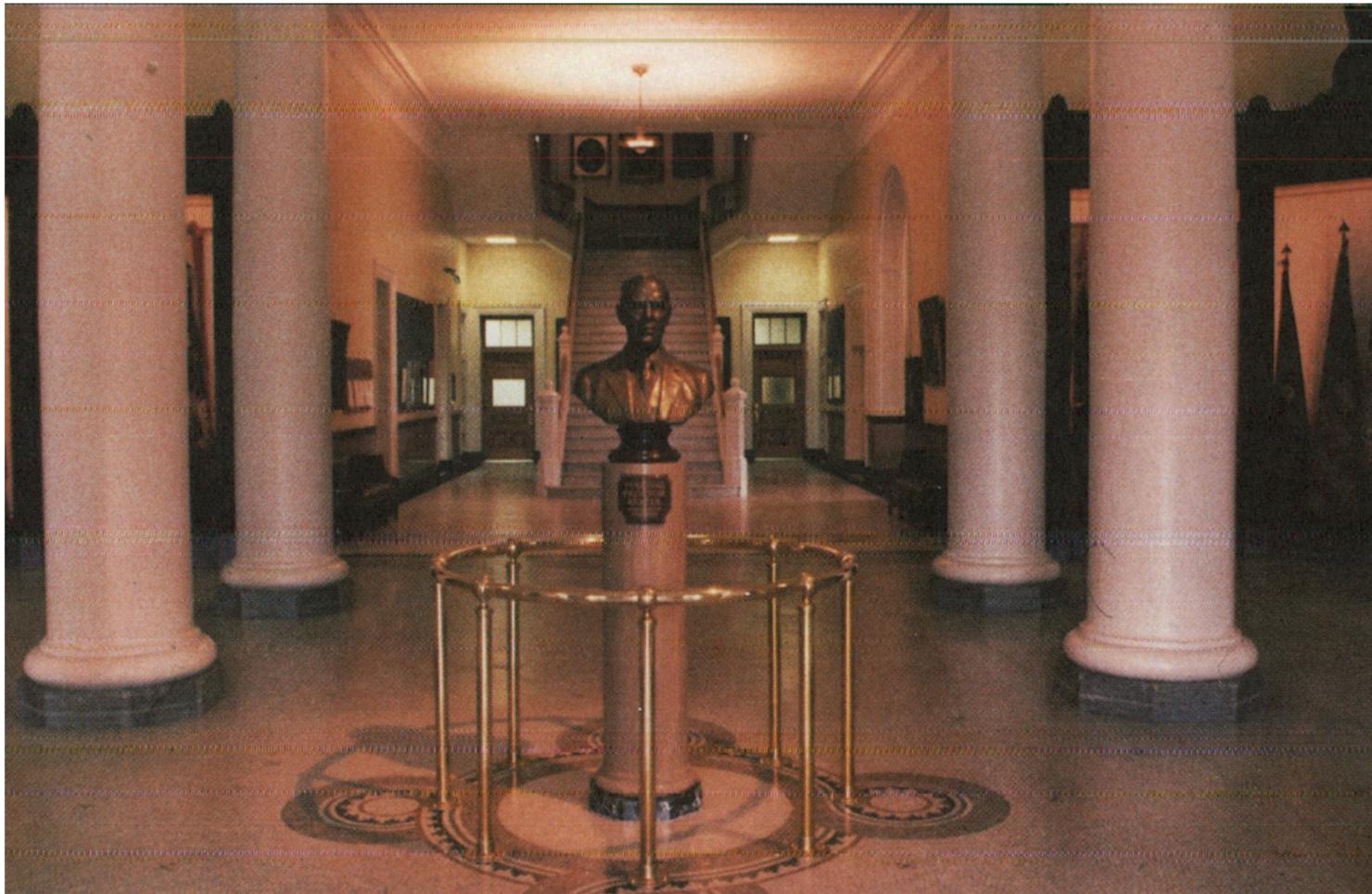
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THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

While a legislator performs a number of different tasks, the legislative function is essentially that of proposing, considering and enacting laws. Each year, Maine legislators consider hundreds of ideas for state laws.

The process by which an idea becomes a law is complicated, involving many steps. It is designed to prevent hasty or uninformed decisions on matters that can affect the lives of every Maine citizen. Although that process may seem confusing at first, rules and procedures clearly define the steps that apply to every bill.

