



Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-First Legislature
First Special Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

Welcome Back Day

11th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Wednesday, May 3, 2023.

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

Prayer by The Honorable Michael E. Carpenter of Houlton.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Jeffrey L. Timberlake of Androscoggin County.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, May 2, 2023.

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 Facilitate the Provision of Medically Appropriate Levels of Care for Clients of Correctional Facilities"

H.P. 1193 L.D. 1863

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

(1-2) Bill "An Act to Create the Educational Opportunity Account Program"

H.P. 1190 L.D. 1860

(1-3) Bill "An Act to Reduce Chronic Student Absenteeism"

H.P. 1191 L.D. 1861

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

(1-4) Bill "An Act to Reimburse Training Costs for Emergency Medical and Public Safety Dispatchers"

H.P. 1189 L.D. 1859

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

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

(1-5) Bill "An Act to Ensure Access to Newly Born Male Infant Circumcision by Requiring MaineCare Coverage"

H.P. 1188 L.D. 1858

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

(1-6) Bill "An Act to Protect Maine Taxpayers by Requiring a Person to Be a United States Citizen to Receive General Assistance Benefits and to Ensure Municipal Compliance with Federal Immigration Laws"

H.P. 437 L.D. 668

Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES suggested and ordered printed.

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

(1-7) Resolve, to Study the Establishment of a MaineCare Public Health Plan

H.P. 1186 L.D. 1856

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

(1-8) Bill "An Act to Increase Maine's Housing Supply by Prohibiting Certain Zoning Requirements in Areas Where Public Sewer and Water Infrastructure Are Available and in Designated Growth Areas"

H.P. 1194 L.D. 1864

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

(1-9) Resolve, to Name 2 Brooks in the Town of Orient

H.P. 1198 L.D. 1868

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

(1-10) Bill "An Act Establishing the Maine Sentencing Guidelines Commission"

H.P. 1195 L.D. 1865

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

(1-11) Bill "An Act to Complete and Implement the Comprehensive Review of the Classification and Compensation System for Executive Branch Employees"

H.P. 1184 L.D. 1854

(1-12) Bill "An Act to Restore Balanced Powers During a State of Emergency"

H.P. 1192 L.D. 1862

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

(1-13) Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Lodging Tax on Campground Sites and Revert to Using the Current Sales Tax"

H.P. 1182 L.D. 1852

(1-14) Bill "An Act to Conform the Mining Excise Tax Laws to the Maine Metallic Mineral Mining Act and Set the Mining Excise Tax at 10 Percent" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1183 L.D. 1853

(1-15) Resolve, Directing the Office of Tax Policy to Study Maine's Mining Excise Tax

H.P. 1185 L.D. 1855

(1-16) Bill "An Act to Establish 5 New Tax Brackets and a Surcharge for Higher Income Levels"

H.P. 1196 L.D. 1866

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

(1-17) Bill "An Act to Create the Public Safety Health and Wellness Reimbursement Fund to Benefit Public Safety Workers and Volunteers"

H.P. 1187 L.D. 1857

Committee on TAXATION suggested and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

(1-18) Bill "An Act to Allow Replacement Candidates to Qualify for Certification Under the Maine Clean Election Act"

H.P. 1181 L.D. 1851

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

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-19) the West Gardiner Volunteer Fire Department, which is celebrating its 75th Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 281

(1-20) Camden Wengler, of Cumberland, a student at Greely High School and a member of the school's debate team, who won the House of Representatives Final for the Maine Qualifiers for the 2023 National Catholic Forensic League National Finals in Louisville, Kentucky. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 282

(1-21) Ruth Weeks, of Cumberland, a student at Greely High School and a member of the school's debate team, who won the Senate Final of the Maine Forensic Association State Tournament and the Maine Qualifiers for the 2023 National Speech and Debate Association National Finals in Phoenix, Arizona. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 283

(1-22) Jo McAlary, of Rockport, who is celebrating her 100th birthday on August 8, 2023. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 284

Come from the House, READ and PASSED.

