

Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-First Legislature First Regular Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

13th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Thursday, March 2, 2023.

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

Prayer by Reverend Dana Reed of Windham.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Bradlee Thomas Farrin of Somerset County.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, February 28, 2023.

Troy D. Jackson *President of the Senate*

Darek M. GrantSecretary of the Senate

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 398

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 10:00 in the morning, or until the call of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, respectively.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-1) Sebago Lake Rotary Club, of Raymond, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; HLS 54

(1-2) Melissa Dahlgreen, of Woodland, who has received the Central Aroostook Chamber of Commerce President's Award for her work as the chamber's Treasurer of the Board of Directors. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 77

(1-3) Fred Cole, of Sedgwick, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 79

(1-4) Joan Welgoss, of Surry, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 80

(1-5) the Massabesic High School Wrestling Team, of Waterboro, which won the Class A State Duals Championship. Members of the team include Tanner Atkins, Brady Bergeron, Isaac Boulard, Jared Breton, Dominick Bubar, Nicholas Chenard, Sydney Cyr, Caleb Dyer, Colby Dyer, Hailee Francoeur, Abby Glidden, Olivia Goodrich, Jack Harriman, Bryce Holleran, John Madigan, Ethan Masse, Mason Mead, Jacob Michaud, Brayden Moores, Scott Pelletier, Coleman Pennington, Gabel Smith, Ethan St. Arnold, Paige Stephenson, Alexander Stoddard, Caden Thibodeau, Savannah Thyng, Jack Trask and Vincenzo Vanelli; assistant coach Lucas Labbe; and head coach Joe Eon. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 85

(1-6) Antonio Garreton, of Bath, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 86

(1-7) Amelia Kostin, of Yarmouth, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

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Come from the House, **READ** and **PASSED**.

Joint Resolutions

(1-8) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 540

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 2023 AS TURNER SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Turner syndrome is a chromosomal disorder that involves the lack of all or part of a second X chromosome and that affects one in 2,500 live female births and is characterized by a cluster of symptoms ranging from mild to life-threatening; and

WHEREAS, the cause of Turner syndrome is not presently known but appears to be the result of random error during the formation of either the sperm or the egg; and

WHEREAS, Turner syndrome can be diagnosed early during pregnancy through prenatal testing methods such as amniocentesis; and

WHEREAS, early diagnosis facilitates prevention or remediation of growth failure, hearing problems and learning difficulties; and

WHEREAS, there is presently no cure for Turner syndrome but there are treatment options and support groups available that can help a woman with Turner syndrome to live a happy and healthy life; and

WHEREAS, women with Turner syndrome have a high risk of aortic dissection; and

WHEREAS, Turner syndrome carries an increased risk of nonverbal learning disorders and these impairments can cause problems with math, visual-spatial skills, executive function skills and job retention; and

WHEREAS, a disproportionately small amount of funding is available for Turner syndrome research and support; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness of Turner syndrome among health care professionals and the public will help to encourage affected girls and women to seek treatment and utilize support groups, to promote early diagnosis and to raise support for organizations that are dedicated to improving the lives of people with Turner syndrome; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of Turner Syndrome Awareness Month will provide the opportunity to share experiences and information with the public and the media and raise public awareness about Turner syndrome; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize February 2023 as Turner Syndrome Awareness Month.

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(1-9) Robert Leigh Turner, of Windham. Mr. Turner had a successful career in sales and as a business owner. Throughout his life, he was committed to community service and involvement, often taking on leadership roles. He served as president of his Bonny Eagle High School senior class. When his children were young and his family was living in Brewer, he was a coach and board member of the Police Athletic League and a member and president of the Brewer Kiwanis Club. In 2001, he joined the Anah Shrine in Bangor, where he held many roles and was honored as the illustrious Sir Potentate in 2016. He was also a member of the Royal Order of Jesters, Court 150. For 11 years, he served on the Board of Governors at the Boston Shriners Hospital for Children and 2 of those years as Chairman of the Board. He was a member of Windham Hill United Church of Christ, where he was an active member, Chairman of Trustees and Co-Chair for the Festival of Trees. Mr. Turner will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

