

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION
20th Legislative Day
Tuesday, March 17, 2020

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Honorable Thomas H. Skolfield, Weld.

National Anthem by Honorable Craig V. Hickman, Winthrop.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of Thursday, March 12, 2020 was read and approved.

At this point, pursuant to her authority under House Rule 201, the Chair addressed the House.

Speaker **GIDEON**: So, as the Good Representative from Weld started his words today with saying this is really a time like none of us have ever experienced before, and so, I wanted to just start today by saying good morning and by thanking you, each and every one of you, for leaving your homes and your families to be here today to do this work. I know it is not an easy decision and I know that I have often remarked from up here about your dedication, but today it is even more striking.

As elected officials, I know we all know this, have a grave and urgent responsibility to take decisive action and to confront the crises that we may face, including the one that we do today. And we often talk about bipartisanship but the work we are about to complete today is really, in my experience, an unprecedented response to an unprecedented public health emergency.

Working today is the only way that we'll be able to mitigate this pandemic here in Maine and I want to express how grateful I am to Governor Mills and to Senate President Jackson and also to Senator Dow and to Representative Dillingham and all the other leaders in all caucuses for their unwavering commitment to coordinate the response that we are doing today. I know many of us are worried about our loved ones, our spouses, our parents, our children, and we are also thinking about the doctors and nurses and frontline healthcare workers who are fulfilling their oath to put others ahead of themselves. I'm thinking about parents who are now at home with small children and trying to do their jobs, and businesses across Maine who are bracing themselves for an unprecedented economic hardship. But what I do know is that we are all in this together and we are resilient. And, as Mainers, maybe we even coined the term hunker down. I don't know if any of you saw this really sort of what I thought was amazing and beautiful thing about the Italians and how they are standing on their balconies singing to each other even as they are confined to their homes and I thought about that and thought well, we might not see us doing that here in Maine but we'll probably have our own version of doing that. Maybe it's stacking wood for neighbors or something like bringing groceries to those who can't get out themselves because that is just the Maine way.

So, before we get to our work today, I want to take a moment to also recognize and thank the people who have been here working since last Thursday pretty much nonstop. Under incredible pressure and unreasonable circumstances as we often put them in, our nonpartisan staff has performed tremendously. The Revisor's office and OPLA have been here nonstop, as well as OFPR, ensuring that we can do what we

need to do today. And so, if you see them today, please thank them. If you can, even pop your head into the office and say an extra thank you to make sure that it happens. And the only other thing I ask is that when we all leave this building to please take good care of yourselves and of each other, as I know that we will do.

Our goal today is to get through this work as efficiently as possible and also to make it worthwhile for you to be here. That being said, and I think as people have already learned in their individual caucuses or communications, we are going to be moving around in a different manner through this calendar in order to be as efficient as possible. So, I will try to carefully announce where we are and where we're moving to to keep everyone literally on the same page through that process.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

ORDERS

On motion of Representative MOONEN of Portland, the following House Order: (H.O. 48)

ORDERED, that, notwithstanding House Rule 401, section 12, for the remainder of the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature, a member who wishes to be excused from voting due to COVID-19-related issues must register with the Clerk of the House prior to 5:00 p.m. on March 17, 2020.

READ.

On motion of Representative MOONEN of Portland, House Rule 524 was **SUSPENDED** for the purpose of voting on this House Order without **TABLING** it one Legislative day.

Pursuant to House Rule 524, this House Order required the affirmative vote of two thirds of those present for **PASSAGE**. 125 having voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative, 125 being more than two thirds of the membership present, the House Order was **PASSED**.

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following item appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 1516) (L.D. 2126) Bill "An Act Making Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2021" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-775)**

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the House Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE
Divided Report

Eight Members of the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** report in Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-769)** on Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Infrastructure To Improve Transportation and Internet Connections"

(H.P. 1524) (L.D. 2134)

Signed:
Senators:

BREEN of Cumberland
SANBORN, L. of Cumberland

Representatives:

GATTINE of Westbrook
DUNPHY of Old Town
HUBBELL of Bar Harbor
JORGENSEN of Portland
MARTIN of Eagle Lake
PIERCE of Falmouth

Four Members of the same Committee report in Report "B" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-770)** on same Bill.

Signed:
Senator:

HAMPER of Oxford

Representatives:

KESCHL of Belgrade
MILLETT of Waterford
WADSWORTH of Hiram

One Member of the same Committee reports in Report "C" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "C" (H-771)** on same Bill.

Signed:
Representative:

ARATA of New Gloucester

READ.

On motion of Representative GATTINE of Westbrook, Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended** was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-769)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-769)** and sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act To Address Funding Needs Related to COVID-19" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1547) (L.D. 2163)

Sponsored by Speaker GIDEON of Freeport.

Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representative: DILLINGHAM of Oxford, Senator: TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

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

Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **FIRST READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to a committee.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** and sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

CONSENT CALENDAR
First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 1493) (L.D. 2096) Bill "An Act To Save Lives by Capping the Out-of-pocket Cost of Certain Medications" Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-772)**

On motion of Representative MOONEN, was **REMOVED** from the First Day Consent Calendar.

The Committee Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-772)** was **READ** by the Clerk.

Representative MOONEN of Portland **PRESENTED House Amendment "A" (H-778) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-772)**, which was **READ** by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Portland, Representative Moonen.

Representative **MOONEN**: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, Colleagues of the House, all this amendment does is add an emergency clause to this bill. Thank you.

Subsequently, **House Amendment "A" (H-778) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-772)** was **ADOPTED**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-772) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-778) thereto was **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-772) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-778)** thereto and sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

(H.P. 1501) (L.D. 2105) Bill "An Act To Protect Consumers from Surprise Emergency Medical Bills" Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-773)**

On motion of Representative Moonen, was **REMOVED** from the First Day Consent Calendar.

The Committee Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-773)** was **READ** by the Clerk.

Representative MOONEN of Portland **PRESENTED House Amendment "A" (H-777) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-773)**, which was **READ** by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER: The Representative may proceed.

Representative **MOONEN**: Thank you, Madam Speaker, Members of the House. Once again, this amendment simply adds an emergency clause and I ask for your support. Thank you.

Subsequently, **House Amendment "A" (H-777) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-773) was ADOPTED.**

Committee Amendment "A" (H-773) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-777) thereto was ADOPTED.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading.**

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-773) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-777) thereto and sent for concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 384)

**STATE OF MAINE
129TH LEGISLATURE**

March 13, 2020

The 129th Legislature of the State of Maine
State House
Augusta, Maine

Dear Honorable Members of the 129th Legislature:

In coordination with all caucus leaders, as Presiding Officers we have decided to suspend our legislative session upon the completion of our work today in an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. The Legislature will consider bills directly related to coronavirus response, health care, and other critical pieces of legislation deemed necessary, then adjourn sine die. Other unfinished matters will be carried over until the Legislature reconvenes. We will evaluate on a bi-weekly basis when it is safe and responsible for the legislature to return.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we continue to respond to this rapidly changing public health crisis. Hundreds of lawmakers, advocates and legislative staffers come from all across the state to gather at the State House each day. Public participation is a hallmark of our work and until large gatherings are deemed safe, suspending the legislative session is the responsible thing to do.

We have made this decision with the ultimate goal of protecting the health and well-being of all Mainers and limiting the strain on our first responders, health care professionals and hospitals. All of us have a role to play to slow and prevent the spread of COVID-19 and that includes those in the Legislature. Thank you for doing your part. Together, we will face this challenge.

Sincerely,

S/Troy Jackson

President of the Senate

S/Sara Gideon

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 385)

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

March 16, 2020

The 129th Legislature of the State of Maine

State House

Augusta, Maine

Dear Honorable Members of the 129th Legislature:

First, I extend my gratitude for your service to your communities, particularly during this unprecedented moment in time, and for your work with my Administration to prepare for and respond to the 2019 novel coronavirus, also known as COVID-19.

I understand that it is your intention, upon the completion of certain critical legislative business today, to adjourn sine die and to continue legislative work as part of a Special Session of the 129th Legislature at a time when it is deemed safe and prudent to reconvene.

I agree with the wisdom of the decision to adjourn and believe it will protect the health and safety not only of members of the Legislature and the staff, but the members of the public with whom we interact.

It is my intention to call the Legislature back for a Special Session when it is safe and prudent. It is my strong preference that a Special Session deal with only the most pressing matters.

Thank you for your work to protect the health, economic security, and well-being of our state and people.

Sincerely,

S/Janet T. Mills

Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(S.P. 313) (L.D. 1081) Bill "An Act To Impose Further Restrictions on where Marijuana May Be Smoked" Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-425)**

(S.P. 667) (L.D. 1925) Bill "An Act To Make Technical Changes to Maine's Marine Resources Laws" Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-420)**

(S.P. 737) (L.D. 2088) Bill "An Act To Clarify the Laws Governing Financial Relationships between Entities within the Three-tier System for Distribution of Alcohol" Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-426)**

(H.P. 1258) (L.D. 1771) Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Governing Name Changes" Committee on **JUDICIARY** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 1352) (L.D. 1886) Resolve, To Rename the Sibley Pond Bridge the William Harris Memorial Bridge (EMERGENCY) Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 1498) (L.D. 2103) Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Right to Know Advisory Committee Regarding Public Records Exceptions" Committee on **JUDICIARY** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 118) (L.D. 136) Bill "An Act To Establish a Special Education Circuit Breaker Reimbursement Program" Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-743)**

(H.P. 401) (L.D. 544) Bill "An Act To Create Extended Producer Responsibility for Post-consumer Waste Generated from the Use of Tobacco Products" Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-756)**

(H.P. 772) (L.D. 1042) Bill "An Act To Exempt Disabled Veterans from Property Taxes in Accordance with Their Disability Ratings" Committee on **TAXATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-748)**

(H.P. 850) (L.D. 1167) Bill "An Act To Increase Consumption of Maine Foods in State Institutions" Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-761)**

(H.P. 1359) (L.D. 1905) Bill "An Act To Clarify Crossbow-related Hunting Laws" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-746)**

(H.P. 1378) (L.D. 1934) Bill "An Act Regarding Prior Authorization for Medication-assisted Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder under the MaineCare Program" Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-751)**

(H.P. 1386) (L.D. 1942) Bill "An Act To Protect Water Quality by Prohibiting Consumer Fireworks in the Shoreland Zone" Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-755)**

(H.P. 1399) (L.D. 1955) Bill "An Act To Promote Cost-effectiveness in the MaineCare Program and Improve the Oral Health of Maine Adults and Children" Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-744)**

(H.P. 1407) (L.D. 1963) Bill "An Act To Preserve the Value of Abandoned Properties by Allowing Entry by Mortgagees" Committee on **JUDICIARY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-759)**

(H.P. 1425) (L.D. 2007) Bill "An Act To Enact the Made for Maine Health Coverage Act and Improve Health Choices in Maine" Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-765)**

(H.P. 1455) (L.D. 2044) Bill "An Act To Increase the Death Benefit for Firefighters, Law Enforcement Officers and Emergency Medical Services Personnel" Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-762)**

(H.P. 1458) (L.D. 2047) Bill "An Act To Amend the State Tax Laws" Committee on **TAXATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-766)**

(H.P. 1467) (L.D. 2065) Bill "An Act To Address Decibel Level Limits for Airboats" Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-752)**

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the Senate Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** in concurrence and the House Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** or **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

ENACTORS

Constitutional Amendment

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Establish a Right to Food

(H.P. 583) (L.D. 795)
(C. "A" H-430; H. "B" H-675)

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Oxford, Representative Dillingham.

