

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
22nd Legislative Day
Wednesday, June 7, 2023

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

Prayer by Honorable James E. Thorne, Carmel.

National Anthem by Michele Gonya, Winslow.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

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

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Divided Reports

Majority Report of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-173)** on Resolve, to Direct the University of Maine System to Study the Feasibility of Establishing a Public Allopathic Medical School in Penobscot County

(S.P. 68) (L.D. 129)

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York

PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland

DODGE of Belfast

MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth

MURPHY of Scarborough

POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset

SARGENT of York

WORTH of Ellsworth

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

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham

LYMAN of Livermore Falls

SAMPSON of Alfred

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-173)**.

READ.

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

The Resolve was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (S-173)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Resolve was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-173)** in concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-168)** on Bill "An Act to Support the Maine Multicultural Center"

(S.P. 141) (L.D. 320)

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York

PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland

DODGE of Belfast

MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth

MURPHY of Scarborough

SARGENT of York

WORTH of Ellsworth

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

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham

LYMAN of Livermore Falls

POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset

SAMPSON of Alfred

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-168)**.

READ.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (S-168)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-168)** in concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act to Provide Traffic Safety Education in Schools" (S.P. 288) (L.D. 730)

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland
BAGSHAW of Windham
DODGE of Belfast
LYMAN of Livermore Falls
MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth
MURPHY of Scarborough
SAMPSON of Alfred
SARGENT of York
WORTH of Ellsworth

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-166)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representative:

POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ.

On motion of Representative BRENNAN of Portland, the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED** in concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-172)** on Bill "An Act to Provide Support for the Maine Discovery Museum's Informal Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Education Programs Throughout the State"

(S.P. 368) (L.D. 871)

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
LIBBY of Cumberland
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth
MURPHY of Scarborough
SARGENT of York
WORTH of Ellsworth

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

Signed:

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham
LYMAN of Livermore Falls
POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset
SAMPSON of Alfred

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-172)**.

READ.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-172)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-172)** in concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act to Add Political Affiliation as a Protected Class to the Maine Human Rights Act"

(S.P. 668) (L.D. 1663)

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland
BAILEY of York

Representatives:

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

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-159)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Representatives:

ANDREWS of Paris
HAGGAN of Hampden
HENDERSON of Rumford
POIRIER of Skowhegan

Representative DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe - of the House - supports the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report.

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ.

On motion of Representative MOONEN of Portland, the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED** in concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-169)** on Bill "An Act to Expand and Strengthen the Competitive Skills Scholarship Program" (S.P. 561) (L.D. 1394)

Signed:

Senators:

TIPPING of Penobscot
DAUGHTRY of Cumberland

Representatives:

ROEDER of Bangor
GEIGER of Rockland
GERE of Kennebunkport
MALON of Biddeford
RUSSELL of Verona Island
SKOLD of Portland

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

Signed:

Representatives:

DRINKWATER of Milford
GALLETTA of Durham
SOBOLESKI of Phillips

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-169)**.

READ.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-169)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-169)** in concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-150)** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Use of Engineers on Public Works Projects over \$100,000" (S.P. 161) (L.D. 354)

Signed:

Senators:

NANGLE of Cumberland
BALDACCI of Penobscot
LYFORD of Penobscot

Representatives:

STOVER of Boothbay
ABDI of Lewiston
ADAMS of Lebanon
COPELAND of Saco
DHALAC of South Portland
GREENWOOD of Wales
PAULHUS of Bath
POMERLEAU of Standish
RISEMAN of Harrison

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-151)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-150)**.

READ.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-150)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-150)** in concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-147)** on Bill "An Act to Validate Certain Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Notes by the City of Bath" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 736) (L.D. 1821)

Signed:

Senators:

NANGLE of Cumberland
BALDACCI of Penobscot

Representatives:

STOVER of Boothbay
ABDI of Lewiston
COPELAND of Saco
DHALAC of South Portland
GREENWOOD of Wales
PAULHUS of Bath
POMERLEAU of Standish

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

Signed:

Senator:

LYFORD of Penobscot

Representatives:

ADAMS of Lebanon
UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-147)**.

