



# Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-First Legislature  
First Special Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

**9th Legislative Day**

In Senate Chamber, Thursday, April 27, 2023.

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

Prayer by Pastor Justin Frank of Penney Memorial United Baptist Church in Augusta.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Margaret Rotundo of Androscoggin County.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, April 25, 2023.

Doctor of the day, Meredith T. Peck, DO.

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

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

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

S.P. 737

**ORDERED**, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, May 2, 2023, at 10:00 in the morning, or until the call of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, respectively.

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**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

(1-1) Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to Convene a Stakeholder Group Tasked with a Comprehensive Overhaul and Modernization of the State Subdivision Statutes

H.P. 1150 L.D. 1787

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

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING**.

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(1-2) Bill "An Act to Allow Citizen Oversight of Department of Environmental Protection and Department of Marine Resources Actions and Rulemaking"

H.P. 1139 L.D. 1776

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

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

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**Joint Orders**

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-3) Brad Richard, of Princeton, a Game Warden with the Maine Warden Service, who found Kimberly Pushard and Angela Bussell, the subjects of an extensive statewide search, in a remote part of Hancock County over five days after they became lost while driving. He found them alive and in their vehicle near Nicatous Lake in East Hancock. We extend our appreciation and best wishes;

HLS 260

(1-4) Chase Hobbs, of Perham, who has been named the 2022-2023 Career and Technical Education Student of the Year by Maine Administrators of Career and Technical Education. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 262

(1-5) Isaac Audette, of China, a member of Troop No. 479, 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 266

(1-6) Nicholas Choate, of China, a member of Troop No. 479, 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 267

(1-7) Vernon "Barney" Robichaud, of Mattawamkeag, who celebrated his 100th birthday on March 5, 2023. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 268

(1-8) the York High School Girls Indoor Track Team, which won the Class B State Championship, the team's first state title in 13 years. Members of the team include Ella Boissonneault, Zoe Carroll, Cary Drake, Audrey Drennan, Eliza Dunn, Karianna Hultstrom, Madelyn Hutchins, Samantha Jones, Molly Kenealy, Veda Kiper-Phelps, Lucy Kocev and Greta Yauch; assistant coaches Matt Weber, Missy Freeman, Zach Westman, Stan Cowan, Paul Slovenski, John Hoogasian and Andrew Jamieson; and coach Ted Hutch. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 269

(1-9) Lynne Dailey, of Vassalboro, who has received the Exceptional Volunteer of the Year Award from the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 270

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

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**Joint Resolutions**

(1-10) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1128

**JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE OF JUDITH HEUMANN**

WHEREAS, Judith "Judy" Heumann, widely regarded as the mother of the disability rights movement, died in Washington, D.C. on March 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Heumann contracted polio in 1949, when she was 18 months old, and lived her life in a wheelchair; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Heumann's parents refused to institutionalize her, instead fighting discriminatory policies and securing her a place in public school classrooms; and

WHEREAS, as a young woman, Ms. Heumann continued that fight, earning a bachelor of arts degree from Long Island University, and after winning a discrimination suit against the New York Board of Education, becoming the first teacher in the state to use a wheelchair; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Heumann put herself at the forefront of major disability rights demonstrations, advocating for the rights of persons with disabilities, and became an organizer, cofounding the protest group Disabled in Action; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Heumann worked to create support for the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and later was a leader in the effort to force the Carter administration to implement Section 504 of that Act, which specifies that no government agency or private business that accepts federal funds may discriminate against someone on the basis of disability; and

WHEREAS, Section 504 became the model for the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and Ms. Heumann was a leader in the effort to pass that legislation; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Heumann founded national and international disability advocacy organizations and served her country as an Assistant Secretary of Education in the Clinton administration, overseeing the nation's federal education programs for students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, during the Obama administration, Ms. Heumann worked in the State Department, advocating for civil rights across the world, and 181 countries passed disability civil rights modeled after the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 between 2000 and 2015; and

WHEREAS, she coauthored her memoir, "Being Heumann: An Unrepentant Memoir of a Disability Rights Activist," and its young adult version, "Rolling Warrior: The Incredible, Sometimes Awkward, True Story of a Rebel Girl on Wheels Who Helped Spark a Revolution," and was featured in the Oscar-nominated documentary film "Crip Camp: A Disability Revolution"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, take this occasion to recognize the life of Judith Heumann, whose life's work helped to improve the lives of millions of Americans and who led a reimagining of what it means to be disabled in this country and across the world.

