

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
19th Legislative Day
Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Representative MOONEN of Portland assumed the Chair.
The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker Pro Tem.
Prayer by Reverend Stephen Carnahan, High Street Congregational Church, Auburn.
National Anthem by Maine Inside Out, Portland.
Pledge of Allegiance.
Doctor of the day, Connie Adler, M.D., Chesterville.

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

The Journal of Thursday, February 28, 2019 was read and approved.

SENATE PAPERS

The following Joint Resolution: (S.P. 304)
**JOINT RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR
ERECTING A MONUMENT TO MAINE TROOPS WHO
FOUGHT IN THE SHENANDOAH VALLEY IN VIRGINIA
DURING THE CIVIL WAR**

WHEREAS, during the Civil War, approximately 80,000 men from Maine served in the United States military as soldiers and sailors; and

WHEREAS, Maine contributed a higher proportion of its citizens to the Union armies than any other state and supplied extensive equipment and stores; and

WHEREAS, at the Third Battle of Winchester, which was fought on September 19, 1864 in Virginia, more than 2,000 Maine soldiers fought and more than 230 were casualties; and

WHEREAS, in the 1864 Shenandoah Valley campaign, 68 Maine soldiers were killed, 466 were wounded and 131 were reported missing; and

WHEREAS, several hundred Maine soldiers are buried at the Winchester National Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no permanent monument to the sacrifice of these Maine heroes, either at Winchester or at any other battlefield in the Shenandoah Valley; and

WHEREAS, there is a private effort in conjunction with the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation to raise the funds needed to purchase and install a stone memorial to Maine's contribution at the Third Battle of Winchester that would be dedicated to all Maine soldiers who fought in the Shenandoah Valley; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to show our support for erecting a monument to those Maine troops who fought in the Shenandoah Valley; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation.

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

Resolve, To Review the Laws Governing the Enforcement of Protection from Abuse Orders
(S.P. 297) (L.D. 1018)
Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested and ordered printed.

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Crime of Tampering with a Witness, Informant, Juror or Victim"
(S.P. 301) (L.D. 1022)

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

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 99)

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

March 5, 2019

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:"

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

L.D. 205 An Act To Add Work Assignments to the Law Regarding Notification of a Defendant's Release or Escape

L.D. 306 Resolve, Requiring the Department of Public Safety To Study and Determine What Constitutes a Violation of Air Space by a Drone

L.D. 342 An Act To Require a Person To Notify Law Enforcement Officers of the Possession of a Hypodermic Needle

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

L.D. 330 An Act To Define Licensed Massage Therapists as Health Care Practitioners

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

L.D. 56 An Act To Ban the Use of Personal Watercraft on Lower Wilson Pond and Upper Wilson Pond

L.D. 258 An Act To Establish and Coordinate a Volunteer Corps of Search and Rescue Specialists within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Judiciary

L.D. 250 An Act To Establish the Statute of Limitations in Product Liability Cases

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of House

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

The Following Communication: (S.C. 160)

**MAINE SENATE
129TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

February 28, 2019
Honorable Sara Gideon
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Speaker Gideon:

In accordance with 3 MRSA §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 129th Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nomination:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, the nomination of Hon. Robert S. Duchesne of Old Town for appointment to the Board of Environmental Protection.

Best Regards,
S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act To Increase the Number of Members of the Wild Blueberry Commission of Maine"

(H.P. 807) (L.D. 1103)

Sponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town.

Cosponsored by Representatives: HICKMAN of Winthrop, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, O'NEIL of Saco, PERRY of Calais, PLUECKER of Warren, Senators: BLACK of Franklin, DILL of Penobscot.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Sale of High-capacity Magazines"

(H.P. 794) (L.D. 1071)

Sponsored by Representative CARDONE of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and Representatives: COOPER of Yarmouth, SYLVESTER of Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

Resolve, Establishing the Task Force on Alternatives to Incarceration for Maine Youth (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 812) (L.D. 1108)

Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator CARSON of Cumberland and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, MOONEN of Portland, MORALES of South Portland, PERRY of Calais, RECKITT of South Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, TUCKER of Brunswick, WARREN of Hallowell.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.
Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Address Maine's Firefighter Shortage by Offering Firefighter Training for Credit in High School Career and Technical Education Programs"

(H.P. 787) (L.D. 1064)

Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris.

Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Representatives: FECTEAU of Augusta, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MORRIS of Turner, PICKETT of Dixfield, SAMPSON of Alfred, STEWART of Presque Isle, Senator: TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize Consumers Located Adjacent to Electric Power Generators To Obtain Power Directly"

(H.P. 783) (L.D. 1060)

Sponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington.

Cosponsored by Senator FOLEY of York and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, HUTCHINS of Penobscot, STANLEY of Medway, Senators: DILL of Penobscot, WOODSOME of York.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Resolve, Regarding Biofuel in Number 2 Heating Oil (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 803) (L.D. 1080)

Sponsored by Representative RILEY of Jay.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, DOUDERA of Camden, FOSTER of Dexter, KESSLER of South Portland.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Shoreland Zoning Laws To Allow Pedestrian Walkways and Trails That Exclude Motorized Vehicles within the Shoreland Zone"

(H.P. 805) (L.D. 1101)

Sponsored by Representative DOUDERA of Camden.

Cosponsored by Senator LAWRENCE of York and Representatives: AUSTIN of Skowhegan, DENNO of Cumberland, DILLINGHAM of Oxford, DODGE of Belfast, GATTINE of Westbrook, MADIGAN of Waterville, Senator: WOODSOME of York.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Support Maine Families by Providing for Transportation of Parents and Guardians of MaineCare Recipients under 18 Years of Age to Their Appointments"

(H.P. 785) (L.D. 1062)

Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland and Representatives: AUSTIN of Skowhegan, CRAVEN of Lewiston, MEYER of Eliot, PERRY of Calais, STOVER of Boothbay, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, TEPLER of Topsham.

Bill "An Act To Require Public Schools To Periodically Test for Radon"

(H.P. 802) (L.D. 1079)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Hallowell.

Cosponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and Representatives: COREY of Windham, KESCHL of Belgrade, PIERCE of Falmouth, Senators: MILLETT of Cumberland, SANBORN, L. of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Improve the Health and Economic Security of Older Residents"

(H.P. 810) (L.D. 1106)

Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland, Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, DODGE of Belfast, FARNSWORTH of Portland, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, PERRY of Calais, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: CARSON of Cumberland.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Promote Workforce Education on Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia"

(H.P. 795) (L.D. 1072)

Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, DOORE of Augusta, HICKMAN of Winthrop, MADIGAN of Waterville, MEYER of Eliot, PERRY of Calais, SHEATS of Auburn, STOVER of Boothbay.

Bill "An Act To Allow Acupuncture Detoxification Specialists To Administer an Auricular Acupuncture Treatment for Addiction"

(H.P. 809) (L.D. 1105)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais.

Cosponsored by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CRAVEN of Lewiston, DUNPHY of Old Town, O'CONNOR of Berwick, STOVER of Boothbay.

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 Regarding the Size and Weight of All-terrain Vehicles, the Operation of Motor Vehicles on Designated All-terrain Vehicle Trails and the Operation of All-terrain Vehicles on Trails Posted with Size or Weight Limits"

(H.P. 813) (L.D. 1109)

Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair.

Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Update and Amend the Finance Authority of Maine Act"

(H.P. 779) (L.D. 1056)

Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Biddeford.

Cosponsored by Senator HERBIG of Waldo and Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot.

Submitted by the Finance Authority of Maine pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Streamline the Eviction Process"

(H.P. 780) (L.D. 1057)

Sponsored by Representative WADSWORTH of Hiram.

Cosponsored by Representative: ARATA of New Gloucester.

Bill "An Act To Establish a Fund To Compensate Unjustly Incarcerated Persons"

(H.P. 784) (L.D. 1061)

Sponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship.

