



Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-Second Legislature
First Special Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

4th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Thursday, April 3, 2025.

Senate called to Order by President Matthea E. Larsen Daughtry of Cumberland County.

Prayer by Pastor Tobin Curtis of Christ Community Fellowship in Madison.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Nicole Grohoski of Hancock County.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, April 1, 2025.

Medical Provider of the Day, Samantha Paradis, DNP, MPH, FNC-C, CARN-AP of Caribou.

Matthea E. L. Daughtry
President of the Senate

Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

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PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-1) Bill "An Act to Establish 'Welcome Home' as the Official State Anthem"
S.P. 165 L.D. 373

In Senate, April 1, 2025, the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Comes from the House, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-2) the Rotary Club of Kennebunk, which is celebrating its 100th Anniversary on March 26, 2025. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 157

(1-3) the Central Maine Community College Men's Soccer Team, of Auburn, which won the Yankee Small College Conference Regular Season and Tournament and the United States Collegiate Athletic Association DII National Tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 161

(1-4) Carl Lusby, of Ellsworth, who has been named the 2025 Citizen of the Year by the Ellsworth Area Chamber of Commerce. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 162

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

Joint Resolutions

(1-5) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 898

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING
APRIL 2025 AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

WHEREAS, child abuse is a community problem, and finding solutions depends on recognizing that the effects of child abuse and neglect are felt by whole communities and that those effects need to be addressed by the entire community; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse and neglect prevention programs succeed because partnerships are created among government agencies, policymakers, nonprofit organizations, health care providers, schools, faith communities, businesses and law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, when families lack access to adequate financial resources, stable living conditions, nutritious food, affordable health care, quality child care and education, a child's development is at risk; and

WHEREAS, all Maine citizens should become more aware of child abuse and neglect and its prevention and become involved in the raising of children in a safe, secure, nurturing environment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-second Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize April 2025 as Child Abuse Prevention Month, to recognize that we all have a role to play in strengthening families so as to ensure healthy child development and have a duty to help others recognize that role and to celebrate the positive community connections available to our families and caregivers to promote the health and well-being of Maine children and help prevent child abuse and neglect.

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

(1-6) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 900

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING
APRIL 6, 2025 TO APRIL 12, 2025 AS NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**

WHEREAS, across the State, Maine's school, academic, special and public libraries are cornerstones in their communities, connecting the public to information and resources critical to advancing education, employment, entrepreneurship and civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, the library ecosystem in Maine includes over 600 school libraries in 174 districts and 150 certified school librarians serving the State's students; 33 academic libraries, including those of the University of Maine System, community colleges and private 4-year institutions; special libraries, including government, nonprofit, correctional institution and health science libraries; and 257 public libraries; and

WHEREAS, each year Maine libraries welcome over 3,000,000 visitors who use library services to attend enrichment programs, receive a state park pass and snowshoes, book space for community meetings, receive one-on-one tutoring and practice for general education development tests, manage a small business or find a job, use a computer and build digital skills, learn English, apply for Federal Emergency Management Agency benefits, make a telehealth appointment and check out books; and

WHEREAS, research shows that school libraries and library staff positively affect student achievement, transform learning and support the development of all literacy skills while providing safe spaces for children to learn and grow; and

WHEREAS, academic libraries are essential to higher education, supporting student success, faculty research and lifelong learning by providing access to scholarly resources, research assistance and information literacy instruction; and

WHEREAS, Maine's libraries provide a safe place during severe weather events when they serve as heating and cooling centers and offer a place of security for families in need, including through the provision of free summer meals through the United States Department of Agriculture Summer Food Service Program or the management of a community pantry; and

WHEREAS, Maine's libraries ensure Maine's children are ready to learn when they enter school and welcome new Mainers and asylum seekers, connecting them to services to help them relocate successfully to their adopted state; and

WHEREAS, Maine's libraries provide invaluable social connections for older adults, contributing to their healthy aging and their ability to age in place; and

WHEREAS, Maine's public libraries provide free wireless Internet connection, laptops and tablets, computer classes and access to robust digital resources, often surpassing what is available in many residents' homes; and

WHEREAS, using their library cards, Mainers have access to e-books and audiobooks, streaming videos, local and national newspapers and digital resources for learning that teach subjects such as how to fix a car, update professional certifications and research homework assignments; and

WHEREAS, eligible Maine residents have access to Braille and audio materials and specially formatted digital books, and Mainers who are not served by a local library have access to books by mail via the United States Postal Service; and

WHEREAS, National Library Week is a time to recognize the importance of these institutions and acknowledge their contributions to our State, from the smallest island communities to our urban centers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-second Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize April 6, 2025 to April 12, 2025 as National Library Week and to express our appreciation and gratitude to libraries and their support staff.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

H.P. 897

**STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

March 28, 2025

Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
132nd Legislature

Honorable Matthea Daughtry
President of the Senate
132nd Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Madam President:

On March 28, 2025, 23 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on March 28, 2025, as follows:

