



Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-First Legislature
First Regular Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

18th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, March 21, 2023.

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

Prayer by Pastor Steve Christner of Calvary Baptist Church in Turner.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Henry L. Ingwersen of York County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, March 16, 2023.

Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-1) An Act to Provide Rural Sober Living Housing for Mothers

H.P. 712 L.D. 1116

In Senate, March 9, 2023, on motion by Senator **TIPPING** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Comes from the House, that Body having **INSISTED** on its former action whereby the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed.

House Papers

(1-2) Bill "An Act to Protect the Environment by Funding Ash Tree Management"

H.P. 734 L.D. 1162

(1-3) Resolve, Requiring the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands to Convey Interest in a Parcel of Land at the Newfield Wildlife Management Area to a Private Landowner

H.P. 761 L.D. 1201

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

(1-4) Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Promote the Design, Development and Maintenance of Trails for Outdoor Recreation and Active Transportation"

H.P. 728 L.D. 1156

(1-5) Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Capital Improvements for Arts and Cultural Facilities"

H.P. 735 L.D. 1163

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

(1-6) Bill "An Act to Recognize the Critical Nature of Workforce Development Through Career and Technical Education by Establishing an Adjustment for Career and Technical Education Centers in the School Funding Formula"

H.P. 730 L.D. 1158

(1-7) Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Conduct a Study on the Equity of the State Education Subsidy Formula

H.P. 732 L.D. 1160

(1-8) Bill "An Act to Continue the Department of Education Diploma Program Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 736 L.D. 1164

(1-9) Bill "An Act to Establish the School Meal Equipment and Program Improvement Fund"

H.P. 755 L.D. 1183

(1-10) Bill "An Act to Require Public Schools to Allow Parents and Guardians to Opt Out Their Children with Respect to Portions of the Curriculum"

H.P. 756 L.D. 1196

(1-11) Bill "An Act to Provide Transparency in Public School Curricula"

H.P. 759 L.D. 1199

(1-12) Bill "An Act to Reinstate the Religious and Philosophical Vaccine Exemptions for Private Schools and Virtual Public Charter Schools"

H.P. 769 L.D. 1209

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

(1-13) Bill "An Act to Require Communications Service Providers to Prorate Customer Bills for Cancellation and Allow a Reduction in Service for a Customer with an Outstanding Balance"
H.P. 739 L.D. 1167

(1-14) Bill "An Act to Provide for the Review and Uniform Application of All Transmission and Distribution Utility Rates"
H.P. 747 L.D. 1175

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

(1-15) Bill "An Act to Raise Funding to Support Waste Reduction, Reuse, Recycling and Composting in Maine"
H.P. 743 L.D. 1171

(1-16) Bill "An Act to Reestablish Annual Reporting on Solid Waste in Maine"
H.P. 744 L.D. 1172

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

(1-17) Bill "An Act to Establish a Pilot Project Regarding Harm Reduction Health Centers"
H.P. 731 L.D. 1159

(1-18) Bill "An Act to Fund Free Health Clinics"
H.P. 733 L.D. 1161

(1-19) Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Sale of Flavored Tobacco Products"
H.P. 746 L.D. 1174

(1-20) Resolve, to Reduce Barriers to Recovery from Addiction by Expanding Eligibility for Targeted Case Management Services

H.P. 750 L.D. 1178

(1-21) Bill "An Act to Improve the Health of Maine Residents by Closing Coverage Gaps in the MaineCare Program for Incarcerated Persons"

H.P. 764 L.D. 1204

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

(1-22) Bill "An Act to Prohibit Deceptive Advertising in Limited Pregnancy Services Centers"

H.P. 723 L.D. 1137

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

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

(1-23) Bill "An Act to Enhance Cost Savings to Consumers of Prescription Drugs"

H.P. 737 L.D. 1165

(1-24) Bill "An Act Regarding the Scope of Practice of Certified Professional Midwives and Certified Midwives"

H.P. 765 L.D. 1205

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

(1-25) Bill "An Act to Improve Housing Affordability by Amending the Definition of 'Subdivision' Under the Site Location of Development Laws"

H.P. 720 L.D. 1134

(1-26) Bill "An Act Regarding Accessory Dwelling Units and Municipal Zoning Ordinances"

H.P. 726 L.D. 1154

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** and ordered printed.