Bill Drafting and Introduction of Legislation

Ideas for bills come from many different sources: legislators, legislative committees, study groups, lobbyists, public interest groups, municipal officials, the Governor, state agencies and individual citizens. In some cases, the person or group requesting the legislation may have already drafted the bill. In most cases, however, the legislator turns to a legislative staff office for bill drafting assistance. All legislation, regardless of where initially drafted, is processed and prepared for introduction by nonpartisan legislative staff in accordance with standards established by the Revisor of Statutes.

During the first regular session of the Legislature, there are no formal limitations on the bills that may be submitted prior to cloture. The second regular session of the Legislature is limited by the Constitution of Maine to budgetary matters, the Governor's legislation, legislation of an emergency nature approved by the Legislative Council, legislation submitted pursuant to authorized studies and legislation submitted by direct initiative petition of the electors.

The Joint Rules establish cloture deadlines for submission of bills by state agencies and legislators during the first regular session. The Joint Rules also authorize the Legislative Council to establish deadlines and procedures for introduction of bills to the second regular session or any special session.

Bill sponsors. A bill may be introduced pursuant to authorizing law or resolve; in all other cases, a bill must have a legislative sponsor. A bill may have up to ten sponsors: one primary sponsor, one lead cosponsor from the other chamber and eight cosponsors from either chamber. The sponsor of a duplicate or closely related bill may also be added as a cosponsor if he or she agrees to withdraw the duplicate bill, even if this makes the total number of sponsors more than ten.

In addition to introducing their own legislation, legislators also act as sponsors for bills proposed by other people or groups. Usually, legislators support bills they sponsor. They may, however, introduce bills "by request" as a service to their constituents when they do not fully support the purpose of the measures. A legislator who wishes a bill to be identified as "by request" should clearly so indicate when filing a bill drafting request.

Bill drafting and signing. Before formal introduction, the Revisor of Statutes reviews all proposed bills and either drafts them or edits any initial drafts to make them conform to proper form, style and usage. When a request for a bill is filed, it is assigned a Legislative Request (L.R.) number which is used to track the request until it is printed as a Legislative Document (L.D.).

The Revisor's Office serves as the central registry for all bill requests and administers the cloture deadlines established by the Joint Rules. The Joint Rules provide that bill requests that do not contain enough information or direction to draft a bill are not considered complete and may therefore be voided.

After processing by the Revisor's Office, a bill must be signed by the sponsor and any cosponsors. The Joint Rules require the sponsor and cosponsors to sign the bill or provide changes within deadlines established by the presiding officers. The signed bill is then sent up for printing to the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House, depending on whether the presenter (usually the prime sponsor) is a senator or a representative.

Reference to committee. The Secretary and the Clerk suggest the committee of reference, assign the bill a Senate Paper (S.P.) or House Paper (H.P.) number and L.D. number and place it on the next Calendar for consideration in that legislative body. Bills are usually identified and referred to throughout the rest of the session by their L.D. numbers.

When the Secretary and the Clerk disagree on the suggested committee of reference, they refer the matter to the President and the Speaker; if the latter disagree, the Legislative Council resolves the question. When the Legislature is in recess, the Secretary and the Clerk, pursuant to the Joint Rules, refer bills and order them printed. Floor action is not required. A notice of the action appears in the House and Senate Calendars.

The suggested reference is made to the committee that seems most appropriate based on the bill's subject matter. For example, most bills that deal with utilities are reviewed by the Committee on Utilities and

Energy. However, a bill making tax changes for utilities could be referred to either the Committee on Utilities and Energy or the Committee on Taxation. When a bill has a subject matter that falls within the jurisdiction of more than one committee, suggested references may be made and the Legislature may vote to refer the bill to more than one committee. Occasionally, two committees will jointly work a bill that crosses jurisdictional lines. Usually, this is an arrangement worked out between the committees, with the committee to which the bill is actually referred including the other committee in its deliberations.

The vote on reference is the first floor vote taken on a bill. In most cases, approval of the suggested committee reference is a matter of form. Occasionally, the reference is debated and the House and the Senate may vote against the suggested reference and refer the bill to a different committee. If the House and the Senate cannot agree on which committee will hear the bill, it can go no further in the process.