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act to Amend Certain Provisions of the Drug Laws Related to Cocaine Base" (H.P. 889) (L.D. 1366) (Sponsored by Representative MILLIKEN of Blue Hill) (Cosponsored by Representative: LOOKNER of Portland)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act to Create Alternative Pathways for Certification or Endorsement of Industrial Arts Teachers" (H.P. 880) (L.D. 1357) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator HAGGAN of Penobscot and Representatives: ARDELL of Monticello, CARUSO of Caratunk, CIMINO of Bridgton, FLYNN of Albion, OLSEN of Raymond, POIRIER of Skowhegan, Senator: MOORE of Washington)

Bill "An Act to Provide Emergency Medical Services Training Through the Maine Community College System" (H.P. 892) (L.D. 1369) (Sponsored by Representative FREDETTE of Newport)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act to Reduce Electricity Rates by Removing Limitations on the Ownership of Generation by an Affiliate of an Investor-owned Transmission and Distribution Utility" (H.P. 881) (L.D. 1358) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and Representatives: FOSTER of Dexter, MCINTYRE of Lowell, SMITH of Palermo, Senator: HARRINGTON of York)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act to Establish Parity in Funding Between Recovery Community Centers and Peer-run Recovery Centers" (H.P. 885) (L.D. 1362) (Sponsored by Representative ROEDER of Bangor) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BECK of South Portland, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, FROST of Belgrade, GEIGER of Rockland, STOVER of Boothbay, Senator: TIPPING of Penobscot)

Resolve, to Study Methods of Gradually Transitioning Individuals from Government Assistance Programs to the Workforce (H.P. 890) (L.D. 1367) (Sponsored by Representative LANIGAN of Sanford) (Cosponsored by Senator HARRINGTON of York and Representatives: LIBBY of Auburn, STROUT of Harrington)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act to Require Insurance Coverage for Covered Dental Services Provided by Licensed Dental Hygienists and to Authorize Licensed Dental Hygienists to Bill Commercial Dental Insurance" (H.P. 884) (L.D. 1361) (Sponsored by Representative MASTRACCIO of Sanford)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Resolve, Authorizing a Study on the Impacts and Risks of Lead-based Ammunition (H.P. 887) (L.D. 1364) (Sponsored by Representative BRIDGEO of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DILL of Old Town, ROBERTS of South Berwick)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act to Require Antisemitism to Be Considered as Motivation When Determining a Violation of a Criminal or Civil Law" (H.P. 874) (L.D. 1351) (Sponsored by Representative GRIFFIN of Levant)

Resolve, Requiring the Judicial Branch to Report on the Implementation and Operation of Its Electronic Filing System (H.P. 893) (L.D. 1370) (Sponsored by Representative FREDETTE of Newport)

Bill "An Act to Tie Judicial Salaries to the Average Judicial Salaries of Other New England States" (H.P. 894) (L.D. 1371) (Sponsored by Representative FREDETTE of Newport)

Marine Resources

Bill "An Act to Amend Provisions Regarding the Scallop Fishery License Apprentice Program, Licensing and Limited Access Areas" (H.P. 875) (L.D. 1352) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: FARRIN of Jefferson, HEPLER of Woolwich, RIELLY of Westbrook, SIMMONS of Waldoboro, THORNE of Carmel)

Bill "An Act Regarding Required Landings in the Menhaden Fishery" (H.P. 876) (L.D. 1353) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: FARRIN of Jefferson, GOLEK of Harpswell, RIELLY of Westbrook, THORNE of Carmel)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act to Establish a Special Committee to Review Routine Technical Rules" (H.P. 895) (L.D. 1372) (Sponsored by Representative SOBOLESKI of Phillips) (Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Oxford and Representatives: DRINKWATER of Milford, FREDERICKS of Sanford, LAVIGNE of Berwick, PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft, SMITH of Palermo, THORNE of Carmel, Senator: BRADSTREET of Kennebec)

Taxation

Resolve, to Require the Office of Tax Policy to Study Taxation of Renewable Energy Infrastructure (H.P. 878) (L.D. 1355) (Sponsored by Representative HASENFUS of Readfield)

Bill "An Act to Exempt Resident Minors' Income from Income Tax" (H.P. 886) (L.D. 1363) (Sponsored by Representative HYMES of Waldo) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and Representatives: BOYER of Poland, CHAPMAN of Auburn, PLUECKER of Warren, SMITH of Palermo, TERRY of Gorham)

Bill "An Act to Provide a Property Tax Exemption for Allowing Shellfish Harvester Access to the Intertidal Zone" (H.P. 891) (L.D. 1368) (Sponsored by Representative RIELLY of Westbrook) (Cosponsored by Representative: ANKELES of Brunswick)

Transportation

Resolve, to Direct the Department of Transportation to Develop Practices Regarding Public Transit (H.P. 882) (L.D. 1359) (Sponsored by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle) (Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, MONTELL of Gardiner, RAY of Lincolnville, Senator: NANGLE of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act to Preserve Traditional Driver's Licenses and Nondriver Identification Cards" (H.P. 883) (L.D. 1360) (Sponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland) (Cosponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot and Representatives: CHAPMAN of Auburn, LEE of Auburn, MASON of Lisbon, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, PARRY of Arundel, ROEDER of Bangor, SUPICA of Bangor, WHITE of Guilford)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act Regarding Liquor Licensing in Outdoor Stadiums and Exclusivity in Licensee Agreements" (H.P. 877) (L.D. 1354) (Sponsored by Representative SUPICA of Bangor)