(1-27) Bill "An Act to Allow Sunday Hunting by Landowners on Their Land"

H.P. 738 L.D. 1166

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

(1-28) Bill "An Act to Stabilize Licensing Fees"

H.P. 729 L.D. 1157

(1-29) Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Foreign Credentialing and Skills Recognition Revolving Loan Program"

H.P. 741 L.D. 1169

(1-30) Resolve, Directing the Department of Economic and Community Development to Convene a Working Group to Improve the State's 10-year Economic Development Strategy

H.P. 758 L.D. 1198

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

(1-31) Bill "An Act to Prevent Coerced Abortion"

H.P. 757 L.D. 1197

(1-32) Bill "An Act to Clarify Deadlines in the Freedom of Access Act and Disclosure Provisions in the Intelligence and Investigative Record Information Act"

H.P. 763 L.D. 1203

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

(1-33) Bill "An Act Regarding Emergency Management Funding for Municipal Shelters"

H.P. 719 L.D. 1133

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**.

(1-34) Bill "An Act to Create a Grant Program for Workplace Health and Safety Improvements"

H.P. 766 L.D. 1206

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed.

(1-35) Bill "An Act to Reestablish the Marine Recreational Fishery Advisory Council at the Department of Marine Resources"

H.P. 751 L.D. 1179

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

(1-36) Bill "An Act to Clarify Term Limitations for Legislators, Constitutional Officers and the State Auditor"

H.P. 722 L.D. 1136

(1-37) Bill "An Act to Address Legislative Salaries"

H.P. 727 L.D. 1155

(1-38) Bill "An Act Directing the Bureau of General Services to Ensure Adequate Air Quality in All State-owned and State-leased Buildings"

H.P. 745 L.D. 1173

(1-39) Bill "An Act to Allow for the Recall of an Elected Municipal Official for Any Reason"

H.P. 753 L.D. 1181

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

(1-40) Bill "An Act to Ensure that Carbon Credits Can Be Sold on Forest Land Enrolled in the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law"

H.P. 721 L.D. 1135

(1-41) Bill "An Act to Allow Municipalities to Tax Personal Solar Energy Equipment Under 5 Megawatts"

H.P. 725 L.D. 1153

(1-42) Bill "An Act to Adjust Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Rates"

H.P. 740 L.D. 1168

(1-43) Bill "An Act to Create Municipal Cannabis Revenue Sharing"

H.P. 748 L.D. 1176

(1-44) Bill "An Act to Make Revisions to the Tax Increment Financing and Development District Laws"

H.P. 754 L.D. 1182

(1-45) Bill "An Act to Increase the Homestead Exemption to \$50,000"

H.P. 762 L.D. 1202

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

(1-46) Bill "An Act to Improve Work and Family Mobility by Altering and Removing Certain Requirements for Driver's Licenses and Nondriver Identification Cards"

H.P. 724 L.D. 1138

(1-47) Resolve, to Promote Passenger Rail for Commuters

H.P. 742 L.D. 1170

(1-48) Bill "An Act to Assess a Slip Fee on Megayachts Registered in Overseas Tax Havens"

H.P. 749 L.D. 1177

(1-49) Bill "An Act to Add an Exception to the Law Regarding Intermediate Driver's Licenses Regarding Passengers"

H.P. 752 L.D. 1180

(1-50) Resolve, to Convene a Driver Education Working Group to Evaluate Hardships to Underserved Populations and Low-income Families

H.P. 760 L.D. 1200

(1-51) Bill "An Act to Establish a Maine Highway Capital Fund to Provide Consistent Funding for the Construction and Repair of Maine's Roads and Bridges"

H.P. 770 L.D. 1210

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

(1-52) Bill "An Act to Allow Certain Liquor Sellers to Conduct Off-premises Taste-testing Events and Retail Sales"

H.P. 718 L.D. 1132

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

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-53) the Maine Central Institute eSports Team, of Pittsfield, which won the first-ever Maine Principals' Association eSports State Championship in Super Smash Brothers Ultimate. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 20

(1-54) Julia Pike, of Carmel, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 93

(1-55) Beth and Lon Francis, of Hebron, to whom the Town of Hebron has dedicated its Town Report in recognition of their 24 years of active involvement in the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 170

