



Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-First Legislature
Second Regular Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

6th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, January 23, 2024.

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

Prayer by Reverend Jay Noll of Corliss Street Baptist Church in Bath.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Russell J. Black of Franklin County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, January 18, 2024.

Medical Provider of the Day, Kevin Fickenscher, MD of Kittery.

Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Order

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-1) Jacqueline R. Murphy, of Portland, who is celebrating her 80th birthday on February 18, 2024. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 736

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

Joint Resolutions

(1-2) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1390

**JOINT RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE LEGISLATURE’S ONGOING
COMMITMENT TO THE GOALS OF THE PARIS CLIMATE AGREEMENT AND
SUPPORT OF THE FOSSIL FUEL NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY**

WHEREAS, the scientific consensus is clear that human activities are primarily responsible for accelerating global climate change and that the climate crisis now represents one of the preeminent threats to global civilization; and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, or IPCC, reported in 2018 that we must achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions, or GHGs, by the middle of this century in order to have a reasonable chance of limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius; and

WHEREAS, the IPCC released its Sixth Assessment Report from Working Group II, which was approved by 195 member states, in February 2022, which notes that there is high confidence that “the rise in weather and climate extremes has led to some irreversible impacts as natural and human systems are pushed beyond their ability to adapt”; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres has called the Working Group II report “an atlas of human suffering... according to current commitment, global emissions are set to increase almost 14 percent... It will destroy any chance of keeping 1.5 alive... coal and other fossil fuels are choking humanity”; and

WHEREAS, changes to the State’s climate are already being felt, including such impacts as rising seas, an increased number of high heat days, increasingly frequent high intensity rain events and dramatic ocean heat waves in the Gulf of Maine that threaten natural ecosystems and the maritime economy; and

WHEREAS, the entire State is affected by the health and safety risks of fossil fuel expansion, particularly those who also face socioeconomic and health inequities, including low-income families; those experiencing homelessness; Black persons, indigenous persons and people of color; youth; seniors; those experiencing mental and physical disabilities; and people with health conditions; and

WHEREAS, our youth and future generations have the most to lose from a lack of immediate action to stop fossil fuel expansion as they face major and lifelong health, ecological, social and economic impacts from prolonged and cumulative effects of climate change, including food and water shortages, infectious diseases and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Paris Climate Agreement remains silent on coal, oil and gas, an omission with respect to the supply and production of fossil fuels, which are the largest source of GHGs, that needs to be collectively addressed by other means; and

WHEREAS, global governments and the fossil fuel industry are currently planning to produce more than double the amount of coal, oil and gas by 2030 than can be burned if the world is to limit warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius and avert catastrophic climate disruption, and such plans risk undoing the work of the State to reduce GHGs; and

WHEREAS, the construction of new fossil fuel infrastructure and expanded reliance on fossil fuels exposes communities to untenable risks to public health and safety at the local and global levels; and

WHEREAS, the economic opportunities presented by a clean energy transition far outweigh the opportunities presented by an economy supported by expanding fossil fuel extraction and use; and

WHEREAS, the State is committed, as part of our climate emergency response, to a just energy transition and to ambitious investments in the green infrastructure and industries that will create jobs and rapidly decarbonize our economy; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes that it is the urgent responsibility and moral obligation of fossil fuel producers to lead in putting an end to fossil fuel development and to manage the reduction of existing production; and

WHEREAS, a new global initiative calling for a fossil fuel non-proliferation treaty would end new fossil fuel exploration and expansion, phase out existing production in line with the global commitment to limit warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius and accelerate equitable transition plans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, express our support for a fossil fuel non-proliferation treaty, urge the United States Government to support a fossil fuel non-proliferation treaty and express our support for the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement and the GHGs reduction targets as called for by the IPCC.

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

Joint Resolution in Memoriam:

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

(1-3) Donald A. Cormier, of Sanford. Mr. Cormier was a veteran of the United States Army, serving for 2 years, mostly in Korea. He worked as a mechanic for Mr. Joe Gagnon for 35 years. He then worked at Portland Naval Shipyard until his retirement in 1992. He was a Third Degree Knight in the Sanford Knights of Columbus. Mr. Cormier will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 70 years, Therese, his family and his friends;

HLS 735

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

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 810

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 19, 2024

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Appointment of The Honorable Patrick Ende, Esquire of Hallowell to the Maine
Unemployment Insurance Commission

Dear President Jackson:

I am pleased to nominate The Honorable Patrick Ende, Esquire of Hallowell to the Maine
Unemployment Insurance Commission as the neutral chair.