Bill "An Act to Change the State's Method of Allocating Electoral Votes from a Congressional District Method to a Winner-take-all Method Contingent on the State of Nebraska Changing its Method of Allocating Electoral Votes" (H.P. 879) (L.D. 1356) (Sponsored by Representative LEE of Auburn) (Cosponsored by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin and Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, DILL of Old Town, LAJOIE of Lewiston, O'HALLORAN of Brewer, RANA of Bangor, ROEDER of Bangor, Senator: BEEBE-CENTER of Knox)

Bill "An Act to Allow Consumption of Adult Use Cannabis in Locally Approved Hospitality Lounges" (H.P. 888) (L.D. 1365) (Sponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland) (Cosponsored by Senator BICKFORD of Androscoggin and Representatives: BABIN of Fort Fairfield, EDER of Waterboro, HYMES of Waldo, MINGO of Calais, MORRIS of Turner, SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico, WOOD of Greene, WOODSOME of Waterboro)

Bill "An Act to Repeal the National Popular Vote Compact" (H.P. 896) (L.D. 1373) (Sponsored by Representative FREDETTE of Newport) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BLIER of Buxton, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, MINGO of Calais, MORRIS of Turner, PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft, POIRIER of Skowhegan, WADSWORTH of Hiram, Senator: TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin)

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 206

**STATE OF MAINE
132nd LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

March 31, 2025

Honorable Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Grant,

Pursuant to my authority under MRSA Title 4, Part 30, Chapter 623, §24051, I am pleased to appoint the following to the *Maine Children's Cabinet Early Childhood Advisory Council*, effective immediately:

Senator Teresa Pierce of Cumberland County, representing a member of the Maine State Senate from one of the two parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature;

Senator Marianne Moore of Washington County, representing a member of the Maine State Senate from one of the two parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature.

If you have any questions regarding these appointments, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry
President of the Senate

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 210

**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

April 1, 2025

The Honorable Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I am rescinding the temporary appointment of the Assistant Majority Leader, Lori Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach, as House Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services, effective Wednesday, April 2, 2025.

Furthermore, pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (I) (a), I am reappointing Representative Kristi Mathieson of Kittery, to the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services, as House Chair, effective Wednesday, April 2, 2025.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan D. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 211

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

April 2, 2025

The Honorable Matthea Daughtry
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Appointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority Board of Directors

Dear President Daughtry:

I am pleased to nominate Emily N. Becker of Poland for appointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority Board of Directors.

Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §1964-A, these appointments are contingent on confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

Sincerely,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 215

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE**

April 1, 2025

Honorable Darek Grant
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

Enclosed please find the Governor's proclamation referring the citizen initiative petition entitled "An Act to Require an Individual to Present Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting" to the electors on November 4, 2025.

Sincerely,

S/Shenna Bellows
Secretary of State

**STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, a written petition bearing the signatures of at least 86,904 electors of this State, which number is in excess of ten percent of the total votes cast for Governor in the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of such petition, as required by Article IV, Part Third, Section 18, of the Constitution of Maine, was addressed to the Legislature of the State of Maine and filed in the office of the Secretary of State on or before the fiftieth day after the convening of the One Hundred and Thirty-second Legislature in the First Regular Session, requesting that the Legislature consider a proposed measure entitled “An Act to Require an Individual to Present Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting”; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State duly certified the petition as valid and submitted the proposed measure to the One Hundred and Thirty-second Legislature in its First Regular Session, in accordance with the provisions of Article IV, Part Third, Section 18, of the Constitution of Maine, which measure became identified as Legislative Document 1149 (or Initiated Bill 1); and

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Thirty-second Legislature failed to enact the proposed measure without change before adjournment without day of the First Regular Session, on March 21, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Part Third, Section 18, of the Maine Constitution provides that the Governor shall, by proclamation issued within 10 days after the recess of the Legislature to which the measure was proposed, order that the measure proposed to the Legislature but not enacted without change be referred to the people for a referendum vote to be held at an election in November of the year in which the petition was filed;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the State of Maine, acting under the provisions of Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 of the Constitution of Maine, do hereby proclaim that an election shall be called for Tuesday, November 4, 2025, so that “An Act to Require an Individual to Present Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting” may be submitted to the people of this State for a referendum vote.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed. Given under my hand at Augusta this thirty-first day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-five.

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

S/Shenna Bellows
Secretary of State

(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 208

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

April 1, 2025

The Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry
President of the Senate of Maine
132nd Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Madam 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 Education and Cultural Affairs has had under consideration the nomination of Hailey Fardon of Standish, for appointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees.