Cosponsored by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York and Representatives: CARDONE of Bangor, COLLINGS of Portland, HICKMAN of Winthrop, PLUECKER of Warren, RISEMAN of Harrison, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Promote Fairness and Efficiency in the Delivery of Indigent Legal Services"

(H.P. 790) (L.D. 1067)

Sponsored by Representative CARDONE of Bangor.

Resolve, To Implement an Intensive Drug Treatment Court Pilot Project in the Midcoast

(H.P. 796) (L.D. 1073)

Sponsored by Representative DEVIN of Newcastle.

Cosponsored by Senator DOW of Lincoln and Representatives: CUDDY of Winterport, EVANGELOS of Friendship, HEPLER of Woolwich, KINNEY of Knox, MAXMIN of Nobleboro, PLUECKER of Warren, STOVER of Boothbay, Senator: VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Bill "An Act To Change Procedures of the Governor's Board on Executive Clemency and To Seal Marijuana Convictions"

(H.P. 817) (L.D. 1113)

Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, FOLEY of Biddeford, O'NEIL of Saco, STROM of Pittsfield, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: MILLETT of Cumberland.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Concerning Liability for Direct Reimbursement of Unemployment Benefits"

(H.P. 781) (L.D. 1058)

Sponsored by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro.
Cosponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot and Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, MORRIS of Turner, Senator: CYRWAY of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Fair Employment Opportunity for Maine Citizens and Legal Residents by Requiring the Use of the Federal Immigration Verification System"

(H.P. 800) (L.D. 1077)

Sponsored by Representative DeVEAU of Caribou.
Cosponsored by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec and Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, HANINGTON of Lincoln, HANLEY of Pittston, JOHANSEN of Monticello, LOCKMAN of Bradley, ORDDWAY of Standish, STETKIS of Canaan.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the State's Commitments Concerning Certain Public Service Retirement Benefits"

(H.P. 808) (L.D. 1104)

Sponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town.
Cosponsored by Senator BELLOWES of Kennebec and Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, WARREN of Hallowell, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, DILL of Penobscot, LIBBY of Androscoggin, POULIOT of Kennebec, WOODSOME of York.

Bill "An Act To Promote Workforce Development and Community Integration"

(H.P. 811) (L.D. 1107)

Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, CROCKETT of Portland, DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, FARNSWORTH of Portland, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MOONEN of Portland, PERRY of Calais, Senator: CARSON of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Provide Employee Vaccination Compensation"

(H.P. 816) (L.D. 1112)

Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta.
Cosponsored by Representatives: O'CONNOR of Berwick, SAMPSON of Alfred, Senator: POULIOT of Kennebec.

Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize the Establishment of an Apprentice License for the Maine Scallop Fishery"

(H.P. 782) (L.D. 1059)

Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington.
Cosponsored by Senator DOW of Lincoln and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, BABINE of Scarborough, BLUME of York, COLLINGS of Portland, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, HEPLER of Woolwich, HOBBS of Wells, JAVNER of Chester.

Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Expand Health Insurance Coverage To Certain State Employees"

(H.P. 788) (L.D. 1065)

Sponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop.
Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland and Representatives: BLUME of York, FOLEY of Biddeford, GATTINE of Westbrook, MARTIN of Sinclair, RISEMAN of Harrison, TEPLER of Topsham, VEROW of Brewer, Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Address Municipal Conflicts of Interest"

(H.P. 789) (L.D. 1066)

Sponsored by Representative SAMPSON of Alfred.
Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CARNEY of Cape Elizabeth, DOLLOFF of Rumford, FECTEAU of Augusta, HARRINGTON of Sanford, KINNEY of Knox, McLEAN of Gorham, PICKETT of Dixfield.

Bill "An Act To Remove a Reference to Constables in the Law Governing Execution of Process"

(H.P. 806) (L.D. 1102)

Sponsored by Representative STETKIS of Canaan.
Cosponsored by Representatives: GRIGNON of Athens, PICKETT of Dixfield, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis.