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

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Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(1-11) Richard E. Dyke, of Naples, founder and chief executive officer of Windham Weaponry. During his lifetime, Mr. Dyke owned nearly 70 companies. He bought Bushmaster Firearms out of bankruptcy in the 1970s and developed it into a major company in the firearms industry. He sold the company in 2006, but the new owners closed the Windham plant in 2011 and laid off all the employees. Mr. Dyke started a new company, Windham Weaponry, to put those employees back to work, receiving overwhelming support from the employees, his vendors and his customers. Mr. Dyke will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

HLS 261

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

(1-12) Janet Iveson, of Buckfield. After working as a homemaker and raising her family, Mrs. Iveson went to work for Weichert Realtors. Her career there led her to serve as President of The Weichert Referral Associates Company. She served for 22 years with the Weichert organization before retiring in 2012. Mrs. Iveson will be long remembered and sadly missed by her husband of 55 years, Michael, her family and friends and all those whose lives she touched;

HLS 263

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

(1-13) Andre L. Dumas, of Caribou. Mr. Dumas was a veteran of the United States Air Force, serving at Loring Air Force Base and retiring after 21 years of service. He went on to work in the civil service for several years. He was an honorary member of the North Lakes Fire and Rescue; a member of the Caribou Lions Club and American Legion Post 15; a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Home; and a 49-year member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9389. He served as Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Maine District 1 Quartermaster and Adjutant and recently retired after 18 years of service. Mr. Dumas will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 51 years, Shirley, his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

HLS 265

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

(1-14) the Honorable Peter Anthony Cloutier, of South Portland. Mr. Cloutier worked for six years in the United States Merchant Marine. He later worked as a phone technician for New England Telephone and Telegraph Company before retiring to the family farm in 2008. In retirement on the farm, he hosted many events, including political fundraisers, reunions, weddings and impromptu gatherings. He represented South Portland in the Maine House of Representatives in the 109th, 116th and 117th Legislatures, where he advocated for education and the blue collar worker. An alumnus of Maine Maritime Academy, he served as a member of the academy's board of trustees. Mr. Cloutier will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 55 years, Christine, his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

HLS 271

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

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COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 375

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

April 24, 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 Valerie R. Landry of Ocean Park, for appointment to the University of Maine 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:

Table with 4 columns: Category, Senators, Representatives, and Names. Rows include YEAS (Senators: 2, Representatives: 8), NAYS (0), and ABSENT (3).

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 Valerie R. Landry of Ocean Park, for appointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan
House Chair

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 376

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

April 24, 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 Owen McCarthy of Gorham, for appointment to the University of Maine 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	2	Rafferty, J. of York, Libby, J. of Cumberland
	Representatives	9	Brennan, M. of Portland, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth, Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Polewarczyk, E. of Wiscasset, Sampson, H. of Alfred, Sargent, H. of York, Worth, J. of Ellsworth
NAYS	Senators	0	
	Representatives	1	Bagshaw, B. of Windham
ABSENT		1	Sen. Pierce, T. of Cumberland

Eleven members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and one in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Owen McCarthy of Gorham, for appointment to the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty  
Senate Chair

S/Michael F. Brennan  
House Chair





(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 377

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

April 24, 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 John W. Moore, Jr. of Farmington, for appointment to the University of Maine 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	2	Rafferty, J. of York, Libby, J. of Cumberland
	Representatives	9	Brennan, M. of Portland, Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Millett, R. of Cape Elizabeth, 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. Dodge, J. of Belfast

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 John W. Moore, Jr. of Farmington, for appointment to the University of Maine System, 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. 378

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

April 24, 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 Sari S. Greene of South Portland, for reappointment to the Gambling Control Board.