HLS 87

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

(1-10) Jason Smith, of Saco. Mr. Smith, a graduate of Sanford High School, was a member of the 2002 Class A State Champion Sanford High School Baseball Team as a high school junior. As a senior, he served as a captain of both the football team and the baseball team. Mr. Smith will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends;

HLS 91

Come from the House **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 140

STATE OF MAINE 131st LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AUGUSTA, MAINE

February 28, 2023

Honorable Darek Grant Senate Secretary 3 SHS Augusta, ME 04333

Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to my authority under Public Law, Chapter 163, I am pleased to appoint Mal Carey to the Maine Library of Geographic Information Board seat 15, representing the public, effective the date of this letter.

Please let me know if you have questions about this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Troy Jackson President of the Senate

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 148

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

March 1, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson President of the Senate of Maine 131st 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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of David Adams of Mapleton, for reappointment to the Board of Pesticides Control.

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	3	Ingwersen, H. of York, Black, R. of Franklin, Hickman, C. of Kennebec
	Representatives	6	Pluecker, B. of Warren, Guerrette, T. of Caribou, Hall, R. of Wilton, Jackson, C. of Oxford, Osher, L. of Orono, Shaw, K. of Auburn
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		4	Rep. Costain, D. of Plymouth, Rep. Cray, D. of Palmyra, Rep. Hepler, A. of Woolwich, Rep. Jauch, R. of Topsham

Nine 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 David Adams of Mapleton, for reappointment to the Board of Pesticides Control be confirmed.

	Signed,	
S/Henry Ingwersen Senate Chair	-	S/Bill Pluecker House Chair

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 145

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

March 1, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson President of the Senate of Maine 131st 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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of Barbara M. Trafton of Brunswick, for reappointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board.

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 3 Ingwersen, H. of York, Black, R. of Franklin, Senators Hickman, C. of Kennebec Representatives 9 Pluecker, B. of Warren, Cray, D. of Palmyra, Guerrette, T. of Caribou, Hall, R. of Wilton, Hepler, A. of Woolwich, Jackson, C. of Oxford, Jauch, R. of Topsham, Osher, L. of Orono, Shaw, K. of Auburn **NAYS** 0 **ABSENT** 1 Rep. Costain, D. of Plymouth

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 Barbara M. Trafton of Brunswick, for reappointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board be confirmed.

S/Henry Ingwersen
Senate Chair

Signed,
S/Bill Pluecker
House Chair

(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 146

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

March 1, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson President of the Senate of Maine 131st 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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of James P. Norris of Winthrop, for reappointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board.

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 3 Senators Ingwersen, H. of York, Black, R. of Franklin, Hickman, C. of Kennebec Representatives 9 Pluecker, B. of Warren, Cray, D. of Palmyra, Guerrette, T. of Caribou, Hall, R. of Wilton, Hepler, A. of Woolwich, Jackson, C. of Oxford, Jauch, R. of Topsham, Osher, L. of Orono, Shaw, K. of Auburn **NAYS** 0 **ABSENT** 1 Rep. Costain, D. of Plymouth

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 James P. Norris of Winthrop, for reappointment to the Land For Maine's Future Board be confirmed.

S/Henry Ingwersen
Senate Chair

Signed,
S/Bill Pluecker
House Chair

(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 147

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

March 1, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson President of the Senate of Maine 131st 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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has had under consideration the nomination of Dr. Mark Neavyn, M.D. of Falmouth, for appointment to the Board of Pesticides Control.

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	Ingwersen, H. of York, Black, R. of Franklin
	Representatives	9	Pluecker, B. of Warren, Cray, D. of Palmyra, Guerrette, T. of Caribou, Hall, R. of Wilton, Hepler, A. of Woolwich, Jackson, C. of Oxford, Jauch, R. of Topsham, Osher, L. of Orono, Shaw, K. of Auburn
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		2	Sen. Hickman, C. of Kennebec, Rep. Costain, D. of Plymouth

Eleven 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 Dr. Mark Neavyn, M.D. of Falmouth, for appointment to the Board of Pesticides Control be confirmed.

