



# Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-First Legislature  
First Special Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

**6th Legislative Day**

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, April 18, 2023.

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

Prayer by Jim Przytulski of Central Church in Augusta.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Matthew G. Pouliot of Kennebec County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, April 13, 2023.

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**Troy D. Jackson**  
*President of the Senate*

**Darek M. Grant**  
*Secretary of the Senate*

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

(1-1) Bill "An Act to Strengthen Maine's Agriculture, Food and Forest Economy by Funding the Maine Agriculture, Food and Forest Products Investment Fund and Amending Related Provisions of Law"

H.P. 1068 L.D. 1670

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

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(1-2) Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the General Assistance Program Regarding Eligibility, Housing Assistance and State Reimbursement and to Establish a Working Group" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1073 L.D. 1675

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

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(1-3) Bill "An Act to Strengthen the Sustainability and Value of Maine's Designated Health Information Exchange by Acquiring Enhanced Federal Funding"

H.P. 1074 L.D. 1676

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

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(1-4) Bill "An Act to Establish an Affordable Housing Permitting Process"

H.P. 1070 L.D. 1672

(1-5) Bill "An Act to Encourage Affordable Housing and Mixed-use Development by Establishing a Thriving Corridors Program"

H.P. 1071 L.D. 1673

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

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(1-6) Bill "An Act Regarding Recommendations for Changing Place Names in the State"  
H.P. 1065 L.D. 1667

(1-7) Bill "An Act to Provide Staffing for Ongoing Study Commissions During Legislative Sessions"

H.P. 1066 L.D. 1668

(1-8) Bill "An Act to Require That Copies of Deeds and Survey Plans Be Provided to Municipal Assessors"

H.P. 1067 L.D. 1669

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

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(1-9) Bill "An Act to Reduce the Income Tax to 4.5 Percent on the Lowest Tax Bracket and Remove Low-income Families from Taxation"

H.P. 1069 L.D. 1671

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

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(1-10) Bill "An Act to Require and Encourage Safe and Interconnected Transportation Construction Projects"

H.P. 1072 L.D. 1674

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

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**Joint Orders**

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-11) the Forest Hills Consolidated School Boys Basketball Team, of Jackman, which won the Class D South Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 232

(1-12) the Freeport High School One Act Competition Team, which won the Class B Regional Championship at the Maine Drama Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 233

(1-13) Andre Dallaire, of Biddeford, a member of Troop No. 308, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 234

(1-14) the Freeport High School One Act Competition Team, which won the Class B State Championship at the Maine Drama Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 241

(1-15) Charlotte L. Landry, of Bowdoin, who is celebrating her 100th birthday on May 7, 2023. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 244

(1-16) the Richmond High School Delta Prime Robotics FIRST Robotics and 4-H Team, which won the NE FIRST District SE Mass Event in Bridgewater, Massachusetts with their alliance partners. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 245

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

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**Joint Resolutions**

(1-17) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1058

**JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING APPLICATION TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES CALLING A CONVENTION UNDER ARTICLE V OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO PROPOSE AMENDMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO IMPOSE FISCAL RESTRAINTS ON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, LIMIT THE POWER AND JURISDICTION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND LIMIT THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR ITS OFFICIALS AND FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS**

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution empowered state legislators to be guardians of liberty against future abuses of power by the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has created a crushing national debt through improper and imprudent spending; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has invaded the legitimate roles of the states through the manipulative process of federal mandates, most of which are unfunded to a great extent; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has ceased to operate under a proper interpretation of the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, it is the solemn duty of the states to protect the liberty of the American people, particularly for the generations to come, by proposing amendments to the United States Constitution for the purpose of restraining these and related abuses of power; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Legislature of Maine respectfully applies to the Congress of the United States to call a convention for the specific and exclusive purpose of proposing amendments to the United States Constitution that impose fiscal restraints on the Federal Government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the Federal Government and limit the terms of office for Federal Government officials and members of Congress; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this application by this body constitutes a continuing application in accordance with the United States Constitution, Article V until at least two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states have made similar application pursuant to Article V but, if Congress proposes an amendment to the United States Constitution imposing fiscal restraints on the Federal Government, limiting the power and jurisdiction of the Federal Government or limiting the terms of office for Federal Government officials and members of Congress, this application for a constitutional convention is no longer of any force or effect for that subject matter; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this application is void, rescinded and of no effect in the event that such a convention is not limited to such specific and exclusive purposes; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this body proposes that the legislatures of each of the several states comprising the United States apply to the Congress requesting the enactment of appropriate amendments to the United States Constitution or requiring the Congress to call a convention for proposing such amendments to the United States Constitution; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Secretary of the Senate and presiding officers of both houses of the legislatures of each of the several states in the nation, the Speaker and the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the President and the Secretary of the United States Senate and each member of the Maine Congressional Delegation.