Representative **DILLINGHAM**: Thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the body. I understand the importance of this bill to the sponsor, but under the circumstances of what we're facing and that we have Members missing from this Chamber today due to their concern not only for their health but the concerns of their loved ones and any time that we talk about amending the Maine Constitution, it is important, equally important to every Member here and in order to allow them the opportunity to cast their vote once again on this bill when we return, I respectfully ask that we table this.

Representative STEWART of Presque Isle moved that the Resolution be **TABLED** until later in today's session pending **FINAL PASSAGE**.

Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop **REQUESTED** a roll call on the motion to **TABLE** until later in today's session pending **FINAL PASSAGE**.

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

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is to Table until later in today's session pending Final Passage.. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 371

YEA - Andrews, Arata, AustinS, Babine, Blier, Bradstreet, Campbell, Cloutier, Collings, Corey, Craven, Curtis, DeVeau, Devin, Dillingham, Doudera, Drinkwater, Faulkingham, Fay, FecteauJ, FecteauR, Foley, Foster, Griffin, Grignon, Haggan, Hall, Hanington, Hanley, Harnett, Harrington, Higgins, Hobbs, Hutchins, Hymanson, Javner, Johansen, Keschl, Kinney, Kryzak, Lockman, Lyford, Marean, MartinJ, MartinT, Mason, Mastraccio, Millett, Morris, Nadeau, O'Connor, Ordway, Pebworth, Perkins, PerryA, PerryJ, Pickett, Prescott, Rudnicki, Sampson, Skolfield, Stearns, Stetkis, Stewart, Stover, Strom, Swallow, Theriault, Tuell, Wadsworth, WhiteB, WhiteD.

NAY - Ackley, Alley, AustinB, Babbidge, Bailey, Berry, Blume, Brooks, Bryant, Cardone, Carney, Cooper, Crockett, Cuddy, Dodge, Doore, Dunphy, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Gattine, Gramlich, Grohoski, Handy, Hepler, Hickman, Hubbell, Ingwersen, Jorgensen, Kessler, Kornfield, Landry, MadiganC, MartinR, Matlack, Maxmin, McCrea, McCreight, McDonald, McLean, Melaragno, Meyer, Moonen, Morales, Moriarty, O'Connell, O'Neil, Paulhus, PierceT, Pluecker, Reckitt, Riley, Riseman, Roberts, Rykerson, Schneck, Sharpe, Sheats, Stanley, Sylvester, Talbot Ross, Tepler, Terry, Tipping, Warren, Madam Speaker.

ABSENT - Reed.

Yes, 72; No, 65; Absent, 1; Excused, 12.

72 having voted in the affirmative and 65 voted in the negative, with 1 being absent and 12 excused, and accordingly the Resolution was **TABLED** pending **FINAL PASSAGE** and later today assigned.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Require Background Investigations for Certain Individuals To Receive Federal Tax Information in Accordance with Federal Standards

(H.P. 1375) (L.D. 1931)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 126 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Update References Contained in the Maine Revised Statutes to the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986

(H.P. 1431) (L.D. 2010)

(C. "A" H-718)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 131 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Review the Progressive Treatment Program and Processes by Which a Person May Be Involuntarily Admitted to a Psychiatric Hospital or Receive Court-ordered Community Treatment

(H.P. 195) (L.D. 232)

(C. "A" H-707)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 124 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Under suspension of the rules, members were allowed to remove their jackets.

Emergency Measure

Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Study Fair, Equitable and Competitive Tax Policy for Maine's Working Families and Small Businesses

(H.P. 1373) (L.D. 1929)

(C. "A" H-696)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 114 voted in favor of the same and 2 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 104: Maine State Services Manual, Section 8, Wholesale Prescription Drug Importation Program, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services

(H.P. 1481) (L.D. 2080)

(C. "A" H-715)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 129 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Pursuant to the Constitution
Public Land**

Resolve, Authorizing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To Convey Certain Land in the Little Moose Unit of Moosehead Junction Township

(H.P. 1280) (L.D. 1799)

(C. "A" H-728)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. In accordance with the provisions of Section 23 of Article IX of the Constitution, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 126 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Acts

An Act To Provide Equity in the State Income Tax Deduction for Certain Public Employees Retirement System Pensions

(S.P. 49) (L.D. 162)

(C. "A" S-418)

An Act To Preserve State Landfill Capacity and Promote Recycling

(H.P. 310) (L.D. 401)

(C. "A" H-712)

An Act To Strengthen Maine's Landowner Relations Program

(H.P. 471) (L.D. 650)

(C. "A" H-722)

An Act To Improve Maine's Tax Laws by Providing a Property Tax Exemption for Central Labor Councils

(S.P. 279) (L.D. 989)

(C. "A" S-416)

An Act To Reduce the Duration of Execution Liens

(H.P. 776) (L.D. 1053)

(C. "A" H-716)

An Act To Amend the Laws Relating to Harness Racing

(H.P. 1149) (L.D. 1590)

(C. "A" H-727)

An Act To Create Jobs and Slow Climate Change by Promoting the Production of Natural Resources Bioproducts

(H.P. 1213) (L.D. 1698)

(H. "A" H-731 to C. "A" H-552)

An Act To Ensure Adequate Funding for the Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and Waste Discharge Licensing Program

(H.P. 1303) (L.D. 1832)
(C. "A" H-709)

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Subminimum Wage

(H.P. 1340) (L.D. 1874)
(C. "A" H-724)

An Act To Protect the Products of Maine Farmers

(H.P. 1355) (L.D. 1889)
(C. "A" H-726)

An Act To Amend Certain Motor Vehicle Laws

(S.P. 651) (L.D. 1899)
(C. "A" S-419)

An Act To Amend Maine's Fish and Wildlife Licensing and Registration Laws

(H.P. 1368) (L.D. 1920)

An Act To Clarify and Enhance Maine's Fish and Wildlife Laws

(H.P. 1369) (L.D. 1921)
(C. "A" H-721)

An Act To Create a Commercial Menhaden Fishing License

(H.P. 1370) (L.D. 1922)
(C. "A" H-723)

An Act To Provide Timely Access to Behavioral Health Services for Maine Children and To Address Trauma and the Impacts of the Opioid Crisis

(H.P. 1381) (L.D. 1937)
(C. "A" H-708)

An Act Concerning MaineCare Coverage for Donor Breast Milk

(H.P. 1382) (L.D. 1938)
(C. "A" H-706)

An Act To Amend Certain Record-keeping and Reporting Requirements Imposed on State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies and the Department of Public Safety

(S.P. 685) (L.D. 1983)

An Act To Require a Cable System Operator To Provide a Pro Rata Credit When Service Is Cancelled by a Subscriber

(H.P. 1441) (L.D. 2031)
(C. "A" H-717)

An Act To Ensure Proper Closure of Oil Terminal Facilities

(H.P. 1443) (L.D. 2033)
(C. "A" H-710)

An Act To Remove the Application of the Maine Background Check Center Act to Facilities That Provide Services to Children

(S.P. 726) (L.D. 2053)

An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Department of Environmental Protection Regarding the State's Plastic Bag Reduction Law

(H.P. 1538) (L.D. 2148)

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 Protect Maine's Beaches and Shoreline

(H.P. 579) (L.D. 774)
(C. "A" H-711)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Evaluate Emissions from Aboveground Petroleum Storage Tanks

(S.P. 662) (L.D. 1915)
(C. "A" S-415)

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 15: Death with Dignity Act Reporting Rule, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention

(H.P. 1469) (L.D. 2068)
(H. "A" H-719)

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

An Act To Define the Term "Caucus Political Action Committee"

(S.P. 654) (L.D. 1902)
(C. "A" S-391)

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

On motion of Representative ACKLEY of Monmouth, was **SET ASIDE**.

Representative ACKLEY of Monmouth moved that the Bill be **TABLED** until later in today's session pending **PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED**.

Representative MOONEN of Portland **REQUESTED** a roll call on the motion to **TABLE** until later in today's session pending **PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED**.

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

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is to Table the Bill until later in today's session pending Passage to be Enacted. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 372

YEA - Ackley, Devin, Drinkwater, Evangelos, Grignon, Haggan, Harrington, Hepler, Hickman, Higgins, Hutchins, Kryzak, Marean, MartinT, Mason, Maxmin, O'Connell, O'Connor, PerryA, Pluecker, Prescott, Riseman, Stetkis, Stewart, Swallow, Theriault, Wadsworth.