(1-56) Mary Vogel, of Belgrade, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 175

(1-57) Becky Seel, of Belgrade, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 176

(1-58) Edmond Theriault, of Fort Kent, who is celebrating his 100th birthday on March 18, 2023. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 177

(1-59) the Fort Kent Community High School Boys Ski Team, which won the Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 178

(1-60) Marcia Train, of Long Island, a teacher at Long Island Elementary School, who is one of only two teachers in the United States and the United Kingdom chosen this year to receive the American Geoscience Institute Award for Excellence in Earth Science Teaching. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 179

(1-61) the Gorham High School Varsity Girls Ice Hockey Team, which won the Southwestern Maine Activities Association Sportsmanship Award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 180

(1-62) Forget Me Nots, of Falmouth, which is celebrating 30 years in business. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 182

(1-63) Emma Burr, of Pittsfield, a student at Maine Central Institute, who won the 2023 Class B Girls Indoor Track State Championship in the 55 Meter Hurdles Event. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 183

(1-64) Emma Burr, of Pittsfield, a student at Maine Central Institute, who won the 55 Meter Hurdles, 55 Meter Dash and the 200 Meter Events at the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class B Girls Indoor Track Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 184

(1-65) Shalomi Goeway, of Pittsfield, a student at Maine Central Institute, who won the High Jump Event at the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class B Girls Indoor Track Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 185

(1-66) Owen Moore, of Pittsfield, a student at Maine Central Institute, who won the Shot Put Event at the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class B Boys Indoor Track Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 186

(1-67) Isaac Keresey, of Pittsfield, a student at Maine Central Institute, who won the Class B State Wrestling Championship in the 160-pound Weight Class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 187

(1-68) Isaac Keresey, of Pittsfield, a student at Maine Central Institute, who won the 800 Meter Event at the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class B Boys Indoor Track Championship and the Class B Wrestling Championship in the 160-pound Weight Class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 188

(1-69) the Maine Central Institute Girls Indoor Track Team, of Pittsfield, which won the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class B Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 189

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

Joint Resolutions

(1-70) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 717

JOINT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MARCH 12, 2023 TO MARCH 18, 2023 AS AMERICORPS WEEK IN MAINE

WHEREAS, service is a hallmark of the American character and has the unique ability to bring people of all backgrounds together in common cause, and throughout our history citizens have stepped up to meet our most pressing challenges of the day by volunteering in their communities; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps Seniors programs provide opportunities for more than 200,000 Americans to serve their country through service at nonprofits, schools, public agencies and community and faith-based groups across the country; and

WHEREAS, in the State of Maine, more than 2,700 AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers of diverse ages and backgrounds helped to meet local needs at more than 200 locations in the State of Maine by responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, tutoring or mentoring children and youth, supporting veterans, combatting the opioid epidemic, ensuring citizens can age in their communities, working to end hunger in Maine, supporting new Maine residents, restoring the environment, repairing the effects of adverse childhood experiences and working with communities on building resilience; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers encourage collaboration and partnerships, leveraging millions of volunteers in service and acquiring the support of businesses, foundations and other local partners to increase the effectiveness of their initiatives; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps Seniors programs bring people together across race, age and place to address critical issues facing the country, forge relationships and cultivate mutual respect and help build resilient and thriving communities; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers demonstrate commitment, dedication and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, through their service, AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers strengthen the lives of their families, communities and the State of Maine as a whole; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages nonfederal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps Week is an opportunity to recognize the dedication and commitment of the more than 1.2 million Americans who have chosen to serve their country through AmeriCorps and millions more who have served in AmeriCorps Seniors and their community partners and to encourage more Americans to follow in their footsteps in service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, designate March 12, 2023 to March 18, 2023 as AmeriCorps Week in Maine and urge citizens to thank AmeriCorps members and alumni and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers for their service and to find their own ways to give back to their communities.