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	Rafferty, J. of York, Pierce, T. of Cumberland
	Representatives	6	Murphy, K. of Scarborough, Carlow, N. of Buxton, Crockett, E. of Portland, Dodge, J. of Belfast, Haggan, K. of Hampden, Mitchell, C. of Cumberland
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		5	Sen. Libby, J. of Cumberland, Rep. Bagshaw, B. of Windham, Rep. Brennan, M. of Portland, Rep. Lyman, S. of Livermore Falls, Rep. Sargent, H. of York

Eight 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 Hailey Fardon of Standish, for appointment to the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Kelly Maureen Noonan Murphy
House Chair



(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 209

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

April 1, 2025

The Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry
President of the Senate of Maine
132nd Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Madam 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 Transportation has had under consideration the nomination of Andre J. Briere of New Hampshire, for appointment as the Executive Director of the Maine Turnpike Authority.

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	Nangle, T. of Cumberland, Farrin, B. of Somerset, Pierce, T. of Cumberland
	Representatives	9	Crafts, L. of Newcastle, Albert, R. of Madawaska, Ankeles, D. of Brunswick, Bishop, S. of Bucksport, Mason, R. of Lisbon, Montell, K. of Gardiner, Parry, W. of Arundel, Ray, M. of Lincolnville, White, J. of Guilford
NAYS		0	
ABSENT		1	Rep. Eaton, H. of Deer Isle

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 Andre J. Briere of New Hampshire, for appointment as the Executive Director of the Maine Turnpike Authority be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Tim Nangle
Senate Chair

S/Lydia Crafts
House Chair



(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 203

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

March 31, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate
Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House
132nd Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 305.6, we are writing to notify you that LD 1142, "An Act Regarding Reimbursement for Volunteers of the So-called Hooked on Fishing - Not on Drugs Program" has been automatically withdrawn.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Tiffany Roberts
House Chair

(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 204

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

March 28, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate
Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House
132nd Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 627 An Act to Require Insurance Coverage for Glucagon-like Peptide-1 Receptor Agonist Medication

L.D. 790 An Act to Prevent Denial of Patient Access Through Collaborative Care

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Donna Bailey
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lori K. Gramlich
House Chair

(2-10) The Following Communication:

S.C. 207

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

March 28, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate
Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House
132nd Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

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| L.D. 12 | An Act to Amend the Freedom of Access Act to Apply to Legislative
Caucuses |
| L.D. 521 | An Act to Prohibit Discrimination in Housing Based on Source of Income,
Veteran Status or Military Status |

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Amy D. Kuhn
House Chair

(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 213

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR**

March 31, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate
Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House
132nd Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Labor has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 797 An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Work Search Efforts for
Unemployment Benefits and to Eliminate Benefits for Temporary
Unemployment

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Michael Tipping
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Amy Jean Roeder
House Chair

(2-12) The Following Communication:

S.C. 214

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

April 1, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate
Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House
132nd Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 225 An Act to Reduce Property Taxes and Finance Public School Construction and Education Through a 3 Percent Sales Tax on Hotel and Lodging Place Rentals
- L.D. 632 An Act to Allow a Local Option Sales Tax on Short-term Lodging to Fund Affordable Housing
- L.D. 745 An Act to Allow a Municipality to Sell Tax-acquired Property in Any Manner Authorized by the Municipality's Legislative Body
- L.D. 778 An Act to Establish a State Tax Amnesty Program to Increase Revenue Collections

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Nicole Grohoski
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Kristen Sarah Cloutier
House Chair

(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 212

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

March 31, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate
Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House
132nd Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 923 An Act to Promote Accredited Institutions of Higher Education in Maine
by Removing Requirements for Supplemental Guide Signs on the Interstate
Highway System

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Tim Nangle
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lydia Crafts
House Chair

(2-14) The Following Communication:

S.C. 205

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

March 31, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate
Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House
132nd Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 859 Resolve, Directing the Treasurer of State to Review and Develop Options for Meeting the Banking Needs of the Cannabis Industry
- L.D. 903 An Act to Regulate the Advertising of Cannabis Products
- L.D. 929 An Act to Increase Access to Medical Cannabis for Seniors and Veterans
- L.D. 1038 An Act to Increase the Maximum Term of a Medical Cannabis Written Certification to 2 Years
- L.D. 1086 An Act to Remove State Requirements for Nonprofits on Raffles and Internet Raffles with Prizes of \$2,500 or Less

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Laura Supica
House Chair

(2-15) The Following Communication:

H.P. 899

**STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0148**

March 24, 2025

Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Enclosed please find my official certification to the 132nd Legislature of the citizen initiative petition entitled "An Act to Protect Maine Communities by Enacting the Extreme Risk Protection Order Act".

Sincerely,

S/Shenna Bellows
Secretary of State

**STATE OF MAINE
SECRETARY OF STATE**

I, Shenna Bellows, Secretary of State, hereby certify that written petitions bearing valid signatures of 74,888 electors of this State were addressed to the Legislature of the State of Maine and were filed in the office of the Secretary of State on January 23, 2025, requesting that the Legislature consider an act entitled, "An Act to Protect Maine Communities by Enacting the Extreme Risk Protection Order Act".

I further certify that the number of signatures submitted is in excess of ten percent of the total votes cast in the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of such petitions, as required by Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 of the Constitution of Maine, that number being 67,682.