In a few unusual circumstances, a bill may be engrossed without reference to a committee under suspension of the Joint Rules by majority vote. That means that the bill goes directly to the floor of the appropriate body for discussion and action. Engrossing without reference usually occurs when the bill is of an emergency nature and the time to go through the public hearing process is not available.

Form of a bill. There are a number of different types of House Papers and Senate Papers designed for different purposes. Among these are bills, expressions of legislative sentiment, memorials, orders, resolutions, resolves and constitutional resolutions. The discussion here focuses primarily on the particular form of paper called a bill. Unlike other papers, a bill, if enacted, becomes a state law. The legislative process is primarily concerned with the drafting, consideration and enactment of bills.

Every bill has certain basic components in addition to the assigned House Paper or Senate Paper number and L.D. number. These components include the number of the legislative session, the date of introduction, the name of the committee suggested for reference, the sponsor and any cosponsors, the title, the text and the summary.

In the text, any existing statutory language proposed to be repealed is crossed out and all new statutory language is underlined. When a bill repeals and replaces an existing statute or creates an entirely new statute, all of the text is underlined.

Following the text of the bill is the summary, a plain-English explanation of the content and intent of the bill, which is prepared by the Revisor's Office.

The Committee Process

Virtually all bills are reviewed, analyzed and discussed by one or more legislative committees before they are considered on their merits by the full Legislature. Bills are referred to committees by both chambers, receive a public hearing, are worked on in committee work sessions and are given a recommendation, or "report," by the committee to the whole Legislature.

The Joint Rules authorize 17 joint standing committees, each consisting of no more than three members of the Senate and ten House members. The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House appoint all committee members and committee chairs. Each committee has a Senate Chair and a House Chair.

Each committee is assigned one or more legislative analysts from the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis (OPLA) or the Office of Fiscal and Program Review (OFPR) by the respective office directors. The analyst provides nonpartisan staff services to all committee members. Each committee also has a committee clerk who is responsible for maintaining official records of the committee and for providing general clerical and administrative support.

Bill distribution. Once the committee of reference has been established and the bill has been printed, it is distributed to members of the Legislature and to all town and city clerks who request copies. Bills are available to the public through the Legislative Document Room (Room 315 - State House). The Clerk of the House provides copies of all bills through a subscription service for which a fee is charged. The Legislature also offers a phone-computer information service known as the Legislative Information Network (LINK). Subscribers to LINK have access to, among other things, the text of bills and amendments and committee public hearing and work session schedules. Contact the Executive Director of the Legislative Council if you have questions concerning LINK.

Public hearing. The next step is a public hearing, usually held within the State House or the State Office Building. After the committee chairs set the date and place for public hearings, notices are placed in advance in the weekend editions of Maine's major newspapers, typically two weekends in advance of the hearing. Notice is also published in the weekly Advanced Notice of Public Hearing schedule available at the State House, courtesy of the President of the Senate, on the Legislature's home page on the Internet <http://www.state.me.us/legis>, and from the Clerk of the House through a subscription service for which a fee is charged.

The public hearing, presided over by a committee chair, allows legislative sponsors to explain the purpose of the bill and citizens, state officials and lobbyists to tell committee members their views on a bill.

Customarily, the bill's sponsor testifies first, followed by any cosponsors and other proponents. In general, opponents testify next and, finally, persons who are neither opponents nor proponents comment on the bill. At the conclusion of a person's testimony, committee members may ask questions. The committee's formal action on a bill comes later at what is called a work session.

Work sessions. The purpose of work sessions is to allow committee members to discuss bills thoroughly and vote on the committee's recommendation, or report, to the Legislature. The committee works with its legislative analyst to draft amendments or review amendments proposed by others. Some bills require several work sessions.

Work sessions are open to the public and, at the invitation of the committee, department representatives, lobbyists and others may address the committee about bills being considered, suggest compromises or amendments and answer questions. The committee may also ask its legislative analyst to research and explain certain details of the bill.

Amendments are suggested changes to the bill, which may clarify, restrict, expand or correct it. At times, revisions are so extensive that the entire substance of the bill is changed by the amendment. On rare occasions, extensive revision of the bill may take the form of a new draft rather than that of an amendment. A new draft is printed as an L.D. with a new number. Authorization of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House is required to prepare a new draft.

Committee report. The committee's decisions on bills and amendments are expressed by votes on motions made during a work session; the final action is called a "committee report." The report a bill receives is often the most important influence on its passage or defeat. Several types of unanimous and divided reports on a bill are possible.

