# STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

In Senate Chamber Thursday January 19, 2017

Senate called to order by President Michael D. Thibodeau of Waldo County.
Prayer by Pastor Michael Richards, Falmouth Congregational Church, UCC in Falmouth.
PASTOR RICHARDS: Thank you. Please join me in a word of prayer. Glorious God, we gather this morning to conduct the work of the State of Maine. Our country is in the midst of change and we ask Your blessing upon each and every member of our nation and this state. As we begin our work today may we open our hearts and minds and look at each and every action we take today with the best intent for those we serve. The work is not easy and there are many challenges and decisions facing us before we head for rest tonight. Give us the strength and energy to tackle our tasks justly and fairly for all concerned. Grant us Your guidance as we consider the work before us today. Help us to put aside the influence of outside pressures and focus on what is best for all the people and institutions of this great state. May we work with integrity and exhibit the high ethical standards that are expected of us. We ask Your blessing on our deliberations. Guide us not only today but each and every day that we have the privilege of serving others. In Your name, most Holy One, we pray. Amen.
Posting of the Colors by Loring Job Corps Honor Guard in Limestone.
Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Joyce A. Maker of Washington County.
Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, January 17, 2017.
Doctor of the day, Marshall Chamberlin, M.D. of Sanford.

Off Record Remarks

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, the following Joint Order: S.P. 61

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 10:00 in the morning.

# **READ** and **PASSED**.

Ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### **Non-Concurrent Matter**

Bill "An Act To Allow Municipal Governing Boards of 3 Members To Perform Official Duties via Technology"

H.P. 57 L.D. 70

In Senate, January 11, 2017, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Comes from the House, that Body having **INSISTED** on its former action whereby the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**. in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

On motion by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford, the Senate **RECEDED** and **CONCURRED**.

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# **House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Make Changes to the Potato Marketing Improvement Fund"

H.P. 92 L.D. 124

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

On motion by Senator **DAVIS** of Piscataquis, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Expand the 1998 Special Retirement Plan To Include Detectives in the Office of Investigations within the Department of the Secretary of State, Bureau of Motor Vehicles"

H.P. 67 L.D. 99

Bill "An Act To Expand the 1998 Special Retirement Plan To Include Detectives in the Office of the Attorney General"

H.P. 68 L.D. 100

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

On motion by Senator <b>HAMPER</b> of Oxford, <b>REFERRED</b> to the	Bill "An Act To Increase the Effectiveness of Opioid Addiction Therapy"
Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed, in concurrence.	H.P. 75 L.D. 107
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Bill "An Act To Allow a Law Enforcement Agency That Treats a Person with Naloxone Hydrochloride To Bill That Person for That Treatment"
Bill "An Act Regarding the Transportation of Prisoners to County Jails"	H.P. 76 L.D. 108
H.P. 69 L.D. 101	Come from the House, REFERRED to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and ordered printed.
Bill "An Act To Make a Person Convicted of a Crime Liable for Payment of Investigative and Prosecutorial Costs"  H.P. 70 L.D. 102	On motion by Senator <b>BRAKEY</b> of Androscoggin, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES</b> and ordered printed, in concurrence.
Come from the House, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY</b> and ordered printed.	
On motion by Senator <b>ROSEN</b> of Hancock, <b>REFERRED</b> to the	Bill "An Act To Allow Sunday Hunting by Landowners and Those with Landowner Permission"
Committee on <b>CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY</b> and ordered printed, in concurrence.	H.P. 77 L.D. 109
	Bill "An Act To Assist Island and Coastal Communities with Controlling Excess Deer Populations"
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Bill "An Act To Change the Time and Location of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Kittery Water District" H.P. 72 L.D. 104	Come from the House, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE</b> and ordered printed.
Comes from the House, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY</b> and ordered printed.	On motion by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec, REFERRED to the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE and ordered printed, in concurrence.
On motion by Senator <b>WOODSOME</b> of York, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>ENERGY</b> , <b>UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY</b> and ordered printed, in concurrence.	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Bill "An Act To Establish a Veterans Treatment Court in Androscoggin County" H.P. 79 L.D. 111
Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Use of Certain Disposable Food	11.F. 79 L.D. 111
Service Containers"  H.P. 71 L.D. 103	Bill "An Act To Further Limit the Liability of Landowners Who Permit the Use of Land for Outdoor Recreational Activity" H.P. 80 L.D. 112
Comes from the House, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES</b> and ordered printed.	Bill "An Act To Allow an Order Not To Resuscitate To Be Presented in the Form of an Indelible Mark"
On motion by Senator <b>SAVIELLO</b> of Franklin, <b>REFERRED</b> to the	H.P. 93 L.D. 125
Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES and ordered printed, in concurrence.	Come from the House, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>JUDICIARY</b> and ordered printed.
	On motion by Senator <b>KEIM</b> of Oxford, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>JUDICIARY</b> and ordered printed, in concurrence.
Bill "An Act To Create a Centralized Authority To Combat Opiate Addiction in Maine"	Committee on Jobiolate 1 and ordered printed, in concurrence.
H.P. 73 L.D. 105	
	Bill "An Act To Increase the Number of Suboxone Prescribers"