NAY - Alley, Andrews, Arata, AustinB, AustinS, Babbidge, Babine, Bailey, Berry, Blier, Blume, Bradstreet, Brooks, Bryant, Campbell, Cardone, Carney, Cloutier, Collings, Cooper, Corey, Craven, Crockett, Cuddy, Curtis, DeVeau, Dillingham, Dodge, Doore, Doudera, Dunphy, Farnsworth, Faulkingham, Fay, FecteauJ, FecteauR, Foley, Foster, Gattine, Gramlich, Griffin, Grohoski, Hall, Handy, Hanington, Hanley, Harnett, Hobbs, Hubbell, Hymanson, Ingwersen, Javner, Johansen, Jorgensen, Keschl, Kessler, Kinney, Kornfield, Landry, Lockman, Lyford, MadiganC, MartinJ, MartinR, Mastraccio, Matlack, McCrea, McCreight, McDonald, McLean, Melaragno, Meyer, Millett, Moonen, Morales, Moriarty, Morris, Nadeau, O'Neil, Ordway, Paulhus, Pebworth, Perkins, PerryJ, Pickett, PierceT, Reckitt, Riley, Roberts, Rudnicki, Rykerson, Sampson, Schneck, Sharpe, Sheats, Skolfield, Stanley, Stearns, Stover, Strom, Sylvester, Talbot Ross, Tepler, Terry, Tipping, Tuell, Warren, WhiteB, WhiteD, Madam Speaker.

Yes, 27; No, 110; Absent, 0; Excused, 13.

27 having voted in the affirmative and 110 voted in the negative, with 13 excused, and accordingly the motion to **TABLE** the Bill until later today's session pending **PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED FAILED**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act To Prevent Accidental Overdoses by Establishing a Protocol for Prescription Drug Recovery" (H.P. 1543) (L.D. 2155)

Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

Cosponsored by Senator FOLEY of York and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CAMPBELL of Orrington, CRAVEN of Lewiston, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, O'CONNELL of Brewer, Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, GRATWICK of Penobscot, MOORE of Washington.

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

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Statute of Limitations for Injuries or Harm Resulting from Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances"

(H.P. 1544) (L.D. 2160)

Sponsored by Representative INGWERSEN of Arundel.

Cosponsored by Representative: FAY of Raymond.

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

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Establish Municipal Cost Components for Unorganized Territory Services To Be Rendered in Fiscal Year 2020-21" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1545) (L.D. 2161)

Sponsored by Representative TIPPING of Orono.

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

Committee on **TAXATION** suggested.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **FIRST READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to a committee.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** and sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

Bill "An Act To Restore Honor to Certain Service Members"

(H.P. 1546) (L.D. 2162)

Sponsored by Speaker GIDEON of Freeport.

Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

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

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

The following item was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.P. 1548)

STATE OF MAINE

OFFICE OF THE

SECRETARY OF STATE

AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0148

March 16, 2020

Honorable Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Enclosed please find my official certification to the 129th Legislature of the citizen initiative petition entitled "Resolve, To Reject the New England Clean Energy Connect Transmission Project".

Sincerely,

S/Matthew Dunlap

Secretary of State

**STATE OF MAINE
SECRETARY OF STATE**

I, Matthew Dunlap, Secretary of State, hereby certify that written petitions bearing valid signatures of 69,714 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 February 3, 2020, requesting that the Legislature consider a resolve entitled, "Resolve, To Reject the New England Clean Energy Connect Transmission Project".

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 63,067.

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

I further certify that on March 13, 2020, a petition for review of final agency action was filed in Kennebec County Superior Court requesting that the Court reverse the decision by the Secretary of State that the direct petition for initiated legislation is valid.

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 sixteenth day of March in the year two thousand and twenty.

S/Matthew Dunlap
Secretary of State

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

Sent for concurrence.

Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham, moved that the accompanying Resolve, To Reject the New England Clean Energy Connect Transmission Project

(I.B. 1) (L.D. 2164)

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Bowdoinham.

Representative **BERRY**: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker and Men and Women of the House, if as planned, we adjourn today sine die, I want it to be clear that we may be unable to hold a public hearing on the initiated bill before us, LD 2164, or to take any other action within the window available to us prior to the next election. For this reason, and in case our adjournment does in fact prevent further action on the item before us by the 129th Legislature, I would like the record to reflect that notwithstanding the provisions of mere law, our inaction during a time of civil emergency should not in any way interfere and is not in any way intended to interfere with the constitutional rights of Maine citizens under Article IV, Part 3, Section 18. This includes the constitutional rights of 69,700 Maine citizens who have signed petitions or have otherwise acted to bring this ballot measure to the voters of Maine as well as the constitutional rights of all other citizens to have a say in this matter. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Subsequently, the accompanying Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TEHCNOLOGY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Refer to the Committee on Health and Human Services Pursuant to Resolve

Representative HYMANSON for the **Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services** on Bill "An Act Regarding Asset Tests for Social Services Programs"

(H.P. 1542) (L.D. 2154)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** pursuant to Resolve 2019, chapter 41, section 1.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.**

Sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

Divided Reports

Majority Report of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-423)** on Bill "An Act To Increase Funding for Career and Technical Education Programs"

(S.P. 512) (L.D. 1606)

Signed:

Senators:

MILLETT of Cumberland
CARSON of Cumberland

Representatives:

KORNFIELD of Bangor
BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
FARNSWORTH of Portland
INGWERSEN of Arundel
McCREA of Fort Fairfield

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-424)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

POULIOT of Kennebec

Representatives:

DRINKWATER of Milford
FECTEAU of Augusta
RUDNICKI of Fairfield
SAMPSON of Alfred

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-423).**

READ.

On motion of Representative MOONEN of Portland, **TABLED** pending **ACCEPTANCE** of either Report and later today assigned.

Majority Report of the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-414)** on Bill "An Act To Provide Funding for Broadband Internet Infrastructure in Unserved and Underserved Areas"

(S.P. 711) (L.D. 2021)

Signed:

Senators:

LAWRENCE of York
MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives:

CAIAZZO of Scarborough
DOUDERA of Camden
GROHOSKI of Ellsworth
KESSLER of South Portland
RILEY of Jay
RYKERSON of Kittery

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

WOODSOME of York

Representatives:

BERRY of Bowdoinham

FOSTER of Dexter

GRIGNON of Athens

HANLEY of Pittston

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-414)**.

READ.

Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham moved that the House **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report.

On further motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending his motion to **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report and later today assigned.

Majority Report of the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-427)** on Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Erect and Maintain Markers To Commemorate and Recognize the Lafayette Trail

(S.P. 669) (L.D. 1927)

Signed:

Senators:

DIAMOND of Cumberland

CHIPMAN of Cumberland

Representatives:

McLEAN of Gorham

AUSTIN of Skowhegan

BRYANT of Windham

COLLINGS of Portland

MARTIN of Greene

PERKINS of Oakland

SHEATS of Auburn

WHITE of Waterville

WHITE of Mars Hill

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on same Resolve.

Signed:

Senator:

FARRIN of Somerset

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-427)**.

READ.

On motion of Representative McCLEAN of Gorham, the Majority **Ought to Pass As Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Resolve was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-427)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Resolve was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Resolve was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-427)** in concurrence.

Eight Members of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** report in Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-421)** on Bill "An Act To Incentivize the Purchase of Electric Public School Buses" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 646) (L.D. 1894)

Signed:

Senators:

MILLETT of Cumberland

CARSON of Cumberland

Representatives:

KORNFIELD of Bangor

BRENNAN of Portland

DODGE of Belfast

FARNSWORTH of Portland

INGWERSEN of Arundel

McCREA of Fort Fairfield

Three Members of the same Committee report in Report "B" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-422)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

POULIOT of Kennebec

Representatives:

DRINKWATER of Milford

SAMPSON of Alfred

Two Members of the same Committee report in Report "C" **Ought Not to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representatives:

FECTEAU of Augusta

RUDNICKI of Fairfield

Came from the Senate with Report "A" **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-421)**.

READ.

Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor moved that the House **ACCEPT** Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended**.

On further motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending her motion to **ACCEPT** Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended** and later today assigned.

Majority Report of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-760)** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Adoption of Education Policies by School Boards"

(H.P. 1345) (L.D. 1879)

Signed:

Senators:

MILLETT of Cumberland
CARSON of Cumberland
POULIOT of Kennebec

Representatives:

KORNFELD of Bangor
BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
FARNSWORTH of Portland
FECTEAU of Augusta
INGWERSEN of Arundel
McCREA of Fort Fairfield

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representatives:

DRINKWATER of Milford
RUDNICKI of Fairfield
SAMPSON of Alfred

READ.

Representative KORNFELD of Bangor moved that the House **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report.

On further motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending her motion to **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report and later today assigned.

Majority Report of the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-757)** on Bill "An Act To Promote Renewable Energy Resources by Establishing an Energy-to-Gas Pilot Project"

(H.P. 1438) (L.D. 2017)

Signed:

Senators:

LAWRENCE of York
MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives:

BERRY of Bowdoinham
CAIAZZO of Scarborough
DOUDERA of Camden
GROHOSKI of Ellsworth
KESSLER of South Portland
RILEY of Jay
RYKERSON of Kittery

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

DOW of Lincoln

Representatives:

FOSTER of Dexter
GRIGNON of Athens
HANLEY of Pittston

READ.

Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham moved that the House **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report.

On further motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending his motion to **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report and later today assigned.

Majority Report of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-753)** on Bill "An Act To Define as a Hazardous Substance under Maine Law Any Substance Defined under Federal Law as a Hazardous Substance, Pollutant or Contaminant"

(H.P. 1371) (L.D. 1923)

Signed:

Senators:

CARSON of Cumberland
CHENETTE of York

Representatives:

TUCKER of Brunswick
BLUME of York
FAY of Raymond
GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach
HOBBS of Wells
ZEIGLER of Montville

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-754)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

FOLEY of York

Representatives:

CAMPBELL of Orrington
JOHANSEN of Monticello
SKOLFIELD of Weld

READ.

On motion of Representative FAY of Raymond, the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-753)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-753)** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-750)** on Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Increase MaineCare Reimbursement Rates for Targeted Case Management Services To Reflect Inflation (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1384) (L.D. 1940)

Signed:
Senators:

GRATWICK of Penobscot
CLAXTON of Androscoggin

Representatives:

HYMANSON of York
CRAVEN of Lewiston
MEYER of Eliot
PERRY of Calais
STOVER of Boothbay
TALBOT ROSS of Portland

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on same Resolve.