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Support the Role of Municipalities in Expanding Broadband Infrastructure"

(H.P. 786) (L.D. 1063)

Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell.
Cosponsored by Senator FOLEY of York and Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, DOUDERA of Camden, FAY of Raymond, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, HANLEY of Pittston, HIGGINS of Dover-Foxcroft, MARTIN of Sinclair, Senator: WOODSOME of York.

Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested.

On motion of Representative MARTIN of Sinclair, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Tax Expenditure Review Process"

(H.P. 792) (L.D. 1069)

Sponsored by Representative TIPPING of Orono.
Cosponsored by Representative: BICKFORD of Auburn.

Bill "An Act To Reduce the Number of Domestic Assaults and Suicides By Increasing the Tax on Alcohol"

(H.P. 793) (L.D. 1070)

Sponsored by Representative CARDONE of Bangor.
Cosponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and Representatives: FARNSWORTH of Portland, HEPLER of Woolwich, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, RECKITT of South Portland.

Bill "An Act To Establish a Tax on Water Extracted for Bottling in Order To Secure the Economic Future of Rural Maine"

(H.P. 797) (L.D. 1074)

Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

Cosponsored by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, EVANGELOS of Friendship, PLUECKER of Warren, Senators: CHENETTE of York, CHIPMAN of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Establish a Local Option for Sales Tax"
(H.P. 814) (L.D. 1110)

Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

Cosponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth, Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, COLLINGS of Portland, DENK of Kennebunk, MORALES of South Portland, SYLVESTER of Portland, Senators: CHENETTE of York, SANBORN, H. of Cumberland.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Allow a Wrecker To Transport the Number of Vehicles Authorized by Manufacturer Specifications for the Wrecker"

(H.P. 798) (L.D. 1075)

Sponsored by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield. Cosponsored by Senator DOW of Lincoln and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, BRENNAN of Portland, DODGE of Belfast, DRINKWATER of Milford, FARNSWORTH of Portland, FECTEAU of Augusta, TUELL of East Machias, Senator: CARPENTER of Aroostook.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Driver's License Suspensions for Criminal Negligence"

(H.P. 815) (L.D. 1111)

Sponsored by Representative PICKETT of Dixfield. Cosponsored by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York and Representatives: COREY of Windham, COSTAIN of Plymouth, DILLINGHAM of Oxford, JOHANSEN of Monticello, MORALES of South Portland, STEWART of Presque Isle, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: ROSEN of Hancock.

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested.

On motion of Representative McLEAN of Gorham, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Number of Agency Liquor Stores Permitted in Municipalities with 10,000 to 20,000 Residents"

(H.P. 791) (L.D. 1068)

Sponsored by Representative GATTINE of Westbrook. Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland and Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, FECTEAU of Biddeford, PEOPLES of Westbrook, PIERCE of Falmouth, SCHNECK of Bangor, STROM of Pittsfield, TUCKER of Brunswick, Senator: BREEN of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Number of Agency Liquor Store Licenses Permitted in a Municipality"

(H.P. 801) (L.D. 1078)

Sponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop. Cosponsored by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock and Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, COLLINGS of Portland, FARNSWORTH of Portland, FECTEAU of Biddeford, JORGENSEN of Portland, MOONEN of Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: SANBORN, H. of Cumberland.

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.

Bill "An Act To Account for Market Change in the Adult Use Marijuana Excise Tax"

(H.P. 799) (L.D. 1076)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham. Cosponsored by Representatives: BLUME of York, COREY of Windham, HICKMAN of Winthrop, Senators: CHENETTE of York, WOODSOME of York.

Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** suggested.