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	3	Hickman, C. of Kennebec, Brenner, S. of Cumberland, Timberlake, J. of Androscoggin
	Representatives	7	Supica, L. of Bangor, Boyer, D. of Poland, Collings, B. of Portland, Hymes, B. of Waldo, Malon, M. of Biddeford, Montell, K. of Gardiner, Rudnicki, S. of Fairfield
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		3	Rep. Andrews, J. of Paris, Rep. Rielly, M. of Westbrook, Rep. Riseman, W. of Harrison

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 Sari S. Greene of South Portland, for reappointment to the Gambling Control Board be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Craig V. Hickman  
Senate Chair

S/Laura Supica  
House Chair



(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 384

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

April 25, 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. Skold of Portland, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 448      An Act to Improve Access to Behavioral Health Services for Maine Families and Children on MaineCare and to Increase the Number of Behavioral Health Professionals in the State

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michele Meyer  
House Chair

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(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 385

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

April 24, 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. Russell of Verona Island, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1430      Resolve, to Amend the Funding Formula for Reimbursing Nursing  
Facilities Under the MaineCare Program (EMERGENCY)

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michele Meyer  
House Chair

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(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 381

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

April 24, 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. Crockett of Portland, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1548     An Act to Support Maine Craft Brewers by Amending the Law  
                  Regarding Breweries with Multiple Locations

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Laura Supica  
House Chair

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(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 379

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

April 21, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

- L.D. 895      An Act to Establish Culturally Informed Reentry or Reintegration Halfway Houses
- L.D. 1039     An Act to Provide Restitution for Victims of Shoplifting for Time Spent Dealing with the Offense
- L.D. 1189     An Act to Amend the Burden of Proof for Defendants Who Cannot Pay Criminal Restitution

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Beebe-Center  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Suzanne M. Salisbury  
House Chair

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(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 373

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

April 24, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

- L.D. 293      An Act to Revise the School Funding Formula
- L.D. 385      Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Examine Alternative Metrics for Determining the Disadvantaged Student Factor in the School Funding Formula
- L.D. 889      An Act to Better Support the Educational Attainment of Low and Moderate-income Communities by Providing Additional Funding to Certain School Administrative Units
- L.D. 951      An Act to Amend the State Education Funding Formula to Create Equity Between Municipalities by Adding Median Income to the Formula
- L.D. 1158     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
- L.D. 1369     An Act to Amend the Essential Programs and Services Funding Formula to Include All Costs for the Transportation of Students

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michael F. Brennan  
House Chair

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(2-10) The Following Communication:

S.C. 387

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

April 21, 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. 781      An Act to Protect Nursing Home Residents by Requiring Nursing Homes to Provide Silent Bed Alarms for Residents with Dementia
  
- L.D. 1091     Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Review Its Rules Regarding Campgrounds in Order to Ensure Campground Health and Safety
  
- L.D. 1099     An Act to Protect Vulnerable Populations in Residential Facilities from Extended Power Outages

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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(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 383

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

April 24, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

L.D. 462      An Act to Assist Persons Experiencing Homelessness in Areas of High  
Rent by Seeking a Waiver from the Federal Government

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Teresa S. Pierce  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Traci Gere  
House Chair

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(2-12) The Following Communication:

S.C. 380

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

April 24, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

- L.D. 1261     An Act to Establish Mandatory Minimum Sentences for Gross Sexual Assaults and Sex Trafficking of Children
  
- L.D. 1279     An Act to Strengthen Maine's Child Protection Laws by Limiting Contact with Violent Offenders

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Matt Moonen  
House Chair

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(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 386

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

April 19, 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 Taxation has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1202      An Act to Increase the Homestead Exemption to \$50,000

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Nicole Grohoski  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Joe Perry  
House Chair

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(2-14) The Following Communication:

S.C. 374

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

April 24, 2023

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

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

L.D. 1071      An Act to Allow Political Candidates to Be Nominated by Multiple Parties  
for the Same Office

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Laura Supica  
House Chair

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(2-15) The Following Communication:

S.C. 382

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

April 25, 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 Veterans and Legal Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 410      An Act Regarding the Nuisance of Cannabis Plants and Smoke in Residential Areas

L.D. 766      An Act Regarding the Residence of Incarcerated Persons for Voting Purposes

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Laura Supica  
House Chair

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(2-16) The Following Communication:

H.P. 1151

**STATE OF MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0148**

March 21, 2023

Honorable Robert B. Hunt  
Clerk of the House  
2 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Enclosed please find my official certification to the 131st Legislature of the citizen initiative petition entitled "An Act To Require Voter Approval of Certain Borrowing by Government-controlled Entities and Utilities and To Provide Voters More Information Regarding that Borrowing".

Sincerely,

S/Shenna Bellows  
Secretary of State

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**STATE OF MAINE  
SECRETARY OF STATE**

I, Shenna Bellows, Secretary of State, hereby certify that written petitions bearing valid signatures of 68,807 electors of this State were addressed to the Legislature of the State of Maine and were filed in the office of the Secretary of State on December 27, 2022, requesting that the Legislature consider an act entitled, "An Act To Require Voter Approval of Certain Borrowing by Government-controlled Entities and Utilities and To Provide Voters More Information Regarding that Borrowing".

I further certify that the number of signatures submitted is in excess of ten percent of the total votes cast in the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of such petitions, as required by Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 of the Constitution of Maine, that number being 67,682.

I further certify this initiative petition to be valid and attach herewith the text of the legislation circulated on the petition's behalf.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State of Maine to be hereunto affixed. Given under my hand at Augusta on the Twenty-first day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-three.

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The accompanying bill:

(2-17) Bill "An Act to Require Voter Approval of Certain Borrowing by Government-controlled Entities and Utilities and to Provide Voters More Information Regarding That Borrowing"  
I.B. 4 L.D. 1772

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

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**SENATE PAPERS**

(3-1) Bill "An Act to Support Outdoor Education by Establishing the Outdoor School for All Maine Students Program"

S.P. 732 L.D. 1817

Presented by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative CARLOW of Buxton and Senators: BAILEY of York, BALDACCI of Penobscot, BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, BENNETT of Oxford, BLACK of Franklin, BRAKEY of Androscoggin, 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, STEWART of Aroostook, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, TIPPING of Penobscot, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, ANKELES of Brunswick, ARFORD of Brunswick, BELL of Yarmouth, BLIER of Buxton, BOYER of Poland, BOYLE of Gorham, BRENNAN of Portland, BRIDGEO of Augusta, CAMPBELL of Orrington, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, COLLINGS of Portland, COPELAND of Saco, CRAFTS of Newcastle, CRAVEN of Lewiston, CROCKETT of Portland, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, DAVIS of East Machias, DHALAC of South Portland, DODGE of Belfast, DOUDERA of Camden, DUCHARME of Madison, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, FAY of Raymond, GATTINE of Westbrook, GEIGER of Rockland, GERE of Kennebunkport, GOLEK of Harpswell, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, HASENFUS of Readfield, HEPLER of Woolwich, HOBBS of Wells, HYMES of Waldo, JAUCH of Topsham, LANDRY of Farmington, LOOKNER of Portland, MADIGAN of Waterville, MALON of Biddeford, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, MATHIESON of Kittery, MATLACK of St. George, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, MONTELL of Gardiner, MOONEN of Portland, MORRIS of Turner, MURPHY of Scarborough, OSHER of Orono, PERRY of Calais, PLUECKER of Warren, POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset, PRINGLE of Windham, RANA of Bangor, RIELLY of Westbrook, ROEDER of Bangor, SALISBURY of Westbrook, SAMPSON of Alfred, SARGENT of York, SAYRE of Kennebunk, SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, SKOLD of Portland, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, STOVER of Boothbay, SUPICA of Bangor, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, TERRY of Gorham, THERIAULT of Fort Kent, THORNE of Carmel, WARREN of Scarborough, WHITE of Waterville, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, WOODSOME of Waterboro, WORTH of Ellsworth, ZAGER of Portland, ZEIGLER of Montville.