A unanimous report means all committee members agree. Possible unanimous committee reports are: "ought to pass," "ought to pass as amended," "ought to pass in new draft," "ought not to pass" and "referral to another committee."

If committee members disagree about a bill, they may issue a divided report, which usually includes a "majority" and "minority" report on the bill, e.g., a majority "ought not to pass" report and a minority report of "ought to pass as amended." Less frequently, there are more than two reports, e.g., six members vote for "Report A," "ought to

pass”; five members vote for “Report B,” “ought not to pass”; and two members vote for the “Report C,” “ought to pass as amended.”

If an “ought not to pass” report is unanimous, the bill is placed in the legislative file and a letter from the committee chairs conveying this report appears on the Senate and House Calendars. When that occurs, no further action may be taken by the Legislature unless a Joint Order recalling the bill from the legislative file is approved by two-thirds of the members voting in both chambers. If it is recalled, the bill is reconsidered.

Unless the committee report is a unanimous “ought not to pass,” a legislator may move, at the appropriate time during floor debate, to substitute the bill for the report. A majority vote is required for the motion to succeed. Such a motion is usually made only when neither report of a divided report has been accepted.

Prior to reporting out a bill, the committee must determine whether the bill will increase or decrease state revenues or expenditures as well as whether the bill constitutes a State Mandate under the Constitution of Maine. The Office of Fiscal and Program Review makes the determination of whether the bill will have a fiscal impact. If it does, that office has the responsibility for producing a fiscal note, which describes the fiscal impact. If the bill constitutes a State Mandate, this fact is also noted in the fiscal note. If the bill does have a fiscal impact, the committee must amend the bill to add the fiscal note. Any necessary appropriation or allocation is also added by committee amendment.

Enactment

To be enacted, bills must pass through at least four steps on the floor of both the Senate and the House: first reading, second reading, engrossment and enactment. An understanding of the Senate, House and Joint Rules is essential to follow and influence a bill’s progress on the floors.

First and second readings. Once a bill is reported out by a committee, it is returned to the chamber in which it originated. If there is a new draft or committee amendment reported by the committee, it is drafted by the committee’s legislative analyst, prepared by the Revisor’s Office and submitted to the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House for printing and distribution. If a fiscal note is required it will be prepared by the Office of Fiscal and Program Review and included in the committee amendment. The Secretary or the Clerk places the title of the bill and the committee report on the printed Calendar. The first time the bill, as reported by the committee,

is placed on the Calendar, the body votes to accept or reject the committee report, or one of the reports if the committee was divided. If an "ought to pass" report is accepted in either chamber, the bill then receives its first reading by the Secretary or the Clerk. Since legislators have copies of the printed bills and committee amendments, a motion is usually made to dispense with a complete reading. After the first reading, the bill is assigned a time for a second reading, which is usually the next legislative day.

If the bill has received a unanimous "ought to pass" or "ought to pass as amended" committee report, the House of Representatives uses the "Consent Calendar," which allows bills with either of those reports to be listed and to be engrossed for passage after they have appeared there for two legislative days, provided there is no objection. However, on the objection of any member, a bill can be removed from the Consent Calendar and debated. There is not a Consent Calendar in the Senate.

A legislator who wishes to delay a bill at any step of the process to get more information, or for other reasons, may make a motion to "table" the bill until the next legislative day or some other time. A legislator who strongly opposes a bill may make a motion for "indefinite postponement." If the motion to indefinitely postpone is approved, the bill is defeated. These motions require approval by majority vote in both bodies to succeed.

Floor debate. A bill may be debated on its merits at several points in the process. The debate may appear uncontrolled, but frequently a debating sequence has been arranged. If there is debate, the chair of the committee to which the bill was referred usually speaks first in favor of the committee report, or to answer questions, followed by other committee members who support the bill, by the sponsor and by those who may not support the committee report. The presiding officer recognizes the member who rises first. If two or more members rise at once, the presiding officer decides who to recognize and keeps track of how many times a legislator has spoken on a particular issue, whether on the main motion or on a subordinate one.

During floor debate, members communicate with each other by sending messages delivered by the pages, or by moving to the back of the chamber to discuss strategies.