Comes from the House, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

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(1-18) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1059

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 2023  
AS ORGAN DONATION MONTH**

WHEREAS, there are more than 104,200 Americans, and more than 6,300 in New England, currently waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant; and

WHEREAS, there are over 1,000,000 life-enhancing tissue transplants each year that are made possible by the generous donation of corneas, bone or skin or other tissue; and

WHEREAS, residents of this State can help to save lives and benefit up to 50 recipients by signing up to become organ and tissue donors and enrolling in the Maine Organ Donor Registry when applying for or renewing driver's licenses or other state identifications or by registering online at RegisterMe.org; and

WHEREAS, ninety-eight percent of all people in Maine who register to become a donor do so at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, which is an important part of reaching and surpassing the national goal of signing up 50% of the driving population to become donors; and

WHEREAS, Organ Donation Month pays tribute to organ and tissue donors and their families whose decision to donate enables others to receive lifesaving organs and tissues for transplant; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize April 2023 as Organ Donation Month, and we encourage residents to register as organ and tissue donors; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a suitable copy of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to New England Donor Services of Waltham, Massachusetts.

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

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Joint Resolution in Memoriam:

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(1-19) Charles Woodard, of Detroit. Mr. Woodard, who was a roofer by trade, was a member of the Detroit Fire Department for several years. He worked as a project foreman for Hammer Down and was a key part in the construction of Gram's Five and Dime stores. Mr. Woodard will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

HLS 243

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

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COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 331

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR

March 30, 2023

Honorable Members of the Legislative Council, 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature;

Honorable Janet T. Mills  
Governor of the State of Maine

I am pleased to submit the Single Audit of the State of Maine for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. The audit was conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the requirements of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996; and Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our audit complies with 5 MRSA §243 and is also a prerequisite for the receipt of Federal financial assistance. During fiscal year 2022, \$5.7 billion in Federal financial assistance was expended by the State of Maine.

This document contains the following reports and schedules:

- Independent Auditor's Report
- Basic Financial Statements, Management's Discussion and Analysis, Notes to the Financial Statements, and Required Supplementary Information
- Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters based on an Audit of Financial Statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*
- Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance
- Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
- Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
- Financial Statement Findings
- Indexes to Federal Program Findings
- Federal Findings and Questioned Costs
- Corrective Action Plan
- Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings

On behalf of the Office of the State Auditor, I thank employees throughout Maine Government who assisted us during the audit.

Please contact me if you have questions or comments about the 2022 Single Audit of the State of Maine.

Respectfully submitted,

S/Matthew Dunlap, CIA  
State Auditor

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(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 326

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

April 12, 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 Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of Jennifer A. Archer of Falmouth, for appointment as a Superior Court Justice.

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	Carney, A. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Moonen, M. of Portland, Henderson, R. of Rumford, Kuhn, A. of Falmouth, Lee, A. of Auburn, Moriarty, S. of Cumberland, Poirier, J. of Skowhegan, Reckitt, L. of South Portland, Sheehan, E. of Biddeford
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		4	Sen. Bailey, D. of York, Sen. Brakey, E. of Androscoggin, Rep. Andrews, J. of Paris, Rep. Haggan, D. of Hampden

Rep. Dana of Passamaquoddy Tribe was absent.

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 Jennifer A. Archer of Falmouth, for appointment as a Superior Court Justice be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Anne Carney  
Senate Chair

S/Matt Moonen  
House Chair



(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 327

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

April 12, 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 Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of Gregory A. Campbell of Hampden, for appointment as an Active Retired Judge of the District Court .

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	Carney, A. of Cumberland
	Representatives	9	Moonen, M. of Portland, Haggan, D. of Hampden, Henderson, R. of Rumford, Kuhn, A. of Falmouth, Lee, A. of Auburn, Moriarty, S. of Cumberland, Poirier, J. of Skowhegan, Reckitt, L. of South Portland, Sheehan, E. of Biddeford
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Bailey, D. of York, Sen. Brakey, E. of Androscoggin, Rep. Andrews, J. of Paris

Rep. Dana of Passamaquoddy Tribe was absent.

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 Gregory A. Campbell of Hampden, for appointment as an Active Retired Judge of the District Court be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Anne Carney  
Senate Chair

S/Matt Moonen  
House Chair



(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 328

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

April 12, 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 Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of Keith A. Powers of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment as an Active Retired Judge of the District Court.

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	Carney, A. of Cumberland
	Representatives	8	Moonen, M. of Portland, Henderson, R. of Rumford, Kuhn, A. of Falmouth, Lee, A. of Auburn, Moriarty, S. of Cumberland, Poirier, J. of Skowhegan, Reckitt, L. of South Portland, Sheehan, E. of Biddeford
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		4	Sen. Bailey, D. of York, Sen. Brakey, E. of Androscoggin, Rep. Andrews, J. of Paris, Rep. Haggan, D. of Hampden

Rep. Dana of Passamaquoddy Tribe was absent.