On motion of Representative SCHNECK of Bangor, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

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

ORDERS

On motion of Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 804) (Cosponsored by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, Speaker GIDEON of Freeport, MADIGAN of Waterville, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, WARREN of Hallowell, Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, BREEN of Cumberland, President JACKSON of Aroostook)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 2019 AS SOCIAL WORK MONTH

WHEREAS, social workers have paved the way for change by enhancing the well-being of all people, especially the most vulnerable in society; and

WHEREAS, social workers have helped lead the nation's struggle for social justice and continue to advocate for positive social change and, more than the members of any other profession, social workers recognize that more must be done to address the persistent social problems that plague the State; and

WHEREAS, social workers support diverse families in every community and understand that individuals and communities together can bring about change; and

WHEREAS, social workers advocate for the rights of the disadvantaged and oppressed; and

WHEREAS, social workers advocate for children's rights to a safe environment and a good education; and

WHEREAS, social workers advocate for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer rights; and

WHEREAS, social workers work to ensure good care is provided to older adults; and

WHEREAS, social workers help provide community support for veterans and their families after their service; and

WHEREAS, social workers strive to improve access to mental health treatment and health care services in order to save lives; and

WHEREAS, social workers effect change and put the ideals of citizenship into action every day through legislative, regulatory and social policy efforts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize March 2019 as Social Work Month; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the University of Maine, Orono, School of Social Work; the University of Maine, Presque Isle, Department of Professional Programs, Social Work; the University of Southern Maine, School of Social Work; the University of New England, School of Social Work; and St. Joseph's College, Social Work program.

READ.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Old Orchard Beach, Representative Gramlich.

Representative **GRAMLICH**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Women and Men of the House. I rise today in honor and support of the National Professional Social Work Month.

The primary mission of the social work profession is to enhance human wellbeing and to meet the basic and complex needs of all people. Historically, social workers such as social reformer Jane Adams, former Labor Secretary, Frances Perkins, and civil rights leaders Dorothy Height and Whitney Young, have helped Americans secure voting rights, Social Security, unemployment insurance, and other programs. Additionally, Maine's own Dorothea Dix, due to her tireless work over two decades, instituted changes in the treatment and care of the mentally ill and improved prison conditions.

Social work continues to be one of the fastest-growing careers in the nation. You can find social workers literally everywhere in society. We are in schools, we are in clinics, we are in hospitals, and we are the largest group of mental health service providers in the United States and the largest employer for the Veterans Administration. And we are in federal, state, and local government, pushing for legislation and regulations to improve the quality of life. I am pleased to share that indeed in this body we have five social workers serving alone, among many other of you.

The services of social workers are needed now more than ever before as Maine and the nation grapples with complex needs such as income equality, the opioid addiction crisis, environment, and continued struggles for civil rights. During Social Work Month, we hope that you will take the time to learn more about our profession and support the work of social workers in improving the lives in individuals, of the families in our society. To that end, we will welcome to the Statehouse tomorrow students from across our five schools of social work. This will be a wonderful opportunity for our future social workers to learn firsthand about the critically important work we all do on behalf of the people of Maine. I hope you will join me in welcoming these students tomorrow. Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Waterville, Representative Madigan.

Representative **MADIGAN**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to thank the Good Representative from Old Orchard Beach for putting forward this resolution and I would like to

thank her for her focus on some of the history of social work. What I would like to do is remind you guys -- excuse me, guys and ladies, my colleagues, that you all know social workers. They're in your communities; they're the people who help make sure your mom gets home from the hospital with the right services. They're the people that help make sure that the kids at school don't go hungry over the weekend. We are the largest provider of mental health services in our state and, as such, we take care of a lot of the problems that people find really difficult to deal with. I'm a licensed clinical social worker and have been for 20 years, over 20 years, and I think it's a great profession and I also think we're the most -- we make systems work better. So, I think -- I am proud to be a social worker and I'm glad to have this opportunity to say welcome to Social Work Month. Thank you.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Weld, Representative Skolfield.

Representative **SKOLFIELD**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to remind everyone that this Thursday we're having another -- I'm sorry, the microphone does help, doesn't it? This Thursday, there's a broadband caucus once again and we're holding that at the Cross Center in room 103A and B, so --

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Representative will defer. We are on item 4-1, which is a joint resolution on Social Work Month. We'll come back to you during announcements. Thank you.