I further certify this initiative petition to be valid and attach herewith the text of the legislation circulated on the petition's behalf.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State of Maine to be hereunto affixed. Given under my hand at Augusta on the twenty-fourth day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-five.

S/Shenna Bellows
Secretary of State

The accompanying bill:

(2-16) Bill "An Act to Protect Maine Communities by Enacting the Extreme Risk Protection Order Act"

I.B. 2 L.D. 1378

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study the Future of Recreational Access in Maine
S.P. 582 L.D. 1441

Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin.

Cosponsored by Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, GUERIN of Penobscot, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

(3-2) Bill "An Act Regarding the Voluntary Municipal Farm Support Program"
S.P. 591 L.D. 1450

Presented by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative FROST of Belgrade and Senators: BICKFORD of Androscoggin, BRENNER of Cumberland, HICKMAN of Kennebec, INGWERSEN of York, NANGLE of Cumberland, TALBOT ROSS of Cumberland, Representatives: ARCHER of Saco, BECK of South Portland.

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

(3-3) Bill "An Act to Allow the Emergency Medical Services' Board to Assess Civil Penalties for the Noncompliance of Emergency Medical Services Persons with the Requirement to Administer Naloxone Hydrochloride in Compliance with Trainings and Procedures Developed by the Board"

S.P. 593 L.D. 1452

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senator: BEEBE-CENTER of Knox.

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

(3-4) Bill "An Act Regarding Compensation Fees and Related Conservation Efforts for Solar and Wind Energy Development and High-impact Electric Transmission Lines Under the Site Location of Development Laws"

S.P. 599 L.D. 1458

Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Senators: BLACK of Franklin, CURRY of Waldo, HARRINGTON of York, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representative: WADSWORTH of Hiram.

Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-5) Resolve, Regarding Personal Care Agency Licensing Rules

S.P. 583 L.D. 1442

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, HASENFUS of Readfield, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, SUPICA of Bangor, TERRY of Gorham.

(3-6) Bill "An Act to Ensure the Financial Stability of Behavioral Health Service Providers and Housing Assistance Providers" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 584 L.D. 1443

Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle and Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, MOORE of Washington, TALBOT ROSS of Cumberland, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, CARLOW of Buxton, SALISBURY of Westbrook, SHAGOURY of Hallowell.

(3-7) Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Expedite Reimbursement of All Vendors

S.P. 588 L.D. 1447

Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative HENDERSON of Rumford and Senator: BERNARD of Aroostook, Representatives: BABIN of Fort Fairfield, CARUSO of Caratunk.

(3-8) Bill "An Act to Support Community Violence Prevention and Intervention Programs"
S.P. 602 L.D. 1487

Presented by Senator TALBOT ROSS of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative KUHN of Falmouth and Senators: CARNEY of Cumberland,
President DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, Representatives: LEE of Auburn, O'HALLORAN of
Brewer, SATO of Gorham, SINCLAIR of Bath.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-9) Bill "An Act to Prevent Financial Exploitation of Maine Residents 62 Years of Age or
Older"

S.P. 586 L.D. 1445

Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative BOYER of Cape Elizabeth and Senators: BAILEY of York,
BENNETT of Oxford, DUSON of Cumberland, GROHOSKI of Hancock, MOORE of
Washington, Representatives: BABIN of Fort Fairfield, Speaker FECTION of Biddeford,
STOVER of Boothbay.

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

(3-10) Resolve, to Establish the Innovative Factory-made Housing Working Group
S.P. 594 L.D. 1453

Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.
Cosponsored by Representative GERE of Kennebunkport and Senator: CURRY of Waldo,
Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, EDER of Waterboro, JULIA of Waterville,
YUSUF of Portland.

Committee on **HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested and ordered
printed.

(3-11) Bill "An Act to Provide Winter Access to the Bog Lake Public Boat Launch in Northfield"

S.P. 589 L.D. 1448

Presented by Senator MOORE of Washington. (BY REQUEST)
Cosponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias.

Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-12) Bill "An Act to Prevent Foreclosures Without Strict Compliance with Notice Requirements"

S.P. 585 L.D. 1444

Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative MOONEN of Portland and Senators: PIERCE of Cumberland, RENY of Lincoln, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, Representatives: BELL of Yarmouth, Speaker FECTIONEAU of Biddeford, GATTINE of Westbrook, KUHN of Falmouth.

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

(3-13) Resolve, Requiring the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to Conduct a Study of the State's Grant, Contracting and Procurement Practices

S.P. 590 L.D. 1449

Presented by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

(3-14) Bill "An Act to Redefine 'Term' in the Law Governing Term Limits for Constitutional Offices"

S.P. 595 L.D. 1454

Presented by Senator BRADSTREET of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Senators: BICKFORD of Androscoggin, MARTIN of Oxford, Representatives: COLLINS of Sidney, DRINKWATER of Milford.

(3-15) Bill "An Act to Validate Certain Referendum Proceedings Conducted by the City of South Portland" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 601 L.D. 1483

Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative DHALAC of South Portland and Representatives: BECK of South Portland, KESSLER of South Portland.