Voting. At any point, a legislator or the presiding officer may call for a vote on the current motion on the bill. When debate on a motion is over, a vote on the motion is in order. The vote may be a voice vote, or a vote "under the hammer," where approval is presumed unless an objection is raised before the presiding officer bangs the gavel. Two

other types of votes are a “division” and a “roll-call vote.” For a division, only the total number of votes cast for and against the motion is recorded. For a roll-call vote, the members’ names and how they voted are recorded. Any member may request a roll call, which requires the support of one-fifth of the members present to be ordered. A roll-call vote is signaled by the ringing of bells and members are given a few minutes to return to their seats. The Sergeant-at-Arms is ordered to secure the chamber and no one is permitted to leave until the vote is recorded. In the House, members vote in a division or roll call by pushing a button at their desks; the results are displayed on two large boards on the front walls. In the Senate, members rise to be counted for a division. When there is a roll call, the Secretary of the Senate calls the names of the senators in alphabetical order, and each senator answers either “Yes” or “No.”

The Maine Legislature records and transcribes all the remarks that are made on the record. A complete account of all the arguments made on bills is available in the Legislative Record, which is generally available within a few weeks of the debate.

Floor amendments. Floor amendments to a bill may be offered by Senate and House members at appropriate times during floor debate. Requests for floor amendments should be filed with the Revisor’s Office with as much lead time as possible. Floor amendments must be presented to the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House, numbered, printed and distributed to the members before they may be offered on the floor. If an amendment affects an appropriation in any way or causes an increase or decrease in state revenues, it must also include an amended appropriation or fiscal note.

Passage to be engrossed. After the debating and amending processes are completed, a vote is taken in both chambers to pass the measure to be engrossed. “Engrossing” means printing the bill and all adopted amendments together in an integrated document for enactment. Bills passed to be engrossed are prepared by the Revisor’s Office and sent to the House and then the Senate for final enactment.

Enactment. After being engrossed, all bills must be considered for final passage, first in the House and then in the Senate. The necessary vote for enactment is usually a simple majority; there are important exceptions. Emergency bills and bills excepted from the State Mandate provision of the Constitution of Maine require a two-thirds majority of the entire elected membership of each body; referenda for bond issues and constitutional amendments require a two-thirds vote of those present. When a bill is enacted by both the Senate and House, it is sent to the Governor. If it fails enactment in both chambers, it

goes no further in the process. If the Senate and House disagree on enactment or other votes, additional votes may be taken. These additional votes give each chamber the opportunity to recede and concur (back up and agree) with the other chamber or to insist on or adhere to its original vote. If the disagreement cannot be resolved, the bill is said to have failed enactment and died between the bodies.

During the debate on a bill, motions for reconsideration and to suspend the rules are often used to aid in reaching a consensus.

The Senate and House may develop and pass different versions of the same bill. When this happens, a special "conference committee" is in order and may be appointed by the presiding officers. A committee of conference consists of three members from each chamber who voted on the prevailing side. A report from a conference committee is usually accepted by both the Senate and House, but if it is not, or if the committee is unable to agree, the bill is defeated unless a new conference committee is appointed and successfully resolves the disagreement.

Appropriations Table. Bills that affect state revenues or expenditures fall into a special category. Once bills that affect the General Fund or Highway Fund have been passed to be engrossed in the Senate and enacted in the House they are assigned in the Senate to the special Appropriations Table (if they involve the General Fund) or to the special Highway Table (if they involve the Highway Fund). They are listed on the Senate Calendar and are held in the Senate for consideration late in the session.

At the end of the session, after the budget bills have been reported out by the Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee, and usually after the budget bills have been enacted, the Appropriations Committee and legislative leadership, having received recommendations from committees, review bills on the special Appropriations Table to determine which bills can be enacted given available General Fund resources. The Transportation Committee follows similar deliberations for bills on the special Highway Table, considering available Highway Fund resources. Following those decisions, motions are made in the Senate, usually by the Senate chairs of the Appropriations and Transportation Committees, to remove bills from the special tables and to enact, amend or indefinitely postpone them. If enacted in the Senate, these bills are sent to the Governor for approval as are all other enacted bills. Any of these bills that fail to be enacted or require amendment in the Senate are returned to the House for concurrence.

Governor's Options on Enacted Bills

After a bill has been enacted by the Legislature, it is sent to the Governor, who has ten days (not counting Sundays) to exercise one of three options: the Governor may sign the bill, veto it or allow it to become law without signature. The Governor also has a fourth option: the line-item veto.