Pursuant to Title 26, MRSA §1081, this appointment is contingent on confirmation by the Maine
Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 811

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 19, 2024

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Reappointment of Lynne P. Gaudette to the Workers' Compensation Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am pleased to nominate Lynne P. Gaudette of Biddeford for reappointment to the Workers' Compensation Board.

Pursuant to Title 39-A, MRSA §151, this reappointment is contingent on confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 812

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 19, 2024

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Reappointment of Serina DeWolfe to the Workers' Compensation Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am pleased to nominate Serina DeWolfe of Gray for reappointment to the Workers' Compensation Board.

Pursuant to Title 39-A, MRSA §151, this reappointment is contingent on confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 813

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 19, 2024

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Appointment of Paul H. Gendreau to the Workers' Compensation Board

Dear President Jackson:

I am pleased to nominate Paul H. Gendreau of Waterville for appointment to the Workers' Compensation Board.

Pursuant to Title 3 9-A, MRSA § 151, this appointment is contingent on confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 814

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 19, 2024

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Reappointment of Frank O'Hara of Hallowell to the Maine State Housing Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am pleased to nominate Frank O'Hara of Hallowell for reappointment as a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority.

Pursuant to Title 30-A, MRSA §4723.2, this reappointment is contingent on the confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 815

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 19, 2024

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Reappointment of Elizabeth Dietz of Veazie to the Maine State Housing Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am pleased to nominate Elizabeth Dietz of Veazie for reappointment as a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority.

Pursuant to Title 30-A, MRSA §4723.2, this appointment is contingent on the confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 816

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 19, 2024

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Appointment of Tinan Melissa Hue of Portland to the Maine State Housing Authority

Dear President Jackson:

I am pleased to nominate Tinan Melissa Hue of Portland for appointment as a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority.

Pursuant to Title 30-A, MRSA §4723.2, this appointment is contingent on the confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing.

Very truly yours,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 817

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

January 12, 2024

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Maine State 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 we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Spkr. Talbot Ross of Portland, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 625 An Act to Set Aside Funds from Federal Block Grants for Certain Communities

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph Baldacci
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michele Meyer
House Chair

(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 802

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON MARINE RESOURCES**

January 16, 2024

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Maine State 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 we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Sen. Reny of Lincoln, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 2029 An Act Regarding License Suspensions Carried out by the Commissioner of
Marine Resources

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Cameron Reny
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Allison Hepler
House Chair

(2-10) The Following Communication:

S.C. 809

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON MARINE RESOURCES**

January 16, 2024

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Maine State 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 we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Sen. Bailey of York, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1145 An Act to Create the Southern Maine Coastal Waters Commission

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Cameron Reny
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Allison Hepler
House Chair

(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 803

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

January 12, 2024

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. 1916 An Act to Classify Meat and Poultry Products Inspections as Essential Services

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Henry Ingwersen
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Bill Pluecker
House Chair

(2-12) The Following Communication:

S.C. 807

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

January 17, 2024

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 Appropriations and Financial Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1920 An Act to Authorize a Supplemental Benefit Relief Payment

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Margaret R. Rotundo
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Melanie Sachs
House Chair

(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 808

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

January 17, 2024

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 Appropriations and Financial Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1733 An Act to Require the Revenue Forecasting Committee to Prepare
Economic Impact Statements for Certain Legislation

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Margaret R. Rotundo
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Melanie Sachs
House Chair

(2-14) The Following Communication:

S.C. 804

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING**

January 16, 2024

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 Housing has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 887 An Act to Amend the Regulation of Mobile Home Parks

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Teresa S. Pierce
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Traci Gere
House Chair

(2-15) The Following Communication:

S.C. 805

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING**

January 16, 2024

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 Housing has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1940 An Act to Promote Consistent Policies within Growth Management
 Programs in Order to Increase Food Security and Economic Resiliency in
 Local Communities

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Teresa S. Pierce
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Traci Gere
House Chair

(2-16) The Following Communication:

S.C. 806

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON MARINE RESOURCES**

January 17, 2024

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 Marine Resources has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 2003 An Act to Protect Access to Maine's Intertidal Zone

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Cameron deGrasse Reny
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Allison Hepler
House Chair

(2-17) The Following Communication:

S.C. 801

**TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE CREATION
OF A COMPREHENSIVE CAREER AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION SYSTEM**

January 19, 2024

The Honorable Troy Jackson, President
Maine State Senate

The Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker
Maine House of Representatives
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

Pursuant to Resolve 2023, c. 92, the Task Force to Study the Creation of a Comprehensive Career and Technical Education System is pleased to submit its final report. Copies of the full report have been distributed to committees or individuals as directed by law and copies have been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library. Others may access the full report on-line through the website of the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis at <http://legislature.maine.gov/opla>.