Signed:
Senator:

MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

GRIFFIN of Levant
JAVNER of Chester
O'CONNOR of Berwick

READ.

Representative HYMANSON of York moved that the House **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report.

On further motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending her motion to **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report and later today assigned.

Majority Report of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-758)** on Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Family Law Advisory Commission Concerning Adoption and Minor Guardianship" (H.P. 1480) (L.D. 2079)

Signed:
Senators:

CARPENTER of Aroostook
BELLOWS of Kennebec
KEIM of Oxford

Representatives:

BAILEY of Saco
BABBIDGE of Kennebunk
CARDONE of Bangor
CURTIS of Madison
EVANGELOS of Friendship
HAGGAN of Hampden
HARNETT of Gardiner
RECKITT of South Portland
TALBOT ROSS of Portland

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

DeVEAU of Caribou

READ.

On motion of Representative BAILEY of Saco, the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (H-758)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-758)** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **TAXATION** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law To Encourage Public Access" (H.P. 839) (L.D. 1150)

Signed:

Senators:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland
POULIOT of Kennebec
SANBORN, H. of Cumberland

Representatives:

ARATA of New Gloucester
BICKFORD of Auburn
CLOUTIER of Lewiston
DENK of Kennebunk
KRYZAK of Acton
MAREAN of Hollis
MATLACK of St. George
STANLEY of Medway
TERRY of Gorham

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-749)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

TIPPING of Orono

READ.

Representative TIPPING of Orono moved that the House **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report.

On further motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending his motion to **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report and later today assigned.

Majority Report of the Committee on **TAXATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-747)** on Bill "An Act To Authorize a Local Option Sales Tax on Meals and Lodging and Provide Funding To Treat Opioid Use Disorder"

(H.P. 915) (L.D. 1254)

Signed:

Senators:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland
SANBORN, H. of Cumberland

Representatives:

TIPPING of Orono
CLOUTIER of Lewiston
DENK of Kennebunk
MATLACK of St. George
STANLEY of Medway
TERRY of Gorham

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

POULIOT of Kennebec

Representatives:

ARATA of New Gloucester
BICKFORD of Auburn
KRYZAK of Acton
MAREAN of Hollis

READ.

On motion of Representative TIPPING of Orono, **TABLED** pending **ACCEPTANCE** of either Report and later today assigned.

Majority Report of the Committee on **TAXATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-767)** on Bill "An Act To Update Certain Provisions in the Income Tax and Service Provider Tax Laws"

(H.P. 1432) (L.D. 2011)

Signed:

Senators:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland
SANBORN, H. of Cumberland

Representatives:

TIPPING of Orono
CLOUTIER of Lewiston
DENK of Kennebunk
MATLACK of St. George
STANLEY of Medway
TERRY of Gorham

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-768)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

POULIOT of Kennebec

Representatives:

ARATA of New Gloucester
BICKFORD of Auburn
KRYZAK of Acton
MAREAN of Hollis

READ.

On motion of Representative TIPPING of Orono, **TABLED** pending **ACCEPTANCE** of either Report and later today assigned.

Ten Members of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** report in Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "C" (H-763)** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Penobscot Nation's and Passamaquoddy Tribe's Authority To Exercise Jurisdiction under the Federal Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 and the Federal Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013"

(H.P. 571) (L.D. 766)

Signed:

Senators:

CARPENTER of Aroostook
BELLOWS of Kennebec

Representatives:

BAILEY of Saco
BABBIDGE of Kennebunk
CARDONE of Bangor
DeVEAU of Caribou
EVANGELOS of Friendship
HARNETT of Gardiner
RECKITT of South Portland
TALBOT ROSS of Portland

Two Members of the same Committee report in Report "B" **Ought Not to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representatives:

CURTIS of Madison
HAGGAN of Hampden

One Member of the same Committee reports in Report "C" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "D" (H-764)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

KEIM of Oxford

READ.

Representative BAILEY of Saco moved that the House **ACCEPT** Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended.**

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Oxford, Representative Dillingham.

Representative **DILLINGHAM**: Thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the House. Again, I raise concerns with this piece of legislation knowing that there's a much larger comprehensive bill that is still pending within the Legislature and I raise those concerns.

Representative STEWART of Presque Isle moved that the Bill be **TABLED** until later in today's session pending the motion of Representative Bailey of Saco to **ACCEPT** Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended.**

Representative MOONEN of Portland requested a roll call on the motion to **TABLE** until later in today's session pending the motion of Representative Bailey of Saco to **ACCEPT** Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended**.

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

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is to Table until later in today's session pending the motion of Representative Bailey of Saco to Accept Report "A" Ought to Pass as Amended. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 373

YEA - Alley, Andrews, Arata, AustinS, Blier, Bradstreet, Campbell, Corey, Curtis, Devin, Dillingham, Drinkwater, Faulkingham, FecteauJ, Foster, Griffin, Grignon, Haggan, Hall, Hanington, Hanley, Hutchins, Javner, Johansen, Keschl, Kinney, Kryzak, Lockman, Lyford, Marean, Mason, Millett, Morris, O'Connor, Ordway, Perkins, Pickett, Prescott, Rudnicki, Sampson, Skolfield, Stearns, Stetkis, Stewart, Strom, Swallow, Theriault, Tuell, Wadsworth, WhiteD.

NAY - Ackley, AustinB, Babbidge, Babine, Bailey, Berry, Blume, Brooks, Bryant, Cardone, Carney, Cloutier, Collings, Cooper, Craven, Crockett, Cuddy, DeVeau, Dodge, Doore, Doudera, Dunphy, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Fay, FecteauR, Foley, Gattine, Gramlich, Grohoski, Handy, Harnett, Harrington, Hepler, Hickman, Higgins, Hobbs, Hubbell, Hymanson, Ingwersen, Jorgensen, Kessler, Kornfield, Landry, MadiganC, MartinJ, MartinR, MartinT, Mastraccio, Matlack, Maxmin, McCrea, McCreight, McDonald, McLean, Melaragno, Meyer, Moonen, Morales, Moriarty, Nadeau, O'Connell, O'Neil, Paulhus, Pebworth, PerryA, PerryJ, PierceT, Pluecker, Reckitt, Riley, Riseman, Roberts, Rykerson, Schneck, Sharpe, Sheats, Stanley, Stover, Sylvester, Talbot Ross, Tepler, Terry, Tipping, Warren, WhiteB, Madam Speaker.

Yes, 50; No, 87; Absent, 0; Excused, 13.

50 having voted in the affirmative and 87 voted in the negative, with 13 excused, and accordingly the motion to **TABLE** until later in today's session pending the motion to Accept Report "A" Ought to Pass as Amended **FAILED**.

Subsequently, Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended** was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-763)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-763)** and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following matter, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment, Tuesday, March 3, 2020, had preference in the Orders of the Day and continue with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

SENATE DIVIDED REPORT - Majority (10) Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-408) -

Minority (3) **Ought Not to Pass** - Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Laws Governing Elections"

(S.P. 656) (L.D. 1904)

- In Senate, Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-408)**.

TABLED - March 5, 2020 (Till Later Today) by Representative **SCHNECK** of Bangor.

PENDING - Motion of same Representative to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report.

Subsequently, the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-408)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Representative **SCHNECK** of Bangor **PRESENTED House Amendment "A" (H-776)**, which was **READ** by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER: The Representative may proceed.

Representative **SCHNECK**: Thank you, Madam Speaker. This Floor Amendment was brought by the Secretary of State's office. It merely backs up the UOCAVA, or the overseas vote, by 24 hours. Thank you.

Subsequently, **House Amendment "A" (H-776)** was **ADOPTED**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-408)** and **House Amendment "A" (H-776)** in **NON-CONCURRENCE** and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Resolution: (S.P. 777)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 22, 2020 AS ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION DAY

WHEREAS, April 22, 2020 marks the 50th anniversary of Earth Day; and

WHEREAS, the first Earth Day in 1970 included teach-ins across the country focused on environmental education; and

WHEREAS, environmental education builds emotional and social skills, including self-esteem, character development, teamwork and leadership skills and climate literacy by encouraging students to research and think critically about complex environmental issues; and

WHEREAS, environmental education improves overall academic performance by embracing many other disciplines such as science, social studies, language arts, mathematics, engineering, fine arts and technology; and

WHEREAS, outdoor learning may contribute to greater long-term retention of academic material through hands-on, experiential learning; and

WHEREAS, green schoolyards promote physical health by providing many active and cooperative play options for children of different abilities, ages and genders; and

WHEREAS, healthy school meals support brain power with vitamins and nutrients needed for focus and energy,

promote healthy eating habits outside of the classroom and decrease childhood obesity rates; and

WHEREAS, environmental education prepares students for careers in green and STEM industries, which are high in demand, contribute to economic development and are expected to grow in the future; and

WHEREAS, environmental education promotes civic engagement and environmental awareness, fostering an ability to participate in lifelong environmental decision making and stewardship; and

WHEREAS, environmental education continues to gain support from individuals, educational institutions, nonprofit organizations, governments and commercial enterprises across the world; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize April 22, 2020 as Environmental Education Day and encourage educators and schools to conduct environmental activities so students will understand the importance of these practices.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.
READ and **ADOPTED** in concurrence.

