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Dear Clerk MacFarland:

Please be advised the Senate today Insisted and Joined in a Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill, "An Act to Supplement Maine's Academic Attainment and to Retain Talent."(H.P. 1655) (L.D. 2162)

The President appointed on the part of the Senate:

Senator Bennett of Oxford
 Senator Gagnon of Kennebec
 Senator Mitchell of Penobscot

Sincerely,

S/Pamela L. Cahill

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

ENACTORS

Acts

An Act to Reduce Medical Errors and Improve Patient Health
 (S.P. 419) (L.D. 1363)
 (S. "B" S-604 to C. "A" S-527)

An Act to Establish the Maine Consumer Choice Health Plan
 (S.P. 793) (L.D. 2146)

(S. "A" S-548 and S. "B" S-606 to C. "A" S-530)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolves

Resolve, to Study the Impact of a Maine-based Casino on the Economy, Transportation Infrastructure, State Revenues and the Job Market

(H.P. 1700) (L.D. 2200)
 (S. "D" S-605 to C. "A" H-1035)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed.

On motion of Representative LABRECQUE of Gorham, was **SET ASIDE**.

The same Representative **REQUESTED** a roll call on **FINAL PASSAGE**.

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Gorham, Representative Labrecque.

Representative **LABRECQUE**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. We have discussed casino studies for some time. If you have had an opportunity, however, to look at the last amendment that has been added to this bill, you will notice that there will only be four meetings and there may, not necessarily, be a public hearing. That public hearing will have to be held somewhere here in the Augusta area. I would submit to you that the very guts of this study has been taken out of it. I suggest that perhaps we not pass this. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from York, Representative Andrews.

Representative **ANDREWS**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. When we had the public hearing on this bill one of my main objections was the fact that there was no public input. I was assured at that time with the set up of the four meetings around the state that the public would have a chance to comment on this. This is a contentious issue. It is very argumentative and the people who are going to be most impacted are going to have no say in this study. Thank you.

Representative **SNOWE-MELLO** of Poland moved that the Resolve and all accompanying papers be **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED**.

Representative **TUTTLE** of Sanford **REQUESTED** a roll call on the motion to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** the Resolve and all accompanying papers.

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Poland, Representative Snowe-Mello.

Representative **SNOWE-MELLO**: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I believe that if we can't go down to York to have one of these hearings, then we shouldn't have the bill at all. I ask you to please support this Indefinite Postponement motion. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Indefinitely Postpone the Resolve and all accompanying papers. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 653

YEA - Andrews, Buck, Chase, Clough, Collins, Crabtree, Cressey, Daigle, Davis, Dudley, Etnier, Foster, Gagne, Glynn, Gooley, Kasprzak, Koffman, Labrecque, Ledwin, Lemoine, MacDougall, Madore, McKenney, McNeil, Mendros, Michael, Murphy E, Murphy T, Nass, Peavey, Perkins, Sherman, Skoglund, Snowe-Mello, Stedman, Tobin D, Trahan, Treadwell, Twomey, Waterhouse, Weston, Wheeler EM, Wheeler GJ, Winsor, Young.

NAY - Annis, Ash, Belanger, Berry RL, Blanchette, Bliss, Bouffard, Bowles, Brannigan, Brooks, Bruno, Bryant, Bull, Bumps, Bunker, Canavan, Carr, Chick, Clark, Cote, Cowger, Cummings, Desmond, Dorr, Dugay, Duncan, Dunlap, Duplessie, Duprey, Fisher, Fuller, Gerzofsky, Green, Hatch, Hawes, Heidrich, Honey, Hutton, Jacobs, Jodrey, Jones, Kane, LaVerdiere, Laverriere-Boucher, Lessard, Lundeen, Mailhot, Marley, Marrache, Matthews, Mayo, McDonough, McGlocklin, McGowan, McLaughlin, Michaud, Mitchell, Morrison, Muse C, Muse K, Norbert, Norton, Nutting, O'Brien JA, O'Brien LL, O'Neil, Paradis, Patrick, Perry, Pineau, Quint, Richard, Richardson, Rines, Rosen, Savage, Schneider, Shields, Simpson, Smith, Stanley, Sullivan, Tarazewich, Tessier, Thomas, Tobin J, Tracy, Tuttle, Usher, Volenik, Watson, Mr. Speaker.

ABSENT - Bagley, Baker, Berry DP, Chizmar, Colwell, Estes, Goodwin, Hall, Haskell, Landry, Lovett, McKee, Pinkham, Povich.
 Yes, 45; No, 92; Absent, 14; Excused, 0.

45 having voted in the affirmative and 92 voted in the negative, with 14 being absent, and accordingly the motion to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** the Resolve and all accompanying papers **FAILED**.

The **SPEAKER**: A roll call having been previously ordered. The pending question before the House is Final Passage. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 654

YEA - Annis, Ash, Belanger, Blanchette, Bliss, Bouffard, Bowles, Brannigan, Brooks, Bruno, Bryant, Bull, Bumps, Bunker, Canavan, Carr, Chick, Clark, Cote, Cowger, Cummings, Desmond, Dorr, Dugay, Duncan, Dunlap, Duplessie, Duprey, Fisher, Fuller, Gerzofsky, Gooley, Hatch, Hawes, Heidrich, Honey, Hutton, Jacobs, Jodrey, Jones, Kane, LaVerdiere, Laverriere-Boucher, Lessard, Lundeen, Madore, Mailhot, Marley, Marrache, Matthews, Mayo, McDonough, McGlocklin, McGowan, McLaughlin, Michaud, Mitchell, Morrison, Muse C, Muse K, Norbert, Norton, Nutting, O'Brien JA, O'Brien LL, O'Neil, Paradis, Patrick, Perry, Pineau, Quint, Richard, Richardson, Rines, Rosen, Savage, Schneider, Sherman, Shields, Simpson, Smith,

Stanley, Sullivan, Tarazewich, Tessier, Thomas, Tobin J, Tracy, Tuttle, Twomey, Usher, Volenik, Watson, Mr. Speaker.

NAY - Andrews, Berry RL, Buck, Chase, Clough, Collins, Crabtree, Cressey, Daigle, Davis, Dudley, Etnier, Foster, Gagne, Glynn, Green, Kasprzak, Koffman, Labrecque, Ledwin, Lemoine, MacDougall, McKenney, McNeil, Mendros, Michael, Murphy E, Murphy T, Nass, Peavey, Perkins, Skoglund, Snowe-Mello, Stedman, Tobin D, Trahan, Treadwell, Waterhouse, Weston, Wheeler EM, Wheeler GJ, Winsor, Young.

ABSENT - Bagley, Baker, Berry DP, Chizmar, Colwell, Estes, Goodwin, Hall, Haskell, Landry, Lovett, McKee, Pinkham, Povich.

Yes, 94; No, 43; Absent, 14; Excused, 0.

94 having voted in the affirmative and 43 voted in the negative, with 14 being absent, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Representative O'BRIEN of Augusta, the House adjourned at 11:55 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 9, 2002 in honor and lasting tribute to Raymond "Pat" MacFarland, of Augusta.