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

H.P. 82 L.D. 114

Bill "An Act To Provide MaineCare Coverage for Dental Services

H.P. 74 L.D. 106

to Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder"

On motion by Senator <b>MASON</b> of Androscoggin, <b>TABLED</b> until Later in Today's Session, pending <b>REFERENCE</b> .	On motion by Senator <b>COLLINS</b> of York, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>TRANSPORTATION</b> and ordered printed, in concurrence.
Bill "An Act To Stabilize Lobster Bait Prices" H.P. 81 L.D. 113	Bill "An Act To Require Photographic Identification to Vote" H.P. 89 L.D. 121
Bill "An Act To Protect the Marine Worm Industry" H.P. 83 L.D. 115	Bill "An Act To Allow Schools To Operate Nonprofit Bingo Events for Children and Families"
Come from the House, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>MARINE RESOURCES</b> and ordered printed.	H.P. 90 L.D. 122
On motion by Senator <b>MAKER</b> of Washington, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>MARINE RESOURCES</b> and ordered printed, in concurrence.	Bill "An Act To Establish New Monetary Caps for Legislative Candidates under the Maine Clean Election Act" H.P. 94 L.D. 126
	Come from the House, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS</b> and ordered printed.
Bill "An Act To Increase Funding for Multimodal Transportation" H.P. 84 L.D. 116	On motion by Senator <b>MASON</b> of Androscoggin, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS</b> and ordered printed, in concurrence.
Committee on <b>TAXATION</b> suggested and ordered printed.	
Comes from the House, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>TRANSPORTATION</b> .	Pursuant to Statute  Department of Education
On motion by Senator <b>DOW</b> of Lincoln, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>TAXATION</b> and ordered printed, in <b>NON-CONCURRENCE</b> .  Sent down for concurrence.	The <b>Department of Education</b> , pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 asked leave to report that the accompanying Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portion of Chapter 101: Maine Unified Special Education Regulation Birth to Age 20, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education (EMERGENCY)  H.P. 95 L.D. 127
Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Farm and Open Space Tax Law" H.P. 85 L.D. 117	Be REFERRED to the Committee on EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule
Comes from the House, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>TAXATION</b> and ordered printed.	218.
On motion by Senator <b>DOW</b> of Lincoln, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>TAXATION</b> and ordered printed, in concurrence.	Comes from the House with the Report <b>READ</b> and <b>ACCEPTED</b> and the Resolve <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS</b> and ordered printed pursuant to Joir Rule 218.
Bill "An Act To Require Moped Riders under 18 Years of Age To	Report <b>READ</b> and <b>ACCEPTED</b> , in concurrence.
Wear a Helmet"  H.P. 86 L.D. 118	<b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>EDUCATION AND CULTURA AFFAIRS</b> and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.
Bill "An Act Regarding the Display and Content of Political Signs" H.P. 87 L.D. 119	
Bill "An Act To Impose a Three-month Loss of a Driver's License for Driving While Texting"	The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Penobscot, Senator <b>CUSHING</b> , and further excused the same Senator from
H.P. 88 L.D. 120  Come from the House, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>TRANSPORTATION</b> and ordered printed.	today's Roll Call votes

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication:

# STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY EIGHTH LEGISLATURE **COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

January 17, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate of Maine 128th Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of Honorable Joseph M. Jabar of Waterville, for reappointment as a Supreme Judicial Court Justice.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS Senators 2 Keim of Oxford, Whittemore

of Somerset

Representatives 10 Moonen of Portland.