The following Joint Resolution: (S.P. 778)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING POLAND SPRING ON ITS 175TH ANNIVERSARY AS ONE OF MAINE'S OLDEST AND MOST ICONIC BUSINESSES

WHEREAS, the Poland Spring Company was founded in 1845 by the Ricker family when Hiram Ricker began selling the clean, refreshing natural spring water he had discovered surfacing deep in the woods of Poland, Maine; and

WHEREAS, since 1845, Maine settlers and dignitaries have flocked to Poland Spring for its picturesque setting and its spring waters and, since the early 1900s, to visit the state-of-the-art bottling facility and springhouse; and

WHEREAS, in the late 1800s, the Poland Spring Company began receiving recognition and earning accolades at the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893 in Chicago and then earned the grand prize at the St. Louis World's Fair of 1904, propelling the Poland Spring area and the company to international fame; and

WHEREAS, the company established offices in locations as diverse as Boston, Portland, New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, London and Cairo, and the water was served on Pullman cars throughout the United States, on transatlantic ships and on zeppelins; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, the Poland Spring Preservation Society was created to preserve the rich history of Poland Spring, including its grounds and artifacts from over a century of doing business; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, the original bottling facility and springhouse were converted into the Poland Spring Museum, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, Poland Spring 100% Natural Spring Water has become an iconic Maine product and a leading brand of spring water; and

WHEREAS, today the Poland Spring Company provides almost 900 jobs in rural counties of Maine with an annual payroll exceeding \$49 million, provides over 260 Maine vendors with sales exceeding \$136 million and supports a combined 2,300 jobs across the State generating incomes totaling approximately \$120 million; and

WHEREAS, the Poland Spring Company is a valued community partner, supporting highly regarded Maine nonprofit organizations including The Ecology School, the Gulf of Maine Research Institute, the Children's Museum & Theatre of Maine, the Saco Watershed Collaborative and many others; and

WHEREAS, the Poland Spring Company has committed to selling 100% of its bottled still water products in 100% recycled plastic by 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Poland Spring Company celebrates its 175th anniversary this year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize this occasion and offer the Poland Spring Company our heartiest congratulations on this milestone, with continued good wishes for many years of service to the people of Maine; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Poland Spring Company.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.
READ and **ADOPTED** in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 379)

STATE OF MAINE

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

March 11, 2020

To Robert B. Hunt, Clerk of the House, in the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature:

I, Matthew Dunlap, Secretary of State, pursuant to the provisions of Title 3 MRSA, Section 1, hereby certify that the following is the name and residence of the Representative-elect to the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature, in accordance with the tabulation submitted to the Governor on March 5, 2020:

DISTRICT 128 Kevin JM O'Connell, Brewer

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

S/Matthew Dunlap

Secretary of State

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 380)

STATE OF MAINE

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

I, the Secretary of State of Maine, certify that according to the provisions of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, the Department of the Secretary of State is the legal custodian of the Great Seal of the State of Maine which is hereunto affixed and that the document to which this is attached is a true copy from the records of this Department.

In Testimony Whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State of Maine to be hereunto affixed. Given under my hand at Augusta, Maine, on the eleventh of March in the year two thousand and twenty.

S/Matthew Dunlap

Secretary of State

**State of Maine
Office of the Secretary of State
Corrected March 11, 2020**

I, Matthew Dunlap, Secretary of State, in accordance with the provisions of the proclamation issued by the Governor on January 8, 2020, calling for a Special Election to be held on March 3, 2020, to elect a State Representative in District 128 and having tabulated the returns of the votes cast:

REPORT AS FOLLOWS: In accordance with Title 21-A MRSA Section 711, having tabulated the total number of state ballots cast, the number of voters participating in this election is 2,458; and that Kevin J.M. O'Connell of Brewer, having received a plurality of the votes cast, appears to have been elected a State Representative in the 129th Legislature in District 128:

Craig, Garrel R. 1,017
O'Connell, Kevin J.M. 1,404

I, Matthew Dunlap, Secretary of State, hereby certify that the foregoing report is a true tabulation of the votes cast at the Special Election, as reported to me on the returns from the municipality of Brewer and UOCAVA voters.

S/Matthew Dunlap
Secretary of State

Received by the Governor on March 11, 2020

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 383)

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND
FORESTRY**

March 12, 2020
The Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House of Representatives
129th Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:
Please accept this letter as the report of the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry from its review and evaluation of the Board of Pesticides Control under the State Government Evaluation Act, Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, the committee notified the Board by letter dated May 1, 2019 of its intent to conduct a review. The Board submitted its program evaluation report on November 1, 2019 and presented its report to the committee on February 6, 2020.

The committee has reviewed the report and unanimously finds that the Board is operating within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,
S/James F. Dill
Senate Chair
S/Craig V. Hickman
House Chair

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 381)

**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

March 17, 2020
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Please be advised that pursuant to her authority, Governor Janet T. Mills has nominated the following:
on March 11, 2020

The Honorable David R. Hastings of Fryeburg for Appointment to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.

Pursuant to Title 1 MRSA §1002, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Meryl Fogg of Falmouth for appointment to the Maine State Workforce Board.

Pursuant to Title 26 MRSA §2006, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing.

Sincerely,
S/Sara Gideon

Speaker of the House

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 382)

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

March 17, 2020
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the following Joint Standing Committees have voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass:"

Energy, Utilities and Technology
L.D. 1877 An Act To Amend the Kittery Water District Charter

Health and Human Services

L.D. 1180 Resolve, To Establish the Task Force To Better Coordinate the Protection of Vulnerable Populations (EMERGENCY)

L.D. 2052 An Act To Enact Restrictions on Electronic Smoking Devices and New Tobacco Products

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

L.D. 1591 An Act To Provide Access to Health Care for Maine Citizens

L.D. 1617 An Act To Create a Single-payer Health Care Program in Maine

L.D. 2095 An Act To Require Appropriate Coverage of and Cost-sharing for Generic Drugs and Biosimilars

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

- L.D. 1481 An Act To Establish the Big Moose Mountain Regional Development Authority (EMERGENCY)
- L.D. 1690 An Act To Certify and Promote Products That Are Made in Maine
- L.D. 1821 Resolve, To Address the Population Shortage in Rural Maine
- Taxation
L.D. 1898 An Act Regarding Property Taxes on Certain Energy Generation Projects
- Transportation
L.D. 2100 An Act To Require Third-party Certification for Persons Undertaking Corrosion Prevention and Mitigation Projects for Public Water Supply and Wastewater Infrastructure and Bridges

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of House

READ and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Refer to the Committee on Health and Human Services Pursuant to Public Law

Report of the **Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services** on Bill "An Act Regarding Reimbursements to Municipalities for General Assistance"

(S.P. 783) (L.D. 2157)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** pursuant to Public Law 2019, chapter 515, section 4.

Came from the Senate with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.**

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill and accompanying papers were **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence.

Refer to the Committee on Health and Human Services Pursuant to Resolve

Report of the **Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services** on Bill "An Act To Establish the Help Me Grow Program"

(S.P. 785) (L.D. 2159)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** pursuant to Resolve 2019, chapter 66, section 1.

Came from the Senate with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.**

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill and accompanying papers were **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

In accordance with House Rule 519 and Joint Rule 213, the following items:

In Memory of:

Costas T. Lambrew, of Scarborough. Dr. Lambrew dedicated his career to advancing research, training and quality health care for all. He was a pioneer in cardiology, recognized nationally and internationally. He developed one of the first paramedic pre-hospital cardiac care programs in the United States and helped create cardiopulmonary resuscitation programs. His research on thrombolysis in myocardial infarction advanced care for patients with acute heart attacks. He worked at Maine Medical Center from 1977 to 2004, beginning as a Physician Educator in Emergency Medicine and later becoming Vice President of Health Affairs; Director, Division of Cardiology and Cardiac Intensive Care Unit; and Chief of Cardiology. He helped to advance Maine Medical Center to become one of the top 100 best cardiac care hospitals in the country. He led a cardiology fellowship program that trained many of the cardiologists practicing in Maine today. In addition to his work at Maine Medical Center, he worked at the National Institutes of Health, New York Hospital, Nassau County Medical Center and Unum. He was a professor of medicine at Cornell University, the State University of New York at Stony Brook and the University of Vermont. He was an active member and held various positions with the American Heart Association, American Medical Association, American College of Physicians and American College of Cardiology. He was named a Master of the College of Cardiology in 2004. Dr. Lambrew will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 55 years, Patricia, his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

(HLS 942)

Presented by Representative HYMANSON of York.

Cosponsored by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland, Senator SANBORN, L. of Cumberland, Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland, Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland, Representative McLEAN of Gorham, Representative CAIAZZO of Scarborough, Representative BABINE of Scarborough, Representative BRENNAN of Portland, Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland, Representative MOONEN of Portland, Representative SYLVESTER of Portland, Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Representative JORGENSEN of Portland, Representative COLLINGS of Portland, Representative CROCKETT of Portland.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative HYMANSON of York, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

On motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending **ADOPTION** and later today assigned.

In Memory of:

the Honorable Stephen Patrick Hanley, of Gardiner. Mr. Hanley was a veteran of the United States Air Force. He worked as a pipefitter for Scott Paper, which later became SAPPI Pulp and Paper, in the Somerset Plant for many years until he retired and also worked as a reserve officer for the Skowhegan Police Department, Gardiner Police Department and Kennebec County Sheriff's Office. He was a member of the board of the Gardiner Boys and Girls Clubs and served on the board of the Gardiner Federal Credit Union. He served several terms on the Gardiner City Council and eight years in the Maine State House of Representatives, representing

Gardiner and Randolph. He was a lifetime parishioner of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Gardiner, a 4th degree member of the Knights of Columbus Assembly #348 and a member of the American Legion Smith Wiley Post 4, the National Rifle Association and the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine, as well as a volunteer for Wreaths Across America. Mr. Hanley will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 55 years, Sheila, his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

(HLS 943)

Presented by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner. Cosponsored by Senator BELLOWES of Kennebec, Representative HANLEY of Pittston.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative HANLEY of Pittston, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

On motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending **ADOPTION** and later today assigned.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

CONSENT CALENDAR
First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following item appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 1476) (L.D. 2075) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 115: Part II Requirements for Specific Certificates and Endorsements, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education (EMERGENCY) Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-774)**

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the House Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 787)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing may report out, to the Senate, a bill to amend Resolve 2019, chapter 82.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **PASSED**.
READ and **PASSED** in concurrence.

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 788)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that all matters not finally disposed of upon the adjournment sine die of the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature be carried over, in the same posture, to any special session of the 129th Legislature.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **PASSED**.
READ and **PASSED** in concurrence.