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 Keith A. Powers of Cape Elizabeth, for reappointment as an Active Retired Judge of the District Court be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Anne Carney  
Senate Chair

S/Matt Moonen  
House Chair



(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 329

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

April 12, 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 Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of William R. Stokes of Augusta, for appointment as an Active Retired Justice of the Superior Court.

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	Carney, A. of Cumberland
	Representatives	7	Henderson, R. of Rumford, Kuhn, A. of Falmouth, Lee, A. of Auburn, Moriarty, S. of Cumberland, Poirier, J. of Skowhegan, Reckitt, L. of South Portland, Sheehan, E. of Biddeford
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		5	Sen. Bailey, D. of York, Sen. Brakey, E. of Androscoggin, Rep. Moonen, M. of Portland, Rep. Andrews, J. of Paris, Rep. Haggan, D. of Hampden

Rep. Dana of Passamaquoddy Tribe was absent.

Eight members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of William R. Stokes of Augusta, for appointment as an Active Retired Justice of the Superior Court be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Anne Carney  
Senate Chair

S/Matt Moonen  
House Chair

(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 338

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

April 13, 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 Labor and Housing has had under consideration the nomination of John H. Kimball of Norway, for reappointment to the Maine Public Employees Retirement System 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	1	Tipping, M. of Penobscot
	Representatives	6	Roeder, A. of Bangor, Bradstreet, D. of Vassalboro, Drinkwater, G. of Milford, Gere, T. of Kennebunkport, Malon, M. of Biddeford, Skold, C. of Portland
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		6	Sen. Daughtry, M. of Cumberland, Sen. Pouliot, M. of Kennebec, Rep. Galletta, J. of Durham, Rep. Geiger, V. of Rockland, Rep. Russell, R. of Verona Island, Rep. Soboleski, M. of Phillips

Seven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of John H. Kimball of Norway, for reappointment to the Maine Public Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Michael Tipping  
Senate Chair

S/Amy Jean Roeder  
House Chair



(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 339

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

April 13, 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 Labor and Housing has had under consideration the nomination of Richard Metivier of Lewiston, for reappointment to the Maine Public Employees Retirement System 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	1	Tipping, M. of Penobscot
	Representatives	7	Roeder, A. of Bangor, Bradstreet, D. of Vassalboro, Drinkwater, G. of Milford, Gere, T. of Kennebunkport, Malon, M. of Biddeford, Russell, R. of Verona Island, Skold, C. of Portland
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		5	Sen. Daughtry, M. of Cumberland, Sen. Pouliot, M. of Kennebec, Rep. Galletta, J. of Durham, Rep. Geiger, V. of Rockland, Rep. Soboleski, M. of Phillips

Eight members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and zero in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Richard Metivier of Lewiston, for reappointment to the Maine Public Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Michael Tipping  
Senate Chair

S/Amy Jean Roeder  
House Chair



(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 323

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

April 12, 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 Veterans and Legal Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of David R. Hastings, Esquire of Fryeburg, for reappointment to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.

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	Hickman, C. of Kennebec, Timberlake, J. of Androscoggin
	Representatives	8	Supica, L. of Bangor, Andrews, J. of Paris, Boyer, D. of Poland, Collings, B. of Portland, Hymes, B. of Waldo, Rielly, M. of Westbrook, Riseman, W. of Harrison, Rudnicki, S. of Fairfield
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Sen. Brenner, S. of Cumberland, Rep. Malon, M. of Biddeford, Rep. Montell, K. of Gardiner

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 David R. Hastings, Esquire of Fryeburg, for reappointment to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Craig V. Hickman  
Senate Chair

S/Laura Supica  
House Chair



(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 336

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

April 12, 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. Mathieson of Kittery, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 198      An Act to Provide MaineCare Coverage for Doula Services

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michele Meyer  
House Chair

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(2-10) The Following Communication:

S.C. 337

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

April 12, 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. Milliken of Blue Hill, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1377      An Act to Provide Rental Assistance for Recovery Housing

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michele Meyer  
House Chair

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(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 330

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

April 3, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,

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

L.D. 1288      An Act to Create a 2-year Motor Vehicle Registration

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ben Chipman  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lynne A. Williams  
House Chair

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(2-12) The Following Communication:

S.C. 334

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

April 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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 606      An Act Regarding Development of a Program to Assist Farmers Affected by Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Contamination
  
- L.D. 682      An Act Regarding Labeling of Packaged Foods for Genetically Modified Organisms
  
- L.D. 1110     An Act Regarding Calibration Requirements for Certain Testing and Measurement Equipment
  
- L.D. 1201     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

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Henry Ingwersen  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Bill Pluecker  
House Chair

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(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 335