Joint Resolutions

(1-23) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1180

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 2023
AS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, the mental health and well-being of all children, youth, adults and families in the State are of fundamental importance to the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, since 1999, the national suicide rate has increased more than 30%, with more than 10 million individuals experiencing suicidal thoughts and 1.4 million individuals attempting suicide annually in the United States; and

WHEREAS, approximately 129 individuals die by suicide in the United States each day; and

WHEREAS, suicide, opioid misuse and addiction and children's mental health issues are areas of concern in the State; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 65,000 adults in the State who are living with a serious mental illness, including, but not limited to, bipolar disorder, severe depression and schizophrenia, and 27.2% of the children in the State have a mental illness, the highest rate of any state in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the effective treatment of mental health conditions is critical to reducing the number of individuals and families who find themselves in mental health crises, to breaking individual and generational cycles of mental illness and to promoting healing; and

WHEREAS, recovery from a mental illness requires access to professional services and involves families and caregivers as allies in recovery and as critical members of the care delivery team; and

WHEREAS, maintaining an open dialogue regarding mental health conditions encourages individuals struggling with mental illness to seek help and is an essential component to fighting the stigma associated with mental illness; 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 May 2023 as Mental Health Awareness Month in order to raise awareness of mental health conditions and services and to break the stigma surrounding mental illness in the State.

Comes from the House, READ and ADOPTED.

(1-24) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1199

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 2023 AS
MILITARY APPRECIATION MONTH**

WHEREAS, the freedom and security that United States citizens enjoy today are results of the vigilant commitment of the United States Armed Forces in preserving that freedom and security; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the importance of maintaining a strong, well-equipped, well-educated and well-trained military for the United States to safeguard freedoms, humanitarianism and peacekeeping efforts around the world; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to promote awareness of and reflect upon the sacrifices that members of the United States Armed Forces have made in the past and continue to make every day in order to support the Constitution and to preserve the freedoms and liberties that enrich the Nation and to show appreciation for those sacrifices; and

WHEREAS, it is important to give greater recognition for the dedication and sacrifices that individuals who serve in the United States Armed Forces have made and continue to make on behalf of the United States; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to emphasize the importance of the United States Armed Forces to all persons in the United States and to celebrate the proper honor and pride United States citizens feel towards members of the United States Armed Forces for their service; and

WHEREAS, it is important to preserve and foster the honor and respect that the United States Armed Forces deserve for vital service on behalf of the United States; and

WHEREAS, it is important to instill in the youth of the United States the significance of the contributions that members of the United States Armed Forces have made in securing and protecting the freedoms that United States citizens enjoy today; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to underscore the vital support and encouragement that families of members of the United States Armed Forces lend to the strength and commitment of those members; and

WHEREAS, it is important to acknowledge the contributions of the many individuals who have served in the United States Armed Forces since inception of the Armed Forces; 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 2023 as Military Appreciation Month, to recognize, honor and encourage the dedication and commitment of members of the United States Armed Forces in serving the United States and to encourage greater support for the role of the United States Armed Forces in maintaining the United States as a strong nation and in contributing to world peace.

Comes from the House, READ and ADOPTED.

Joint Resolution in Memoriam:

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

(1-25) Julian Settlemyre, of China. Mrs. Settlemyre began her early career in banking before switching to the chiropractic field, working closely with the Maine Chiropractic Assistants Association while working as Dr. Leonard G. Saulter's office manager for over 10 years. She then worked for the MaineCare program for a few years before returning to the chiropractic office with a position as the office manager for Dr. Daniel Poole at Pathways in Oakland. She continued to provide health insurance consultation to chiropractic offices up until 2021. In April 2009, she began working at Marshall Communications, where she began as an office manager then business manager. Her free time was largely spent at the theater, where in 2009 she began serving in a board position with ACAT in Waterville. She then worked on the Waterville Opera House board and was active during the transition with Waterville Creates!, when she focused on advocating for an additional, creative space to develop directors, writers, actors and technicians. During the design phase of the new arts building, she championed additional restrooms for female-identifying patrons as part of inclusive design. Mrs. Settlemyre will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family and friends and all those whose lives she touched;

HLS 285

Comes from the House READ and ADOPTED.

