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Refer to the Joint Select Committee on Housing Pursuant to Joint Order

Representative GERE for the **Joint Select Committee on Housing** on Bill "An Act to Increase the Cap on Bonds Issued by the Maine State Housing Authority to Reflect Current Housing Production Needs in the State"

(H.P. 1416) (L.D. 2209)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** pursuant to Joint Order 2023, H.P. 3, section 3.

The Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **REFERRED** to the Joint Select Committee on **HOUSING** and sent for concurrence.

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

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act Requiring Climate Impact Notes on Proposed Transportation Legislation and Agency Rules"

(H.P. 579) (L.D. 932)

Signed:

Senator:

FARRIN of Somerset

Representatives:

CRAFTS of Newcastle
ALBERT of Madawaska
ANKELES of Brunswick
EATON of Deer Isle
MASON of Lisbon
PARRY of Arundel
THERIAULT of Fort Kent
WHITE of Waterville
WHITE of Guilford

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-743)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland

READ.

Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle moved that the House **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Scarborough, Representative Warren.

Representative **WARREN**: I rise in opposition to the current motion and just wanted to say, without any request for Roll Call, that this is an issue and I think this is a bill that, although it doesn't have requisite support from the Committee at this time, raises an issue that remains unaddressed. We can talk about generation, we can talk about solar, we can talk about wind, we can talk about hydro, but if we don't talk about transportation in the State of Maine, we're going nowhere to address our climate goals. And it will require investment and it will not just require the Climate Council to act, but every single member that is involved with those issues needs to play a part. And we're in the year 2024, and I don't see that plan yet from the Department. I don't see that plan and those actions yet from this Body. That's why I brought the bill forward and though I absolutely respect the will of the Committee, I wanted to make clear on this House Floor; currently our emissions, the majority are in transportation. That remains unresolved and we don't have a plan to address that. Thank you.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR
First Day

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

(S.P. 362) (L.D. 865) Bill "An Act to Clarify the Roles and Responsibilities of the Board of Environmental Protection by Adjusting the Requirements for Certain Hearings and for Certain Agencies by Adjusting the Requirements for Cost-Benefit Analysis" Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-518)**

(S.P. 759) (L.D. 1886) Resolve, to Construct a New District Headquarters Building for the Bureau of Forestry in Fort Kent Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-517)**

(S.P. 886) (L.D. 2093) Bill "An Act to Address Food Insecurity by Helping Maine Residents Access Locally Produced Food" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-516)**

(H.P. 231) (L.D. 380) Bill "An Act Regarding Monhegan Plantation" Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-744)**

(H.P. 1318) (L.D. 2056) Resolve, Designating Route 127 in Arrowsic the Private Merwin A. Delano, Jr. Memorial Highway Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-742)**

(H.P. 1358) (L.D. 2134) Bill "An Act Regarding Responsibility for Activities Intended to Increase the Use of Refillable and Reusable Beverage Containers" Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-745)**

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

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

ENACTORS
Emergency Measure

Resolve, to Ensure That the Independent Commission to Investigate the Facts of the Tragedy in Lewiston Has Necessary Authority to Discharge Its Fact-finding Mission

(H.P. 1405) (L.D. 2192)
(C. "A" H-740)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 120 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.