> Babbidge of Kennebunk, Bailey of Saco, Bradstreet of Vassalboro, Cardone of Bangor, Guerin of Glenburn. Johansen of Monticello. McCreight of Harpswell, Reckitt of South Portland, Sherman of Hodgdon

0 NAYS

**ABSENT** 1 Sen. Hill of York

Twelve 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 Honorable Joseph M. Jabar of Waterville, for reappointment as a Supreme Judicial Court Justice be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Lisa Keim S/Matthew W. Moonen Senate Chair House Chair

#### **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The President laid before the Senate the following: "Shall the recommendation of the Committee on JUDICIARY be overridden?"

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Chapter 6, Section 158, and with Joint Rule 506 of the 128<sup>th</sup> Legislature, the vote was taken by the Yeas and Nays.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#2)** 

YEAS: Senators: None

NAYS: Senators: BELLOWS, BRAKEY, BREEN,

CARPENTER, CARSON, CHENETTE, CHIPMAN, COLLINS, CYRWAY, DAVIS, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, DION, DOW, GRATWICK, HAMPER, HILL, JACKSON, KATZ, KEIM, LANGLEY, LIBBY, MAKER, MASON, MILLETT, MIRAMANT, ROSEN, SAVIELLO, VITELLI, VOLK, WHITTEMORE, WOODSOME, PRESIDENT THIBODEAU

EXCUSED: Senator: CUSHING

No Senator having voted in the affirmative and 34 Senators having voted in the negative, with 1 Senator being excused, and none being less than two-thirds of the Membership present and voting, it was the vote of the Senate that the Committee's recommendation be ACCEPTED and the nomination of the Honorable Joseph M. Jabar of Waterville for reappointment as a Supreme Judicial Court Justice was CONFIRMED.

The Secretary has so informed the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Following Communication: S.C. 40

STATE OF MAINE 128<sup>TH</sup> MAINE LEGISLATURE

January 17, 2017

Honorable Paul R. LePage Governor of Maine #1 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Governor LePage:

On behalf of the 128<sup>th</sup> Maine Legislature, we would like to invite you to deliver or present your State of the State Address. At your direction, we will call for a Joint Convention of the Legislature on Tuesday, February 7 at 7:00 p.m.

We look forward to coordinating any details necessary to see that your Address is received by the Legislature.

# LEGISLATIVE RECORD - SENATE, THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate

S/Sara Gideon Speaker of the House

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

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The Following Communication: S.C. 41

STATE OF MAINE 128<sup>TH</sup> MAINE LEGISLATURE

January 17, 2017

Chief Justice Leigh I. Saufley Maine Supreme Judicial Court 205 Newberry Street, Room 139 Portland, Maine 04101

Dear Chief Justice Saufley:

We are pleased to invite you to address a Joint Session of the 128<sup>th</sup> Maine Legislature on Thursday, February 16, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. concerning the State of the Judiciary and any other matters that you may care to bring to our attention.

We look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate

S/Sara Gideon Speaker of the House

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

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The Following Communication: S.C. 42

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

January 17, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Hon. Karl W. Turner of Cumberland Foreside for reappointment to the Board of Trustees, University of Maine System.

Pursuant to P&SL 1967, Chapter 229, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage

Governor

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

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The Following Communication: S.C. 43

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

January 17, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Kelly A. Martin of Fort Kent for appointment to the Board of Trustees, University of Maine System.

Pursuant to P&SL 1967, Chapter 229, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage Governor

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

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The Following Communication: S.C. 44

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

January 17, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Lisa Marchese Eames of Cumberland for appointment to the Board of Trustees, University of Maine System.

Pursuant to P&SL 1967, Chapter 229, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

# LEGISLATIVE RECORD - SENATE, THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage Governor

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 45

#### STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

January 17, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Hon. Michael J. Timmons of Cumberland for appointment to the Land for Maine's Future Board.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §6204, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage Governor

#### **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 46

# STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

January 17, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Eric A. Cioppa of South China for reappointment as the Superintendent of Insurance.