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

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

(3-16) Bill "An Act to Strengthen Coordination of Community Transportation"

S.P. 592 L.D. 1451

Presented by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative GRIFFIN of Levant and Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, BENNETT of Oxford, MOORE of Washington, Representatives: MATLACK of St. George, MCINTYRE of Lowell, ROEDER of Bangor, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, STOVER of Boothbay.

(3-17) Resolve, to Allow the Maine Turnpike Authority to Conduct a Pilot Program to Implement Automated Speed Control Systems in Highway Work Zones

S.P. 598 L.D. 1457

Presented by Senator FARRIN of Somerset.

Cosponsored by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle and Senator: PIERCE of Cumberland, Representatives: ALBERT of Madawaska, MASON of Lisbon, RAY of Lincolnville.

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

(3-18) RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Lower the Voting Age to 16 Years of Age

S.P. 587 L.D. 1446

Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative SUPICA of Bangor and Senators: DUSON of Cumberland, TALBOT ROSS of Cumberland, TIPPING of Penobscot, Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, HASENFUS of Readfield, MURPHY of Scarborough, PLUECKER of Warren, WARREN of Scarborough.

(3-19) Bill "An Act to Prevent Illegal Cannabis Growing Operations in the State"

S.P. 596 L.D. 1455

Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston and Senator: BENNETT of Oxford, Representatives: BOYER of Poland, BUNKER of Farmington, FREDERICKS of Sanford, HASENFUS of Readfield, LOOKNER of Portland, MCINTYRE of Lowell, NUTTING of Oakland.

(3-20) Bill "An Act to Expand the Number of On-premises Retail Liquor Licenses a Liquor Manufacturer May Be Issued"

S.P. 597 L.D. 1456

Presented by President DAUGHTRY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representatives: MALON of Biddeford, RIELLY of Westbrook, SHAGOURY of Hallowell.

(3-21) Bill "An Act Regarding Cannabis Testing and the Manufacture of Cannabis and Hemp Products"

S.P. 603 L.D. 1488

Presented by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senator: HICKMAN of Kennebec, Representatives: BOYER of Poland, SUPICA of Bangor.

Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

ORDERS

Joint Orders

(4-1) On motion by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland, the following Joint Order:
S.P. 600

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 10:00 in the morning, or until the call of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, respectively.

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-2) Glenn Holt, of Leeds, for his 50 years of service as an active Fireman for the Town of Leeds, including 30 years of service as Fire Chief and 44 years of service as Emergency Management Director, and on his retirement from law enforcement after 30 years of service. We extend our appreciation and best wishes;

SLS 359

Sponsored by Senator **TIMBERLAKE** of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative: **MORRIS** of Turner.

(4-3) Tracey Morrison, of Harmony, to whom the Town of Harmony has dedicated its Town Report in recognition of his many contributions to the community;

SLS 360

Sponsored by Senator **BLACK** of Franklin.
Cosponsored by Representative: **CARUSO** of Caratunk.

(4-4) Cassidy M. Strange, of Sweden, a Cadet Second Lieutenant in the Civil Air Patrol, who received the prestigious Brigadier General Billy Mitchell Award from the Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program. This award recognizes the recipient's sustained excellence in all four areas of cadet life: leadership, aerospace, fitness and character. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 361

Sponsored by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford.
Cosponsored by Representative: **WOOD** of Norway.

(4-5) Pauline L. Chasse, of Hartford, 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 362

Sponsored by Senator MARTIN of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Representative: SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico.

(4-6) Flora Sands, of Dover-Foxcroft, who has received the Boston Post Cane, an honor given to the oldest citizen of a municipality. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 363

Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft.

(4-7) Christine Pratt, of Sanford, on the occasion of her retirement from the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management after 25 years of service. Ms. Pratt worked for the Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services, first working at the Springvale Field Office connecting veterans and their families with state and federal services and benefits. She most recently assisted our most honored citizens as they were laid to rest in the Southern Maine Veterans' Memorial Cemetery in Springvale. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 364

Sponsored by Senator HARRINGTON of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FREDERICKS of Sanford, LANIGAN of Sanford, MASTRACCIO of Sanford.

(4-8) Kase Walston, of Orono, who won the Gold Medal in the Electrical Construction Wiring Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 365

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-9) Ian Bryant, of Milford, who won the Silver Medal in the Heavy Equipment Operation Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 366

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: DRINKWATER of Milford.

(4-10) Austin Speck, of Orono, who won the Gold Medal in the Career Pathways - Business Management and Technology Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 367

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-11) Aja Marzilli, of Orono, who won the Gold Medal in the Career Pathways - Business Management and Technology Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 368

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-12) Anna Parsons, of Old Town, who won the Gold Medal in the Criminal Justice Quiz Bowl Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 369

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: DILL of Old Town.

(4-13) Nick Wilder Luuring, of Old Town, who won the Gold Medal in the Cabinetmaking Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 370

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: DILL of Old Town.