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 424

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

April 28, 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. Perry of Calais, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1676 An Act to Strengthen the Sustainability and Value of Maine's Designated Health Information Exchange by Acquiring Enhanced Federal Funding

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Donna Bailey
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Anne C. Perry
House Chair

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) Mike Connolly, of Brunswick, on his induction into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 449

Sponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, ARFORD of Brunswick, GOLEK of Harpswell.

(4-2) Richard Flaherty, of Scarborough, on his induction into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 450

Sponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: BRENNER of Cumberland, Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, MURPHY of Scarborough, WARREN of Scarborough.

(4-3) Phil Curtis, of Old Orchard Beach, on his induction into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 451

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representative: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

(4-4) Arlo Pike, Jr., of Buxton, on his induction into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 452

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BLIER of Buxton, CARLOW of Buxton.

Joint Resolution

(4-5) On motion by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland (Cosponsored by Representative MOONEN of Portland), the following Joint Resolution:

S.P. 752

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 2023 AS MAINE
TREATMENT AND RECOVERY COURT MONTH**

WHEREAS, Treatment and recovery courts nationwide are the cornerstone of justice reform and are recognized as the most successful justice system intervention in our nation's history; and

WHEREAS, Maine treatment and recovery courts have been restoring lives and families and increasing public health and safety for more than 2 decades; and

WHEREAS, Maine now has 14 treatment and recovery courts, including 8 drug treatment and recovery courts, formerly known as adult drug treatment courts, 2 veterans treatment courts, 3 family recovery courts and one co-occurring disorder court; and

WHEREAS, Maine treatment and recovery courts have served more than 2,000 individuals, indirectly benefiting tens of thousands of Maine families, employers and communities; and

WHEREAS, treatment and recovery courts have substantially lowered the conviction recidivism rate of graduates to 6% compared to 41% of people with comparable characteristics and criminal records who did not attend a treatment and recovery court; and

WHEREAS, Maine treatment and recovery courts significantly improve substance use disorder treatment outcomes and substantially reduce addiction and related crime and do so at less expense than any other criminal justice strategy in Maine's history; and

WHEREAS, Maine treatment and recovery courts save an average of \$16,232 for every individual served while in the treatment court, significantly more than the national average of \$6,000 per individual; and

WHEREAS, Maine treatment and recovery courts improve education, employment, housing and financial stability, promote family reunification, reduce foster care placements and increase the rate of mothers delivering babies who are fully drug free; and

WHEREAS, Maine treatment and recovery courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bridging public safety and public health; and

WHEREAS, the success of treatment and recovery courts is the result of dedicated collaborative efforts and partnership of the following: the Judicial Branch, Maine Pretrial Services, Inc., the Attorney General and District Attorneys, the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services, the Department of Corrections, various county sheriff's offices, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Governor's Director of Opioid Response, Maine Behavioral Healthcare, Aroostook Mental Health Services, Inc., Wellspring, Inc., Recovery Connections of Maine, the Community Caring Collaborative and the Co-Occurring Collaborative Serving Maine, as well as a multitude of recovery and sober living homes, independent treatment providers and physicians and recovery support organizations; 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 2023 as Maine Treatment and Recovery Court Month in recognition of the efforts of all professionals and participants who make our treatment and recovery courts work, and of the significant contribution our treatment and recovery courts have made and continue to make in the fight against substance use disorder, in helping our citizens in their recovery and in restoring hope.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Change of Committee

(5-1) The Committee on LABOR AND HOUSING on Bill "An Act to Require Compliance with Natural or Agricultural Resource Protection Ordinances"

H.P. 29 L.D. 54

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill REFERRED to the Joint Select Committee on HOUSING.

(5-2) The Committee on LABOR AND HOUSING on Bill "An Act to Increase the Workforce in the State"

H.P. 208 L.D. 310

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS.