Pursuant to Title 24-A, MRSA §201, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage Governor

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: S.C. 47

#### STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

January 18, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Christopher A. Pierce of Cumberland Foreside for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

Pursuant to Title 10, MRSA §965, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage Governor

#### READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: S.C. 48

#### STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

January 18, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Timothy P. Nightingale of Rockport for appointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

Pursuant to Title 10, MRSA §965, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §1964-A, this appointment is Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Economic Development. Joint Standing Committee on Transportation. Sincerely, Sincerely, S/Paul R. LePage S/Paul R. LePage Governor Governor READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE. READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE. The Following Communication: S.C. 49 The Following Communication: S.C. 51 MAINE MUNICIPAL AND RURAL ELECTRIFICATION **STATE OF MAINE COOPERATIVE AGENCY** OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR January 18, 2017 January 13, 2017 The Honorable Michael Thibodeau Honorable Sara Gideon President of the Senate Speaker of the House 3 State House Station 2 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 Augusta, Maine 04333 Dear President Thibodeau: Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau President of the Senate This is to inform you that I am today nominating David J. Daigler 3 State House Station of Portland for appointment to the Finance Authority of Maine. Augusta, Maine 04333 Pursuant to Title 10, MRSA §965, this appointment is contingent Dear Speaker Gideon and President Thibodeau: on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the Economic Development. letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Municipal and Rural Electrification Cooperative Agency due by Sincerely, February 1, 2017. S/Paul R. LePage Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information. Governor **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**. Thank you. Sincerely, The Following Communication: S.C. 50 S/Scott M. Hallowell **MMRECA** STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE. January 18, 2017 The Honorable Michael Thibodeau President of the Senate All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for 3 State House Station concurrence.

of Saco for appointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority Board of Directors.

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Thomas J. Zuke

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

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After Recess the Senate was called to order by the President.

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

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### Joint Order

The following Joint Order:

H.P. 96

WHEREAS, "An Act To Legalize Marijuana" was approved by Maine voters on November 8, 2016 establishing a new law to allow for the use, retail sale and taxation of marijuana by individuals over 21 years of age; and

WHEREAS, the new law makes significant changes to various portions of existing law requiring extensive rulemaking and policy changes; and

WHEREAS, the existing law governing the use of medical marijuana may be affected by the implementation of the new law regarding the use, retail sale and taxation of marijuana by individuals over 21 years of age; and

WHEREAS, the issues that must be addressed in order to properly implement the new law are generally heard by several different joint standing committees of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, in order to most expediently resolve the outstanding issues regarding implementation of the new law, it is necessary to create a single committee that is dedicated to comprehensively addressing these issues; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Select Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation is established as follows.

- 1. Establishment. The Joint Select Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation, referred to in this order as "the committee," is established.
- 2. **Membership**. The committee consists of 17 members of the Legislature: 5 members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate and 12 members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The President of the Senate shall appoint no more than 3 Senators

from the party holding the largest number of seats in the Senate and no more than 2 Senators from the party holding the 2nd largest number of seats in the Senate. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint no more than 7 Representatives from the party holding the largest number of seats in the House of Representatives and no more than 5 Representatives from the party holding the 2nd largest number of seats in the House of Representatives. In making their appointments, both the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall consider including members of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety, the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government, the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation and the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs. Nothing in this section precludes the appointment of a member who is not a member of the party holding the largest number of seats or the 2nd largest number of seats in the chamber. The first-named Senate and House members shall serve as cochairs of the committee.

- 3. Authority. The committee shall hold public hearings and work sessions on any legislation referred to it and shall vote on and report out the legislation to the appropriate chamber in the manner prescribed in Joint Rule 310. In addition to reporting out legislation referred to it, the committee is authorized to submit legislation to the House of Representatives concerning marijuana legalization.
- 4. **Meetings**; staff assistance. The committee may meet on days and at locations jointly authorized by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Legislative Council shall provide staffing to the committee. The cochairs of the committee may request technical assistance from appropriate sources whenever necessary. The committee shall report out all legislation referred to it in accordance with deadlines established by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- 5. Termination. Unless the committee is extended by joint order, the committee terminates with the final adjournment of the Second Regular Session of the 128th Legislature.