Sincerely,

S/Senator Joe Rafferty
Chair

S/Representative Kelly Murphy
Chair

(2-18) The Following Communication:

S.C. 798

**BUREAU OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 15, 2024

Hon. Troy D. Jackson, President of the Senate
Hon. Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Maine Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

In accordance with Title 9-B M.R.S. § 217, as amended, enclosed please find a copy of the Annual Report from the Superintendent of the Bureau of Financial Institutions to the Legislature.

In the event that you may have any questions regarding the information contained in this Report, the Bureau would be pleased to respond. This Report will also be available in electronic format at www.maine.gov/pfr/financialinstitutions.

Very truly yours,

S/Lloyd P. LaFountain III
Superintendent

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Bill "An Act to Protect Consumers from Predatory Medical Credit Card Providers"
S.P. 925 L.D. 2174

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland and Senators: BAILEY of York, CURRY of Waldo, HICKMAN of Kennebec, NANGLE of Cumberland, RENY of Lincoln, TIPPING of Penobscot, Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, PERRY of Calais.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

(3-2) Bill "An Act to Improve Access to Affordable Prescription Drugs in Underserved Areas"
(EMERGENCY)

S.P. 926 L.D. 2175

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland and Senators: BAILEY of York, CURRY of Waldo, HICKMAN of Kennebec, NANGLE of Cumberland, RENY of Lincoln, TIPPING of Penobscot, Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, PERRY of Calais.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

(3-3) Resolve, to Rename the Interstate 295 Interchange in the Town of Freeport the Matthew MacMillan Bridge

S.P. 924 L.D. 2173

Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

(3-4) Resolve, to Correct the Designation of a Bridge in Canaan to Be Named After Staff Sergeant Richard Gerald Salisbury (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 928 L.D. 2183

Presented by Senator FARRIN of Somerset.

Cosponsored by Representative CRAY of Palmyra.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

**Pursuant to Statutes
Workers' Compensation Board**

(3-5) Senator TIPPING for the **Workers' Compensation Board**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 39-A, section 152, subsection 11 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Ensure the Workers' Compensation Board's Allocations Are Properly Funded"
S.P. 927 L.D. 2176

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) Elizabeth "Betty" Goss, of Otisfield, who is celebrating her 100th birthday February 26, 2024. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1346

Sponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Senator: KEIM of Oxford, Representative: JACKSON of Oxford.

(4-2) Skyler Campbell, of Littleton, who has achieved a Grand Slam in hunting, having bagged a turkey, a bear, a moose and a deer in the same year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1347

Sponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative: ARDELL of Monticello.

(4-3) PK Floats, of Lincoln, which is celebrating its 70th Anniversary of FAA-certified float manufacturing. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1348

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: GIFFORD of Lincoln.

Joint Resolutions

(4-4) On motion by Senator **BAILEY** of York (Cosponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais and Senator: BRENNER of Cumberland, Representatives: GEIGER of Rockland, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, PRINGLE of Windham, ZAGER of Portland), the following Joint Resolution:

S.P. 929

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING
JANUARY 2024 AS CERVICAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, cervical cancer is the 4th most common cancer in women globally, with an estimated 604,000 new cases and 342,000 deaths in 2020; and

WHEREAS, most cervical cancer is caused by persistent infection with the human papillomavirus, or HPV; and

WHEREAS, the highest rates of cervical cancer incidence and mortality are in low-income and middle-income countries, which reflects major inequities driven by lack of access to the voluntary national HPV vaccination, cervical screening and treatment services and by social and economic determinants; and

WHEREAS, women living with human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, are 6 times more likely to develop cervical cancer than women without HIV; and

WHEREAS, being voluntarily vaccinated at 9 to 14 years of age is a very effective way to prevent HPV infection, cervical cancer and other HPV-related cancers; and

WHEREAS, screening from 30 years of age, or from 25 years of age for women living with HIV, can detect cervical disease, the treatment of which prevents cervical cancer; and

WHEREAS, for women of any age with symptoms or concerns, early detection followed by prompt high-quality treatment can cure cervical cancer; and

WHEREAS, countries around the world are working to accelerate the elimination of cervical cancer in the coming decades, with an agreed set of 3 targets to be met by 2030: voluntary vaccination of 90% of girls by 15 years of age with the HPV vaccine; screening of 70% of women by 35 years of age and by 45 years of age with a high-quality test; and treatment of 90% of women with cervical disease; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to designate January 2024 as Cervical Cancer Awareness Month in order to express our support for public awareness and access to information and services.