Ought to Pass

(5-3) The Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act to Strengthen Temporary Protections for Children Living in Dwellings with Identified Lead Hazards"
H.P. 15 L.D. 11

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

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

(5-4) The Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act to Improve Access to Children's Behavioral Health Services"
H.P. 52 L.D. 82

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

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

(5-5) The Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act to Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services to License Home-based and Community-based Services for Persons with an Intellectual Disability, Autism Spectrum Disorder or a Related Condition or an Acquired Brain Injury and Define Autism Spectrum Disorder"
H.P. 278 L.D. 449

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

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

(5-6) The Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act to Amend the Membership of the Rare Disease Advisory Council" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 678 L.D. 1083

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

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

(5-7) The Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT on Bill "An Act Regarding the Terms of Trustees of the Phippsburg Cemetery District"

H.P. 84 L.D. 138

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-95).

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-8) The Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY on Bill "An Act to Ensure Release of Relevant Background Investigation Material to Current Employers of Law Enforcement and Corrections Officers"

H.P. 64 L.D. 96

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-90).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-90).

(5-9) The Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Bill "An Act to Provide Integrated Behavioral Health Services to Sexual Violence Survivors"

H.P. 505 L.D. 816

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-81).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-81).

(5-10) The Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on Resolve, to Establish the Task Force on Accessibility to Appropriate Communication Methods for Deaf and Hard-of-hearing Patients

H.P. 623 L.D. 976

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-91).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Resolve PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-91).

(5-11) The Committee on HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES on Bill "An Act to Amend the Duties of the Office of Affordable Health Care"

H.P. 570 L.D. 914

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-83).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-83).

(5-12) The Committee on LABOR AND HOUSING on Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Public Sector Bargaining in Public Schools by Providing an Exemption to the Time Limit on Negotiations"

H.P. 690 L.D. 1095

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-79).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-79).

(5-13) The Committee on MARINE RESOURCES on Bill "An Act to Allow the Crew Member of a Holder of an Elver Fishing License to Empty an Elver Fyke Net" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 506 L.D. 817

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-89).

Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-89).

(5-14) The Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT on Bill "An Act to Allow Electronic Distribution of Certain Documents to Municipalities and Electronic Acknowledgment of Receipt of Certain Documents as Acceptable Communications"

H.P. 94 L.D. 153

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-85).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-85).**

(5-15) The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Establish the Hessel's Hairstreak as the Maine State Butterfly"

H.P. 160 L.D. 239

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-87)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-87)**.

(5-16) The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act Concerning Bureau of Motor Vehicles Fees, Fines and Driver's License Reinstatement"

H.P. 361 L.D. 556

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-82)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-82)**.

Divided Report

(5-17) The Majority of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Protect the Environment by Funding Ash Tree Management"
H.P. 734 L.D. 1162

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-78)**.

Signed:

Senators:

INGWERSEN of York
HICKMAN of Kennebec

Representatives:

PLUECKER of Warren
HEPLER of Woolwich
JAUCH of Topsham
OSHER of Orono
SHAW of Auburn

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

Signed:

Senator:

BLACK of Franklin

Representatives:

COSTAIN of Plymouth
CRAY of Palmyra
GUERRETTE of Caribou
HALL of Wilton
JACKSON of Oxford

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-78)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-78)**.

Divided Report

(5-18) The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Return the Name of the Maine Community College System to the Maine Technical College System"

H.P. 115 L.D. 174

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

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
LIBBY of Cumberland
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
LYMAN of Livermore Falls
MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth
MURPHY of Scarborough
POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset
SARGENT of York
WORTH of Ellsworth

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-76)**.