	Signed,	
S/Henry Ingwersen Senate Chair	-	S/Bill Pluecker House Chair

(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 142

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

February 27, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson President of the Senate of Maine 131st 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 Criminal Justice and Public Safety has had under consideration the nomination of William G. Ross of Cumberland, for appointment as the Chief, Maine State Police.

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 3 Beebe-Center, A. of Knox, Harrington, M. of York, Senators LaFountain, D. of Kennebec Representatives 9 Salisbury, S. of Westbrook, Ardell, D. of Monticello, Hasenfus, T. of Readfield, Lajoie, M. of Lewiston, Mathieson, K. of Kittery, Milliken, N. of Blue Hill, Newman, D. of Belgrade, Nutting, R. of Oakland, Perkins, C. of Dover-Foxcroft **NAYS** 0 **ABSENT** 1 Rep. Lookner, G. of Portland

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 William G. Ross of Cumberland, for appointment as the Chief, Maine State Police be confirmed.

S/Anne Beebe-Center
Senate Chair
Signed,
S/Suzanne M. Salisbury
House Chair

(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 141

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

February 27, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson President of the Senate of Maine 131st 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 Criminal Justice and Public Safety has had under consideration the nomination of Richard M. McCarthy of Oakland, for appointment as the State Fire Marshal.

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	3	Beebe-Center, A. of Knox, Harrington, M. of York, LaFountain, D. of Kennebec
	Representatives	5	Ardell, D. of Monticello, Lajoie, M. of Lewiston, Newman, D. of Belgrade, Nutting, R. of Oakland, Perkins, C. of Dover-Foxcroft
NAYS	Senators	0	
	Representatives	4	Salisbury, S. of Westbrook, Hasenfus, T. of Readfield, Mathieson, K. of Kittery, Milliken, N. of Blue Hill
ABSENT		1	Rep. Lookner, G. of Portland

Eight members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and four in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Richard M. McCarthy of Oakland, for appointment as the State Fire Marshal be confirmed.

Sig	gned,
S/Anne Beebe-Center	S/Suzanne M. Salisbury
Senate Chair	House Chair

(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 143

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS

February 17, 2023

The Honorable Troy Dale Jackson President of the Senate of Maine 131st 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 Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business has had under consideration the nomination of Blue Keim of Dixfield, for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine.

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	Curry, C. of Waldo, Guerin, S. of Penobscot
	Representatives	7	Roberts, T. of South Berwick, Collamore, A. of Pittsfield, LaRochelle, R. of Augusta, Ness, C. of Fryeburg, Sayre, D. of Kennebunk, Walker, M. of Naples, White, B. of Waterville
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		4	Sen. Rafferty, J. of York, Rep. Crockett, E. of Portland, Rep. Lanigan, L. of Sanford, Rep. Smith, K. of Palermo

Nine 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 Blue Keim of Dixfield, for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine be confirmed.

	Signed,
S/Chip Curry	S/Tiffany Danielle Robert
Senate Chair	House Chair

(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 144

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

February 22, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House 131st 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 the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 108	An Act to Establish a Logger Relations Advocate Within the Maine Forest Service
L.D. 157	Resolve, to Improve Standards for Animal Rescue Entities
L.D. 159	An Act to Facilitate the Construction of a Firehouse by Sinclair Township

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Henry Ingwersen S/Rep. Bill Pluecker Senate Chair House Chair

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) 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

Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich and Senators: BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, BRENNER of Cumberland, CARNEY of Cumberland, CURRY of Waldo, President JACKSON of Aroostook, RENY of Lincoln, Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, ZEIGLER of Montville.

Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-2) Bill "An Act to Facilitate Employment in the Field of Emergency Medical Services" S.P. 390 L.D. 919

Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.

(3-3) Bill "An Act to Require All Emergency Medical Services Persons to Be Trained in the Dispensing of Naloxone Hydrochloride"

S.P. 400 L.D. 981

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senator: BENNETT of Oxford, Representatives: BOYER of Poland, PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft.