Joint Resolution in Memoriam:

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

(4-5) Florence Manchester Smith, of Jonesport. Mrs. Smith was a veteran of World War II, who served in the United States Coast Guard. She went on to work at three local sardine factories: Underwood, Jonesport Packing and Stinsons. She worked three years as a cook and certified nursing assistant at Resthaven Nursing Home. For over 17 years, she was a housemother at Central Maine Vocational Technical Institute in Auburn. She joined the Community of Christ Church as a teenager and was a devoted member of the Jonesport congregation for over 85 years. In the church, she served as the Skylarks and Orioles leader for many years, sang in the choir, taught Sunday School and was a member of the women's department. She was a Life Member of Rumery Chapter 46 Eastern Star. She was a Charter Member of the Women's Memorial in Arlington, Virginia. She participated in an Honor Flight Maine trip and was selected by the Gary Sinise Foundation Soaring Valor program to travel to the World War II Museum in Louisiana, where she was interviewed to be included in the museum's Storyfile project. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and a recipient of the Boston Post Cane for the Town of Jonesport. Mrs. Smith will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family and friends and all those whose lives she touched;

SLS 1349

Sponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington.

Cosponsored by Representative: STROUT of Harrington.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-1) Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Provide Indigenous Peoples Free Access to State Parks"
S.P. 17 L.D. 25

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-513)**.

(5-2) Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands to Convey a Parcel of Land in the Town of Woodstock

S.P. 861 L.D. 2033

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-512)**.

SECOND READERS

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

House

(6-1) Bill "An Act to Clarify the Laws Governing Disclosure of Wood Processing Data"
H.P. 1325 L.D. 2063

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

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** on Bill "An Act to Address Unsafe Staffing of Nurses and Improve Patient Care"

S.P. 656 L.D. 1639

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-391) (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (3 members)

Tabled - June 22, 2023 by Senator **TIPPING** of Penobscot

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

(**CARRIED OVER**, pursuant to Joint Order SP 847.)

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Jim Marquis, of Fort Kent
SLS 1307

Tabled - January 9, 2024 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **PASSAGE**

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Phil Rumery, of South Portland

SLS 1315

Tabled - January 9, 2024 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **PASSAGE**

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT RESOLUTION - Memorializing Aaron Rollins, of Madison

SLS 1328

Tabled - January 11, 2024 by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin

Pending - **ADOPTION**

5.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Zoe Fitzsimmons, of Westbrook

SLS 1329

Tabled - January 16, 2024 by Senator **NANGLE** of Cumberland

Pending - **PASSAGE**

6.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Madison Area Memorial High School Girls Soccer Team

SLS 1334

Tabled - January 16, 2024 by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford

Pending - **PASSAGE**

7.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Kayla Carrier, of Madison

SLS 1335

Tabled - January 16, 2024 by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford

Pending - **PASSAGE**

8.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Raegan Cowan, of Madison

SLS 1336

Tabled - January 16, 2024 by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford

Pending - **PASSAGE**

9.

Tabled and Later Assigned

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY**
on Bill "An Act to Support Municipal Franchise Agreements"

H.P. 1264 L.D. 1967

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-728) (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (4 members)

Tabled - January 18, 2024 by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland

Pending - motion by Senator **LAWRENCE** of York to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report in concurrence

(In House, Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-728).**)

SPECIAL STUDY TABLE

1.

Emergency

Resolve, to Establish the Task Force to Study Barriers to Achieving Behavioral Health Integration and Parity

H.P. 829 L.D. 1304
(C "A" H-220)

Tabled - June 6, 2023 by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**

(**CARRIED OVER**, pursuant to Joint Order SP 847.)

