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

Prayer by Honorable Thomas H. Skolfield, Weld.

National Anthem by Ange Pitteroff, Randolph.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of Wednesday, December 2, 2020 was read and approved.

The SPEAKER: Good morning. I just wanted to first speak before we got our work started this morning. First of all, thank you to the staff who has worked very diligently and hard to make today possible and, of course, the entirety of our session. I want to thank all of you for your patience as we work in a different space with different resources and to recognize all the work that you've already done legislating remotely. I know it's been challenging and I commend all of you for learning new tools, reaching out in new ways, and stepping up to keep our families and home districts as safe as possible even though that meant hundreds of hours of meetings from a computer screen over the last several months.

Today, we recognize that we're working in unique circumstances in a very different environment, but the same rules of decorum that apply in the State House apply here in the Civic Center. We have the same dress code, the same rules of the House. Members must be recognized to speak, not walk in between a Member as they're speaking, and if you are speaking with another Member in the back of the chamber, we ask that you keep those conversations at a low volume or you can take it outside of the chamber.

Obviously, safety is a top priority for all of us here in the Civic Center. We ask that you comply with the Legislature's COVID-19 policy, especially around keeping face masks and face shields on at all times, try not to let them slip below your nose and obviously please keep them on during the duration of session. We will provide reminders, but frequent reminders are just not going to work and if we do have an issue with compliance, I will call the leaders to the Well of the House.

Also, the mics are already on and so when you do approach the mic, you don't need to touch it, which I think is something we had a challenge with the last time. They're already -- they're on already, so when you do approach the mic, the volume will increase by the guys who are up in the bleachers there working the mic, so you don't need to touch the mic. In addition, there are directions, instructions on your desk, a yellow sheet, for using your tablet. In addition, the chamber staff is more than happy to help you and assist you, I know that the tablets are new and so if you do need help, they're here and want to be helpful so please ask for their help and they'll help you get access or to sort out how to use it.

So I just wanted to make those notes before we got started. I'm looking forward to getting to work today. Thank you.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-9)** on Bill "An Act To Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021" (H.P. 155) (L.D. 220)

Signed:

Senators:

BREEN of Cumberland
BAILEY of York

Representatives:

PIERCE of Falmouth
CARDONE of Bangor
CLOUTIER of Lewiston
FAY of Raymond
HYMANSON of York
MARTIN of Eagle Lake

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-10)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

DAVIS of Piscataquis

Representatives:

ARATA of New Gloucester
COREY of Windham
FECTEAU of Augusta
MILLETT of Waterford

READ.

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

The same Representative **REQUESTED** a roll call on the motion to **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report.

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Falmouth, Representative Pierce.

Representative **PIERCE**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A year ago, almost to the day, when the first case of the COVID-19 was discovered in Maine, no one could have predicted the turmoil and tragedy so many Mainers would face. But even in the face of extreme difficulty and uncertainty, together, all Mainers, communities, families, individuals and businesses rose to the challenge.

The 130th Legislature is here today to do our jobs and meet our challenges and address the constitutional duty we have to bring our budget into balance. Governor Mills presented the Legislature with a supplemental budget on January 8th that proposed to enshrine the prudent curtailments that were put in place last fall and to address issues that have come to light over the past year. Having received her supplemental budget, members of the Appropriation and Financial Affairs Committee held public hearings and began the work of putting together a

fair and balanced budget. I am proud of the work that our 13-member committee did to reach compromise in 99% of this budget and I think that's because we listened to the Maine people and we heard loud and clear what we needed to do.

The supplemental budget is a vehicle to address 2020 and the effects of the crisis. It is the moment we balance our budget and move ahead responsibly. This is how we do our job to deliver for all Mainers. We on the committee agree to amend the Governor's budget to propose the following.

