

Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-First Legislature First Regular Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

1st Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Wednesday, December 7, 2022.

Pursuant to the Provisions of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Maine, the Senatorselect of the One-Hundred and Thirty-First Legislature convened in the Senate Chamber and were called to order by Darek M. Grant, Secretary of the Senate of the One-Hundred and Thirtieth Legislature.

Senate called to Order by Secretary Darek M. Grant of Augusta.

Prayer by Chace Jackson of Allagash.

National Anthem Performed by Doug Giroux of Van Buren.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Mark W. Lawrence of York County.

Troy D. Jackson *President of the Senate*

Darek M. GrantSecretary of the Senate

The Following Senate Communication:

S.C. 1

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

December 1, 2022

To Darek M. Grant, Secretary of the Senate in the One Hundred and Thirtieth Legislature:

I, Shenna Bellows, Secretary of State, pursuant to the provisions of Title 3 MRSA, Section 1, hereby certify that the following are the names and residences of the Senators-elect to the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature, in accordance with the tabulation submitted to the Governor on November 28, 2022:

District 1	Jackson, Troy Dale, Allagash
District 2	Stewart, Harold L., III, Presque Isle
District 3	Farrin, Bradlee Thomas, Norridgewock
District 4	Guerin, Stacey K., Glenburn
District 5	Black, Russell J., Wilton
District 6	Moore, Marianne, Calais
District 7	Grohoski, Nicole C., Ellsworth
District 8	Tipping, Michael, Orono
District 9	Baldacci, Joseph M., Bangor
District 10	Lyford, Peter A., Eddington
District 11	Curry, Glenn Chip, Belfast
District 12	Beebe-Center, Anne H., Rockland
District 13	Reny, Cameron D., Bristol
District 14	Hickman, Craig V., Winthrop
District 15	Pouliot, Matthew Gary, Augusta
District 16	LaFountain, David P., Winslow
District 17	Timberlake, Jeffrey L., Turner
District 18	Bennett, Richard A., Oxford
District 19	Keim, Lisa M., Dixfield
District 20	Brakey, Eric L., Auburn
District 21	Rotundo, Margaret R., Lewiston
District 22	Libby, James D., Standish
District 23	Daughtry, Matthea Elisabeth, Brunswick
District 24	Vitelli, Eloise A., Arrowsic
District 25	Pierce, Teresa S., Falmouth
District 26	Nangle, Timothy E., Windham
District 27	Duson, Jill C., Portland
District 28	Chipman, Benjamin M., Portland
District 29	Carney, Anne M., Cape Elizabeth
District 30	Brenner, Stacy Fielding, Scarborough
District 31	Bailey, Donna, Saco
District 32	Ingwersen, Henry L., Arundel
District 33	Harrington, Matthew A., Sanford
District 34	Rafferty, Joseph E., Jr., Kennebunk
District 35	Lawrence, Mark W., Eliot

In Testimony Whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, given under my hand at Augusta this first day of December in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-two.

S/Shenna Bellows Secretary of State

QUORUM CALL

On motion by Senator VIT	ELLI of Sagadahoc, the following Senate Order: S.O. 1
of Senators-elect is present	age be sent to Governor Janet T. Mills, informing her that a quorum in the Senate Chamber, ready to take and subscribe to the oaths of itution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official
	ORGANIZATION OF THE SENATE
The Honorable Janet T. Mi	ls, Governor of the State of Maine, enters and addresses the Senate.
The Senators-elect take and	subscribe to the oaths of office required by the Constitution.
The Governor withdraws fr	om the Senate Chamber.
	ELECTION OF SENATE OFFICERS
Out of order and under suspension of the following Senate Order	ension of the Rules, on motion by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc S.O. 4
	nittee of seven be appointed by the President to which the returns o
report.	olitical years of 2023 and 2024 shall be referred for examination and

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 2

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

December 1, 2022

To the President of the Senate in the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature:

I, Shenna Bellows, Secretary of State, in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Maine, having tabulated the returns of the votes cast for State Senators at the General Election held on the eighth day of November in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-two;

REPORT AS FOLLOWS; that the following named persons having received a plurality of the votes cast, appear to have been elected;

District 1 Bernard, Susan Y., Caribou Jackson, Troy Dale, Allagash	7,974 8,817
<u>District 2</u> Fienberg, Danielle A., Presque Isle Stewart, Harold L., III, Presque Isle	4,997 11,681
District 3 Bean, Shawn G., Madison Farrin, Bradlee Thomas, Norridgewock Others	5,913 11,220 25
District 4 Guerin, Stacey K., Glenburn Thurlow, Andrea I., Atkinson Township	13,321 5,679
District 5 Black, Russell J., Wilton Thomas, Douglas A., Ripley Wheeler, Stanley A., Farmington	10,737 2,373 6,420
District 6 Goble, Jonathan C., Cherryfield Moore, Marianne, Calais	6,436 12,980
<u>District 7</u> Grohoski, Nicole C., Ellsworth Langley, Brian D., Ellsworth	12,811 8,913