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Resolution: (S.P. 786)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 9, 2020 AS LETTER CARRIERS' STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE DAY

WHEREAS, hunger affects millions of people nationwide, including children, seniors and military veterans, and thousands of households in Maine struggle to provide food for their families; and

WHEREAS, when school nutrition programs end in the summer, families with school-age children that use these programs must find alternate sources of food; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive collected 76.1 million pounds of food, which was distributed locally in the communities in which it was collected, and in Maine, letter carriers collected 290,000 pounds of food; and

WHEREAS, the members of the National Association of Letter Carriers and the National Rural Letter Carriers' Association work to end the challenges of hunger in Maine and across the country through the annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive; and

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2020, the 2nd Saturday in May, a time of the year when donations are much needed, letter carriers will collect food donations left at mailboxes to be distributed to food banks and pantries; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize Saturday, May 9, 2020 as Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive Day in Maine and urge all citizens of the State to join in support of this special observance.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.
READ and **ADOPTED** in concurrence.

CONSENT CALENDAR
First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(S.P. 610) (L.D. 1804) Bill "An Act Regarding the Baiting of Deer" Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-417)**

(S.P. 755) (L.D. 2110) Bill "An Act To Lower Health Care Costs" Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-441)**

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the Senate Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** in concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE
Ought to Pass Pursuant to Resolve**

Report of the **Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs** on Resolve, Requiring the Department of Education To Report on Issues Relating to Bullying in Schools (S.P. 782) (L.D. 2156)

Reporting **Ought to Pass** pursuant to Resolve 2019, chapter 44.

Came from the Senate with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

The report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

The Resolve was **READ ONCE**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Resolve was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

On motion of Representative MOONEN of Portland, **TABLED** pending **PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED** and later today assigned.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-434)** on Bill "An Act To Prohibit Health Insurance Carriers from Retroactively Reducing Payment on Clean Claims Submitted by Pharmacies"

(S.P. 670) (L.D. 1928)

Signed:

Senators:

SANBORN, H. of Cumberland
GRATWICK of Penobscot

Representatives:

TEPLER of Topsham
BRENNAN of Portland
BROOKS of Lewiston
MASTRACCIO of Sanford
MELARAGNO of Auburn

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-435)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

FOLEY of York

Representatives:

BLIER of Buxton
MORRIS of Turner
PRESCOTT of Waterboro
SWALLOW of Houlton

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-434)**.

READ.

On motion of Representative TEPLER of Topsham, the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-434)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-434)** in concurrence.

ENACTORS

Acts

An Act Regarding Smoking in Vehicles When a Minor Is Present

(S.P. 313) (L.D. 1081)
(C. "A" S-425)

An Act To Make Technical Changes to Maine's Marine Resources Laws

(S.P. 667) (L.D. 1925)
(C. "A" S-420)

An Act To Clarify the Laws Governing Financial Relationships between Entities within the Three-tier System for Distribution of Alcohol

(S.P. 737) (L.D. 2088)
(C. "A" S-426)

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.

SENATE PAPERS

Pursuant to Resolve

Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Report of the **Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry** pursuant to Resolve 2019, chapter 32, section 3 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Appropriate Funds to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To End Hunger in Maine by 2030"

(S.P. 784) (L.D. 2158)

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Came from the Senate, Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and under suspension of the rules and **WITHOUT REFERENCE** to a Committee, the Bill **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**. Under suspension of the rules and **WITHOUT REFERENCE** to a Committee, the Bill was **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in concurrence.

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(S.P. 666) (L.D. 1924) Bill "An Act To Amend the Real Estate Appraisal Management Company Laws" Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(S.P. 705) (L.D. 2003) Bill "An Act Regarding Permits To Possess Wildlife in Captivity" Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(S.P. 713) (L.D. 2023) Bill "An Act Regarding the Experience Requirement for Auditors Working in the Office of the State Auditor Who Are Seeking Licensure as Certified Public Accountants" Committee on **INNOVATION,**

DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS reporting Ought to Pass

(S.P. 754) (L.D. 2108) Bill "An Act Regarding Health Insurance Options for Town Academies" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(S.P. 758) (L.D. 2119) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Maternal, Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Panel" Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(S.P. 761) (L.D. 2122) Resolve, Designating Portions of Route 139 and Route 201A in Somerset County the Corporal Eugene Cole Way Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(S.P. 460) (L.D. 1498) Bill "An Act To Provide Equity for Commercial Vehicles on Roads and Bridges in Maine" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-428)**

(S.P. 676) (L.D. 1974) Bill "An Act To Promote Telehealth" Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-433)**

(S.P. 683) (L.D. 1981) Bill "An Act Regarding the Regulation of Tiny Houses" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-429)**

(S.P. 695) (L.D. 1993) Bill "An Act To Clarify the Law Relating to Corporate Income Tax Nexus and the Shipment of Spirits into the State" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **TAXATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-437)**

(S.P. 710) (L.D. 2020) Bill "An Act To Strengthen Maritime Education by Amending the Laws Governing the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering" Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-439)**

(S.P. 759) (L.D. 2120) Bill "An Act Regarding Sales of Alcohol in Municipalities and Unincorporated Places" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-436)**

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the Senate Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** or **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** in concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-440)** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Testing of Adult Use Marijuana and Marijuana Products"

(S.P. 482) (L.D. 1545)

Signed:
Senators:

LUCHINI of Hancock
CYRWAY of Kennebec

HERBIG of Waldo

Representatives:

SCHNECK of Bangor
ACKLEY of Monmouth
COOPER of Yarmouth
DOLLOFF of Rumford
HANINGTON of Lincoln
HICKMAN of Winthrop
HUBBELL of Bar Harbor
McCREIGHT of Harpswell
STROM of Pittsfield

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

ANDREWS of Paris

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-440)**.

READ.

On motion of Representative SCHNECK of Bangor, the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-440)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-440)** in concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

Ought to Pass as Amended

Report of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Improve Access to Physician Assistant Care"

(S.P. 537) (L.D. 1660)

Reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-432)**.

Came from the Senate with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-432) AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-444)** thereto.

The Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-432)** was **READ** by the Clerk.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-444) to **Committee Amendment "A" (S-432)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-432) as Amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-444) thereto was **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee**

Amendment "A" (S-432) as Amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-444) thereto in concurrence.

(H.P. 1378) (L.D. 1934)
(C. "A" H-751)

An Act To Protect Water Quality by Requiring Additional Disclosures to Purchasers of Consumer Fireworks Regarding Safe and Proper Use

(H.P. 1386) (L.D. 1942)
(C. "A" H-755)

An Act To Promote Cost-effectiveness in the MaineCare Program and Improve the Oral Health of Maine Adults and Children

(H.P. 1399) (L.D. 1955)
(C. "A" H-744)

An Act To Preserve the Value of Abandoned Properties by Allowing Entry by Mortgagees

(H.P. 1407) (L.D. 1963)
(C. "A" H-759)

An Act To Enact the Made for Maine Health Coverage Act and Improve Health Choices in Maine

(H.P. 1425) (L.D. 2007)
(C. "A" H-765)

An Act To Amend the State Tax Laws
(H.P. 1458) (L.D. 2047)
(C. "A" H-766)

An Act To Address Decibel Level Limits for Airboats
(H.P. 1467) (L.D. 2065)
(C. "A" H-752)

An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Right To Know Advisory Committee Regarding Public Records Exceptions

(H.P. 1498) (L.D. 2103)

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.

**SENATE PAPERS
Non-Concurrent Matter**

Bill "An Act To Prevent Accidental Overdoses by Establishing a Protocol for Prescription Drug Recovery"
(H.P. 1543) (L.D. 2155)

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** in the House on March 17, 2020.

Came from the Senate **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**. The House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

**ENACTORS
Emergency Measure**

An Act To Clarify Crossbow-related Hunting Laws
(H.P. 1359) (L.D. 1905)
(C. "A" H-746)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 113 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Increase the Death Benefit for Firefighters, Law Enforcement Officers, Emergency Medical Services Personnel and Corrections Officers
(H.P. 1455) (L.D. 2044)
(C. "A" H-762)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 114 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Acts

An Act Regarding Tobacco Product Waste
(H.P. 401) (L.D. 544)
(C. "A" H-756)

An Act To Exempt Disabled Veterans from Property Taxes in Accordance with Their Disability Ratings
(H.P. 772) (L.D. 1042)
(C. "A" H-748)

An Act To Increase Consumption of Maine Foods in State Institutions
(H.P. 850) (L.D. 1167)
(C. "A" H-761)

An Act To Amend the Law Governing Name Changes
(H.P. 1258) (L.D. 1771)

An Act Regarding Prior Authorization for Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder under the MaineCare Program

Resolves

Resolve, To Require the Department of Education To Study and Report on the Special Education Funding Component of the School Funding Formula
(H.P. 118) (L.D. 136)
(C. "A" H-743)

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following item appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(S.P. 756) (L.D. 2111) Bill "An Act To Establish Patient Protections in Billing for Health Care" Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-442)**

On motion of Representative MOONEN of Portland, was **REMOVED** from the First Day Consent Calendar.

The Unanimous Committee Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-442)** was **READ** by the Clerk.

Representative MOONEN of Portland **PRESENTED House Amendment "A" (H-781) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-442)**, which was **READ** by the Clerk..

The **SPEAKER**: The Representative may proceed.

Representative MOONEN: Thank you, Madam Speaker, Colleagues in the House. This amendment simply adds an emergency clause to this bill and I ask for your support. Thank you.

Subsequently, **House Amendment "A" (H-781) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-442)** was **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-442) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-781)** in **NON-CONCURRENCE** and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

ENACTORS

Emergency Measure

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Maine State Grant Program

(H.P. 1435) (L.D. 2014)
(C. "A" H-737)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 122 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Save Lives by Capping the Out-of-pocket Cost of Certain Medications

(H.P. 1493) (L.D. 2096)
(H. "A" H-778 to C. "A" H-772)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 126 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Protect Consumers from Surprise Emergency Medical Bills

(H.P. 1501) (L.D. 2105)
(H. "A" H-777 to C. "A" H-773)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 127 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act Making Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds and Changing Certain Provisions of the

Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2021

(H.P. 1516) (L.D. 2126)
(C. "A" H-775)

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

Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford **REQUESTED** a roll call on **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**.

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

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Passage to be Enacted. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken.