Critical relief for 160,000 Mainers who lost their jobs due to the pandemic. The supplemental budget includes 47 million dollars to exempt unemployment benefits from state income taxes. We agree to support Maine businesses. The supplemental budget ensures that over 28,000 Maine businesses, employing 250,000 Maine people, will be able to get a hundred percent tax benefit from the federal Paycheck Protection Program. We agreed targeted relief was needed for direct care workers and nonprofit providers. The supplemental budget proposes 30 million dollars in state and federal money to this section of the workforce who have struggled to meet the needs of Maine people, especially as COVID-19 related mental health concerns increased. We agreed to support early college aspirations program for Maine high school students. Students from all across the State while facing remote learning and loss of onsite extracurricular activities wisely took advantage of an opportunity to receive academic credits towards Associate or Baccalaureate degree through enrollment and successful completion of college-level courses approved at our Maine institutions, like the University of Maine System and the Maine Community College System. We agreed to invest in a new comprehensive child welfare information system. Now, more than ever, we need to make sure that we're protecting our most vulnerable, and this will help us do that. We agreed we must promote for the construction of affordable housing in Maine. Language in this budget maximizes the value of Maine's low-income housing credit by conforming with the recent change to the federal tax law credit.

If we do not pass this compromised budget, we strip the businesses of the PPP tax relief they've been told that they need. We strip Maine children of specific welfare services, we don't curtail the state spending across the departments, we don't fund the early college program for Maine kids who have benefited from that and people who got laid off as a result of the pandemic who have to pay taxes on unemployment benefits that were hit very, very hard will not receive that and we leave those direct care workers waiting for recovery.

The moment is now to pass this budget, to deliver for the Maine businesses and families and communities all across the State. I urge all of my colleagues to join me in voting for this supplemental.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Representative **DILLINGHAM**: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair, Mr. Speaker. I wanted to ask if I could receive some clarification from the Chair.

The SPEAKER: The Member may proceed.

Representative **DILLINGHAM**: So, just for new members in the building as we go through this procedurally, I think we find ourselves; I want to clarify, we're bringing this supplemental forward for the supplemental budget on LD 222. We'll go through first and second reading engrossment, then we'll be sending it to the other body, where there's an expectation that there will be an amendment and it will come back in

nonconcurrency and then the House would move forward with the number of amendments that we have prepared before us. Is that correct?

The SPEAKER: The Chair would advise that we typically don't speculate what the other Body may or may not do, but I think that's probably right.

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

Representative **DILLINGHAM**: To clarify, the expectation is when we receive this here again, there will be an opportunity that we will then offer our amendments?

The SPEAKER: That is right.

Representative **DILLINGHAM**: Thank you.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Acceptance the Majority Ought to Pass as Amended Report. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 1

YEA - Alley, Arford, Bailey, Bell, Berry, Blume, Brennan, Brooks, Bryant, Caiazzo, Cardone, Cloutier, Collings, Copeland, Crafts, Craven, Crockett, Cuddy, Dodge, Doore, Doudera, Dunphy, Evangelos, Evans, Fay, FecteauR, Geiger, Gere, Gramlich, Grohoski, Harnett, Hasenfus, Hepler, Hymanson, Kessler, Landry, Lookner, Madigan, MartinJ, MartinR, Mathieson, Matlack, McCrea, McCreight, McDonald, Melaragno, Meyer, MillettR, Morales, Moriarty, O'Connell, O'Neil, Osher, Paulhus, Pebworth, PerryA, PerryJ, Pierce, Pluecker, Reckitt, Rielly, Riseman, Roberts, Roeder, Sachs, Salisbury, Sharpe, Sheehan, Stover, Supica, Sylvester, Talbot Ross, Tepler, Terry, Tucker, Tuttle, WarrenC, WarrenS, WhiteB, Williams, Wood, Zager, Zeigler.

NAY - Andrews, Arata, Austin, Bernard, Blier, Bradstreet, Carlow, Carmichael, Cebra, Collamore, Connor, Corey, Costain, Dillingham, Dolloff, Downes, Drinkwater, Ducharme, Faulkingham, FecteauJ, Foster, Gifford, Greenwood, Griffin, Grignon, Haggan, Hall, Hanley, Harrington, Head, Hutchins, Javner, Johansen, Kinney, Kryzak, Lemelin, Libby, Lyford, Lyman, MartinT, MasonR, MillettH, Morris, Nadeau, Newman, O'Connor, Ordway, Parry, Perkins, Pickett, Poirier, Prescott, Quint, Roche, Rudnicki, Sampson, Skolfield, Stanley, Stearns, Stetkis, Theriault, Thorne, Tuell, Underwood, Wadsworth, WhiteD.