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

April 12, 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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 1068     An Act to Ban the Hunting of Animals in Enclosed Areas
- L.D. 1121     An Act to Change Responsibility for Animal Control Officer Training to the Department of Public Safety
- L.D. 1216     An Act to Create the Animal Cruelty Task Force

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Henry Ingwersen  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Bill Pluecker  
House Chair

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(2-14) The Following Communication:

S.C. 325

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

April 12, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

- L.D. 358      An Act to Ensure That Restrooms Are Available for Use During Business Hours at Certain Drive-through Restaurants
- L.D. 464      An Act to Eliminate Waiting Lists for Community-based Services for People with Autism Spectrum Disorder, Intellectual Disability, Brain Injury or Other Related Conditions (EMERGENCY)
- L.D. 469      An Act to Provide Funding for a Diabetes Education Program
- L.D. 973      An Act to Create the Recovery Friendly Workplace Program
- L.D. 1094     An Act Regarding the Allocation of Funds Awarded to Maine Due to the Opioid Settlement

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michele Meyer  
House Chair

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(2-15) The Following Communication:

S.C. 340

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

April 12, 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 Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 440      An Act to Protect Customers from Financial Scams by Requiring Retailers to Provide Information on Potential Signs of Financial Scams
- L.D. 583      An Act to Provide for Municipalities to Allow Grocery Stores up to 10,000 Square Feet to Open on Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas
- L.D. 648      An Act to Address Staffing Shortages in Critical Public Safety Jobs Through Economic Incentives
- L.D. 807      An Act to Create the Small Communities Tourism Fund
- L.D. 890      An Act to Create the Child Care Provider Student Loan Repayment Fund

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Chip Curry  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Tiffany Danielle Roberts  
House Chair

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(2-16) The Following Communication:

S.C. 324

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

April 11, 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 Marine Resources has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 711      An Act to Regulate Oyster Seed

L.D. 811      An Act to Create a Restricted Senior Lobster and Crab Fishing License

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Cameron deGrasse Reny  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Allison Hepler  
House Chair

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(2-17) The Following Communication:

S.C. 332

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

April 12, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

L.D. 664      Resolve, Directing the State Auditor to Audit All State Agencies

L.D. 671      An Act to Factor Conservative Projections of Sea Level Rise into State  
Planning on Climate Change

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Tim Nangle  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Holly B. Stover  
House Chair

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(2-18) The Following Communication:

S.C. 333

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

April 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 Transportation has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 85        Resolve, Directing the Maine Turnpike Authority to Study Adding Exits off the Maine Turnpike to Aid Economic Development
- L.D. 145       An Act to Increase the Penalties for Operation of a Motor Vehicle While Using a Handheld Electronic Device or Mobile Telephone
- L.D. 272       An Act Regarding the Issuance of Driver's Licenses to Persons with Obstructive Sleep Apnea
- L.D. 381       An Act to Increase School Bus Safety by Requiring Monitors
- L.D. 480       An Act to Clarify Laws Regarding the Placement of Signs on Public Ways
- L.D. 488       An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Supplemental Guide Signs on Highways for Colleges and Universities
- L.D. 560       An Act Regarding County Sheriff Vehicle Registration Plates
- L.D. 623       An Act to Modify Maine Motor Vehicle Inspection Standards to Permit Nonstructural Corrosion That Does Not Directly Affect the Passenger Compartment
- L.D. 704       An Act to Replace Annual Vanity Plate Administrative Fees with a One-time Fee
- L.D. 729       Resolve, Regarding Traffic Lights in Turner (EMERGENCY)
- L.D. 736       An Act to Remove the Requirement That Certain Motor Vehicles Be Equipped with a Front License Plate

- L.D. 743 An Act to Provide Free or Reduced-cost Vehicle Registration to All Disabled Veterans
- L.D. 746 An Act to Modernize the State's Vehicle Inspection System by Requiring Inspections Biennially and Allowing for an Electronic Inspection Program
- L.D. 933 An Act Requiring Proof of a Motorcycle License Endorsement or Learner's Permit in Order to Register a Motorcycle
- L.D. 1017 Resolve, to Increase Commercial Driver's License Examiner Capacity
- L.D. 1045 An Act to Allow the Use of Enhanced Driver's Licenses
- L.D. 1090 An Act to Require Driver Education Programs to Include Education Regarding the Risks of Impaired Driving Due to the Use of Alcohol, Cannabis or Other Substances
- L.D. 1140 Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation to Allow All-terrain Vehicle Traffic on a Section of Trail in the City of Caribou
- L.D. 1142 An Act to Eliminate Motor Vehicle Registration Fees for Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Emergency Medical Services Providers

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ben Chipman  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lynne A. Williams  
House Chair

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**SENATE PAPERS**

(3-1) Bill "An Act to Improve Geographic Information System Data Acquisition and Maintenance"

S.P. 674 L.D. 1687

Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.  
Cosponsored by Representative PAULHUS of Bath and Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, BENNETT of Oxford, BLACK of Franklin, NANGLE of Cumberland, Representatives: COPELAND of Saco, DHALAC of South Portland, FAY of Raymond, STOVER of Boothbay.