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE

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L.D. 223 - H.P. 144 (C "A" H-253)	L.D. 1161 - H.P. 733 (C "A" H-440)
L.D. 225 - H.P. 146 (C "A" H-118)	L.D. 1162 - H.P. 734 (C "A" H-78)
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L.D. 512 - S.P. 229 (C "A" S-167)	L.D. 1384 - S.P. 549 (C "A" S-402)
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L.D. 566 - S.P. 237 (C "A" S-56)	L.D. 1442 - H.P. 938 (C "A" H-662)
L.D. 568 - S.P. 239 (C "A" S-11)	L.D. 1450 - S.P. 568 (C "A" S-289)
L.D. 577 - S.P. 245 (C "A" S-252)	L.D. 1475 - S.P. 595 (C "A" S-401)
L.D. 580 - S.P. 248 (C "A" S-84)	L.D. 1478 - S.P. 598 (C "A" S-122)
L.D. 587 - S.P. 255 (C "A" S-131)	L.D. 1488 - H.P. 943 (C "A" H-583)
L.D. 591 - S.P. 259 (C "A" S-374)	L.D. 1491 - H.P. 946 (C "A" H-351)
L.D. 599 - H.P. 376 (C "A" H-301)	L.D. 1492 - H.P. 947 (C "A" H-587)
L.D. 610 - H.P. 387 (C "A" H-379)	L.D. 1493 - H.P. 948 (C "A" H-646)
L.D. 632 - H.P. 409 (C "A" H-156)	L.D. 1506 - H.P. 961 (C "A" H-209)
L.D. 659 - H.P. 428 (C "A" H-558)	L.D. 1510 - H.P. 965 (C "A" H-413)
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L.D. 695 - H.P. 464 (C "A" H-234)	L.D. 1529 - H.P. 984 (C "A" H-569)
L.D. 741 - S.P. 299 (C "A" S-200)	L.D. 1535 - H.P. 990 (C "A" H-600)
L.D. 787 - S.P. 346 (C "A" S-287)	L.D. 1540 - H.P. 992 (C "A" H-579)
L.D. 791 - S.P. 350 (C "A" S-26)	L.D. 1558 - H.P. 1003 (C "A" H-425)
L.D. 794 - S.P. 353 (C "A" S-51)	L.D. 1573 - H.P. 1018 (C "A" H-584)
L.D. 816 - H.P. 505 (C "A" H-81)	L.D. 1584 - H.P. 1029 (C "A" H-649)
L.D. 827 - H.P. 516 (C "A" H-322)	L.D. 1621 - H.P. 1046 (C "A" H-318)
L.D. 829 - H.P. 518 (C "A" H-287)	L.D. 1664 - S.P. 669 (C "A" S-209; H "A" H-535 to C "A" S-209)
L.D. 840 - H.P. 529 (C "A" H-344)	L.D. 1666 - S.P. 671 (C "A" S-363)
L.D. 871 - S.P. 368 (C "A" S-172)	L.D. 1668 - H.P. 1066 (C "A" H-361)
L.D. 904 - H.P. 560 (C "A" H-343)	L.D. 1682 - H.P. 1081 (C "A" H-314)
L.D. 907 - H.P. 563 (C "A" H-496)	L.D. 1684 - H.P. 1083 (C "A" H-206)
L.D. 936 - H.P. 583 (C "A" H-255)	L.D. 1691 - S.P. 678 (C "A" S-422)
L.D. 938 - H.P. 585 (C "A" H-181)	L.D. 1712 - H.P. 1101 (C "A" H-619)
L.D. 949 - H.P. 596 (C "A" H-173; H "A" H-575 to C "A" H-173)	

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L.D. 1718 - H.P. 1107 (C "A" H-450)	L.D. 1837 - H.P. 1169 (C "A" H-486)
L.D. 1720 - S.P. 683 (C "A" S-316)	L.D. 1857 - H.P. 1187 (C "A" H-539; H "A" H-571 to C
L.D. 1755 - S.P. 701 (C "A" S-315)	"A" H-539)
L.D. 1760 - S.P. 707 (C "A" S-199)	L.D. 1858 - H.P. 1188 (C "A" H-405)
L.D. 1761 - S.P. 708 (C "A" S-198)	L.D. 1863 - H.P. 1193 (C "A" H-621)
L.D. 1769 - H.P. 1133 (C "A" H-332)	L.D. 1935 - H.P. 1243 (C "A" H-375)
L.D. 1792 - S.P. 717 (C "A" S-364)	L.D. 1942 - S.P. 791 (C "A" S-393)
L.D. 1797 - S.P. 722 (C "A" S-417)	L.D. 1958 - H.P. 1260 (C "A" H-610)
L.D. 1817 - S.P. 732 (C "A" S-192; S "A" S-261 to C "A"	