ABSENT - Babbidge, Bickford.

Yes, 83; No, 66; Absent, 2; Excused, 0.

83 having voted in the affirmative and 66 voted in the negative, with 2 being absent, and accordingly the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended Report was ACCEPTED.**

The Bill was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (H-9) 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-9)** and sent for concurrence.

Report of the Chair-Pursuant to Joint Order S.P. 9

Representative WARREN from the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Post-conviction Review in Order To Facilitate the Fair Hearing of All Newly Discovered Evidence"

(H.P. 20) (L.D. 54)

Reports a recommendation for a **CHANGE OF COMMITTEE**.

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

On motion of Representative **WARREN of Hallowell** the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

Sent for concurrence.

Representative WARREN from the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Northeastern Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 29) (L.D. 63)

Reports a recommendation for a **CHANGE OF COMMITTEE**.

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

On motion of Representative **WARREN of Hallowell** the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**.

Sent for concurrence.

Representative TUCKER from the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Prohibit Aerial Application of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances"

(H.P. 185) (L.D. 264)

Reports a recommendation for a **CHANGE OF COMMITTEE**.

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

On motion of Representative **TUCKER of Brunswick** the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**.

Sent for concurrence.

Change of Committee

Representative MEYER from the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Allow the Reduction of a MaineCare Lien"

(H.P. 337) (L.D. 461)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

Sent for concurrence.

Divided Reports

Majority Report of the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** reporting **Ought to Pass** on Bill "An Act To Include Grandparents under Maine's Family Medical Leave Laws" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 27) (L.D. 61)

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
MIRAMANT of Knox

Representatives:

SYLVESTER of Portland
CUDDY of Winterport
GERE of Kennebunkport
PEBWORTH of Blue Hill
ROEDER of Bangor
WARREN of Scarborough

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

Signed:

Senator:

GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives:

BRADSTREET of Vassalboro
DRINKWATER of Milford
MORRIS of Turner
PRESCOTT of Waterboro

READ.

Representative SYLVESTER of Portland moved that the House **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass** Report.

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

Representative **SYLVESTER**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, this is our first divided report of the session and the way we're divided reminded me of a story from the 128th, when I was a new legislator and one of my constituents was one of the aides to Chief Executive LePage. And at one point during the hall we were talking and he said Mike, you always vote against Chief Executive LePage's ideas, is that because you're a Democrat? And I said no, it's because I don't agree with any of those ideas. If the Chief Executive ever comes up with a good idea, I'll not only vote for it, I'll sponsor it.

Well, the end of the second emergency session, the Chief Executive brought forward a bill which I did agree with, which I thought was a good idea, and I did sponsor it. And some folks thought that that wasn't a good idea to sponsor this bill but I said that's what I'm here for is to fight for those good ideas.

Today, the Representative Stearns has brought us a very good idea. What this bill does is it adds the word grandparent to the Family Medical Leave Act. In other words, grandparents would be able to take care of their grandkids and ask for time from their employer based on the Maine Family Medical Leave Act.

Now, we all know that there are both a Federal and a Maine version of the Family Medical Leave Act. The Federal version is the paid version, the Maine version is the unpaid version. And so, what this bill is looking to do, it's not to give an afternoon in the park with Grammy, it's the same as rights that any parent would have that should the grandparent for whatever reason, whether it's COVID, whether it's cancer, whether it's a car accident, are taking care of their grandkids, they will be able to ask for time in order to do that. It's triggered by a medical event in the same way that FMLA is, and this is unpaid leave. They would need to notify their employer in the same ways that any parent would to use FMLA. And so, it's a very important bill for a number of reasons.

Now, I believe that grandparents taking care of grandkids is a very good idea. Now, I have three boys, two in college and one in high school, so I'm almost out of the child kid business and I'm not quite yet into the grandparent business yet. But even the thought of those grandkids, there's not a lot that I wouldn't do for them. And so, what the Representative Stearns from

Guilford and I are here for today, what we're fighting for, is to let grandparents be their grandparents, let them take care of their grandkids, to help us fight for families fighting for each other because in my mind grandkids and grandparents, that's the best idea. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair would remind members when referring to the Governor, to please use Chief Executive and addition, when referring to another member of the Body, please use the Representative from and state the town where they are from.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Guilford, Representative Stearns.