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

(1-71) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 771

**JOINT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING
THE 2023 STATE OF THE TRIBES**

WHEREAS, the Wabanaki People, People of the Dawnland, including the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, the Mi'kmaq Nation, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Motahkomikuk, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Sipayik and the Penobscot Nation, have lived in present-day Maine since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, the Wabanaki People have been the stewards of the land and natural resources, while making significant economic, social and cultural contributions, including the participation of representatives to the Legislature since statehood; and

WHEREAS, the Wabanaki tribal nations addressed the Legislature in a historic State of the Tribes address on March 11, 2002; and

WHEREAS, this State of the Tribes address builds upon that work and serves as an opportunity to gain critical understanding of the continuing efforts to achieve a more just and equitable relationship; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize the inherent dignity and rights of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, the Mi'kmaq Nation, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Motahkomikuk, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Sipayik and the Penobscot Nation; and be it further

RESOLVED: That We recognize March 16, 2023 as a historic State of the Tribes address at the Legislature.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 191

**THE STATE OF MAINE
131ST LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

March 10, 2023

Honorable Valerie Stanfill, Chief Justice
Maine Supreme Judicial Court
Capitol Judicial Center
1 Court Street
Augusta, Maine 04330

Dear Chief Justice Stanfill:

We are pleased to invite you to address a Joint Session of the 131st Maine Legislature in the House Chamber on Thursday, March 23 at 10:45 a.m. concerning the State of the Judiciary and any other matters that you may care to bring to our attention.

We look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

S/Rachel Talbot Ross
Speaker of the House

Cc: Darek M. Grant, Secretary of the Senate
Robert B. Hunt, Clerk of the House

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 192

**THE STATE OF MAINE
131ST LEGISLATURE
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

March 10, 2023

The Honorable Janet T. Mills
Governor, State of Maine
#1 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Governor Mills:

We are pleased to invite you to a Joint Session of the 131st Maine Legislature on Thursday, March 23 at 10:45 a.m. for the State of the Judiciary Address in the House Chamber.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

S/Rachel Talbot Ross
Speaker of the House

Cc: Darek M. Grant, Secretary of the Senate
Rob Hunt, Clerk of the House

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 199

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

March 15, 2023

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

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Isaac Jurson of Houlton, for appointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Rafferty, J. of York, Libby, J. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Brennan, M. of Portland, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sampson, H. of Alfred, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Pierce, T. of Cumberland, Rep. Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Rep. Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth

Ten members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Isaac Jurson of Houlton, for appointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 196

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

March 15, 2023

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

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Denham Salisbury Ward, MD of Bowdoinham, for appointment to the State Board of Education.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Rafferty, J. of York, Libby, J. of Cumberland
	Representatives	9	Brennan, M. of Portland, Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sampson, H. of Alfred, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Sen. Pierce, T. of Cumberland, Rep. Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Denham Salisbury Ward, MD of Bowdoinham, for appointment to the State Board of Education be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 197

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

March 15, 2023

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

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Wendy L. Ault of Wayne, for reappointment to the State Board of Education.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Rafferty, J. of York, Libby, J. of Cumberland
	Representatives	9	Brennan, M. of Portland, Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sampson, H. of Alfred, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Sen. Pierce, T. of Cumberland, Rep. Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Wendy L. Ault of Wayne, for reappointment to the State Board of Education be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 198

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

March 15, 2023

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

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Dr. Fernande Desjardins of Saint Agatha, for reappointment to the State Board of Education.

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

YEAS	Senators	2	Rafferty, J. of York, Libby, J. of Cumberland
	Representatives	9	Brennan, M. of Portland, Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sampson, H. of Alfred, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Sen. Pierce, T. of Cumberland, Rep. Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Dr. Fernande Desjardins of Saint Agatha, for reappointment to the State Board of Education be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair



(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 203

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

March 15, 2023

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

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has had under consideration the nomination of Bettyann Sheats of Auburn, for appointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority, Board of Directors.

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

YEAS	Senators	1	Chipman, B. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Williams, L. of Bar Harbor, Albert, R. of Madawaska, Ankeles, D. of Brunswick, Mason, R. of Lisbon, Parry, W. of Arundel, Theriault, A. of Fort Kent, White, B. of Waterville, White, J. of Guilford
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		4	Sen. Farrin, B. of Somerset, Sen. Nangle, T. of Cumberland, Rep. Crafts, L. of Newcastle, Rep. O'Connell, K. of Brewer

Nine members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Bettyann Sheats of Auburn, for appointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority, Board of Directors be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Ben Chipman
Senate Chair

S/Lynne A. Williams
House Chair



(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 202

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

March 15, 2023

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

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has had under consideration the nomination of Marguerite Miller Fleming of Portland, for reappointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority.