If the Governor signs the bill, it ordinarily becomes law 90 days after the final adjournment of that legislative session, unless it is an emergency measure, in which case it takes effect upon the Governor's signing or on a date specified in the bill. If the Governor vetoes the bill, it is returned to the chamber of origin, where a two-thirds vote of those present and voting in both the Senate and the House is required to override the veto. The Governor's veto message may include comments on particular aspects of the bill and the reasons for rejecting it, possibly raising new issues for legislators to debate. If the Legislature overrides the Governor's veto, the bill becomes law without gubernatorial approval.

If the Governor does not support a bill, but does not wish to veto it, it becomes law without the Governor's signature, if not signed and not returned to the Legislature within ten days.

When the Legislature finally adjourns before the ten-day time limit has expired, a bill on which the Governor has not acted prior to the adjournment of the session becomes law unless the Governor vetoes it within three days after the reconvening of that Legislature. If there is not another meeting of that particular Legislature lasting more than three days, the bill does not become law.

In addition to the preceding options, the Governor may exercise line-item veto power: within one day of receiving legislation for his or her signature, the Governor may disapprove the dollar amount appearing in an appropriation section or allocation section, or both, of the legislation. The Governor must propose a decrease in the appropriation or allocation or an increase in the deappropriation or deallocation. Those portions not revised by the Governor become law; the Governor's proposed revisions become law unless the Legislature overrides the changes by approving each original appropriation or allocation by a majority vote of all elected members in each chamber.

Publication of Laws

Numbering. Once a bill becomes a law, it is assigned a chapter number. Chapters are numbered consecutively, starting with Chapter 1 for the first law enacted in the first regular session, and continuing

through all regular and special sessions of that legislative biennium. All laws are identified by the first year of the biennium. Thus, laws passed by the 117th Legislature are identified as Chapters of the Public Laws of 1995, even though the laws of the Second Regular Session were passed in 1996. After each session, copies of every individual measure enacted are available from the Engrossing Division of the Revisor's Office.

Laws of Maine. Following the adjournment of each regular session, all public laws, private and special laws, resolves, and constitutional resolutions passed in that year are published by the Office of the Revisor of Statutes in the Laws of the State of Maine. These soft-bound volumes are available to the public on request and are found in the law libraries in each county.

Codification. The Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, the codified compilation of Maine Public Laws, is updated annually by West Publishing Company in cooperation with the Revisor of Statutes to include changes enacted by each session of the Legislature.

Further Action

After a bill is enacted, it may be affected by subsequent actions, including referenda, regulatory interpretations and court actions.

Referenda. If the Legislature approves by the necessary two-thirds vote of both chambers a resolution proposing a constitutional amendment, that resolution must be submitted to the people for a referendum at the next general election. Constitutional amendments do not require approval by the Governor, but must be approved by a majority of the voters.

A referendum can also result from a successful direct initiative petition by the voters to either enact or repeal a law. After the Secretary of State verifies the signatures on the petitions, the measure is submitted to the Legislature, which may pass that law as submitted, or refer the initiated measure to the people for referendum vote. The Legislature may also enact an alternative version, called a competing measure, in which case both versions are referred to the people for a referendum vote.

A third type of referendum is triggered by a successful petition to exercise the people's veto. Voters may petition for a referendum to approve or disapprove any law enacted by the Legislature, but not yet in effect. If the law is not ratified by a majority of voters in a statewide general or special election, it does not take effect.

The Legislature at times inserts referendum provisions in legislation for policy reasons. For instance, substantive amendments to water district charters customarily include a local referendum provision. If the referendum is not approved as provided in the legislation, then those portions of the legislation subject to referendum approval do not take effect.

Finally, the Constitution of Maine requires that referenda be held for all bond issues.

Agency rulemaking. Many laws authorize state agencies to adopt rules to implement laws. These rules must be adopted in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act (MAPA). MAPA requires, among other things, public and legislative notice of rulemaking and that major substantive rules be submitted to the Legislature for review and approval. Once properly adopted, rules have the effect of law.

Court action. Another way in which laws may be affected is by court action. As a result of cases brought to them, the Maine courts interpret laws passed by the Legislature. Court decisions may clarify the purpose of a law, its application, or the meaning of certain words in the context of the statute. The courts also may determine whether a law conforms to the provisions of the United States Constitution and the Constitution of Maine.

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