Representative **STEARNS**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It reminds me of when I was in chorus in junior high, they used to shut my microphone off as well.

I would really like to thank the Good Representative from Portland for his kind words this morning and for the committee for working the bill. I would take into task on; I'm not a big fan of grandparents taking care of kids because they have to; I am a fan of, and I am a grandparent, and I love to take care of the little ones, but unfortunately there are so many instances where families are torn apart for a variety of reasons and those older working grandparents are forced into the role of taking the place of parents. I would add that I was a little bit disappointed that the bill retained its emergency clause and perhaps something can be done there, in order to give businesses a little bit more time to adopt and get used to any new rules. And I would also hope that in the future this Body could consider limiting that to the care of grandchildren that are only under the direct supervision, in other words where the grandparent is replacing the role of the parent.

But I thank the committee and I again thank the Representative from Portland for his kind words this morning.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Vassalboro, Representative Bradstreet.

Representative **BRADSTREET**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I thought it would be proper to just give a brief reason for the no votes on the committee.

One, we think it is another imposition on small businesses to keep track of who is and who isn't eligible to take care of grandchildren, but the big thing is the sponsor of the bill and the committee and the department recommended that the term grandchild be further defined and for some reason the majority chose not to do that and we think that's a problem. Thank you.

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

The Bill was **READ ONCE**

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** and sent for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Acceptance the Minority Ought to Pass Report All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

Majority Report of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act To Restore the Former State of Maine Flag"

(H.P. 81) (L.D. 115)

Signed:

Senators:

CLAXTON of Androscoggin
ROSEN of Hancock

Representatives:

BRYANT of Windham
DOWNES of Bucksport
GREENWOOD of Wales
HEAD of Bethel
TUELL of East Machias

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

BALDACCI of Penobscot

Representatives:

MATLACK of St. George
COPELAND of Saco
DOORE of Augusta
PAULHUS of Bath
RISEMAN of Harrison

READ.

Representative MATLACK of St. George moved that the House **ACCEPT** the Minority **Ought to Pass** Report.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from St. George, Representative Matlack.

Representative **MATLACK**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, as you can tell by my mask, I like the 1901 flag. It's colorful, recognizable from a distance and different from most every other state flag. And I'm not alone in my appreciation of this flag. Since our hearing on this bill, there have been several editorials supporting the change in the state flag. I've received numerous comments from people I meet whenever I wear this mask, and it's made in Maine, which I also appreciate.

Passing this bill and changing the State of Maine flag to the 1901 flag will reflect Maine's unique character. The beautiful simplicity of the green pine tree and the blue star on a cream background will be easily recognizable to all across the vast expanse of this State.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from East Machias, Representative Tuell.

Representative **TUELL**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I would like to request a Roll Call and in doing so I'd also like to offer a couple of brief remarks; that here we are in the middle of a pandemic and I don't think –

The same Representative **REQUESTED** a roll call on the motion to **ACCEPT** the Minority **Ought to Pass** Report.

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

The SPEAKER: The Member may proceed.

Representative **TUELL**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Briefly, I would just say as we're navigating through a pandemic, I do not see this matter as rising to the importance of passage today. We have a lot of deep concerns, whether it be a supplemental budget or a bunch of other things that may arise before us today that this bill is not one. Beyond that, I would say that our state flag is emblematic of our rich fishing and farming history and should be maintained. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will remind Members, I should've done this before recognizing the Representative from East Machias, that Members cannot use props during debate,

even if it is on your face, you probably should avoid not referencing it.

The Chair will recognize the Representative from Penobscot, Representative Hutchins.

Representative **HUTCHINS**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I too would be opposed to the motion that's on the floor for actually another reason. I like both flags, they're very pretty, I think we have grown into the blue flag that we think of now as being modern and yet still represents the State and I think one thing that we may not be thinking of is the message we might be sending to perhaps my seven grandchildren that are girls; I have three that are grandsons, but I also have seven granddaughters. And the 1910 flag was before women had the right to vote and I think that message may not be a very good idea. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Dexter, Representative Foster.

Representative **FOSTER**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I stand opposed to this motion.