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

YEAS	Senators	1	Chipman, B. of Cumberland
	Representatives	9	Williams, L. of Bar Harbor, Albert, R. of Madawaska, Ankeles, D. of Brunswick, Crafts, L. of Newcastle, Mason, R. of Lisbon, Parry, W. of Arundel, Theriault, A. of Fort Kent, White, B. of Waterville, White, J. of Guilford
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Farrin, B. of Somerset, Sen. Nangle, T. of Cumberland, Rep. O'Connell, K. of Brewer

Ten members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Marguerite Miller Fleming of Portland, for reappointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Ben Chipman
Senate Chair

S/Lynne A. Williams
House Chair



(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 201

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

March 9, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,

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

L.D. 964 An Act to Eliminate the Paint Stewardship Assessment Paid by Consumers
(EMERGENCY)

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Stacy Fielding Brenner
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lori K. Gramlich
House Chair

(2-10) The Following Communication:

S.C. 207

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

March 10, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

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| L.D. 64 | An Act to Ensure In-state Tuition for Postsecondary Students Who Are Registered to Vote in the State |
| L.D. 173 | An Act Regarding the Responsibility for Technology Instruction Marketing Costs by the Maine Community College System |

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michael F. Brennan
House Chair

(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 206

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

March 10, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

L.D. 266 An Act to Increase Consumer Choice and Reduce Motor Vehicle
Emissions in Maine

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Mark W. Lawrence
Senate Chair

S/Rep. S. Paige Zeigler
House Chair

(2-12) The Following Communication:

S.C. 205

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

March 09, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

L.D. 627 An Act to Promote Clean and Affordable Maine-sourced Bioenergy by Amending the Law Regarding Outdoor Wood Boilers and Outdoor Pellet Boilers

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Stacy Fielding Brenner
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lori K. Gramlich
House Chair

(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 209

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

March 13, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

L.D. 252 An Act Relating to Long-term Care Pharmacies

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Donna Bailey
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Anne C. Perry
House Chair

(2-14) The Following Communication:

S.C. 204

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

March 13, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

L.D. 452 An Act to Reform the Laws Regarding the Payment of Criminal
Fines

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Matt Moonen
House Chair

(2-15) The Following Communication:

S.C. 208

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

March 15, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

- L.D. 110 An Act to Prohibit Leaving a Child Under 10 Years of Age Alone in a Motor Vehicle

- L.D. 125 An Act to Allow Driver Education Instructors to Administer Driver's License Road Tests

- L.D. 161 An Act to Modify the Law Regarding Tinted Glass in Motor Vehicles

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ben Chipman
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lynne A. Williams
House Chair

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Bill "An Act to Create the Animal Cruelty Task Force"

S.P. 497 L.D. 1216

Presented by Senator HARRINGTON of York.

(3-2) Bill "An Act Establishing a System to Appeal Administrative Actions or Management Plans of the Bureau of Parks and Lands"

S.P. 499 L.D. 1218

Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin.

Cosponsored by Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook.

(3-3) Bill "An Act to Establish Rights for Holders of Certain Leases and Easements on Land Managed by the Bureau of Parks and Lands"

S.P. 500 L.D. 1219

Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin.

(3-4) Bill "An Act to Increase Land Access for Historically Disadvantaged Populations"

S.P. 511 L.D. 1274

Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland and Senators: BRENNER of Cumberland, DUSON of Cumberland, President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, DHALAC of South Portland, PLUECKER of Warren, RANA of Bangor.

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

(3-5) Resolve, to Create a Pilot Program for Alternative Teacher Certification
S.P. 498 L.D. 1217

Presented by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin.

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

(3-6) Bill "An Act to Clarify Cost Allocations and Insurance in the Joint Use of Public Utility Equipment"

S.P. 504 L.D. 1223

Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Senator: BENNETT of Oxford, Representatives: CARLOW of Buxton,
DODGE of Belfast.

Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-7) Bill "An Act to Clarify the Laws to Combat Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Contamination"

S.P. 495 L.D. 1214

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook.

