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In Senate Chamber
Tuesday
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Senate called to order by President Beth Edmonds of Cumberland County.

Prayer by Mr. Brian O'Donnell, Seminarian, Augusta Catholic Community.

MR. O'DONNELL: Thank you very much, Madame President and honorable Senators. Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, all authority in heaven and on earth comes from You. You are the source of all truth, wisdom, and justice. We ask You this day to bless these chambers and the Senators who serve here. As they work for the good of all the people of Maine, guide their minds to know Your truth. Fill their hearts with Your wisdom. Move their actions to be always in accord with Your justice. Loving God, You live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of Monday, May 23, 2005.

Off Record Remarks

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act To Improve the Water Quality of Hall Pond in Paris"

H.P. 306 L.D. 421

Majority - **Ought to Pass** (8 members)

Minority - **Ought Not to Pass** (4 members)

In House, May 19, 2005, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

In Senate, May 20, 2005, the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Comes from the House, that Body **INSISTED** and **ASKED FOR A COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE**.

On motion by Senator **BRYANT** of Oxford, the Senate **INSISTED** and **JOINED IN A COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE**.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.C. 351

**MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, RESEARCH
AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

May 19, 2005

Honorable Beth Edmonds, President of the Senate
Honorable John Richardson, Speaker of the House
122nd Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Edmonds and Speaker Richardson:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development has voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1484 An Act To Protect Consumers and Enhance Real Estate Practice

L.D. 1651 An Act To Register Canadian Pharmacies To Provide Safe Reimportation of Prescription Drugs

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Lynn Bromley
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Nancy E. Smith
House Chair

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Dogs at Large"

H.P. 677 L.D. 967

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

Signed:

Senator:
RAYE of Washington

Representatives:
CARR of Lincoln
JODREY of Bethel
JENNINGS of Leeds
MAREAN of Hollis
FLOOD of Winthrop
SHERMAN of Hodgdon

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-430)**.

Signed:

Senators:
NUTTING of Androscoggin
BRYANT of Oxford

Representatives:
PIOTTI of Unity
LUNDEEN of Mars Hill
TWOMEY of Biddeford
PINEAU of Jay

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

Reports **READ**.

Senator **BRYANT** of Oxford moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by Senator **BRYANT** of Oxford to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Reduce Costs to the Health Services System"

H.P. 65 L.D. 69

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

Signed:

Senators:
MAYO of Sagadahoc
MARTIN of Aroostook

Representatives:
PINGREE of North Haven
WALCOTT of Lewiston
GROSE of Woolwich
WEBSTER of Freeport
MILLER of Somerville
BURNS of Berwick

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

Signed:

Senator:
ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:
SHIELDS of Auburn
CAMPBELL of Newfield
LEWIN of Eliot
GLYNN of South Portland

(Representative SOCKALEXIS of the Penobscot Nation - of the House - supports the Majority **Ought Not To Pass** Report.)

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

Reports **READ**.

Senator **MAYO** of Sagadahoc moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On further motion by same Senator, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#168)

YEAS: Senators: BARTLETT, BRYANT, COWGER, DAMON, DIAMOND, GAGNON, HOBBS, MARTIN, MAYO, MITCHELL, ROTUNDO, SCHNEIDER, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, THE PRESIDENT - BETH G. EDMONDS

NAYS: Senators: ANDREWS, CLUKEY, COURTNEY, DAVIS, DOW, HASTINGS, NASS, PLOWMAN, RAYE, ROSEN, SAVAGE, SNOWE-MELLO, WESTON, WOODCOCK

ABSENT: Senators: BRENNAN, BROMLEY, MILLS, NUTTING, PERRY, TURNER

15 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 14 Senators having voted in the negative, with 6 Senators being absent, the motion by Senator **MAYO** of Sagadahoc to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Help Voters Control the Cost of Government

H.P. 986 L.D. 1422

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

Signed:

Senators:

SCHNEIDER of Penobscot
ROTUNDO of Androscoggin

Representatives:

BARSTOW of Gorham
MOULTON of York
HARLOW of Portland
CROSTHWAITE of Ellsworth
SAMPSON of Auburn
BLANCHARD of Old Town

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-437)**.

Signed:

Senator:

ANDREWS of York

Representatives:

McFADDEN of Dennysville
BISHOP of Boothbay
MUSE of Fryeburg
SCHATZ of Blue Hill

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

Reports **READ**.

Senator **SCHNEIDER** of Penobscot moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act To Preserve Farmland and Timberland following the Death of an Owner"

H.P. 586 L.D. 827

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-442)**.

Signed:

Senator:

COURTNEY of York

Representatives:

HANLEY of Paris
McCORMICK of West Gardiner
CLOUGH of Scarborough
PINEAU of Jay
BIERMAN of Sorrento
SEAVEY of Kennebunkport

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

Signed:

Senators:

PERRY of Penobscot
STRIMLING of Cumberland

Representatives:

CLARK of Millinocket
WOODBURY of Yarmouth
HUTTON of Bowdoinham
WATSON of Bath

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

Reports **READ**.