(4-14) Calum Bryant, of Orono, who won the Gold Medal in the Digital Cinema Production Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 371

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-15) Jay Tweedie, of Orono, who won the Gold Medal in the Career Pathways - Business Management and Technology Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 372

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-16) Karli Spinney, of Lincoln, who won the Silver Medal in the Pin Design Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 373

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: GIFFORD of Lincoln.

(4-17) Makenna Johnson, of Lincoln, who won the Silver Medal in the Audio Production Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 374

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: GIFFORD of Lincoln.

(4-18) Michael Oliver, of Lee, who won the Silver Medal in the Welding Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 375

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: QUINT of Hodgdon.

(4-19) Rowan Jackson Sanborn, of Orono, who won the Silver Medal in the Medical Terminology Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 376

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-20) Josh Langworthy, of Topsham, who won the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class A Championship in the 100 backstroke and 100 freestyle events and was named the Swimmer of the Meet. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 377

Sponsored by Senator TEPLER of Sagadahoc.

Cosponsored by Representatives: MACIAS of Topsham, WEBB of Durham.

(4-21) Beaupre Fuels, of Biddeford, which has received the Small Business of the Year Award from the Biddeford+Saco Chamber of Commerce and Industry. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 378

Sponsored by Senator INGWERSEN of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: Speaker FECTION of Biddeford, GERE of Kennebunkport, MALON of Biddeford.

(4-22) Griffin Gammon, of Gorham, who won the Southwestern Maine Activities Association Indoor Track and Field Championships in the the Senior High Jump Event We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 379

Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: SATO of Gorham, TERRY of Gorham.

(4-23) Ashley Connolly, of Gorham, who won the Class A Indoor Track and Field State Championship in the 55-meter Dash event. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 380

Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: SATO of Gorham, TERRY of Gorham.

(4-24) Jackson Lavertu, of Gorham, who won the Gold Medal in the Cabinetmaking Competition at the 2025 Maine SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 381

Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: SATO of Gorham, TERRY of Gorham.

(4-25) the Lincoln Recreation Grades 5-6 Girls Basketball Team, which won the 2025 Millinocket Invitational Tournament Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 382

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative: GIFFORD of Lincoln.

Joint Resolutions

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(4-26) Myrtle Edna Clark Reed, of Howland. Mrs. Reed was a member of the Howland Baptist Church and an Awana Cubbies leader for 28 years. She was chosen Woman of the Year for the Town of Howland. Mrs. Reed will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

SLS 294

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative: GIFFORD of Lincoln.

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

(4-27) Paul Steven Graziano, of Augusta. Mr. Graziano spent many years working as a computer analyst, using punch cards on machines that took up entire rooms. He had a brilliant mind for systems and spatial relationships, had a passion for golf and was devoted to his family. Mr. Graziano will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 383

Sponsored by Senator BRADSTREET of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BRIDGEO of Augusta, ROLLINS of Augusta.

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

(4-28) Shirley E. Letarte, of Gorham. Mrs. Letarte worked with her husband Ray for many years at Ray Letarte's Ski Shop in Westbrook. She also worked at The Chalet Ski Shop, The Shed and Blueberries & Granite. Mrs. Letarte will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

SLS 384

Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: SATO of Gorham, TERRY of Gorham.

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

(4-29) David Ernest Sellers, of Woolwich. Mr. Sellers was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, serving as a sergeant during the Vietnam War era. He had a career with Boston Edison and Maine Yankee, and he volunteered for Habitat for Humanity and CHIPS. Mr. Sellers will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 385

Sponsored by Senator TEPLER of Sagadahoc.

Cosponsored by Representative: HEPLER of Woolwich.

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

(4-30) Philip E. McPhail, of Lowell. Mr. McPhail served as a United States Navy corpsman with the 1st Marine Division in the Korean War. During his service, he earned a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star (V). He worked in the accounting office of Great Northern Paper from 1960 to 1970 before creating his own businesses. After trying a number of businesses, he opened a real estate office in his home in 1974. He built that business for 37 years, and it now spans three generations. Outside his work career, Mr. McPhail leaves behind a legacy of service, learning and perseverance. He was an active member of the Knights of Columbus for many years and served as commander of the American Legion post in Howland. He was also one of the founding members of the Howland Federal Credit Union. Mr. McPhail will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 386

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: MCINTYRE of Lowell.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

(5-1) The Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Commercial Large Game Shooting Area License Transfer Process"

H.P. 4 L.D. 40

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

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

(5-2) The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Establish the Respite for ME Program"

H.P. 448 L.D. 709

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) The Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act Regarding Charges to Uninsured Patients for COVID-19 Vaccines"
H.P. 582 L.D. 917

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

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

(5-4) The Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Hunting Laws Related to the Training of Dogs and Open Training Seasons" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 493 L.D. 751

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

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

(5-5) The Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Emptying of Elver Fyke Nets" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 523 L.D. 816

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

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

(5-6) The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, to Rename a Bridge in the Town of Waterboro the Waterboro Veterans Memorial Bridge

H.P. 385 L.D. 617

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

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

(5-7) The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, to Honor Scarborough Veterans by Renaming the Pine Point Crossing Bridge the Scarborough Veterans Memorial Bridge