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

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(3-2) Bill "An Act to Create the Guilford-Sangerville Utilities District" (EMERGENCY)  
S.P. 679 L.D. 1692

Presented by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative WHITE of Guilford and Senators: HARRINGTON of York,  
POULIOT of Kennebec.

(3-3) Bill "An Act to Amend the Kennebunk Sewer District Charter"

S.P. 680 L.D. 1693

Presented by Senator RAFFERTY of York.

Cosponsored by Representative GERE of Kennebunkport and Representative: SAYRE of  
Kennebunk.

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

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(3-4) Resolve, to Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission to Design a Plan for Sustained  
Investment in Preventing Disease and Improving the Health of Maine Communities  
(EMERGENCY)

S.P. 685 L.D. 1722

Presented by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative GATTINE of Westbrook and Senators: BALDACCI of  
Penobscot, BENNETT of Oxford, Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CYRWAY of  
Albion, DUCHARME of Madison, SACHS of Freeport, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland,  
TERRY of Gorham.

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

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(3-5) Bill "An Act to Create Transitional Housing Communities for Homeless Populations in the  
State"

S.P. 684 L.D. 1721

Presented by Senator DUSON of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland and Senators: PIERCE of Cumberland,  
TIPPING of Penobscot, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: FAY of Raymond, GATTINE  
of Westbrook, GERE of Kennebunkport, MATLACK of St. George, RANA of Bangor.

Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** suggested and ordered printed.

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(3-6) Resolve, to Allow Ronald Caron and Jennifer Berube to Sue the State  
S.P. 675 L.D. 1688

Presented by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

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

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(3-7) Bill "An Act to Exempt Prescription Pet Medications from Sales Tax"  
S.P. 676 L.D. 1689

Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative PERRY of Bangor and Senator: LIBBY of Cumberland,  
Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, HASENFUS of Readfield, LAVIGNE of  
Berwick, MATLACK of St. George, RANA of Bangor.

(3-8) Bill "An Act to Provide Parity in State Energy Rate Relief Payments and Tax Exemptions  
for Maine Cannabis Businesses"

S.P. 678 L.D. 1691

Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland and Senators: CHIPMAN of Cumberland,  
GROHOSKI of Hancock, HICKMAN of Kennebec, Representative: ROEDER of Bangor.

(3-9) Bill "An Act to Phase Out the Insurance Premium Tax on Annuities"  
S.P. 683 L.D. 1720

Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, MILLETT of Waterford, TERRY  
of Gorham.

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

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(3-10) Bill "An Act to Improve the Rest Stop Facilities Located on Interstate 95 in Medway"  
S.P. 681 L.D. 1694

Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Representative JAVNER of Chester and Senator: FARRIN of Somerset,  
Representatives: ARDELL of Monticello, BABIN of Fort Fairfield, MASON of Lisbon.

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

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(3-11) Bill "An Act to Eliminate Unconstitutional Restrictions on Access to Cannabis by Removing Certain Restrictions on Medical Use and Personal Use and to Recognize Cannabis and Hemp as Food Protected as a Right Under the Constitution of Maine"

S.P. 673 L.D. 1686

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland and Representative: SUPICA of Bangor.

(3-12) Bill "An Act Regarding Ongoing Absentee Voting and Tracking of Absentee Ballots"

S.P. 677 L.D. 1690

Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland and Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: RIELLY of Westbrook, SUPICA of Bangor.

(3-13) Bill "An Act to Provide for the Direct Shipment of Spirits to Consumers"

S.P. 682 L.D. 1695

Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec, PIERCE of Cumberland, POULIOT of Kennebec, Representatives: DILL of Old Town, O'CONNELL of Brewer, RUDNICKI of Fairfield.

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

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**ORDERS**

**Joint Orders**

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) the late Kenneth Atcheson, of Presque Isle, who posthumously received the Presque Isle Rotary's Service Above Self Award for going above and beyond for the community;

SLS 399

Sponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative: UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle.

(4-2) Kendall Kimball, of Parkman, a senior at Piscataquis Community High School, who is a recipient of a 2023 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 400

Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: WHITE of Guilford.

(4-3) Ellie Nichols, of Bangor, a senior at Bangor High School, who was named Student of the Year by Educators for a Multilingual Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 402

Sponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: PERRY of Bangor, RANA of Bangor, ROEDER of Bangor, SUPICA of Bangor.

(4-4) Laura Whittmann, of Bangor, ELL District Coordinator for the Bangor School Department and a teacher at William S. Cohen School and Mary Snow School, who was named ESOL Teacher of the Year by Educators for a Multilingual Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 403

Sponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: PERRY of Bangor, RANA of Bangor, ROEDER of Bangor, SUPICA of Bangor.