(3-2) Bill "An Act to Respect and Protect the Right to Food"

S.P. 739 L.D. 1823

Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor and Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, BRAKEY of Androscoggin, President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: BOYER of Poland, O'NEIL of Saco, PLUECKER of Warren, POIRIER of Skowhegan, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

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

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(3-3) Bill "An Act to Expand Access to Good Jobs with Better Career and Technical Education"  
S.P. 735 L.D. 1820

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland and Senators: DAUGHTRY of  
Cumberland, RAFFERTY of York.

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

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(3-4) Bill "An Act Regarding Enhanced 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Points"  
(EMERGENCY)

S.P. 744 L.D. 1828

Presented by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec.  
Cosponsored by Representative HASENFUS of Readfield and Senator: HICKMAN of  
Kennebec.  
Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

(3-5) Bill "An Act to Advance Maine's Clean Energy Goals"

S.P. 746 L.D. 1830

Presented by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc.  
Cosponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland and Senators: President JACKSON of  
Aroostook, RENY of Lincoln.

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

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(3-6) Bill "An Act to Prevent Closures and Ensure Sustainability of Nursing Facilities, Private  
Nonmedical Institutions and Residential Care Facilities by Removing So-called Budget  
Neutrality"

S.P. 743 L.D. 1827

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Representative BABIN of Fort Fairfield and Senator: BALDACCI of  
Penobscot, Representatives: GUERRETTE of Caribou, THERIAULT of Fort Kent.

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

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(3-7) Bill "An Act to Reduce Prescription Drug Costs by Requiring Reference-based Pricing"  
S.P. 745 L.D. 1829

Presented by Senator RENY of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representative PERRY of Calais and Senators: BAILEY of York, CURRY of Waldo, RAFFERTY of York, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, MATHIESON of Kittery, MEYER of Eliot, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

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

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(3-8) Bill "An Act to Designate Deer Wintering Areas Under the Jurisdiction of the Bureau of Parks and Lands"

S.P. 742 L.D. 1826

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative LANDRY of Farmington and Senators: BLACK of Franklin, CURRY of Waldo, LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec, Representatives: DILL of Old Town, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor.

Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested and ordered printed.

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(3-9) Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study the Constitution of Maine

S.P. 740 L.D. 1824

Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

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

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(3-10) Bill "An Act to Validate Certain Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Notes by the City of Bath" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 736 L.D. 1821

Presented by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Cosponsored by Representative PAULHUS of Bath and Senator: NANGLE of Cumberland, Representative: HEPLER of Woolwich.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

(3-11) Bill "An Act to Clarify Licensing Jurisdiction for Manufactured Housing Communities"

S.P. 741 L.D. 1825

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative BOYLE of Gorham and Senators: BAILEY of York, BENNETT of Oxford, Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, COLLINGS of Portland, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, PERRY of Bangor.

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

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(3-12) Bill "An Act Regarding Port Facilities Relating to Offshore Wind Power Projects"

S.P. 733 L.D. 1818

Presented by Senator CURRY of Waldo.

Cosponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach and Senators: BRENNER of Cumberland, President JACKSON of Aroostook, LAWRENCE of York, Representatives: BELL of Yarmouth, DOUDERA of Camden, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, O'NEIL of Saco, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

(3-13) Bill "An Act to Amend the Specialty License Plate Laws and Extend the Moratorium on Approval of Specialty License Plates and Remove the Authority of Municipalities to Issue Driver's Licenses" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 738 L.D. 1822

Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor.

Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

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

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(3-14) Bill "An Act to Create the Maine Medical Cannabis Advisory Commission and the Medical Cannabis Alternative Health Board"

S.P. 734 L.D. 1819

Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland and Senators: BRAKEY of Androscoggin, BRENNER of Cumberland, President JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: BOYER of Poland, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, RIELLY of Westbrook, SUPICA of Bangor.