READ.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-147)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-147)** in concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-170)** on Resolve, to Establish the Gagetown Harmful Chemical Study Commission (S.P. 628) (L.D. 1597)

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec
BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

SUPICA of Bangor
COLLINGS of Portland
MALON of Biddeford
MONTELL of Gardiner
RIELLY of Westbrook
RISEMAN of Harrison

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

Signed:

Senator:

TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin

Representatives:

ANDREWS of Paris
BOYER of Poland
HYMES of Waldo
RUDNICKI of Fairfield

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-170)**.

READ.

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

The Resolve was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-170)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Resolve was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-170)** and sent for concurrence.

Nine Members of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** report in Report "A" **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act to Ensure Equal Treatment by the Law Court by Requiring 7 Justices to Decide All Cases"

(S.P. 587) (L.D. 1468)

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland
BAILEY of York

Representatives:

MOONEN of Portland
HAGGAN of Hampden
KUHN of Falmouth
LEE of Auburn
MORIARTY of Cumberland
RECKITT of South Portland
SHEEHAN of Biddeford

Two Members of the same Committee report in Report "B" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-157)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Representative:

POIRIER of Skowhegan

Two Members of the same Committee report in Report "C" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-158)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representatives:

ANDREWS of Paris
HENDERSON of Rumford

Representative DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe - of the House - supports Report "A" **Ought Not to Pass**.

Came from the Senate with Report "A" **OUGHT NOT TO PASS READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ.

On motion of Representative MOONEN of Portland, Report "A" **Ought Not to Pass** was **ACCEPTED** in concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Resolve, to Create a Pilot Program for Apprenticeships for Inmates

(H.P. 1200) (L.D. 1875)

Signed:

Senator:

HARRINGTON of York

Representatives:

SALISBURY of Westbrook
ARDELL of Monticello
LOOKNER of Portland
MADIGAN of Waterville
MATHIESON of Kittery
MILLIKEN of Blue Hill
NEWMAN of Belgrade
NUTTING of Oakland
PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-339)** on same Resolve.

Signed:

Senator:

BEEBE-CENTER of Knox

Representative:

HASENFUS of Readfield

READ.

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

Majority Report of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-351)** on Bill "An Act to Support Rural Education"

(H.P. 946) (L.D. 1491)

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth
MURPHY of Scarborough
SARGENT of York
WORTH of Ellsworth

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

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham
LYMAN of Livermore Falls
POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset
SAMPSON of Alfred

READ.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (H-351)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-351)** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-352)** on Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Improve the Educational Experience of People Who Are Resettling in Maine

(H.P. 1091) (L.D. 1702)

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth
MURPHY of Scarborough
SARGENT of York
WORTH of Ellsworth

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

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham
LYMAN of Livermore Falls
POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset
SAMPSON of Alfred

READ.

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

The Resolve was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (H-352)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Resolve was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-352)** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-360)** on Bill "An Act to Reduce Plastic Packaging Waste"

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

Signed:

Senator:

CARNEY of Cumberland

Representatives:

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

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

Signed:

Senators:

BRENNER of Cumberland
LYFORD of Penobscot

Representatives:

CAMPBELL of Orrington
SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico
SOBOLESKI of Phillips

READ.

On motion of Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (H-360)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-360)** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-356)** on Bill "An Act to Make Electric Breast Pumps More Accessible by Providing for MaineCare Reimbursement"

(H.P. 380) (L.D. 603)

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot
INGWERSEN of York

Representatives:

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

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

Signed:

Senator:

MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

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

READ.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (H-356)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-356)** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-358)** on Bill "An Act to Ensure Access to Safe Drinking Water from Household Wells in Rural Areas by Expanding Testing"

(H.P. 642) (L.D. 1006)

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot
INGWERSEN of York
MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

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

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

Signed:

Representatives:

GRIFFIN of Levant
JAVNER of Chester
LEMELIN of Chelsea

READ.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (H-358)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-358)** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-341)** on Resolve, to Amend the MaineCare Hospital Readmission Protocol (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 700) (L.D. 1104)

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot
INGWERSEN of York
MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

MEYER of Eliot
CRAVEN of Lewiston
FREDERICKS of Sanford
GRAHAM of North Yarmouth
GRIFFIN of Levant
JAVNER of Chester
MADIGAN of Waterville
SHAGOURY of Hallowell
ZAGER of Portland

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

Signed:

Representative:

LEMELIN of Chelsea

READ.