I think that the current flag speaks to the heritage of the State of Maine. Those going to sea, whether it be on merchant ships, those that build those ships, those that fish off our coast, and those that work the land, loggers, farmers, all share in the heritage of this flag. I, myself, spent almost 20 years at sea. I had the good fortune to sail with the Good Representative from St. Georges' husband during that time and I know many, many others that I sailed with or met that are very proud of Maine sending those to sea; men and women. And I would move that we retain our current state flag, retain the heritage both inland and at its shores that it represents.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Bath, Representative Paulhus.

Representative **PAULHUS**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think the flag and the bill that we have today is restoring the original Maine flag. As we all, I hope most of us know, that Maine is the Pine Tree State, so the original flag has a pine tree and the star. The star represents Maine when we came into the Union in 1920.

Now, our flag currently is the state seal. The state seal was designed in 1820, in the First Legislature, for documents, for official documents of the State. Now, our bill does not get rid of the state seal. The state seal will stay the state seal. You will see it at the State House, you will see it on buttons, you will see it on official documents. It will still be used for state functions.

The 1901 flag, which back in 1901, most states were coming up with flags. Before then, most states did not have official state flags, but around the turn of the century, that's when flags were starting to be made official. The 1901 flag was designed by the Adjutant General of the Maine National Guard at the time. And most flags at the time, you would've seen just on state buildings, so, you wouldn't've seen them on houses or like we do today. But, today, Maine people have embraced the 1901 flag. I have seen that flag on more houses than I do the current state flag. The heritage of the state seal, because that's really what we're talking about, is the state seal, because it's on a blue background on the flag. So, when we talk about the heritage of the imagery, we're talking about the state seal. And as I've mentioned, the bill does not get rid of that. And in this bill, there's no timeline for when a building or state building has to change the flag, it would be changed on a normal basis of when flags wear and tear.

So, I feel, and I've said this before, as most of you know I'm very in to history and Maine history so, I like the state seal, but I feel that the 1901 flag represents Maine in a way that it is

much better. If you look at state flags, most state flags look like a blue background with a state seal. It's hard to distinguish. If we had all the state flags up here on the stage, you would have a hard time figuring out which one was Maine, you'd have to really look. And when you look at the guidelines of what a state flag is supposed to be, it's supposed to be simple, three colors, and emblems that represent your state, and that's what the 1901 flag does. It's a pine tree, we're the Pine Tree State, and it's the star, the most northern star, so, I think we can stand apart from our neighbors and an emblem that the people of Maine have already embraced, that gives them, gives us, another way to show our pride, to and, again, we will still have the state seal, but it will show us a new way to show our pride in being Mainers and most; people have already done that, they've already embraced it. So, it's not changing history, it's not doing anything like that, it's just restoring a good emblem for the State of Maine and thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Knox, Representative Kinney.

Representative **KINNEY**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I had the privilege of serving on the State and Local Government Committee in the 129th Legislature, when we heard this bill previously, where we turned it around into a bill to create a bicentennial flag, which went out to the people. They had the opportunities to vote online on that and it was a unanimous report out of committee. And I just wanted to point out the fact that this potential change in the flag is not the original state flag. The original state flag looks much more like what our Merchant Marine flag looks like today, so, it would be a little bit different, and it does seem kind of silly that we're trying to change our state flag during a pandemic; that certainly is what I'm getting from my constituents, they think that this is an unnecessarily bill. Both flags are unique in their own way and some great points have been made that our flag is not easily recognizable, this is true. Massachusetts and Vermont have similar flags with their state seal on the blue background. But at this point in time, it just seems a little strange to be doing this at this point in time and I will be voting against the measure. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Windham, Representative Corey.

Representative **COREY**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The reason our flag is the seal on blue was because it was modeled after flags used during the Civil War. A walk through our hall of flags proves this out. I think that when I was in there last week looking at it, I think three of those carry the state seal on a blue field.