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

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## ORDERS

### Joint Orders

(4-1) On motion by President **JACKSON** of Aroostook, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 747

**ORDERED**, the House concurring, that a joint standing committee or joint select committee of the 131st Legislature that receives a report pursuant to a law or order may submit a bill based on that report to the First Special Session of the 131st Legislature.

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Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-2) the Falmouth/Waynflete Women's Slalom Team, of Falmouth, which won the Slalom Event at the Class A State Championships. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 433

Sponsored by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CROCKETT of Portland, KUHN of Falmouth.

(4-3) Mitch Ham, of Falmouth, who won the 2023 Travis Roy Award as the State's premier senior Class A hockey player. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 434

Sponsored by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CROCKETT of Portland, KUHN of Falmouth.

(4-4) Pat Dorian, of Sidney, who was named the 2022 Legendary Game Warden of the Year for his outstanding 34-year career as a game warden. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 435

Sponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, NUTTING of Oakland.

(4-5) Jared Herrick, of Harmony, a game warden with the Maine Warden Service, who received a 2022 Exemplary Service Award for his work in apprehending three night hunters within minutes of shots being heard in a remote part of the north Maine woods. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 436

Sponsored by Senator BLACK of Franklin.

Cosponsored by Representative: DUNPHY of Embden.

(4-6) Michael Latti, of Limerick, a Game Warden of the Maine Warden Service, and K9 Luna, who received the 2022 K9 Search and Rescue of the Year Award from the Maine Warden Service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 437

Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative: WOODSOME of Waterboro.

(4-7) Scott Susi, of Caribou, for his 20 years of service with Caribou Fire and Ambulance, including 11 years as Chief. Chief Susi first became a volunteer firefighter for the department in 2003, then became a full time employee in 2005. He has served as Chief since 2012 and has been named Maine Firefighter of the Year and Maine Fire Chief of the Year during his tenure. We extend our appreciation and best wishes;

SLS 438

Sponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative: GUERRETTE of Caribou.

(4-8) Ross DuBois, of Madawaska, on his retirement as Chief of the Madawaska Police Department. Chief DuBois started his career in Madawaska as a Patrolman in 1989. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2011 and Lieutenant in 2015 and has served as Chief since November 2016, for a total of 34 years of public service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 439

Sponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative: ALBERT of Madawaska.

(4-9) Peter Sirois, of Eagle Lake, on his receiving an Honorary Degree from the University of Maine at Fort Kent. Mr. Sirois served as the President and Chief Executive Officer at Northern Maine Medical Center for 10 years. During his 33 years of service at the center, he was the Chief Operating Officer and Controller. He also has worked as the administrator of the Maine Veterans Home in Scarborough and the administrator of Borderview Manor in Van Buren. He has served on several boards, including those of the Aroostook Mental Health Center, America's First Mile, Acadia Federal Credit Union, Aroostook Home Health Services, Valley Home Health Services and Allagash Wilderness Waterway Foundation and has been a member of the Fort Kent Lions Club. He is a trained paramedic, registered Maine Guide and Maine Notary Public, and he has been a licensed Maine Nursing Home Administrator since 1990. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 440

Sponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Representative: THERIAULT of Fort Kent.

(4-10) Dan Berube, of Van Buren, 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;

SLS 441

Sponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Representative: ALBERT of Madawaska.

(4-11) Lendell Tarr, of Ashland, 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;

SLS 442

Sponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Representative: THERIAULT of Fort Kent.

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**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**House**

**Change of Committee**

(5-1) The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Increase Access to Necessary Medical Care for Certain Minors"

H.P. 340 L.D. 535

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

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**Pursuant to Public Law**

(5-2) The Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife's Report on Boater Safety Education"

H.P. 1152 L.D. 1807

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**, pursuant to Public Law 2021, chapter 656, section 8.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**.