ROLL CALL NO. 374

YEA - Ackley, Alley, Arata, AustinB, AustinS, Babbidge, Babine, Bailey, Berry, Blier, Blume, Bradstreet, Brooks, Bryant, Campbell, Cardone, Carney, Cloutier, Collings, Cooper, Corey, Craven, Crockett, Cuddy, Curtis, Devin, Dillingham, Dodge, Doore, Doudera, Drinkwater, Dunphy, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Faulkingham, Fay, FecteauJ, FecteauR, Foster, Gattine, Gramlich, Griffin, Grignon, Grohoski, Haggan, Hall, Handy, Hanley, Harnett, Harrington, Hepler, Hickman, Hobbs, Hubbell, Hutchins, Hymanson, Ingwersen, Javner, Jorgensen, Keschl, Kessler, Kinney, Kornfield, Kryzak, Landry, Lyford, MadiganC, Marean, MartinJ, MartinR, MartinT, Mason, Mastraccio, Matlack, Maxmin, McCrea, McCreight, McDonald, McLean, Melaragno, Meyer, Millett, Moonen, Morales, Moriarty, Morris, Nadeau, O'Connell, O'Connor, O'Neil, Ordway, Paulhus, Pebworth, Perkins, PerryA, PerryJ, Pickett, PierceT, Pluecker, Prescott, Reckitt, Riley, Riseman, Roberts, Rudnicki, Rykerson, Sampson, Schneck, Sharpe, Sheats, Skolfield, Stanley, Stearns, Stetkis, Stewart, Stover, Strom, Swallow, Sylvester, Talbot Ross, Tepler, Terry, Theriault, Tipping, Tuell, Wadsworth, Warren, WhiteB, WhiteD, Madam Speaker.

NAY - Andrews, DeVeau, Hanington, Johansen, Lockman.

ABSENT - Foley.

Yes, 130; No, 5; Absent, 1; Excused, 14.

130 having voted in the affirmative and 5 voted in the negative, with 1 being absent and 14 excused, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Establish Municipal Cost Components for Unorganized Territory Services To Be Rendered in Fiscal Year 2020-21

(H.P. 1545) (L.D. 2161)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 128 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Address Funding Needs Related to COVID-19
(H.P. 1547) (L.D. 2163)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 134 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

Resolve, To Rename the Sibley Pond Bridge the William Harris Memorial Bridge
(H.P. 1352) (L.D. 1886)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 126 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 125: Basic Approval Standards: Public Schools and School Administrative Units, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education and the State Board of Education
(H.P. 1472) (L.D. 2071)
(C. "A" H-738)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 127 voted in favor of the same and 1 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 4: Water-based Fire Protection Systems, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Public Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal
(H.P. 1474) (L.D. 2073)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 126 voted in favor of the same and 1 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Acts

An Act To Establish a Process for the Consideration and Implementation of Changes to Mandated Instruction or Training for Students
(H.P. 1331) (L.D. 1860)
(C. "A" H-740)

An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Parking for Vehicles with Disability Placards and Plates
(H.P. 1410) (L.D. 1966)
(C. "A" H-735)

An Act To Authorize the Maine Pilotage Commission To Establish Alternative Initial License Criteria for Existing Pilots Seeking Endorsements for Low Traffic Volume Routes
(H.P. 1468) (L.D. 2066)
(C. "A" H-734)

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, Directing the Department of Transportation To Conduct an Economic Feasibility Study for Commuter and Passenger Train Service between Portland and the Lewiston and Auburn Area
(H.P. 415) (L.D. 571)
(C. "A" H-736)

Resolve, To Allow the Department of Public Safety To Transfer Certain Property to the LifeFlight Foundation
(H.P. 1453) (L.D. 2042)
(C. "A" H-729)

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 132: Learning Results: Parameters for Essential Instruction, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education
(H.P. 1473) (L.D. 2072)
(H. "A" H-745 to C. "A" H-714)

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

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-430)** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Education Savings Program"
(S.P. 701) (L.D. 1999)

Signed:

Senators:

MILLETT of Cumberland
CARSON of Cumberland
POULIOT of Kennebec

Representatives:

KORNFIELD of Bangor
BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
DRINKWATER of Milford
FARNSWORTH of Portland
FECTEAU of Augusta
INGWERSEN of Arundel
McCREA of Fort Fairfield

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-431)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representatives:

RUDNICKI of Fairfield
SAMPSON of Alfred

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-430)**.

READ.

Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor moved that the House **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report.

On motion of Representative MOONEN of Portland, **TABLED** pending the motion of Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor to **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report, and later today assigned.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Pittston, Representative Hanley.

Representative **HANLEY**: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Permission to speak on the record?

The **SPEAKER**: The Representative from Pittston has requested permission to speak on the record. Seeing no objection, the Representative may proceed on the record.

Representative **HANLEY**: Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I know that these are trying times and everyone has a little bit of edge in their life, but it is also St. Patrick's Day and if anything can make you smile, it's an Irishman. So, and it's been said that God created whisky to prevent the Irish from ruling the world. There could be some truth to that. But St. Patrick, of course, was an incredible man and a true figure of history. Green beer has ruined his memory and that's too bad, you know, but nonetheless, I invite all of you to look into the history, the true history of St. Patrick. It's quite an interesting life. And I would also like to give you all now an Irish blessing: May you be in Heaven half an hour before the devil knows you're dead. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**ENACTORS
Resolves**

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Erect and Maintain Markers To Commemorate and Recognize the Lafayette Trail

(S.P. 669) (L.D. 1927)
(C. "A" S-427)

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

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Implement Provisions Necessary to the Health, Welfare and Safety of the Citizens of Maine in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 789) (L.D. 2167)

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

Came from the Senate, under suspension of the rules and **WITHOUT REFERENCE** to a Committee, the Bill **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Under suspension of the rules and **WITHOUT REFERENCE** to a Committee, the Bill was **READ TWICE** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** in concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

**CONSENT CALENDAR
First Day**

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following item appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 1462) (L.D. 2058) Bill "An Act To Strengthen Protections for Incapacitated and Dependent Adults from Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation" Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-780)**

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the House Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

**SENATE PAPERS
Non-Concurrent Matter**

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 180: Performance Evaluation and Professional Growth Systems, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1478) (L.D. 2077)

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-739) in the House on March 12, 2020.

Came from the Senate **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-739) AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-448)** thereto in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

An Act To Encourage the Development of Broadband Coverage in Rural Maine

(S.P. 498) (L.D. 1563)
(C. "A" S-405)

PASSED TO BE ENACTED in the House on March 10, 2020.

Came from the Senate **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-405) AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-443)** thereto in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Infrastructure To Improve Transportation and Internet Connections"

(H.P. 1524) (L.D. 2134)

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-769) in the House on March 17, 2020.

Came from the Senate **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-769) AND SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-449) in NON-CONCURRENCE.**

The House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR.**

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

ENACTORS

Emergency Measure

An Act Regarding the Collection of Samples for Testing of Adult Use Marijuana and Adult Use Marijuana Products

(S.P. 482) (L.D. 1545)

(C. "A" S-440)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 116 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Improve Access to Physician Assistant Care

(S.P. 537) (L.D. 1660)

(S. "A" S-444 to C. "A" S-432)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 121 voted in favor of the same and 1 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Promote Telehealth

(S.P. 676) (L.D. 1974)

(C. "A" S-433)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 120 voted in favor of the same and 1 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act Regarding the Regulation of Tiny Homes

(S.P. 683) (L.D. 1981)

(C. "A" S-429)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 119 voted in favor of the same and 3 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act Regarding Health Insurance Options for Town Academies

(S.P. 754) (L.D. 2108)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 120 voted in favor of the same and 1 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act Regarding Sales of Alcohol in Municipalities and Unincorporated Places

(S.P. 759) (L.D. 2120)

(C. "A" S-436)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 119 voted in favor of the same and 3 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Acts

An Act To Provide Equity for Commercial Vehicles on Roads and Bridges in Maine

(S.P. 460) (L.D. 1498)

(C. "A" S-428)

An Act Regarding the Baiting of Deer

(S.P. 610) (L.D. 1804)

(C. "A" S-417)

An Act To Amend the Real Estate Appraisal Management Company Laws

(S.P. 666) (L.D. 1924)

An Act To Prohibit Health Insurance Carriers from Retroactively Reducing Payment on Clean Claims Submitted by Pharmacies

(S.P. 670) (L.D. 1928)

(C. "A" S-434)

An Act To Clarify the Law Relating to Corporate Income Tax Nexus and the Shipment of Spirits into the State

(S.P. 695) (L.D. 1993)

(C. "A" S-437)

An Act Regarding Permits To Possess Wildlife in Captivity

(S.P. 705) (L.D. 2003)

An Act To Strengthen Maritime Education by Amending the Laws Governing the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering

(S.P. 710) (L.D. 2020)

(C. "A" S-439)

An Act Regarding the Experience Requirement for Auditors Working in the Office of the State Auditor Who Are Seeking Licensure as Certified Public Accountants

(S.P. 713) (L.D. 2023)

An Act To Lower Health Care Costs

(S.P. 755) (L.D. 2110)

(C. "A" S-441)

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Maternal, Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Panel

(S.P. 758) (L.D. 2119)

An Act To Appropriate Funds to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To End Hunger in Maine by 2030

(S.P. 784) (L.D. 2158)

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, Designating Portions of Route 139 and Route 201A in Somerset County the Corporal Eugene Cole Way

(S.P. 761) (L.D. 2122)

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

Emergency Measure

An Act To Establish Patient Protections in Billing for Health Care

(S.P. 756) (L.D. 2111)
(H. "A" H-781 to C. "A" S-442)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 124 voted in favor of the same and 1 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 115: Part II Requirements for Specific Certificates and Endorsements, a Major Substantive Rule of the State Board of Education

(H.P. 1476) (L.D. 2075)
(C. "A" H-774)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 121 voted in favor of the same and 2 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Acts

An Act Regarding the Penobscot Nation's and Passamaquoddy Tribe's Authority To Exercise Jurisdiction under the Federal Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 and the Federal Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013

(H.P. 571) (L.D. 766)
(C. "C" H-763)

An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Family Law Advisory Commission Concerning Adoption and Minor Guardianship

(H.P. 1480) (L.D. 2079)
(C. "A" H-758)

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.