(3-8) Bill "An Act to Exempt Some Businesses from Certain Laws Relating to Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances in Accordance with the Size of the Business"

S.P. 510 L.D. 1273

Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: ARDELL of Monticello, BABIN of Fort Fairfield, GUERRETTE of Caribou, THERIAULT of Fort Kent, UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle.

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

(3-9) Bill "An Act to End the Sale of Flavored Tobacco Products"

S.P. 496 L.D. 1215

Presented by Senator DUSON of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland and Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, BRENNER of Cumberland, President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: CYRWAY of Albion, GATTINE of Westbrook, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico.

(3-10) Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Seek Federal Approval for Reimbursement of Community-based Mobile Crisis Intervention Services

S.P. 505 L.D. 1224

Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.

Cosponsored by Representative GRAHAM of North Yarmouth and Senator: INGWERSEN of York, Representatives: CRAFTS of Newcastle, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, KUHN of Falmouth, MADIGAN of Waterville, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, MONTELL of Gardiner, SHAGOURY of Hallowell.

(3-11) Bill "An Act to Empower Patients and Eliminate Welfare Cliffs in the MaineCare Program by Establishing a MaineCare Savings Account Pilot Program"

S.P. 506 L.D. 1269

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Senator: MOORE of Washington, Representatives: BOYER of Poland, JAVNER of Chester, LEMELIN of Chelsea, MORRIS of Turner.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-12) Bill "An Act to Require Lyme Disease Vaccine Coverage for State-regulated Health Plans"

S.P. 501 L.D. 1220

Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington and Senators: BAILEY of York, RAFFERTY of York, RENY of Lincoln, Representatives: DILL of Old Town, DOUDERA of Camden, LANDRY of Farmington, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, POIRIER of Skowhegan.

(3-13) Bill "An Act to Protect Maine People from Inflation by Restoring Gold and Silver as Legal Tender"

S.P. 507 L.D. 1270

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative GREENWOOD of Wales and Senators: LIBBY of Cumberland, MOORE of Washington, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representatives: BOYER of Poland, HYMES of Waldo, MASON of Lisbon, MORRIS of Turner, WHITE of Guilford.

(3-14) Bill "An Act to Require a Disclaimer on Promotional Materials for Medicare, Medicaid and MaineCare Products by Private Entities"

S.P. 508 L.D. 1271

Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville and Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, INGWERSEN of York, Representative: MEYER of Eliot.

(3-15) Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Property Investment by Credit Unions"

S.P. 514 L.D. 1277

Presented by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner and Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, ARATA of New Gloucester, BLIER of Buxton, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CRAVEN of Lewiston, DHALAC of South Portland, LAJOIE of Lewiston.

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

(3-16) Bill "An Act to Index Unemployment Benefits to the Unemployment Rate"

S.P. 509 L.D. 1272

Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner and Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot, Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, HALL of Wilton.

(3-17) Bill "An Act to Require Timely Payment for Salaried Employees"

S.P. 515 L.D. 1278

Presented by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Submitted by the Department of Labor pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

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

(3-18) Bill "An Act to Clarify the Powers of the Government Oversight Committee and Enable Committee Access to Department of Health and Human Services Documents Related to Investigations of Child Deaths"

S.P. 512 L.D. 1275

Presented by Senator NANGLE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, LAWRENCE of York.

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

(3-19) Resolve, to Study the Economic Effects of Instituting a Seasonal Sales Tax

S.P. 493 L.D. 1212

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senator: CHIPMAN of Cumberland, Representative: DUCHARME of Madison.

(3-20) Bill "An Act to Reform Income Taxes by Reducing Tax Rates for Each of the 3 Income Tax Brackets"

S.P. 494 L.D. 1213

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senator: TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

(3-21) Bill "An Act to Expand Child Care Services Through an Employer-supported Tax Credit"

S.P. 503 L.D. 1222

Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, President JACKSON of Aroostook, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: MILLETT of Waterford, TERRY of Gorham.

(3-22) Bill "An Act to Create and Sustain Jobs and Affordable Housing Through the Development of Cooperatives and Employee-owned Businesses"

S.P. 513 L.D. 1276

Presented by Senator RENY of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Representative STOVER of Boothbay and Senators: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, GROHOSKI of Hancock, POULIOT of Kennebec, Representatives: EATON of Deer Isle, HEPLER of Woolwich.