H.P. 548 L.D. 862

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

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

Divided Report

(5-8) The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Protect the Cultural Resources and Historical Heritage of Sears Island in Searsport by Extending Conservation Easement Protections"

H.P. 149 L.D. 226

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

Signed:

Senators:

TEPLER of Sagadahoc
BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

DOUDERA of Camden
ANKELES of Brunswick
BELL of Yarmouth
BRIDGEO of Augusta
CAMPBELL of Orrington
OSHER of Orono
RIELLY of Westbrook
SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico
WOODSOME of Waterboro

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

Signed:

Senator:

MARTIN of Oxford

Representative:

SOBOLESKI of Phillips

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

Divided Report

(5-9) The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Designate the Seppala Siberian Sleddog as the Maine State Dog"

H.P. 44 L.D. 80

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

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot

MARTIN of Oxford

Representatives:

SALISBURY of Westbrook

ADAMS of Lebanon

COPELAND of Saco

FARRIN of Jefferson

GREENWOOD of Wales

MATLACK of St. George

POMERLEAU of Standish

ROLLINS of Augusta

UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

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

Signed:

Representative:

TUELL of East Machias

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

Senate

Change of Committee

(5-10) Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Essential Services for Victims of Crimes" (EMERGENCY)
S.P. 470 L.D. 1139

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

(7-1) An Act to Extend the Law Governing Electric Power and Service Residential Rates for Military Veterans' Organizations
S.P. 201 L.D. 466

Acts

- (7-2) An Act to Designate the Spring Peeper as the Official State Amphibian
H.P. 36 L.D. 72
- (7-3) An Act to Designate the Wood Turtle as the Official State Reptile
H.P. 37 L.D. 73
- (7-4) An Act to Update the System of Learning Results Review Timeline
H.P. 38 L.D. 74
- (7-5) An Act to Increase the Expenditure Limit for the Informal Bidding Process for the Selection of Professional, Architect and Engineer Services
H.P. 65 L.D. 100
- (7-6) An Act to Amend the Charter of the Lewiston-Auburn Water Pollution Control Authority
H.P. 79 L.D. 114
- (7-7) An Act to Designate November as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month
S.P. 120 L.D. 254
- (7-8) An Act to Allow a Water District Created by Special Act of the Legislature to Borrow Money and Issue a Warrant Prior to a Default
H.P. 310 L.D. 481
- (7-9) An Act to Clarify the Law Governing the Minimum Indirect Financial Interest Disclosure Requirement for Liquor Licenses
S.P. 299 L.D. 683
- (7-10) An Act to Amend the Procedure for Filing a Petition to Terminate Parental Rights and Responsibilities
H.P. 587 L.D. 922
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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

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Lewiston High School Cheering Team

SLS 106

Tabled - February 25, 2025 by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin

Pending - **PASSAGE**

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Joe Dube, of Lewiston
SLS 190

Tabled - March 4, 2025 by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin

Pending - **PASSAGE**

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - to Require the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs to Report Out a Bill Prohibiting Educational Institutions from Being Members of Certain Organizations

H.P. 500

Tabled - March 11, 2025 by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland

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

(In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.)

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Woody Moore, of Pittsfield
SLS 198

Tabled - March 11, 2025 by Senator **FARRIN** of Somerset

Pending - **PASSAGE**

5.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Pamela Ross, of Lewiston
SLS 218

Tabled - March 11, 2025 by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin

Pending - **PASSAGE**

6.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Penobscot Valley High School Girls Basketball Team, of Howland

SLS 249

Tabled - March 13, 2025 by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland

Pending - **PASSAGE**

7.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act to Protect Maine Agriculture and Farms by Exempting Certain Pesticides from Regulation"

S.P. 490 L.D. 1201

Tabled - March 20, 2025 by Senator **STEWART** of Aroostook

Pending - **REFERENCE**

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

8.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act to Address the Safety of Nurses and Improve Patient Care by Enacting the Maine Quality Care Act"

S.P. 509 L.D. 1281

Tabled - March 25, 2025 by Senator **INGWERSEN** of York

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.)

9.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT RESOLUTION - RECOGNIZING THE MAINE FOREST SERVICE FOR ITS 2024
OUT-OF-STATE MOBILIZATIONS

S.P. 514

Tabled - March 25, 2025 by Senator **TALBOT ROSS** of Cumberland

Pending - **ADOPTION**

10.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT RESOLUTION - Memorializing David J. Greenier, of Hampden

SLS 291

Tabled - March 25, 2025 by Senator **STEWART** of Aroostook

Pending - **ADOPTION**

11.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act to Expand Reporting Requirements for Legislators and Lobbyists"

S.P. 558 L.D. 1415

Tabled - April 1, 2025 by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland

Pending - **REFERENCE**

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

12.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act Regarding Dam Repair"

H.P. 904 L.D. 1382

Tabled - April 1, 2025 by Senator **TEPLER** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.)

(In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.)

13.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act to Require State Divestment from Perpetrators of International Human Rights Violations"

H.P. 905 L.D. 1383

Tabled - April 1, 2025 by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland

Pending - **REFERENCE**

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

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