Maine's people fought valiantly on those battlefields; we lost a lot of people. I don't know how many folks here have been to Gettysburg, but Maine played a very disproportionate role on those battlefields. Our flag, you know, honors, you know, our fights. So, I'd like to encourage folks not to support the pending motion. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Acceptance of the Minority Ought to Pass Report. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 2

YEA - Arford, Bailey, Bell, Berry, Blume, Brennan, Brooks, Caiazzo, Cardone, Cloutier, Collings, Copeland, Crockett, Cuddy, Dodge, Doore, Doudera, Evangelos, FecteauR, Geiger, Gere, Gramlich, Harnett, Hepler, Hymanson, Kessler, Lookner, Mathieson, Matlack, McCreight, Melaragno, Meyer, Morales, O'Neil, Osher, Paulhus, PerryJ, Pluecker, Reckitt, Rielly,

Riseman, Roberts, Roeder, Sachs, Salisbury, Sheehan, Skolfield, Supica, Sylvester, Talbot Ross, Terry, Tucker, WarrenC, Williams, Wood, Zager, Zeigler.

NAY - Alley, Andrews, Arata, Austin, Bernard, Blier, Bradstreet, Bryant, Carlow, Carmichael, Cebra, Collamore, Connor, Corey, Costain, Crafts, Craven, Dillingham, Dolloff, Downes, Drinkwater, Ducharme, Dunphy, Evans, Faulkingham, Fay, FecteauJ, Foster, Gifford, Greenwood, Griffin, Grignon, Grohoski, Haggan, Hall, Hanley, Harrington, Hasenus, Head, Hutchins, Javner, Johansen, Kinney, Kryzak, Landry, Lemelin, Libby, Lyford, Lyman, Madigan, MartinJ, MartinR, MartinT, MasonR, McCrea, McDonald, MillettH, MillettR, Moriarty, Morris, Nadeau, Newman, O'Connell, O'Connor, Ordway, Parry, Pebworth, Perkins, PerryA, Pickett, Pierce, Poirier, Prescott, Quint, Roche, Rudnicki, Sampson, Sharpe, Stanley, Stearns, Stetkis, Stover, Theriault, Thorne, Tuell, Tuttle, Underwood, Wadsworth, WarrenS, WhiteB, WhiteD.

ABSENT - Babbidge, Bickford, Tepler.

Yes, 57; No, 91; Absent, 3; Excused, 0.

57 having voted in the affirmative and 91 voted in the negative, with 3 being absent, and accordingly the Minority **Ought to Pass** Report was **NOT ACCEPTED**.

Subsequently, on motion of Representative MATLACK of St. George, the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED** and sent for concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-3)** on Bill "An Act To Extend the Time Frame for Processing Absentee Ballots"

(H.P. 68) (L.D. 102)

Signed:

Senator:

LUCHINI of Hancock

Representatives:

CAIAZZO of Scarborough
McCREIGHT of Harpswell
RIELLY of Westbrook
SUPICA of Bangor
TUTTLE of Sanford
WOOD of Portland

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

Signed:

Senator:

FARRIN of Somerset

Representatives:

COREY of Windham
DOLLOFF of Milton Township
HARRINGTON of Sanford
KINNEY of Knox

READ.

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Scarborough, Representative Caiazzo

Representative **CAIAZZO**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. LD 102 was basically designed to codify the Chief Executive's executive order from August for processing early voting. It's

important to realize that it's processing, not counting, okay? The current statute says that municipal clerks may process ballots beginning on the fourth day immediately prior to the Election Day. Under LD 102, that would be changed to the seventh day, allowing for a further timeframe for processing ballots.

There was also an amendment added that allowed the clerks to give notification for acceptance of ballots, increasing it currently from greater than 60 days, excuse me, 60 days or less to 30 days or less.

This bill was supported by the Secretary of State, by the Maine Town Clerks Association and the Maine Municipal Association. And, if I could, I'd just like to read a quick excerpt from the Secretary of State's testimony. It says; processing absentee ballots once they're returned to a municipality by a voter is a labor-intensive process. Being allowed to process ballots before the Tuesday election was vital to ensure the announcement of Maine election results was not delayed, which is important because if a rank-choice voting tabulation is necessary, it would allow the ballots to be processed sooner.

So, it's also important to note that this bill does not create a mandate, it gives smaller communities the opportunity to extend if they so choose. Communities like my own of Scarborough would certainly welcome that extra time in order to process ballots because it is a very labor-intensive process.

So, again, I would urge you to support this bill and I thank you for the time.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Knox, Representative Kinney.