Acts

An Act To Amend Certain Laws Governing Elections

(S.P. 656) (L.D. 1904)
(C. "A" S-408; H. "A" H-776)

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.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

**ENACTORS
Emergency Measure**

An Act To Implement Provisions Necessary to the Health, Welfare and Safety of the Citizens of Maine in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

(S.P. 789) (L.D. 2167)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 114 voted in favor of the same and 2 against, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bond Issue

An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Infrastructure To Improve Transportation and Internet Connections

(H.P. 1524) (L.D. 2134)
(C. "A" H-769; S. "A" S-449)

Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford **REQUESTED** a roll call on **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**.

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

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Passage to be Enacted. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no. In accordance with In accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Article IX of the Constitution, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken.

ROLL CALL NO. 375

YEA - Ackley, Alley, Arata, AustinB, AustinS, Babbidge, Babine, Bailey, Berry, Blier, Blume, Bradstreet, Brooks, Bryant, Campbell, Cardone, Carney, Cloutier, Collings, Cooper, Corey, Craven, Crockett, Cuddy, Curtis, Devin, Dillingham, Dodge, Doore, Doudera, Drinkwater, Dunphy, Farnsworth, Fay, FecteauR, Foley, Foster, Gattine, Gramlich, Griffin, Grohoski, Haggan, Hall, Handy, Hanington, Hanley, Harnett, Harrington, Hepler, Hickman, Hobbs, Hubbell, Hutchins, Hymanson, Ingwersen, Javner, Jorgensen, Keschl, Kessler, Kinney, Kornfield, Kryzak, Landry, Lyford, MadignC, MartinJ, MartinT, Mason, Mastraccio, Matlack, Maxmin, McCrea, McCreight, McDonald, McLean, Melaragno, Meyer, Millett, Moonen, Morales, Moriarty, Morris, Nadeau, O'Connell, O'Connor, O'Neil, Ordway, Paulhus, Pebworth, Perkins, PerryA, PerryJ, Pickett, PierceT, Pluecker, Prescott, Reckitt, Riley, Riseman, Roberts, Rudnicki, Rykerson, Sampson, Schneck, Sharpe, Sheats, Skolfield, Stanley, Stearns, Stetkis, Stewart, Stover, Swallow, Sylvester, Talbot Ross, Terry, Theriault, Tipping, Wadsworth, Warren, WhiteB, WhiteD, Madam Speaker.

NAY - Andrews, DeVeau, Faulkingham, FecteauJ, Johansen, Lockman, Strom.

ABSENT - Grignon, Marean, MartinR, Tuell.

Yes, 123; No, 7; Absent, 4; Excused, 16.

123 having voted in the affirmative and 7 voted in the negative, with 4 being absent and 16 excused, and accordingly the Bond Issue was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Acts

An Act To Encourage the Development of Broadband Coverage in Rural Maine

(S.P. 498) (L.D. 1563)

(S. "A" S-443 to C. "A" S-405)

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, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 180: Performance Evaluation and Professional Growth Systems, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education

(H.P. 1478) (L.D. 2077)

(S. "A" S-448 to C. "A" H-739)

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

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

Acts

An Act To Strengthen Protections for Incapacitated and Dependent Adults from Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation

(H.P. 1462) (L.D. 2058)

(C. "A" H-780)

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.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Oxford, Representative Dillingham, who wishes to address the House on the record.

Representative **DILLINGHAM**: Thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the House. It's been said that crisis doesn't create character, it reveals it. In the past week, I've seen peoples' character revealed. I've seen friends, neighbors, local businesses stepping up and providing assistance to those in need. I've seen free meals offered by restaurants to our elderly and our students displaced by unfolding events. Neighbors helping neighbors. My cousin's son, Jackson, picking up supplies and delivering to elderly folks in our family who have compromised health issues, teachers and administrators that have quickly put together online teaching and learning curriculum, like my daughter. I

know Representative Haggan was disappointed to cancel a big project but excited to learn a new skill and build an online class. And of course more than learning goes on in our schools and these same dedicated individuals implemented procedures and stuffed backpacks to ensure children receive the food they need. The list goes on and on and we all learn that our lives have been altered for the foreseeable future.

Seeing acts of concern, compassion and kindness strengthens my connection to what makes Maine special. It is the Maine we know and love and why I am so proud to represent my State in this building. In the coming days as we face unprecedented challenges, I have no doubt Mainers will rise to the occasion and we will get through this together. I also want to thank not only the other leaders but members of the Appropriations Committee for the work that they've put in over the past few days as well as our staff and nonpartisan staff, along with those in the Chief Executive's office. Crisis does reveal character, and I am thankful to have the honor to serve with all of you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Portland, Representative Moonen, who wishes to address the House on the record.

Representative **MOONEN**: Thank you, Madam Speaker, Colleagues of the House. I don't know if I can compete with that. That was very well done.

I just want to say that, you know, as we all know, we are in unprecedented times here in this State and in this country and the last few days have been very inspiring. We have seen members of this body remain thoughtful and fiercely advocate for quick and decisive and proactive action to help the people of Maine in this time of crisis. We've seen incredible bipartisanship on the budget, on a bond package, on COVID response, and it's just really been special to be a part of. We have worked across agencies, across the Legislature, across the Chief Executive's office, all in a collaborative spirit of putting the people of Maine first. And I just want to thank you, Madam Speaker, for your leadership, my colleagues on the other side of the aisle including the leaders, the members of the Appropriations Committee, and the folks down the hall who have just done remarkable work in a very, very short timespan to get us as prepared as we can be as we leave here tonight. And just to wish us all Godspeed and good luck and can't wait to see you all again when we're out of this crisis. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The Speaker appointed Representative MOONEN of Portland on the part of the House to inform the Senate that the House was ready to adjourn without day.

The Speaker appointed the following members on the part of the House to wait upon her Excellency, Governor Janet T. Mills, and inform her that the House was ready to adjourn without day:

Representative NADEAU of Winslow
Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland
Representative DEVIN of Newcastle
Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington
Representative MAREAN of Hollis
Representative KORNFELD of Bangor
Representative HICKKMAN of Winthrop
Representative MASTRACCIO of Sanford
Representative MCLEAN of Gorham
Representative STANLEY of Medway
Representative SCHNECK of Bangor
Representative TIPPING of Orono
Representative RYKERSON of Kittery
Representative LOCKMAN of Bradley

Subsequently, Representative MOONEN reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

At this point, a message came from the Senate borne by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc, of that Body, informing the House that the Senate was ready to adjourn without day.

Subsequently, the Committee reported that they had delivered the message with which they were charged.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is pleased to recognize in the back of the Chamber, her Excellency, the Governor of the great State of Maine, Janet T. Mills.

Governor **MILLS**: Thank you for attending to the urgent business of the hour today so diligently. You know, years from now people will be looking back on us on this day, on this hour, at this time; what will they say? What will they write about us? Charles Dickens wrote, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair."

Spring arrives Thursday. It's often said we cannot control everything that happens to us, but what we can control and what we must control is how we react to those things that do happen to us. And in a real sense today, the future, our future, is in our own hands. When anxiety and concern for the unknown fill the air, when your child or grandchild tells you they're kind of scared, tell them it's okay to be scared. Anxiety is normal. The future is uncertain. But we have each other. Tell them in the words of the great philosopher, Winnie the Pooh, you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think. And that we will get through this together, for we are all family. And we have been here before in one way or another. We've fought wars together, we've survived blizzards, ice storms, terrorist attacks on our nation.

Today, I remember Walt Wheeler sitting in the back row of this Chamber and Representative Ann Peoples and I believe they would say tell them that hard times make strong people. That we are a small but sturdy State and a strong and sturdy nation. That although the things we've gotten used to will

change and although our lifestyles may adapt, every generation has within it, within themselves to create happiness and hope. That their true security is here in the brain and the heart and the soul. They would say, too, that it's good to take a nice walk outside, put aside the static and the noise, the TV, the internet, the clatter and the chatter, that it's good to see the signs of spring, hear the robin, find a crocus, think about the future and know the goodness of this land and our people.

Ann Peoples was someone for whom the glass was never half full. It was always full, she'd say, it's just that sometimes the glass is half filled with air, but it is full. She's telling us that today. We will rise to the challenge as we deal with capacity problems, address the logistics of feeding children, distributing groceries and supplies, caring for seniors, paying bills, keeping businesses and people alive and well, of supporting our health care workers and those living alone and others in need. Fred Rogers, Mr. Rogers, said, quote, when I was a boy and I would see scary things on the news, my mother would say look for the helpers. You'll always find people who are helping. The helpers are everywhere and they are here. They are cooking meals for children, they are preparing to plant a garden, they are providing shelter for the homeless and care to those in need and they are here in this building. You have put pen to paper today to create remedies for those who will be hardest hit. They are those who rise above fear to rely on fact and science, ignoring noise, myth and suspicion. Those who put their trust in one another, those who think outside the box, those who focus on what we can do, not on what we cannot. Those who act now with compassion, caution, courage. Those who keep their distance from us today to preserve our space, our place and our people for tomorrow. Staying apart now in order that we will stay safe in the future, keeping those distances to bring us together again.

What will they say about us years from now? They will say Maine sacrificed but Maine stood strong. Maine people were tough, Maine people hung together, Maine provided the helpers, Maine people survived and Maine rose again better than ever. God bless and keep you and yours. God bless the State of Maine. Please accept my virtual handshake to each of you and a virtual but heartfelt hug to all the people of Maine. Thank you.

At this point, pursuant to her authority under House Rule 201, the Chair addressed the House.

Speaker **GIDEON**: Members of the 129th Legislature, we started with the wonderful words from Representative Skolfield, the Member from Weld, I'm correcting myself as I correct all of you usually, and we're able to finish this evening with our own Governor, Janet Mills. And I only want to say these short words to you, which is that I have always believed that at the beginning and the end of the day, we all want the same things and want the same things for people, we just have different ideas sometimes about how to get there, but I think that today and these last days culminating today were the absolute example of that. And I want you to know that I am and will remain in admiration of all of you and look forward to joining you together in this Chamber again.

On motion of Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland, the House adjourned without day at 9:49 p.m., Tuesday, March 17, 2020.