(3-4) Bill "An Act to Ensure Safer Communities by Increasing the Punishment for Crimes Involving Fentanyl"

S.P. 405 L.D. 986

Presented by Senator FARRIN of Somerset.

Cosponsored by Representative NEWMAN of Belgrade and Senator: HARRINGTON of York, Representatives: ARDELL of Monticello, WHITE of Waterville.

Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-5) 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

Presented by Senator RENY of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Senators: POULIOT of Kennebec, RAFFERTY of York, VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-6) Bill "An Act to Improve Disclosure of Present and Future Costs to Maine Electricity Consumers"

S.P. 394 L.D. 923

Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.

(3-7) Resolve, to Provide Legislative Approval of Northern Maine Transmission Infrastructure S.P. 395 L.D. 924

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative ZEIGLER of Montville and Senators: GROHOSKI of Hancock, HARRINGTON of York, LAWRENCE of York, STEWART of Aroostook, Representatives: ALBERT of Madawaska, BABIN of Fort Fairfield, BOYLE of Gorham, GUERRETTE of Caribou.

(3-8) Bill "An Act to Allow the Baileyville Utilities District to Disconnect Water Service for a Customer's Failure to Pay for Sewer Service Provided by the Town of Baileyville"

S.P. 396 L.D. 925

Presented by Senator MOORE of Washington. Cosponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais.

(3-9) Bill "An Act to Promote Electricity Price Stability for Standard-offer Service" S.P. 406 L.D. 987

Presented by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Cosponsored by Representative ZEIGLER of Montville and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, FOSTER of Dexter.

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

(3-10) Bill "An Act to Allow the Disclosure of Death Certificate Data to Hospitals and Health Care Practitioners"
S.P. 401 L.D. 982
Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.
Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES suggested and ordered printed.
(3-11) Bill "An Act to Improve Maine Public Employees Retirement System Representation" S.P. 397 L.D. 926
Presented by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Committee on LABOR AND HOUSING suggested and ordered printed.
(3-12) Bill "An Act to Allow Holders of Elver Fishing Licenses to Fish on Behalf of Other Elver Fishing License Holders"
S.P. 391 L.D. 920
Presented by Senator RENY of Lincoln

 $Committee \ on \ \textbf{MARINE RESOURCES} \ suggested \ and \ ordered \ printed.$

(3-13) Bill "An Act to Exempt Maine from Daylight Saving Time"

S.P. 402 L.D. 983

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senators: KEIM of Oxford, LIBBY of Cumberland, Representatives: FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, HAGGAN of Hampden, THERIAULT of Fort Kent.

(3-14) Resolve, Directing the University of Maine System to Study the Potential Effects of the State's Adopting Atlantic Standard Time

S.P. 408 L.D. 989

Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot, Representative: KESSLER of South Portland.

Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-15) Bill "An Act to Expand Access to the Homestead Property Tax Exemption" S.P. 403 L.D. 984

Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, HASENFUS of Readfield, RANA of Bangor.

Committee on **TAXATION** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-16) Bill "An Act to Decrease the Minimum Age to Operate a School Bus" S.P. 389 L.D. 918

Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford. Cosponsored by Representative CRAY of Palmyra.

(3-17) Bill "An Act Regarding Disabled Motor Vehicles on Public Ways" S.P. 399 L.D. 980

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-18) Bill "An Act to Clarify Required Disclosure of Personally Identifying Information for Certain Nominating Petitions"

S.P. 393 L.D. 922

Presented by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representative: CLOUTIER of Lewiston.

(3-19) Resolve, to Require the Department of Health and Human Services to Provide Additional Reimbursement to Maine Veterans' Homes

S.P. 404 L.D. 985

Presented by Senator FARRIN of Somerset.

Cosponsored by Representative LaROCHELLE of Augusta and Senators: MOORE of Washington, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representatives: BRIDGEO of Augusta, CRAVEN of Lewiston, DOUDERA of Camden, GUERRETTE of Caribou, O'CONNELL of Brewer, SUPICA of Bangor.