(4-5) Tracey O'Connell, of Orono, a school counselor at J.A. Leonard Middle School in Old Town, who received the Martin Gallant Distinguished Counseling Professional Award from the Maine Counseling Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 404

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: OSHER of Orono, PERRY of Bangor.

(4-6) Zachary Holt, of Lee, a senior at Lee Academy, who is a recipient of a 2023 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 405

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: QUINT of Hodgdon.

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**Joint Resolutions**

(4-7) On motion by Senator **MOORE** of Washington, the following Joint Resolution:

S.P. 686

**JOINT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MAY 7-13, 2023  
AS TARDIVE DYSKINESIA AWARENESS WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, many people with serious, chronic mental health conditions, such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder or severe depression, or gastrointestinal disorders, including gastroparesis, nausea and vomiting, require treatment with medications that work as dopamine receptor blocking agents, or DRBAs, including antipsychotic medications; and

**WHEREAS**, while ongoing treatment with these medications can be very helpful, and even lifesaving, for many people, it can also lead to tardive dyskinesia; and

**WHEREAS**, tardive dyskinesia is a movement disorder that is characterized by random, involuntary and uncontrolled movements of different muscles in the face, trunk and extremities; and

**WHEREAS**, tardive dyskinesia can develop months, years or decades after a person starts taking DRBAs and even after they have discontinued use of those medications. Not everyone who takes a DRBA develops tardive dyskinesia, but if it develops it is often permanent; and

**WHEREAS**, it is estimated that over 600,000 Americans suffer from tardive dyskinesia, and, according to the National Alliance on Mental Illness, one in every 4 patients receiving long-term treatment with an antipsychotic medication will experience tardive dyskinesia; and

**WHEREAS**, tardive dyskinesia is often unrecognized and patients suffering from the disorder are commonly misdiagnosed, and regular screening for tardive dyskinesia in patients taking DRBAs is therefore recommended by the American Psychiatric Association; and

**WHEREAS**, while years of difficult and challenging research have resulted in recent scientific breakthroughs regarding tardive dyskinesia, it is important to continue to raise awareness of tardive dyskinesia in the public and the medical community; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to designate May 7-13, 2023 as Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week and respectfully encourage each individual in the State to become aware of and better informed about tardive dyskinesia.

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## Joint Resolution in Memoriam:

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(4-8) the Honorable Henry Joy, of Island Falls. Mr. Joy was a veteran of the United States Air Force. He worked as a teacher, principal and superintendent of schools in Island Falls and also taught in Katahdin Schools before retiring from teaching in 1992. For a time, he was Hospital Administrator of Milliken Memorial Hospital. In 1992, he was elected to the Maine House of Representatives to serve in the 116th Legislature, and he served through the 119th Legislature. In 1998, he ran for the office of Governor of Maine, after which he served as a Selectman for the Town of Crystal. He was returned to the House of Representatives in 2002, serving in the 121st through 124th Legislatures. He was a member of the Masons, Lions Club, Molunkus Valley Sno Drifters Club and Big Valley Snow Club, and he volunteered for many other local clubs and organizations. Mr. Joy will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 62 years, Mary, his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

SLS 401

Sponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Senators: BAILEY of York, BALDACCI of Penobscot, BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, BENNETT of Oxford, BLACK of Franklin, BRAKEY of Androscoggin, BRENNER of Cumberland, CARNEY of Cumberland, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, CURRY of Waldo, DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, DUSON of Cumberland, FARRIN of Somerset, GROHOSKI of Hancock, GUERIN of Penobscot, HARRINGTON of York, HICKMAN of Kennebec, INGWERSEN of York, President JACKSON of Aroostook, KEIM of Oxford, LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec, LAWRENCE of York, LIBBY of Cumberland, LYFORD of Penobscot, MOORE of Washington, NANGLE of Cumberland, PIERCE of Cumberland, POULIOT of Kennebec, RAFFERTY of York, RENY of Lincoln, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, TIPPING of Penobscot, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, ADAMS of Lebanon, ALBERT of Madawaska, ANDREWS of Paris, ANKELES of Brunswick, ARATA of New Gloucester, ARDELL of Monticello, ARFORD of Brunswick, BABIN of Fort Fairfield, BAGSHAW of Windham, BELL of Yarmouth, BLIER of Buxton, BOYER of Poland, BOYLE of Gorham, BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, BRENNAN of Portland, BRIDGEO of Augusta, CAMPBELL of Orrington, CARLOW of Buxton, CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, COLLAMORE of Waldoboro, COLLINGS of Portland, COPELAND of Saco, COSTAIN of Plymouth, CRAFTS of Newcastle, CRAVEN of Lewiston, CRAY of Palmyra, CROCKETT of Portland, CYRWAY of Albion, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, DAVIS of East Machias, DHALAC of South Portland, DILL of Old Town, DODGE of Belfast, DOUDERA of Camden, DRINKWATER of Milford, DUCHARME of Madison, DUNPHY of Embden, EATON of Deer Isle, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, FAY of Raymond, FOSTER of Dexter, FREDERICKS of Sanford, GALLETTA of Durham, GATTINE of Westbrook, GEIGER of Rockland, GERE of Kennebunkport, GIFFORD of Lincoln, GOLEK of Harpswell, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, GREENWOOD of Wales, GRIFFIN of Levant, GUERRETTE of Caribou, HAGGAN of Hampden, HALL of Wilton, HASENFUS of Readfield, HENDERSON of Rumford, HEPLER of Woolwich, HOBBS of Wells, HYMES of Waldo, JACKSON of Oxford, JAUCH of Topsham, JAVNER of Chester, KESSLER of South Portland, KUHN of Falmouth, LAJOIE of Lewiston, LANDRY of Farmington, LANIGAN of Sanford, LaROCHELLE of Augusta, LAVIGNE of Berwick, LEE of Auburn, LEMELIN of Chelsea, LIBBY of Auburn, LOOKNER of Portland, LYMAN of Livermore Falls, MADIGAN of Waterville, MALON of Biddeford,