Representative **KINNEY**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I stand in opposition to the pending motion.

Currently, the statute states that we have four days prior to an election to be able to process absentee ballots and, yes, we just recently had an issue with a pandemic year and the Chief Executive, issued an executive order to extend that to seven days prior because of the increase in absentee ballots that were voted on; mused for voting in the most recent election. I certainly hope that we're not codifying that we're going to be in a pandemic for every election going forward and the extra time is not necessary at this time. Most of our clerks have been able to do this within the previous four days prior to an election, to process ballots, and it's hopefully not necessary.

I do hope that we can get out of this pandemic very soon and get back to a more normal life and extending processing time for ballots just leads to potential issues with our election cycle, with our security of our elections, and I hope you will follow my light as I would also like to request a roll call.

The same Representative **REQUESTED** a roll call on the motion to **ACCEPT** the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report.

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Presque Isle, Representative Underwood.

Representative **UNDERWOOD**: I definitely think increasing the timeframe from four to seven days is not necessary. Currently, there's nothing that would indicate any kind of support for doing this other than a person would like to have more time in which to well; anyway, the additional time indicates a possibility of fraud could be present and it increases the chances of something occurring. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair would remind members, you don't need to ask for permission once you have approach the mic and to typically starting your comments with Mr. Speaker

and ladies and gentleman of the House or something of that effect.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Cumberland, Representative Moriarty

Representative **MORIARTY**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and good morning fellow Members of the House. As the sponsor of LD 102, I'm honored to speak before you briefly this morning in obvious support of the bill, and I thank the Representative from Scarborough, Representative Caiazzo, for his introductory comments.

Absentee voting is well established in Maine and has been for decades. We saw in the recent general election of this past fall an extraordinary number of Mainers choosing to vote through the absentee process and they did so successfully and in great numbers. We can be proud of that. One feature of the overall absentee voting process is the ability of municipalities at their own option to begin processing absentees up to four days in advance prior to Election Day. Now, it is true that last summer by executive order that period was extended to seven days in anticipation of a fairly large number of people likely to choose the absentee voting process. The bill I propose today merely codifies that change that was made last summer and with which we have already had significant and substantial experience.

I emphasize that the bill makes no change whatsoever or has no impact whatsoever on the method of voting chosen by individual voters. The goal is to improve the process for the benefit of clerks and election workers, to improve efficiency, to spread out the workload over a period of time immediately preceding election day and, finally, and this will resonate with each of us it provides for earlier election results on election night. Because clerks don't have to spend their time opening envelopes, flattening out the ballot, and running them through machines or counting them by hand. If they have chosen to process early, that will have already happened.

I will close by just emphasizing a couple of key points. The bill does not create a mandate. There is no requirement that any city or town in the State process absentee votes early. It is a decision to be made by each city or town individually within its own discretion. The bill does, however, allow municipalities to process early, as current law does, but a slightly longer period, seven rather than four days. But, once the decision is made to process absentees early, I want to emphasize that a municipality is not required to, in fact, use the full seven days. It may choose of its own volition a shorter period of time in advance of Election Day to process the ballots. I fully understand how communities which may face challenges in terms of staffing and having people covering the front counter at the same time that absentees are coming in would present a problem. And, in that case, a municipality may very well vote not to do or not to go forward with early absentee processing. But for those cities and towns that do prefer to do so, they ought to have the right to do so and there ought to be a reasonable amount of time to get the job done as efficiently and quickly as possible for the benefit our clerks and dedicated volunteers.

Accordingly, I urge your support for LD 102. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Penobscot, Representative Hutchins.