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

The Resolve was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (H-341)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Resolve was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-341)** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-363)** on Bill "An Act to Minimize the Propagation of Invasive Aquatic Plants" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 60) (L.D. 92)

Signed:

Senators:

BLACK of Franklin
CURRY of Waldo

Representatives:

LANDRY of Farmington
CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham
DILL of Old Town
GOLEK of Harpswell
HEPLER of Woolwich
MASON of Lisbon
WOODSOME of Waterboro

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

Signed:

Representatives:

DRINKWATER of Milford
THORNE of Carmel
WOOD of Greene

READ.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-363)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-363)** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act to Allow Sunday Hunting with a Bow and Arrow or Crossbow"

(H.P. 789) (L.D. 1241)

Signed:

Senators:

LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec
BLACK of Franklin
CURRY of Waldo

Representatives:

LANDRY of Farmington
CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham
DILL of Old Town
DRINKWATER of Milford
GOLEK of Harpswell
HEPLER of Woolwich
WOODSOME of Waterboro

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-364)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representatives:

MASON of Lisbon
THORNE of Carmel
WOOD of Greene

READ.

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

Majority Report of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act to Allow Delivery of Maine Craft Beer"

(H.P. 842) (L.D. 1329)

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec
BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

SUPICA of Bangor
COLLINGS of Portland
MALON of Biddeford
MONTELL of Gardiner
RIELLY of Westbrook
RISEMAN of Harrison

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

Signed:

Senator:

TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin

Representatives:

ANDREWS of Paris
BOYER of Poland
HYMES of Waldo
RUDNICKI of Fairfield

READ.

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

Nine Members of the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** report in Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-345)** on Bill "An Act to Clarify Statewide Laws Regarding Affordable Housing and Accessory Dwelling Units"

(H.P. 1095) (L.D. 1706)

Signed:

Senators:

PIERCE of Cumberland
POULIOT of Kennebec
VITELLI of Sagadahoc

Representatives:

GERE of Kennebunkport
BLIER of Buxton
GATTINE of Westbrook
GOLEK of Harpswell
MORRIS of Turner
RANA of Bangor

One Member of the same Committee reports in Report "B" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-346)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

CAMPBELL of Orrington

One Member of the same Committee reports in Report "C" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "C" (H-347)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

LOOKNER of Portland

READ.

On motion of Representative GERE of Kennebunkport, Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended** was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-345)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-345)** and sent for concurrence.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following matters, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment yesterday, had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

HOUSE DIVIDED REPORT - Majority (8) **Ought Not to Pass** - Minority (5) **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-201)** - Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Insurance Code as It Relates to Pet Insurance"

(H.P. 188) (L.D. 290)

TABLED - May 23, 2023 (Till Later Today) by Representative PERRY of Calais.

PENDING - Motion of same Representative to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report.

Subsequently, the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED** and sent for concurrence.

HOUSE DIVIDED REPORT - Majority (9) **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-192)** - Minority (4) **Ought Not to Pass** - Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Ensure an Incarcerated Individual's Right to Make Free Telephone Calls Protected by Attorney-Client Privilege"

(H.P. 386) (L.D. 609)

TABLED - May 23, 2023 (Till Later Today) by Representative MOONEN of Portland.

PENDING - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-192)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-192)** and sent for concurrence.

HOUSE DIVIDED REPORT - Majority (8) **Ought to Pass** - Minority (5) **Ought Not to Pass** - Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Increase the Limits on Awards for Compensatory and Punitive Damages Under the Maine Human Rights Act"

(H.P. 919) (L.D. 1423)

TABLED - May 23, 2023 (Till Later Today) by Representative MOONEN of Portland.

PENDING - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**.

On motion of Representative MOONEN of Portland, the Majority **Ought to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**.

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

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** and sent for concurrence.

HOUSE DIVIDED REPORT - Majority (8) **Ought Not to Pass** - Minority (3) **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-165)** - Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act to Provide That the Minimum Wage Increases by the Rolling Average of the Cost of Living of the Previous 3 Years"

(H.P. 545) (L.D. 855)

TABLED - May 23, 2023 (Till Later Today) by Representative ROEDER of Bangor.