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**Ought to Pass**

(5-3) The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Provide for an Electronic Permit for the Disposition of Human Remains"

H.P. 282 L.D. 465

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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**Ought to Pass As Amended**

(5-4) The Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act Addressing Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry in Maine"

H.P. 235 L.D. 384

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-53)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-53)**.

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(5-5) The Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Ensure Transparency in the Labeling of Meat as Grass-fed"

H.P. 523 L.D. 834

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-48)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-48)**.

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(5-6) The Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act Concerning the Membership of the State Emergency Response Commission and Fees for Registering Facilities Required to Report to That Commission"

H.P. 63 L.D. 95

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-54)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-54)**.

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(5-7) The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Membership Requirements of the State Claims Commission"

H.P. 21 L.D. 17

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-55)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-55)**.

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(5-8) The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 165 L.D. 260

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-59)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-59)**.

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(5-9) The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act Regarding a Seat Belt Exemption for Persons with a Medical Condition"

H.P. 370 L.D. 575

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-56)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-56)**.

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**Divided Report**

(5-10) The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Fund Climate-related Service Work"

H.P. 88 L.D. 142

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-51)**.

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York  
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

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

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

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

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

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-51)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-51)**.

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**Divided Report**

(5-11) The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Clarify Court Jurisdiction of Actions Involving Children Brought Under the Maine Uniform Probate Code"  
H.P. 82 L.D. 136

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-60)**.

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland  
BAILEY of York

Representatives:

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

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

Signed:

Senator:

LYFORD of Penobscot

Representatives:

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

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

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-60)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-60)**.

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**Divided Report**

(5-12) The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Requirement That Municipalities Provide Public Notice in Newspapers"

H.P. 255 L.D. 422

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-50)**.

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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**Divided Report**

(5-13) The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Promote Free Trade by Preventing Municipalities from Prohibiting the Sale of Legal Goods"

H.P. 397 L.D. 620

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  
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-49)**.

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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**Divided Report**

(5-14) The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Prevent Electioneering on General Election Ballots by Candidates Nominated by Petition" H.P. 425 L.D. 656

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

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec  
BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

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

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-58)**.

Signed:

Senator:

TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin

Representatives:

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

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

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**Divided Report**

(5-15) Eight members of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Protect Financial Privacy"

H.P. 445 L.D. 676

Reported in Report "A" that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland

BAILEY of York

Representatives:

MOONEN of Portland

KUHN of Falmouth

MORIARTY of Cumberland

POIRIER of Skowhegan

RECKITT of South Portland

SHEEHAN of Biddeford

Four members of the same Committee on the same subject reported in Report "B" that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-61)**.

Signed:

Senator:

LYFORD of Penobscot

Representatives:

ANDREWS of Paris

HAGGAN of Hampden

HENDERSON of Rumford

One member of the same Committee on the same subject reported in Report "C" that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-62)**.

Signed:

Representative:

LEE of Auburn

(Representative DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe - of the House - supports the Report "C" **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-62)** Report.)

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

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**Senate**

**Ought to Pass**

(5-16) Senator BRENNER for the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Exempt Certain Conservation Lots from Municipal Subdivision Review"

S.P. 264 L.D. 596

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

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**Ought to Pass As Amended**

(5-17) Senator LAWRENCE for the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act to Update and Clarify the Public Utilities Commission's Reporting Requirements"

S.P. 100 L.D. 194

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-50)**.

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(5-18) Senator HICKMAN for the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Refocus the Purpose and Duties of the Cannabis Advisory Commission"

S.P. 162 L.D. 355

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-47)**.

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**Divided Report**

(5-19) The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Expand Health Insurance Coverage to Certain State Employees"

S.P. 60 L.D. 121

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-49)**.