Senator **STRIMLING** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

On further motion by same Senator, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report, in concurrence.

SECOND READERS

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

House As Amended

Bill "An Act To Ensure That Sears Island Will Be Used for Industrial and Commercial Purposes"

H.P. 202 L.D. 277
(C "A" H-439)

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 500: Stormwater Management and Chapter 502: Direct Watersheds of Lakes Most at Risk from New Development and Urban Impaired Streams, Major Substantive Rules of the Department of Environmental Protection (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 458 L.D. 625
(C "A" H-446)

Bill "An Act To Update the Veteran Services Laws and Establish a Commemorative Program for Veterans"

H.P. 818 L.D. 1189
(C "A" H-452)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Possession of an Electronic Weapon"

H.P. 868 L.D. 1271
(C "A" H-449)

Bill "An Act To Encourage Long-term Holding of Maine Timberland and Sustainable Forest Management"

H.P. 902 L.D. 1305
(C "A" H-403)

Resolve, Establishing an Experimental Moose Lottery for Southern Maine

H.P. 911 L.D. 1313
(C "A" H-450)

Bill "An Act Amending the Laws Regarding Persons Not Criminally Responsible by Reason of Insanity"

H.P. 1062 L.D. 1517
(C "A" H-448)

Resolve, Directing the State Tax Assessor To Adjust the State Valuation for the Town of Wiscasset (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1120 L.D. 1584
(C "A" H-441)

Bill "An Act To Provide a Temporary Sales Tax Exemption for Prescription Drugs for Animals" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1121 L.D. 1585
(C "A" H-440)

READ A SECOND TIME and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Senate

Bill "An Act To Protect Maine's Groundfishing Industry"
S.P. 205 L.D. 650

READ A SECOND TIME and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate As Amended

Bill "An Act To Require the Fair Application of the Mechanic's Lien Law"

S.P. 178 L.D. 570
(C "A" S-230)

Bill "An Act To Increase Public Safety through the Enhancement of Law Enforcement for the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians"

S.P. 230 L.D. 693
(C "A" S-229)

Bill "An Act To Limit the Political Activity of the Members of the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices"

S.P. 247 L.D. 749
(C "A" S-223)

Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State To Design a Process for Early Voting

S.P. 401 L.D. 1173
(C "A" S-225)

Bill "An Act Reducing Oversight Expense for Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants To Benefit Electric Ratepayers"

S.P. 469 L.D. 1342
(C "A" S-227)

Resolve, To Establish the Committee To Study the Establishment of a Memorial for Emergency Medical Services Personnel and To Set Aside Space for That Memorial (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 516 L.D. 1498
(C "A" S-222)

Bill "An Act To Assist Towns with the Implementation of the Laws Governing Growth Management"

S.P. 551 L.D. 1574
(C "A" S-221)

Bill "An Act To Mandate E-9-1-1 TDD Testing and Training"

S.P. 594 L.D. 1612
(C "A" S-228)

READ A SECOND TIME and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

An Act To Amend the Sentencing Laws

S.P. 521 L.D. 1505

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 29 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 29 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency Resolve

Resolve, Directing the Workers' Compensation Board To Consider Adoption of the "Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment," 5th Edition, in Assessing Workers' Compensation Injuries

S.P. 456 L.D. 1329
(C "A" S-189)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 29 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 29 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **FINALLY PASSED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency Resolve

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 750: Standardized Health Plans, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance

H.P. 1129 L.D. 1593

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 31 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **FINALLY PASSED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Mandate

Resolve, Regarding the Town of Cooper

S.P. 603 L.D. 1626
(C "A" S-196)

On motion by Senator **DAMON** of Hancock, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in concurrence.

Acts

An Act To Improve Communication, Cooperation and Efficiencies in State Government

H.P. 97 L.D. 121
(C "A" H-389)

An Act Establishing a Role for the Public Advocate in Promoting Railroad Service Quality

H.P. 169 L.D. 230
(S "A" S-188 to C "A" H-182)

An Act To Amend the Laws Concerning the Maine State Retirement System

H.P. 299 L.D. 396

An Act To Improve the Role of Boards of Visitors for State Correctional Facilities

S.P. 141 L.D. 417
(C "A" S-194)

An Act To Rename the Bangor Mental Health Institute the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center and To Establish the Dorothea Dix Award

H.P. 416 L.D. 561
(C "A" H-349)

An Act To Require That Hazardous Waste Be Removed from Junked Vehicles

S.P. 229 L.D. 692
(C "A" S-186)

An Act Concerning Technical Changes to the Tax Laws
H.P. 1087 L.D. 1546
(C "A" H-391)

PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

An Act Regarding Identity Theft Deterrence

S.P. 190 L.D. 581
(C "A" S-187)

On motion by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act Regarding the Budget Process for the Legislative Youth Advisory Council

H.P. 1056 L.D. 1511
(C "A" H-390)

On motion by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

An Act To Appropriate Funds for the School Breakfast Program

S.P. 535 L.D. 1540
(C "A" S-195)

On motion by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

Resolves

Resolve, Regarding Teacher Certification Requirements
H.P. 1008 L.D. 1444
(C "A" H-394)

Resolve, To Study the Feasibility of Establishing an Insurance
Fraud Unit within the Bureau of Insurance
H.P. 1099 L.D. 1561
(C "A" H-395)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To
Strengthen Guardrails on Old County Road in Rockland and
Thomaston
H.P. 1119 L.D. 1583

Resolve, Authorizing the President of the Maine Community
College System To Sell 1.37 Acres of Real Property Owned by
Southern Maine Community College in South Portland
H.P. 1185 L.D. 1676

FINALLY PASSED and having been signed by the President
were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Resolve, To Review and Recodify Laws Pertaining to Violence in
Our Schools
H.P. 709 L.D. 1024
(C "A" H-393)

On motion by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec, placed on the
SPECIAL STUDY TABLE, pending **FINAL PASSAGE**, in
concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate
considered the following:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator BROMLEY for the Committee on **BUSINESS,
RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** on Bill "An Act
To Allow Physicians Licensed in Other States but Trained outside
the United States To Practice Medicine in Maine"
S.P. 441 L.D. 1261

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by
Committee Amendment "A" (S-239)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-239) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

**ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE
DAY**.

Senator MITCHELL for the Committee on **EDUCATION AND
CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, To Establish a System for
Verification of Proficiency for Prelingually Deaf Candidates for
Teacher Certification

S.P. 430 L.D. 1251

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by
Committee Amendment "A" (S-235)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-235) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

**ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE
DAY**.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for
concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate
considered the following:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senate

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND
PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Penalties for
Sales to Minors or Purchases by Minors of Alcoholic Beverages"
S.P. 311 L.D. 903

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by
Committee Amendment "A" (S-237)**.

Signed:

Senators:

DIAMOND of Cumberland
NUTTING of Androscoggin
CLUKEY of Aroostook

Representatives:

BLANCHETTE of Bangor
PLUMMER of Windham
HANLEY of Gardiner
GREELEY of Levant
CHURCHILL of Washburn
GERZOFSKY of Brunswick
SYKES of Harrison
GROSE of Woolwich
PARADIS of Frenchville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-238).**

Signed:

Representative:

DAVIS of Augusta

Reports **READ.**

On motion by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-237)** Report **ACCEPTED.**

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-237) **READ** and **ADOPTED.**

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

ENACTORS

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

Act

An Act To Expand the Maine Economic Improvement Fund

H.P. 38 L.D. 42
(C "A" H-281)

On motion by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin, placed on the **SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE**, pending **ENACTMENT**, in concurrence.

Act

An Act To Protect Young Drivers

S.P. 393 L.D. 1129
(C "A" S-144)

Comes from the House **FAILED ENACTMENT.**

PASSED TO BE ENACTED, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**, signed by the President, and sent down for concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 180, Subchapter XIII: Continued Provision of Free Appropriate Public Education for Five-Year-Olds Born Between September 1st and October 15th, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1074 L.D. 1529

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-461).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-461).**

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-461) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Simplify the Real Estate Foreclosure Process"

H.P. 344 L.D. 469

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-466).**

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-466).**

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-466) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Effect of Foreclosure of a Tax Lien on Time-share Estates"

H.P. 830 L.D. 1212

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-467)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-467)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-467) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act Concerning Full Faith and Credit for Legal Documents Executed in Other Jurisdictions"

H.P. 1104 L.D. 1566

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-468)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-468)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-468) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding the School Revolving Renovation Fund" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1019 L.D. 1454

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-462)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-462)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-462) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act Regarding Published Descriptions of Recreational Trails That Cross Certain Parcels of Private Property"

H.P. 1066 L.D. 1519

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-460)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-460)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-460) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Repeal Certain Boards and Commissions"
H.P. 1082 L.D. 1537

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-378)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-378) AND HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-469)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-378) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

House Amendment "A" (H-469) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Facilitate Reimbursement of Public Utilities Relocation Costs" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 400 L.D. 524

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-458)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-458)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-458) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Vehicle Gross and Axle Weight Laws"
H.P. 477 L.D. 657

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-459)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-459)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-459) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act To Allow Certain Modifications of Motor Vehicles"

H.P. 1109 L.D. 1571

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-457)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-457)**.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-457) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Off Record Remarks

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator **GAGNON** of Kennebec, **ADJOURNED**, to
Wednesday, May 25, 2005, at 10:00 in the morning.