Comes from the House, READ and PASSED.

**READ** and **PASSED**, in concurrence.

### **SENATE PAPERS**

Bill "An Act To Fund Animal Control Officers and Animal Shelters" S.P. 59 L.D. 167

Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook. Cosponsored by Representative: McELWEE of Caribou.

On motion by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis, REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND **FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.	Bill "An Act To Increase the Safety of Motorists on Public Ways" S.P. 56 L.D. 137
Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Sex Offender Registry"  S.P. 57 L.D. 138  Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec.	Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec. Cosponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias and Senators: CHENETTE of York, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, COLLINS of York, MAKER of Washington, MIRAMANT of Knox, Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, STEWART of Presque Isle.
Cosponsored by Representative PARRY of Arundel and Senators: CHENETTE of York, COLLINS of York, DAVIS of Piscataquis, KATZ of Kennebec, KEIM of Oxford, MAKER of Washington, MIRAMANT of Knox, Representative: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro.	Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Install a Caution Light in New Sweden  S.P. 60 L.D. 168
On motion by Senator <b>ROSEN</b> of Hancock, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY</b> and ordered printed.	Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook. Cosponsored by Representative: McELWEE of Caribou.  On motion by Senator COLLINS of York, REFERRED to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION and ordered printed.
Sent down for concurrence.	Sent down for concurrence.
Bill "An Act To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Disclose Information to the Personal Representative of the Estate of an Incapacitated or Dependent Adult Who Dies While under Public Guardianship or Public Conservatorship"  S.P. 54 L.D. 135  Presented by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representative MALABY of Hancock and Senators: DILL of Penobscot, DION of Cumberland, DOW of Lincoln, JACKSON of Aroostook, MIRAMANT of Knox, WOODSOME of York, Representative: GATTINE of Westbrook.  Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES suggested and ordered printed.  On motion by Senator MASON of Androscoggin, REFERRED to the Committee on JUDICIARY.	Bill "An Act Regarding the Eviction Process" S.P. 55 L.D. 136  Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec. Cosponsored by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro and Senators: CHENETTE of York, COLLINS of York, DAVIS of Piscataquis, KATZ of Kennebec, KEIM of Oxford, MAKER of Washington, Representatives: PARRY of Arundel, TUELL of East Machias.  On motion by Senator MASON of Androscoggin, REFERRED to the Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS and ordered printed.  Sent down for concurrence.
Bill "An Act To Increase Reimbursement for Child Care Services" S.P. 58 L.D. 166	REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
Presented by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representative HANDY of Lewiston and	House
Senators: CHIPMAN of Cumberland, KATZ of Kennebec, Representatives: CHACE of Durham, MADIGAN of Waterville.	Pursuant to Resolve
On motion by Senator <b>BRAKEY</b> of Androscoggin, <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES</b> and ordered printed.	The Committee on <b>JUDICIARY</b> on Bill "An Act To Recodify and Revise the Maine Probate Code"  H.P. 91 L.D. 123
Sent down for concurrence.	Reported that the same be <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>JUDICIARY</b> , pursuant to Resolve 2015, Chapter 73, section 1.

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

Report <b>READ</b> and <b>ACCEPTED</b> , in concurrence.		
Bill and accompanying papers <b>REFERRED</b> to the Committee on <b>JUDICIARY</b> , in concurrence.		
ORDERS OF THE DAY		
Unfinished Business		
The following matter in the consideration of which the Senate was engaged at the time of Adjournment had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by Senate Rule 516.		
The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (1/10/2017) matter:		
JOINT ORDER - To Amend the Joint Rules Concerning Actions Relating to the United States Constitution S.P. 19		
Tabled - January 10, 2017, by Senator MASON of Androscoggin		
Pending - PASSAGE		
REFERRED to the Joint Select Committee on JOINT RULES.		
Sent down for concurrence.		
Off Record Remarks		
All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.		
Off Record Remarks		
On motion by Senator <b>MASON</b> of Androscoggin, <b>ADJOURNED</b> until Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 10:00 in the morning.		

and recodely, sandary 21, 2017 at 10.00 in the monning.