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<u>District 8</u> Rojo, Eric, Lincoln Tipping, Michael, Orono		7,421 8,317
District 9 Baldacci, Joseph M., Bangor Furrow, Suzette, Bangor		9,055 6,253
District 10 Cammack, Ralph E. Jr., Brewer Lyford, Peter A., Eddington		9,011 11,522
<u>District 11</u> Curry, Glenn Chip, Belfast Kinney, MaryAnne, Knox		11,543 9,312
<u>District 12</u> Beebe-Center, Anne H., Rockland Rocknak, W. Scott, Camden		12,525 8,597
District 13 Reny, Cameron D., Bristol Simmons, Abden, Waldoboro		11,970 9,913
District 14 Hanley, Jeffery P., Pittston Hickman, Craig V., Winthrop		9,936 10,940
District 15 Pouliot, Matthew Gary, Augusta St. Valle, Storme Jude, Augusta		10,241 7,491
District 16 LaFountain, David P., Winslow Perkins, Michael D., Oakland		8,349 8,022
<u>District 17</u> Keller, Jo-Jean, Lisbon Timberlake, Jeffrey L., Turner		6,220 11,989
District 18 Bennett, Richard A., Oxford O'Neill, Colin D., Oxford		11,931 7,171
District 19 Bean, Matthew R., Andover Keim, Lisa M., Dixfield		7,111 11,902

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District 20 Brakey, Eric L., Auburn Sheats, Bettyann W., Auburn	9,064 8,918
District 21 LaChapelle, Ricky R., Lewiston Rotundo, Margaret R., Lewiston	5,484 7,754
District 22 Libby, James D., Standish McKinney, Michael A., Cornish	11,334 7,463
District 23 Daughtry, Matthea Elisabeth, Brunswick Teel, Brogan P.K., Brunswick	16,401 7,108
District 24 Brackley, Matthew R., West Bath Vitelli, Eloise A., Arrowsic	9,123 12,620
<u>District 25</u> Pierce, Teresa S., Falmouth White, Jennifer L., Gray	15,315 8,845
<u>District 26</u> Nangle, Timothy E., Windham Plummer, Gary E., Windham	9,734 9,388
District 27 Duson, Jill C., Portland Tounge, Jeffrey, Portland	14,225 4,041
District 28 Abercrombie, Susan M., Portland Chipman, Benjamin M., Portland	2,254 15,551
<u>District 29</u> Carney, Anne M., Cape Elizabeth Lewis, John Wesley, Cape Elizabeth	15,432 5,012
District 30 Brenner, Stacy Fielding, Scarborough Thorsen, Timothy J., Gorham	12,685 7,766
District 31 Bailey, Donna, Saco MacDonald, Sharri K., Old Orchard Beach	11,244 7,806

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District 32		
Corbett, David G., Lyman	7,209	
Ingwersen, Henry L., Arundel	9,676	
District 33		
Harrington, Matthew A., Sanford	8,509	
Williams, Kendra A., Sanford	7,228	
District 34		
Ducharme, Bradley Scott, Kennebunk	9,044	
Rafferty, Joseph E., Jr., Kennebunk	12,605	
District 35		
Lawrence, Mark W., Eliot	13,979	
Rakic, Julie, Kittery	7,527	

I, Shenna Bellows, Secretary of State, hereby certify that the foregoing report is a true tabulation of the votes cast for State Senators at the General Election, as reported to me on the returns from the cities, towns, and plantations of the State.

S/Shenna Bellows Secretary of State

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Bill "An Act to Provide Fu	anding for Winter	r Emergency	Energy	Relief and	to Fi	nalize the
COVID Pandemic Relief Payme	nt Program" (EM	(IERGENCY))			

S.P. 8 L.D. 1

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook. (GOVERNOR'S BILL) Cosponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

ORDERS

Senate Order

(4-1) On motion by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland, the following Senate Order: S O 5

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature in the Hall of the House at 2:00 in the afternoon on December 7, 2022 for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State for the political years 2023 and 2024, a Treasurer of State for the political years 2023 and 2024 and an Attorney General for the political years 2023 and 2024.

(4-2) On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, the following Senate Order:

S.O. 6

ORDERED, that the Rules of the Senate of the 130th Legislature shall be the Rules of the Senate of the 131st Legislature. Amendments to the Senate Rules may be adopted by a majority vote on or before the third Friday in January of 2023.

(4-3) On motion by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, the following Senate Order: S.O. 7
ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to invite the clergy to officiate as Chaplains of the Senate as requested by any member of the Senate; and be it further
ORDERED, that all clergy acting as Chaplains of the Senate shall receive \$30 for each officiation, which is to be approved by the Secretary of the Senate.
(4-4) On motion by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc, the following Senate Order: S.O. 8
ORDERED, that all Bills and Resolves carrying or requiring an appropriation or involving a loss of revenue that are in order to be passed to be enacted, or finally passed, shall, at the request of a member of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs or the Presiding Officer, be placed on a special calendar to be called up for consideration only by the same.
(4-5) On motion by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, the following Senate Order: S.O. 9
ORDERED, that all Bills and Resolves carrying or requiring an appropriation of highway revenue or involving a loss of highway revenue that are in order to be passed to be enacted, or finally passed, shall, at the request of a member of the Committee on Transportation or the Presiding Officer, be placed on a special calendar to be called up for consideration only by the same.
(4-6) On motion by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc, the following Senate Order: S.O. 10

ORDERED, that pursuant to Joint Rule 353, subsection 10, a special study table is

established in the Senate.