Subsequently, the Joint Resolution was **ADOPTED**.
Sent for 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 item:

Recognizing:

Katie Oulette and her late husband Lew Oulette, of Madison, to whom the Town of Madison has dedicated its Town Report for their contributions to the town, including Mrs. Oulette's contributions through her local cable access programs and newsletters and to local institutions and associations. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

(SLS 97)

On **OBJECTION** of Representative AUSTIN of Skowhegan, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Skowhegan, Representative Austin.

Representative **AUSTIN**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Katie and Lew Oulette were fixtures not only in Madison but in Skowhegan, too. And whenever Katie would go to a meeting and do all the things that she did because they were too numerous to mention, he would always be there driving her wherever she needed to be. She was instrumental in the beginning of Skowhegan Main Street Organization and so many other things in Skowhegan. As I said, it's too numerous to mention. So, they both were great fixtures in Skowhegan and Madison and they actually lived in East Madison, which is kind of in between the two. So, we're

really grateful for all the work that he did when he was living and she as well. Thank you.

Subsequently, this Expression of Legislative Sentiment was **PASSED** in concurrence.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Eliot, Representative Meyer.

Representative **MEYER**: Mr. Speaker, I request unanimous consent to address the House on the record.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Representative has requested unanimous consent to address the House on the record. Hearing no objection, the Representative may proceed on the record.

Representative **MEYER**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker and Women and Men of the House, it is my pleasure to rise in honor of a constituent who has retired following decades of honorable service to the people of Maine as a Maine State Trooper. Lieutenant Rob Nichols earned a well-deserved reputation as a dedicated and highly ethical public servant. The apple did fall far from the tree as Rob's father, Robert Sr., who we lost two years ago, was also an Eliot resident with a distinguished career as a Maine State Police Officer. It is my privilege to pay respect to this Eliot family and its long and distinguished record of service to the people of Maine.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE
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-1)** on Bill "An Act To Provide Relief to Federal Employees Affected by the Federal Shutdown" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 141) (L.D. 477)

Signed:
Senators:

SANBORN, H. of Cumberland
FOLEY of York
GRATWICK of Penobscot

Representatives:

TEPLER of Topsham
BLIER of Buxton
BRENNAN of Portland
BROOKS of Lewiston
FOLEY of Biddeford
MASTRACCIO of Sanford
MELARAGNO of Auburn
PRESCOTT of Waterboro

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

Signed:

Representatives:

MORRIS of Turner
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-1)**.
READ.

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

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Representative may proceed.

Representative **TEPLER**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House, I ask you to vote for this bill which provides some protection for over a thousand federal workers in the State of Maine in case of another federal shutdown. Some of these workers will be called upon if there is a shutdown to work without pay, and their financial difficulties give the whole State of Maine difficulty with its economy. This bill provides a guarantee to the credit unions and banks that might extend interest-free loans in the amount of \$5,000 to federal employees during a federal shutdown. The bill only permits the employees to take such loans during the shutdown time and they may take up to three loans for a total amount of \$15,000. This is a public-private partnership with the credit unions and banks applying to be part of the program and it provides approximately a 10% guarantee for the loan held in the treasurer's office. So, I hope you'll help me with this bill, support it, and protect our federal workers in case of another government shutdown. Thank you.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (S-1)** 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-1)** 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. 63) (L.D. 251) Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Condominium Act by Extending the Lien Period for Nonpayment of Assessments" Committee on **JUDICIARY** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 86) (L.D. 100) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 270: Uniform Reporting System for Quality Data Sets, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization (EMERGENCY) Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 84) (L.D. 98) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 122: Grant Application and Award Procedure: Fund for the Efficient Delivery of Educational Services, 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-3)**

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

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

Second Day

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

(H.P. 67) (L.D. 81) Bill "An Act To Clarify Maine Law Regarding the Tips of Service Employees"

(H.P. 72) (L.D. 86) Bill "An Act To Provide That Persons Who Produce Maple Syrup and Honey Commercially Are Eligible for the Sales Tax Refund and Exemption for Commercial Agricultural Production" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 26) (L.D. 25) Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Government Oversight Committee Regarding Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations Reporting Requirements" (C. "A" H-2)

No objections having been noted at the end of the Second Legislative Day, the House Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** or **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED** and sent for concurrence.