Signed:

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham
SAMPSON of Alfred

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

Divided Report

(5-19) The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Opioid Education Requirements"
H.P. 838 L.D. 1323

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

Signed:

Senator:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Representatives:

PERRY of Calais

ARFORD of Brunswick

CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham

CYRWAY of Albion

MORRIS of Turner

NUTTING of Oakland

PRINGLE of Windham

SWALLOW of Houlton

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

Signed:

Senator:

BAILEY of York

Representatives:

MASTRACCIO of Sanford

MATHIESON of Kittery

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

Divided Report

(5-20) The Majority of the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act to Provide Youth Lifetime Hunting Licenses to Eligible Dependents of Veterans Who Are 100 Percent Disabled"

H.P. 203 L.D. 305

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

Signed:

Senators:

LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec
BLACK of Franklin
CURRY of Waldo

Representatives:

LANDRY of Farmington
CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham
DILL of Old Town
DRINKWATER of Milford
GOLEK of Harpswell
MASON of Lisbon
WOOD of Greene
WOODSOME of Waterboro

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-77)**.

Signed:

Representative:

THORNE of Carmel

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

Divided Report

(5-21) The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Qualification of Expert Witnesses in Certain Family Court Actions"

H.P. 343 L.D. 538

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-86)**.

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland

BAILEY of York

LYFORD of Penobscot

Representatives:

MOONEN of Portland

HAGGAN of Hampden

HENDERSON of Rumford

KUHN of Falmouth

LEE of Auburn

MORIARTY of Cumberland

POIRIER of Skowhegan

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:

Representative:

ANDREWS of Paris

(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-86)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-86)**.

Divided Report

(5-22) The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Lower the Amount of Seized Currency in a Criminal Asset Forfeiture over Which the Currency May Be Transferred to the Federal Government"

H.P. 609 L.D. 962

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-84)**.

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland
BAILEY of York
LYFORD of Penobscot

Representatives:

MOONEN of Portland
HAGGAN of Hampden
HENDERSON of Rumford
KUHN of Falmouth
LEE of Auburn
MORIARTY of Cumberland
POIRIER of Skowhegan
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:

Representative:

ANDREWS of Paris

(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-84)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-84)**.

Divided Report

(5-23) The Majority of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act to Permit a Short-term Waiver from the Minimum Wage for Chronically Unemployed Individuals"
H.P. 530 L.D. 841

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

Signed:

Senators:

TIPPING of Penobscot
POULIOT of Kennebec

Representatives:

ROEDER of Bangor
DRINKWATER of Milford
GEIGER of Rockland
GERE of Kennebunkport
MALON of Biddeford
RUSSELL of Verona Island
SKOLD 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" (H-80)**.

Signed:

Representative:

BRADSTREET of Vassalboro

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

Divided Report

(5-24) The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Support Parents by Providing a Sales Tax Exemption for Diapers"

H.P. 185 L.D. 287

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

Signed:

Senators:

GROHOSKI of Hancock
CHIPMAN of Cumberland
LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

PERRY of Bangor
MATLACK of St. George
RANA of Bangor

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

Signed:

Representatives:

CARMICHAEL of Greenbush
LAVIGNE of Berwick
QUINT of Hodgdon

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-47)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-47) AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-64)** thereto.

Senate

Ought to Pass

(5-25) Senator RAFFERTY for the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Allow the Local Foods Fund for Public Schools to Be Used for Processed and Value-added Maine Food Products"

S.P. 392 L.D. 921

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

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-26) Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to Conduct an Accessibility Study of All Maine State Parks and Historic Sites and to Develop a Plan to Remove Access Barriers

S.P. 407 L.D. 988

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-62)**.

Divided Report

(5-27) The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Prohibit COVID-19 Vaccine Mandates for Students Enrolled in Public Institutions of Learning"

S.P. 475 L.D. 1148

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

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 To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-61)**.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

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

Divided Report

(5-28) Eight members of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Protect Education Access by Prohibiting a Mandate for Schoolchildren for a COVID-19 Vaccine or a Vaccine Under an Emergency Use Authorization"

S.P. 366 L.D. 869

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

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

Four members of the same Committee on the same subject reported in Report "B" that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives:

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

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 "A" (S-60)**.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