(4-7) On motion by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland, the following Senate Order: S.O. 11

ORDERED, that the President of the Senate is authorized, at his discretion, to permit radio or sound, television film or live television, or any two or three of these communication media, on the floor of the Senate.

Joint Orders

(4-8) On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 1

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Rules of the 130th Legislature are the Joint Rules of the 131st Legislature, except for the following changes:

Joint Rule 202 is amended by striking out all of the first paragraph and inserting in its place the following:

All requests for bills and resolves submitted by Legislators for a first regular session must be submitted in complete form, as provided in Joint Rule 208, to the Revisor of Statutes by 4:00 p.m. on December 30, 2022.

Joint Rule 208 is amended by striking out all of the third paragraph and inserting in its place the following:

The Revisor of Statutes shall prepare in concept form a bill submitted pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 149 that proposes to make unified appropriations and allocations for the expenditures of state government for the biennium or supplemental appropriations and allocations, and shall include an Internet address at which may be found the text of the draft unified budget bill or supplemental budget bill submitted to the Revisor of Statutes by the Governor.

Joint Rule 306 is amended by striking out all of the first paragraph and inserting in its place the following:

A quorum is 7 members, and a quorum must be present to start a meeting or to take a vote. A quorum is not required to continue a meeting. If a quorum is present, but there is not a Senator among those present, the committee may take a vote only with the authorization of the President of the Senate. For purposes of establishing a quorum, only those members physically present at the meeting may be counted.

Joint Rule 310 is amended by striking out all of subsection 5 and inserting in its place the following:

5. Committee Voting. The committee clerk shall prepare the committee jacket or jackets following the vote and obtain signatures from committee members as required. If all members are not present for the vote, the bill must be held until the following periods have expired.

A. If any member is absent from the committee at the time of the vote, that member's vote may be registered with the clerk up until noon on the 2nd business day following the vote.

B. If the presiding officers jointly determine that operational needs of the Legislature so require, they may require that a member who is absent from the committee at the time of the vote register that member's vote by noon on the next business day following the committee vote.

A member who is not physically present at the meeting but who received permission from that member's presiding officer to participate by electronic means is deemed to be present for purposes of voting, but only for voting on committee reports as specified in subsection 2 and only if the member votes in a manner that provides opportunity for those physically present at the meeting to see and hear how that member voted.

A member may be excused from voting only for a conflict of interest under Joint Rule 104. Except for a motion to adjourn, a question may not be decided and official action may not be taken in the absence of a quorum.

No committee vote on a bill may be taken after 10:30 p.m. or before 7:30 a.m. unless authorized by the presiding officers. If the presiding officers provide this authorization, they shall notify the other members of the Legislative Council concurrently.

(4-9) On motion by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland, the following Joint Order: S.P. 2

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House shall purchase such services, supplies and equipment as may be needed to carry on the business of the Senate and House, respectively.

(4-10) On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, the following Joint Order: S.P. 3

ORDERED, the House concurring, that all printing and binding authorized by the Legislature shall be under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House.

(4-11) On motion by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland, the following Joint Order: S.P. 4

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a sufficient number of copies of the Legislative Record for the 131st Legislature be printed, one copy for each of the members of the Senate and the House of Representatives who so desires, the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, with the remainder to be deposited with the State Law Librarian for exchange and library use; and be it further

ORDERED, that a suitable index be prepared for such Legislative Record, under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House.

(4-12) On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 5

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be paid to the members of the Senate and the House of Representatives as advances on account of compensation established by statute, 12 payments on a biweekly basis commencing January 4, 2023, according to lists certified to the State Controller by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, respectively.

(4-13) On motion by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland, the following Joint Order: S.P. 6

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Executive Director of the Legislative Council, with the approval of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, is authorized and directed to prepare weekly, from expense accounts to be submitted to the Executive Director by the members of the Senate and House, expense rosters showing the entitlement of each member for meals allowance and lodging reimbursement and to transmit the same to the State Controller for processing and payment, in accordance with the recommendations of the Joint Interim Committee of the 101st Legislature created to study and report on a method of implementing the administration of the provision of law relating to the mileage and expenses for members of the Legislature; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Executive Director of the Legislative Council is authorized and directed to provide the forms necessary for such purpose and to provide suitable space in the Executive Director's office for the filing and safekeeping of all such expense accounts and other papers and records pertaining thereto.

(4-14) On motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, the following Joint Order: S.P. 7

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Wednesday, January 4, 2023, at 10:00 in the morning.