ENACTORS

Acts

An Act Regarding Rules Adopted by the ConnectME Authority

(H.P. 32) (L.D. 31)

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

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Change of Committee

Representative McLEAN from the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, To Establish a Pilot Project To Evaluate and Address the Transportation Needs of Maine's Veterans

(H.P. 134) (L.D. 171)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**.

Sent for concurrence.

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

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

(H.P. 170) (L.D. 207) Resolve, To Rename the Stillwater Bridges in Old Town the Llewellyn Estes Bridge Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass**

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

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

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Update the Criminal Animal Welfare Laws" (S.P. 322) (L.D. 1090)

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

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Maine's Railroad Infrastructure"

(S.P. 325) (L.D. 1093)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Maine Law Enforcement Memorial"

(S.P. 320) (L.D. 1088)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Critical Incident Stress Management Teams"

(S.P. 324) (L.D. 1092)

Bill "An Act To Require That Comprehensive Substance Use Disorder Treatment Be Made Available to Maine's Incarcerated Population"

(S.P. 328) (L.D. 1096)

Bill "An Act To Reduce Suicides and Violent Crimes by Requiring a 72-hour Waiting Period after the Sale of a Firearm"

(S.P. 331) (L.D. 1099)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Increase Funding for Staffing for the Child Welfare Services Ombudsman Program"

(S.P. 326) (L.D. 1094)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Provide for Alternative Pain Treatment before Treatment with Opioids"

(S.P. 314) (L.D. 1082)

Bill "An Act To Ensure That Maine Residents Have Adequate and Affordable Access to Health Care"

(S.P. 317) (L.D. 1085)

Bill "An Act To Ban Discretionary Clauses in Life and Health Insurance Policies"

(S.P. 321) (L.D. 1089)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Personal Liability of Government Employees"

(S.P. 323) (L.D. 1091)

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

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Keep Maine Businesses Competitive"

(S.P. 319) (L.D. 1087)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Protect Tenants from Sexual Harassment"

(S.P. 329) (L.D. 1097)

Bill "An Act To Allow Discovery in the Event of a Lawsuit against a State Agency"

(S.P. 332) (L.D. 1100)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Workers' Compensation Liens"

(S.P. 327) (L.D. 1095)

Bill "An Act To Help Small Employers by Making the Minimum Wage Increase More Gradual in Nonurban Areas"

(S.P. 330) (L.D. 1098)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Promote the Goals of the Low-emission Vehicle Program by Requiring That New Vehicle Purchases for the State Fleet Be Composed of a Minimum Percentage of Zero-emission Vehicles"

(S.P. 318) (L.D. 1086)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Operation of Pedal-powered Tour Vehicles"

(S.P. 316) (L.D. 1084)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Impose Further Restrictions on where Marijuana May Be Smoked"

(S.P. 313) (L.D. 1081)

Bill "An Act To Implement Ranked-choice Voting for Presidential Primary and General Elections in Maine"

(S.P. 315) (L.D. 1083)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 100)

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

March 5, 2019

Honorable Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1 (H), I appoint Representative Matthew W. Moonen of Portland to serve as Speaker Pro Tem to convene the House on March 5, 2019.

Sincerely,

S/Sara Gideon

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

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

On motion of Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston, the House adjourned at 11:11 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 5, 2019, in honor and lasting tribute to the Reverend Lionel Gerard Chouinard, of Lewiston, Ray LeRoy Cole, of Bethel, and Madison "Maddy" Anne Graham, of Eliot.