PENDING - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**.

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

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH** with the exception of matters being held.

BILL HELD

HOUSE DIVIDED REPORT - Majority (7) **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-337)** - Minority (6) **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-338)** - Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act to Reclassify Certain Offenses Under the Motor Vehicle Laws and Increase the Efficiency of the Criminal Justice System"

(H.P. 262) (L.D. 429)

- In House, Majority (7) **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-337)**.

HELD at the Request of Representative SALISBURY of Westbrook.

On motion of Representative SALISBURY of Westbrook, the House **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-337)**.

On further motion of the same Representative, the House **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby **Committee Amendment "A" (H-337)** was **ADOPTED**.

On further motion of the same Representative, the House **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The same Representative moved that the House **ACCEPT** the Minority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report.

On further motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending her motion to **ACCEPT** the Minority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report and later today assigned.

SENATE PAPERS

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Direct the Maine Criminal Justice Academy to Develop a Nonresidential Law Enforcement Training Program"

(H.P. 442) (L.D. 673)

House **INSISTED** on its former action whereby the Majority (11) **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** in the House on June 1, 2023.

Came from the Senate with that Body having **INSISTED** on its former action whereby the Minority (2) **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-217)** and **ASKED** for a Committee of Conference in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On motion of Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, the House voted to **INSIST** and **JOIN** a **COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

An Act to Allow Certain Social Workers to Diagnose Organic Mental Illnesses (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 895) (L.D. 1400)

(C. "A" H-203)

FAILED of **PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED** in the House on June 1, 2023.

Came from the Senate **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On motion of Representative TERRY of Gorham, **TABLED** pending **FURTHER CONSIDERATION** and later today assigned.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 200)

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

June 1, 2023

Honorable Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,

Pursuant to my authority under M.R.S.A. Title 28-B, Chapter 1, Subchapter 9, §902, 1, B, I am pleased to appoint the following Representatives to the *Cannabis Advisory Commission*, effective immediately:

Representative Laura Supica of Bangor as House Chair

Representative David Boyer of Poland

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

Sincerely,

S/Rachel Talbot Ross

Speaker of the House

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 201)

**SENATE OF MAINE
131ST LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

June 6, 2023

The Honorable Robert Hunt

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint the following individuals to the working groups and subcommittees of the Maine Climate Council:

Scientific and Technical Subcommittee:

Senator Nicole Grohoski

Senator Matt Harrington

Buildings, Infrastructure, and Housing working group:

Senator Mike Tipping

Senator Matt Pouliot

Coastal and Marine working group:

Senator Cameron Reny

Senator Marianne Moore

Community Resilience Planning, Public Health, and Emergency Management working group:

Senator Craig Hickman

Senator Marianne Moore

Energy working group:

Senator Mark Lawrence

Senator Matt Harrington

Natural and Working Lands working group:

Senator Henry Ingwersen

Senator Rick Bennett

Transportation working group:

Senator Ben Chipman

Senator Bradlee Farrin

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these appointments.

Sincerely,

S/Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 202)

**STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

June 7, 2023

Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

Energy, Utilities and Technology

L.D. 1611 An Act to Create the Pine Tree Power Company, a Nonprofit, Customer-owned Utility

L.D. 1791 An Act to Make the ConnectMaine Authority Responsible for Attachments to and Joint Use of Utility Poles and to Establish Procedures for Broadband Service Infrastructure Crossing Railroad Tracks

Environment and Natural Resources

L.D. 972 Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection to Evaluate Strategies for Improving the Returnable Beverage Container Laws

L.D. 1910 An Act to Amend the Returnable Beverage Container Program

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

L.D. 1399 An Act to Improve State Oversight of Proposed Health Care Entity Transactions

L.D. 1708 An Act to Address Anticompetitive Terms in Health Insurance Carrier and Health Care Provider Contracts

L.D. 1766 An Act to Require Insurance Carriers to Compensate Providers for Costs of Providing Medical Records for Utilization Review

L.D. 1816 An Act Requiring Reference-based Pricing to Reduce Prescription Drug Costs

Labor and Housing

L.D. 891 An Act to Protect Due Process for Certain Public Sector Employees

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

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

The Following Communication: (S.C. 604)

**MAINE SENATE
131ST LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

June 6, 2023

Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear Speaker Talbot Ross:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A. §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 131st Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nomination:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, Thomas H. Platz of Auburn for appointment to the Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation, Board of Trustees.