MASON of Lisbon, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, MATHIESON of Kittery, MATLACK of St. George, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Waterford, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, MONTELL of Gardiner, MORIARTY of Cumberland, MORRIS of Turner, MURPHY of Scarborough, NESS of Fryeburg, NEWMAN of Belgrade, NUTTING of Oakland, O'CONNELL of Brewer, O'NEIL of Saco, OSHER of Orono, PARRY of Arundel, PAUL of Winterport, PAULHUS of Bath, PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft, PERRY of Calais, PERRY of Bangor, PLUECKER of Warren, POIRIER of Skowhegan, POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset, POMERLEAU of Standish, PRINGLE of Windham, QUINT of Hodgdon, RANA of Bangor, RECKITT of South Portland, RIELLY of Westbrook, RISEMAN of Harrison, ROBERTS of South Berwick, ROEDER of Bangor, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, RUNTE of York, RUSSELL of Verona Island, SACHS of Freeport, SALISBURY of Westbrook, SAMPSON of Alfred, SARGENT of York, SAYRE of Kennebunk, SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, SHAW of Auburn, SHEEHAN of Biddeford, SKOLD of Portland, SMITH of Palermo, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, STOVER of Boothbay, STROUT of Harrington, SUPICA of Bangor, SWALLOW of Houlton, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, TERRY of Gorham, THERIAULT of Fort Kent, THORNE of Carmel, UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle, WALKER of Naples, WARREN of Scarborough, WHITE of Waterville, WHITE of Guilford, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, WOOD of Greene, WOODSOME of Waterboro, WORTH of Ellsworth, ZAGER of Portland, ZEIGLER of Montville.

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## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### House

#### Ought to Pass

(5-1) The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Designate Maine Irish Heritage Day"

H.P. 405 L.D. 628

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

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

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**Divided Report**

(5-2) The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Prevent Political Patronage with Regard to State Legislators"

H.P. 326 L.D. 521

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

Signed:

Senators:

NANGLE of Cumberland  
BALDACCI of Penobscot

Representatives:

STOVER of Boothbay  
ABDI of Lewiston  
COPELAND of Saco  
DHALAC of South Portland  
PAULHUS of Bath  
RISEMAN of Harrison

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-32)**.

Signed:

Senator:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Representatives:

ADAMS of Lebanon  
GREENWOOD of Wales  
POMERLEAU of Standish  
UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

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

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**Senate**

**Ought to Pass**

(5-3) Senator CHIPMAN for the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Increase the Statutory Fee for Defensive Driving Courses"

S.P. 22 L.D. 30

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

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**Ought to Pass As Amended**

(5-4) Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Drought Relief and Other Programs Benefiting Maine Farmers"

S.P. 136 L.D. 315

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-27)**.

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(5-5) Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Support the Maintenance of Historic Fort George in Castine"

S.P. 350 L.D. 791

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-26)**.

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(5-6) Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Authority of Municipalities to Regulate Timber Harvesting"

S.P. 417 L.D. 1048

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-25)**.

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**Divided Report**

(5-7) The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Use of Electronic Benefits Transfer System Cards for Cash Withdrawals"  
S.P. 56 L.D. 117

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

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot  
INGWERSEN of York

Representatives:

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

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-24)**.

Signed:

Senator:

MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

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

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**Divided Report**

(5-8) The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Reduce Out-of-pocket Prescription Drug Expenses for Coinsurance"

S.P. 317 L.D. 759

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

Signed:

Senators:

BAILEY of York  
BRAKEY of Androscoggin  
RENY of Lincoln

Representatives:

PERRY of Calais  
ARFORD of Brunswick  
CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham  
CYRWAY of Albion  
MASTRACCIO of Sanford  
MATHIESON of Kittery  
MORRIS of Turner  
NUTTING of Oakland  
SWALLOW of Houlton

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-23)**.