SECOND READERS

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

House As Amended

(6-1) Resolve, Directing the Department of Education, Maine School Safety Center to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Develop Best Practices for Lockdown Drills and Allowing Parents to Opt Out of Lockdown Drills for Their Children

H.P. 294 L.D. 477
(C "A" H-63)

(6-2) Bill "An Act to Promote the Use of Free Annual Wellness Visits by Ensuring Proper Medical Billing"

H.P. 414 L.D. 637
(C "A" H-70)

Senate

(6-3) Bill "An Act to Clarify That Haulers Are Under the Jurisdiction of the Logging Dispute Resolution Board"

S.P. 228 L.D. 511

(6-4) Bill "An Act to Amend the Terms of the Members of the Maine Space Corporation Board of Directors by Requiring Staggered Terms" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 637 L.D. 1605

Senate As Amended

(6-5) Bill "An Act to Increase the Limit on Sets of Special Veterans Registration Plates from 3 Sets to 4 Sets"

S.P. 67 L.D. 128
(C "A" S-57)

(6-6) Bill "An Act to Increase the Amount of Money Allowed to Be Raised for a Charitable Purpose by Certain Raffles"

S.P. 76 L.D. 147
(C "A" S-53)

(6-7) Bill "An Act to Support Higher Education in Maine by Providing Funds to Maine's Community Colleges"

S.P. 202 L.D. 447
(C "A" S-58)

(6-8) Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Sexual Assault Services"

S.P. 237 L.D. 566
(C "A" S-56)

(6-9) Bill "An Act to Expand the Membership of the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women"

S.P. 353 L.D. 794
(C "A" S-51)

(6-10) Bill "An Act to Allow a Restaurant to Serve a Bottle of Wine to the Person Who Brought the Bottle"

S.P. 435 L.D. 1066
(C "A" S-54)

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Resolve

(7-1) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 171: Control of Petroleum Storage Facilities, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection
H.P. 46 L.D. 71

Acts

(7-2) An Act to Define "Mail" in the Employment Security Law to Include Electronic Notification and to Extend the Appeal Times for Claimants
H.P. 17 L.D. 13
(C "A" H-45)

(7-3) An Act to Limit Public Access to or Dissemination of Electronic Citation and Electronic Warning Information
S.P. 15 L.D. 23
(C "A" S-28)

(7-4) An Act to Streamline Rulemaking for Revisions to Screening Levels for the Solid Waste Beneficial Use Program
S.P. 20 L.D. 28
(C "A" S-31)

(7-5) An Act to Update the Responsibilities of the Clean-up and Response Fund Review Board
S.P. 46 L.D. 74
(C "A" S-33)

(7-6) An Act Regarding the Funding of Lake Water Quality Restoration and Protection Projects
H.P. 105 L.D. 164
(C "A" H-41)

(7-7) An Act to Assist Municipalities in Preventing Damage from Storm Water
H.P. 174 L.D. 276
(C "A" H-43)

(7-8) 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)

(7-9) An Act to Expand Availability of Naloxone Hydrochloride

H.P. 377 L.D. 600

Resolve

(7-10) Resolve, to Establish the Task Force to Review Work Practices and Treatment of Pharmacists

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

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**

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**

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**

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**

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**

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**

7.

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**

8.

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)**

9.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Exempt Nonprofit Agricultural Membership Organizations from Insurance Requirements"

S.P. 388 L.D. 896

Majority - Ought Not to Pass (8 members)

Minority - Ought to Pass (5 members)

Tabled - May 2, 2023 by Senator **RENY** of Lincoln

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

10.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act Requiring a Referendum to Restore the Former Maine Flag"

S.P. 438 L.D. 1069

Majority - Ought Not to Pass (7 members)

Minority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-52) (6 members)

Tabled - May 2, 2023 by Senator **NANGLE** of Cumberland

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

11.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Emergency

An Act to Increase the Handling Fee for Beverage Containers Reimbursed to Dealers and Redemption Centers

S.P. 73 L.D. 134
(C "A" S-34)

Tabled - May 2, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **ENACTMENT** in concurrence

(In House, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED.**)

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