Committee on VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS suggested and ordered printed.

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) the Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School Cheering Team, of South Paris, which won the Class A State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 173

Sponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Senator: KEIM of Oxford, Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, HENDERSON of Rumford, JACKSON of Oxford, MILLETT of Waterford, NESS of Fryeburg, RISEMAN of Harrison, SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico, SOBOLESKI of Phillips.

(4-2) the Caravel Middle School Boys Basketball Team, of Carmel, which won back-to-back Penobscot Valley Middle School League Championships. The team has won 37 straight games under Coach Don Reynolds. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 174

Sponsored by Senator LYFORD of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot, Representatives: GRIFFIN of Levant, THORNE of Carmel.

(4-3) Damon Beal, of Beals, a student at Jonesport-Beals High School and a member of the boys basketball team, who recently scored his 1,000th career point. We extend our congratulations and best wishes:

SLS 175

Sponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington.

Cosponsored by Representative: STROUT of Harrington.

(4-4) the Bangor High School Girls Varsity Indoor Track Team, which won the Class A State Championship for the third year in a row. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 176

Sponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: PERRY of Bangor, RANA of Bangor, ROEDER of Bangor, SUPICA of Bangor.

(4-5) the Camden Hills Regional High School Girls Varsity Swim Team, of Rockport, which won the Class A State Swimming and Diving Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 177

Sponsored by Senator BEEBE-CENTER of Knox.

Cosponsored by Representative: DOUDERA of Camden.

(4-6) Nathan Clive, of Scarborough, a member of Troop No. 47, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 178

Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

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

(4-7) Janie Lander, of Guilford, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 181

Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: WHITE of Guilford.

(4-8) the Monson Bicentennial Committee, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 182

Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: WHITE of Guilford.

(4-9) the Veterans Memorial Crew, of Sebec, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; SLS 183

Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: WHITE of Guilford.

(4-10) Norman Beckwith, of Shirley, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 184

Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: WHITE of Guilford.

(4-11) David Dowling, of Whitneyville, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 185

Sponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington.

Cosponsored by Representative: STROUT of Harrington.

(4-12) Arlan Jodrey, of Bethel, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 186

Sponsored by Senator KEIM of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Representative: HENDERSON of Rumford.

(4-13) Vernon G. Bean, of Rangeley, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 187

Sponsored by Senator KEIM of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Representative: SOBOLESKI of Phillips.

(4-14) Richard Melville, of Greenwood, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 188

Sponsored by Senator KEIM of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Representative: MILLETT of Waterford.

Joint Resolutions

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(4-15) George Albion Ricker, of Windham. Mr. Ricker was a veteran of the United States Army, serving mostly at Vint Hill Farms Station in Virginia. He had a career in secondary education, teaching English for two years in Lebanon, New Hampshire and, from 1959 to 1973, serving as a guidance director at high schools in Calais, Woodland, Windham and Standish. He later taught English and speech classes before retiring in 1991. Proficient in genealogical research, he also taught adult education classes for beginning genealogists before computers and the Internet made the work easier. He was active in state and national teachers organizations, including the Maine Education Association and the National Education Association, as well as guidance associations. After his career in education, he worked seasonally at his family's farm, Ricker Hill Orchards. He more recently served as secretary for the Little Meeting House. He and his wife, Wendy, were honored by Little People of America, Inc. with the Distinguished Service Award (Auxiliary) for their years of mentoring other parents of children with dwarfism. Mr. Ricker will be long remembered and sadly missed by Wendy, to whom he was married for 65 years, his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

SLS 172

Sponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Senator: NANGLE of Cumberland, Representatives: BAGSHAW of Windham, PRINGLE of Windham.