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

(3-23) Bill "An Act to Make Changes to the Distribution Amounts to Certain Maine Clean Election Act Candidates in Contested General Elections"

S.P. 502 L.D. 1221

Presented by Senator LYFORD of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senators: BLACK of Franklin, BRAKEY of Androscoggin, GUERIN of Penobscot, HARRINGTON of York, STEWART of Aroostook, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) the Lawrence High School Girls Basketball Team, of Fairfield, which won the Class A State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 282

Sponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative: RUDNICKI of Fairfield.

(4-2) the Old Orchard Beach High School Girls Basketball Team, which won the Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 283

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representative: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

(4-3) the Old Orchard Beach High School Eight-Man Football Team, which won the 2022 State Small School Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 284

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representative: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

(4-4) Elise MacNair, of Old Orchard Beach, a student at Old Orchard Beach High School and a member of the girls basketball team, who recently scored her 1,000th career point. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 285

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representative: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

(4-5) Landon Johnson, of Old Orchard Beach, a student at Old Orchard Beach High School and a member of the boys basketball team, who recently scored his 1,000th career point. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 286

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representative: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

(4-6) Matt Regan, of Saco, Old Orchard Beach High School Boys Basketball Coach, who was named the Class C South Boys Coach of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 287

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COPELAND of Saco, GATTINE of Westbrook, O'NEIL of Saco.

(4-7) Dean Plante, of Old Orchard Beach, Old Orchard Beach High School Girls Basketball Coach, who was named the Class C Girls Coach of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 288

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representative: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

(4-8) the Ellsworth High School Girls Basketball Team, which won the Class B State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 289

Sponsored by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.

Cosponsored by Representative: WORTH of Ellsworth.

(4-9) the Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School Girls Basketball Team, of South Paris, which won the Class AA State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
SLS 290

Sponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Senator: KEIM of Oxford, Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, JACKSON of Oxford, MILLETT of Waterford, RISEMAN of Harrison.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Pursuant to Statute

(5-1) The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Right To Know Advisory Committee Concerning Public Records Exceptions"

H.P. 767 L.D. 1207

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 411, subsection 6, paragraph G.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

Pursuant to Statute

(5-2) The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Right To Know Advisory Committee Concerning Time Estimates for Responding to Public Records Requests"

H.P. 768 L.D. 1208

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 411, subsection 6, paragraph G.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

Ought to Pass

(5-3) The Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 100: Enforcement Procedures, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 251 L.D. 418

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

SECOND READERS

The Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading** reported the following:

House

(6-1) Bill "An Act to Remove the Requirement for Wild Blueberry Transportation Permits"
(EMERGENCY)

H.P. 183 L.D. 285

Senate

(6-2) Bill "An Act to Update the Maine State Grant Program" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 24 L.D. 32

ENACTORS

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

Acts

(7-1) An Act to Amend the Law Governing the State Grant Program Administered by the Maine
Historic Preservation Commission

H.P. 19 L.D. 15

(7-2) An Act to Establish Maine Needham Day

H.P. 190 L.D. 292

(7-3) An Act to Establish Maine Alewife Day

H.P. 218 L.D. 344

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

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

1.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Winter Emergency Energy Relief and to Finalize the COVID Pandemic Relief Payment Program" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 8 L.D. 1

Tabled - January 17, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **FURTHER CONSIDERATION**

(In Senate, December 7, 2022, **FAILED ENACTMENT** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.)

(In House, Bill and accompanying papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.)

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT RESOLUTION - Memorializing Leon J. Tanguay, of Sanford

SLS 107

Tabled - February 9, 2023 by Senator **HARRINGTON** of York

Pending - **ADOPTION**

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Chocolats Passion, of Portland

SLS 152

Tabled - February 28, 2023 by Senator **CHIPMAN** of Cumberland

Pending - **PASSAGE**

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Carter Butterfield, of Phillips

SLS 157

Tabled - February 28, 2023 by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford

Pending - **PASSAGE**

5.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Skowhegan Area High School Field Hockey Team

SLS 171

Tabled - February 28, 2023 by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford

Pending - **PASSAGE**