Signed:

Senators:

BAILEY of York  
BRAKEY of Androscoggin  
RENY of Lincoln

Representatives:

PERRY of Calais  
ARFORD of Brunswick  
CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham  
MASTRACCIO of Sanford  
MATHIESON of Kittery  
PRINGLE of Windham

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

Signed:

Representatives:

CYRWAY of Albion  
MORRIS of Turner  
NUTTING of Oakland  
SWALLOW of Houlton

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**SECOND READERS**

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

**House**

(6-1) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 171: Control of Petroleum Storage Facilities, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 46 L.D. 71

(6-2) Bill "An Act to Expand Availability of Naloxone Hydrochloride"

H.P. 377 L.D. 600

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**House As Amended**

(6-3) Bill "An Act to Define 'Mail' in the Employment Security Law to Include Electronic Notification"

H.P. 17 L.D. 13  
(C "A" H-45)

(6-4) Bill "An Act to Fund the Lake Restoration and Protection Fund"

H.P. 105 L.D. 164  
(C "A" H-41)

(6-5) Resolve, to Require the Maine Board of Pharmacy to Review Work Practices and Treatment of Pharmacists

H.P. 173 L.D. 275  
(C "A" H-38)

(6-6) Bill "An Act to Assist Municipalities in Preventing Damage from Storm Water"

H.P. 174 L.D. 276  
(C "A" H-43)

(6-7) Bill "An Act to Require Mortgage Holders to Notify a Homeowner's Insurance Company on the Sale or Transfer of a Mortgage"

H.P. 358 L.D. 553  
(C "A" H-37)

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**Senate**

(6-8) 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

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**Senate As Amended**

(6-9) Bill "An Act to Prohibit Open Burning Under a Red Flag Warning and Regulate Recreational Campfires"

S.P. 16 L.D. 24  
(C "A" S-39)

(6-10) Bill "An Act to Make Corrections to the Maine Insurance Code"

S.P. 28 L.D. 36  
(C "A" S-38)

(6-11) Resolve, Directing Maine Emergency Medical Services to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Explore Emergency Medical Services Career Pathways and Educational Opportunities in the State

S.P. 110 L.D. 244  
(C "A" S-35)

(6-12) Bill "An Act to Amend Certain Laws Governing Pari-Mutuel Pools on Harness Racing" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 132 L.D. 311  
(C "A" S-42)

(6-13) Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection to Examine Setback Requirements for Outdoor Wood Boilers

S.P. 181 L.D. 400  
(C "A" S-46)

(6-14) Bill "An Act to Update the Procedures for Issuance of Orders Related to Involuntary Hospitalizations"

S.P. 213 L.D. 459  
(C "A" S-44)

(6-15) Bill "An Act to Clarify the Powers of a Conservator to Transfer Property"

S.P. 309 L.D. 751  
(C "A" S-45)

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**ENACTORS**

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

**Acts**

(7-1) An Act to Update Reimbursement Rates for Transportation of Deceased Persons by Funeral Homes

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

(7-2) An Act to Protect the Public Health by Allowing the Appointment of Associate Health Officers

S.P. 227 L.D. 510

(7-3) An Act to Designate Maine Irish Heritage Day

H.P. 405 L.D. 628

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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 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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**2.**

**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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3.

**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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4.

**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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5.

**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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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 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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7.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

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

H.P. 1058

Tabled - April 18, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **FURTHER CONSIDERATION**

(In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.)

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8.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

JOINT RESOLUTION - MAKING SEPARATE APPLICATIONS TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES CALLING CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS TO CONSIDER REPRESENTATIONAL INTEGRITY AND PROPOSE AMENDMENTS ESTABLISHING TERM LIMITS FOR CONGRESS AND ADDRESSING CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM  
S.P. 705

Tabled - April 20, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - motion by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford to **REFER** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

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9.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Require the Recording of Grand Jury Proceedings"

S.P. 207 L.D. 453

**Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-29) (7 members)**

**Minority - Ought Not to Pass (6 members)**

Tabled - April 20, 2023 by Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

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10.

**Tabled and Later Assigned**

Bill "An Act Regarding the Authority of Municipalities to Regulate Timber Harvesting"  
S.P. 417 L.D. 1048

Tabled - April 20, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE  
AMENDMENT "A" (S-25)**

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**SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**

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