Best Regards,

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

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

(S.P. 196) (L.D. 415) Bill "An Act to Allow Nonalcoholic Sparkling Cider to Be Sold in Maine" Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(S.P. 742) (L.D. 1826) Bill "An Act to Designate Deer Wintering Areas Under the Jurisdiction of the Bureau of Parks and Lands" Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(S.P. 80) (L.D. 150) Bill "An Act to Allow Incentive Continuity Following a Catastrophic Occurrence Under the Pine Tree Development Zone and Major Food Processing and Manufacturing Facility Expansion Tax Credit Programs" Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-156)**

(S.P. 263) (L.D. 595) Bill "An Act to Require Major Substantive Rulemaking for the Companion Animal Sterilization Fund" Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-175)**

(S.P. 391) (L.D. 920) Bill "An Act to Allow Holders of Elver Fishing Licenses to Fish on Behalf of Other Elver Fishing License Holders" Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-160)**

(S.P. 517) (L.D. 1280) Bill "An Act to Invest in Maine's Fire Service Training Facilities" Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-162)**

(S.P. 533) (L.D. 1315) Bill "An Act to Require Instruction in Schools on Substance Abuse Prevention and Administration of Naloxone Hydrochloride" Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-174)**

(S.P. 599) (L.D. 1479) Resolve, Directing the Public Utilities Commission to Convene a Stakeholder Group Regarding Liquefied Propane Gas Systems and the So-called Dig Safe Law Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-163)**

(S.P. 615) (L.D. 1552) Bill "An Act to Create the Lobster Innovation Fund" Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-161)**

(S.P. 744) (L.D. 1828) Bill "An Act Regarding Enhanced 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Points" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-164)**

(H.P. 1241) (L.D. 1933) Bill "An Act to Increase the Debt Limit of the Limerick Water District" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 47) (L.D. 72) Bill "An Act to Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2024" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-366)**

(H.P. 153) (L.D. 232) Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Bonding Restrictions for School Administrative Units" Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-365)**

(H.P. 529) (L.D. 840) Bill "An Act to Support Individuals with Personality Disorder or Emotional Dysregulation by Requiring Reimbursement Under the MaineCare Program" Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-344)**

(H.P. 560) (L.D. 904) Bill "An Act Supporting the Rural Health Care Workforce in Maine" Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-343)**

(H.P. 633) (L.D. 997) Resolve, to Reduce Workforce Barriers for Mental Health Professionals in Maine Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-342)**

(H.P. 732) (L.D. 1160) Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Conduct a Study on the Equity of the State Education Subsidy Formula Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-353)**

(H.P. 913) (L.D. 1417) Bill "An Act Regarding State Review of Compliance with Licensing Rules of Certain Facilities and Programs Having National Accreditation" Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-357)**

(H.P. 940) (L.D. 1444) Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Eligibility Restrictions for Commercial Menhaden Fishing Licenses" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-367)**

(H.P. 950) (L.D. 1495) Resolve, Establishing the Commission to Study the Role of Critical Minerals as a Resource in the State Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-359)**

(H.P. 980) (L.D. 1525) Bill "An Act to Provide for Administrative Suspension of Licenses and Certificates Issued Under the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Laws" Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-368)**

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

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Kennebunkport, Representative Gere.

Representative **GERE**: Madam Speaker, I request unanimous consent to address the House on the record.

The SPEAKER: The Representative has requested unanimous consent to address the House on the record. Hearing no objection, the Representative may proceed on the record.

Representative **GERE**: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker and Men and Women of the House, in reference to Roll Call No. 121 on LD 172, had I been present, I would have voted yea. In reference to Roll Call No. 122 on LD 599, had I been present, I would have voted yea. In reference to Roll Call No. 123 on LD 160, had I been present, I would have voted yea. In reference to Roll Call No. 124 on LD 945, had I been present, I would have voted yea. And in reference to Roll Call No. 125 on LD 1253, had I been present, I would have voted yea. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

On motion of Representative SHEEHAN of Biddeford, the House adjourned at 12:12 p.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, June 8, 2023.