Signed:

Representative:

PRINGLE of Windham

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**Divided Report**

(5-9) The Majority of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Decrease the Minimum Age to Operate a School Bus"

S.P. 389 L.D. 918

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

Signed:

Senators:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland

FARRIN of Somerset

Representatives:

WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor

ALBERT of Madawaska

ANKELES of Brunswick

CRAFTS of Newcastle

MASON of Lisbon

O'CONNELL of Brewer

PARRY of Arundel

THERIAULT of Fort Kent

WHITE of Waterville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Representative:

WHITE of Guilford

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**SECOND READERS**

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

**House As Amended**

(6-1) Bill "An Act to Establish Processing Time Limits for Permit by Rule Applications Under the Site Location of Development Laws"

H.P. 13 L.D. 9  
(C "A" H-30)

(6-2) Bill "An Act to Simplify the Sale of Food Requirement for Certain Licenses for the Sale of Liquor to Be Consumed on the Licensed Premises" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 87 L.D. 141  
(C "A" H-29)

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**Senate**

(6-3) Bill "An Act to Protect the Public Health by Allowing the Appointment of Associate Health Officers"

S.P. 227 L.D. 510

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**Senate As Amended**

(6-4) Bill "An Act to Update Reimbursement Rates for Transportation of Deceased Persons by Funeral Homes"

S.P. 222 L.D. 505  
(C "A" S-22)

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**ENACTORS**

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

**Emergency Resolve**

(7-1) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 5, Section 63: Home Based Supports and Services for Older and Disabled Adults and Chapter 11: Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Services, Major Substantive Rules of the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Aging and Disability Services

H.P. 328 L.D. 523

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**Acts**

(7-2) An Act to Establish Adult Protective Services Training Requirements for Professionals Mandated to Report Suspected Abuse, Neglect or Exploitation to Enhance Protection of Incapacitated and Dependent Adults

S.P. 27 L.D. 35

(7-3) An Act to Clarify Maine Law Regarding Background Checks for the Office of Child and Family Services

H.P. 139 L.D. 218

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**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**

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

SLS 157

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

Pending - **PASSAGE**

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**2.**

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

JOINT RESOLUTION - memorializing Dan Davis, of Hallowell.

HLS 181

Tabled - March 23, 2023 by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec

Pending - **ADOPTION** in concurrence

(In House, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.)

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3.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Spruce Mountain High School Girls Basketball Team, of Jay

SLS 346

Tabled - April 6, 2023 by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford

Pending - **PASSAGE**

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4.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act to Require All Emergency Medical Services Persons to Be Trained in the Dispensing of Naloxone Hydrochloride"

S.P. 400 L.D. 981

**Majority - Ought Not to Pass** (9 members)

**Minority - Ought to Pass** (3 members)

Tabled - April 12, 2023 by Senator **BEEBE-CENTER** of Knox

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

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5.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

SENATE COMMUNICATION - SECRETARY OF STATE - the transmittal letter for the four proclamations referring the initiative petitions certified by the Secretary of State to the electors at the statewide election to be held on November 7, 2023

S.C. 317

Tabled - April 13, 2023 by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford

Pending - **PLACEMENT ON FILE**

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6.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

SENATE COMMUNICATION - OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - proclaim that an election shall be called for Tuesday, November 7, 2023, so that "An Act To Require Voter Approval of Certain Borrowing by Government-controlled Entities and Utilities and To Provide Voters More Information Regarding that Borrowing" may be submitted to the people of this State for a referendum vote.

S.C. 318

Tabled - April 13, 2023 by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford

Pending - **PLACEMENT ON FILE**

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7.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

SENATE COMMUNICATION - OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - proclaim that an election shall be called for Tuesday, November 7, 2023, so that "An Act Regarding Automotive Right to Repair" may be submitted to the people of this State for a referendum vote.

S.C. 319

Tabled - April 13, 2023 by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford

Pending - **PLACEMENT ON FILE**

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8.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

SENATE COMMUNICATION - OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - proclaim that an election shall be called for Tuesday, November 7, 2023, so that "An Act To Prohibit Campaign Spending by Foreign Governments and Promote an Anticorruption Amendment to the United States Constitution" may be submitted to the people of this State for a referendum vote.

S.C. 320

Tabled - April 13, 2023 by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford

Pending - **PLACEMENT ON FILE**

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9.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

SENATE COMMUNICATION - OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - proclaim that an election shall be called for Tuesday, November 7, 2023, so that "An Act To Create the Pine Tree Power Company, a Nonprofit, Customer-owned Utility" may be submitted to the people of this State for a referendum vote.

S.C. 321

Tabled - April 13, 2023 by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford

Pending - **PLACEMENT ON FILE**

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