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

(4-16) John Wayne Graffam, of Buxton. Mr. Graffam was a veteran of the National Guard. He worked for Saco Brick until the early 1980s, after which he was employed by Autoplacement Center and later the Department of Transportation as a heavy equipment operator. During his retirement from the department, he worked for Toyota as a courtesy driver. Mr. Graffam will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends;

SLS 179

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

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

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

(4-17) Michael Davis Andrew, of Gorham. Dr. Andrew had a 43-year career as an education professor at the University of New Hampshire, serving as Distinguished Professor of Education, department head and founder of the five-year teaching internship program. An award-winning faculty member at both the University of New Hampshire and the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, he inspired, mentored and supported countless education professionals. Also a farmer and breeder of sheep and trotters, he built an award-winning flock of Hampshire sheep and a respected stable of Standardbred trotters and Maine Sire Stakes champions, including "Obrigado," an undefeated Maine Sire Stakes Champion at 2 and 3, World Champion and Dan Patch award winner; "ReBuff," a Breeder's Crown and Kentucky Futurity winner; and "Likeabatoutahell," a World Champion. He was a former member of the Maine State Harness Racing Commission, Vice President and President of the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association and founder of the Downeast Polo Club. Dr. Andrew will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched:

SLS 180

Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representatives: BOYLE of Gorham, TERRY of Gorham.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Pursuant to Resolve

(5-1) The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN 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 be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**, pursuant to Resolve 2021, chapter 177, section 8.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**.

Ought to Pass

(5-2) The Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Storm Water Management to Provide an Exemption for Trails for Hiking and Other Similar Activities"

H.P. 137 L.D. 216

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

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

(5-3) Th	e Committee on H	EALTH AND	HUMAN	SERVICES	on Bill '	'An Act to R	aise from
12 to 24	the Annual Limit	on the Number	of Public E	vents and Me	eals Non	profit Organ	izations
May Hav	e That Are Exemp	t from Certain	Rules and	Regulations"		_	
-	_				HP 15	55 L.D. 234	

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

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

SECOND READERS

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

House

(6-1) Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Invasive Aquatic Plants" H.P. 14 L.D. 10

ENACTORS

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

Act

(7-1) An Act to Clarify the Boundary Between Waldo and Knox Counties in Penobscot Bay S.P. 58 L.D. 119

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

Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Winter Emergency Energy Relief and to Finalize the COVID Pandemic Relief Payment Program" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 8 L.D. 1

Tabled - January 17, 2023 by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc

Pending - FURTHER CONSIDERATION

(In Senate, December 7, 2022, FAILED ENACTMENT in NON-CONCURRENCE.)

(In House, Bill and accompanying papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.)

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Zackery Ellis, of Farmingdale

SLS 73

Tabled - January 31, 2023 by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec

Pending - **PASSAGE**

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislati	ve Sentiment Recognizing Corbin Eldridge, of
Farmingdale	
	SLS 74

Tabled - January 31, 2023 by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec

Pending - PASSAGE

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Zachary Truman, of Farmingdale

SLS 75

Tabled - January 31, 2023 by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec

Pending - PASSAGE

5.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT RESOLUTION - Memorializing Leon J. Tanguay, of Sanford SLS 107

Tabled - February 9, 2023 by Senator **HARRINGTON** of York

Pending - ADOPTION

6.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act to Protect Health Care Professionals Providing Reproductive Health Care Services"
H.P. 393 L.D. 616

Tabled - February 14, 2023 by Senator **BAILEY** of York

Pending - REFERENCE

(Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.)

(In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE**, **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed.)

7.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Chocolats Passion, of Portland

SLS 152

Tabled - February 28, 2023 by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland

Pending - PASSAGE

8.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Presque Isle Rotary Club on its Centennial

SLS 156

Tabled - February 28, 2023 by Senator STEWART of Aroostook

Pending - PASSAGE

9.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Phillips	DER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Carter Butterfield, of				
•	SLS 157				
Tabled - February 28, 2023 by Senator KEIM of Oxford					
Pending - PASSAGE					

10.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Kevin Jamison, of Rumford SLS 163

Tabled - February 28, 2023 by Senator KEIM of Oxford

Pending - PASSAGE

11.

Tabled and Later Assigned

 $\label{local-continuity} \mbox{JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Skowhegan Area High School Field Hockey Team}$

SLS 171

Tabled - February 28, 2023 by Senator KEIM of Oxford

Pending - PASSAGE