Representative **HUTCHINS**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Visiting with a clerk in one of my towns the other day, she discussed some of the processes that go along with the voting process and she brought up this particular issue, in particular, that this last election cycle was extended. And during that extended period of time, she received multiple calls and it was from somebody in the Secretary of

State's office, she said, and she was told three separate times, she was told that she should go through the absentee ballots, requests and call anyone that hadn't returned one. And I think this is the actions that may lead to questioning ballots, if you end up with maybe a clerk that is active and does just what was asked maybe on one side of the aisle, maybe on the other side of the aisle, but these extended periods of time that makes elections longer, makes it take longer to count, probably are going to end up with elections that are less trusted. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Acceptance the Majority Ought to Pass as Amended Report. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 3

YEA - Arford, Bailey, Bell, Berry, Blume, Brennan, Brooks, Bryant, Caiazzo, Cardone, Cloutier, Collings, Copeland, Crafts, Craven, Crockett, Cuddy, Dodge, Doore, Doudera, Dunphy, Evangelos, Evans, Fay, FecteauR, Geiger, Gere, Gramlich, Grohoski, Harnett, Hasenfus, Hepler, Hymanson, Kessler, Landry, Lookner, Madigan, MartinJ, MartinR, Mathieson, Matlack, McCrea, McCreight, McDonald, Melaragno, Meyer, MillettR, Morales, Moriarty, O'Connell, O'Neil, Osher, Paulhus, Pebworth, PerryA, PerryJ, Pierce, Pluecker, Reckitt, Rielly, Riseman, Roberts, Roeder, Sachs, Salisbury, Sharpe, Sheehan, Stover, Supica, Sylvester, Talbot Ross, Tepler, Terry, Theriault, Tucker, Tuttle, WarrenC, WarrenS, WhiteB, Williams, Wood, Zager, Zeigler.

NAY - Alley, Andrews, Arata, Austin, Bernard, Blier, Bradstreet, Carlow, Carmichael, Cebra, Collamore, Connor, Corey, Costain, Dillingham, Dolloff, Downes, Drinkwater, Ducharme, Faulkingham, FecteauJ, Foster, Gifford, Greenwood, Griffin, Grignon, Haggan, Hall, Hanley, Harrington, Head, Hutchins, Javner, Johansen, Kinney, Kryzak, Lemelin, Libby, Lyford, Lyman, MartinT, MasonR, MillettH, Morris, Nadeau, Newman, O'Connor, Ordway, Parry, Perkins, Pickett, Poirier, Prescott, Quint, Roche, Rudnicki, Sampson, Skolfield, Stanley, Stearns, Stetkis, Thorne, Tuell, Underwood, Wadsworth, WhiteD.

ABSENT - Babbidge, Bickford.

Yes, 83; No, 66; Absent, 2; Excused, 0.

83 having voted in the affirmative and 66 voted in the negative, with 2 being absent, and accordingly the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended Report was ACCEPTED.**

The Bill was **READ ONCE. Committee Amendment "A" (H-3) 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-3)** and sent for concurrence.

CONSENT CALENDAR

First Day

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

(H.P. 6) (L.D. 40) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 305: Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Traffic Movement Permits, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Transportation (EMERGENCY) Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 17) (L.D. 51) Bill "An Act To Enact the Maine Insurance Data Security Act" Committee on **HEALTH**

COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES
reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 21) (L.D. 55) Bill "An Act To Protect Minority Religious Groups by Eliminating the Prior Approval Requirement for a School Absence for a Recognized Religious Holiday" Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 57) (L.D. 91) Bill "An Act To Update the Maine Uniform Accounting and Auditing Practices Act for Community Agencies" Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 110) (L.D. 154) Resolve, To Name Bridge 2267 in the Town of Embden and the Town of Solon the Jotham and Emma Stevens Bridge Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 144) (L.D. 209) Bill "An Act Concerning Name Changes for Minors" Committee on **JUDICIARY** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 416) (L.D. 571) Resolve, To Name a Bridge in the Town of Veazie the Hayward Carl Spencer Memorial Bridge Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 26) (L.D. 60) Bill "An Act To Clarify the Minimum Amount of Emergency Refills of Insulin" Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-5)**

(H.P. 39) (L.D. 73) Bill "An Act To Authorize Municipalities To Allow Harbor Masters and Deputy Harbor Masters To Use Red and White Auxiliary Lights and Sirens When Responding to Emergencies" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-2)**

(H.P. 43) (L.D. 77) Bill "An Act To Authorize the Department of Marine Resources To Charge an Application Fee for Entering a Lottery for a Scallop License" Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-7)**

(H.P. 101) (L.D. 145) Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Uniform Probate Code" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **JUDICIARY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-8)**

(H.P. 118) (L.D. 162) Bill "An Act To Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021" Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-4)**

(H.P. 159) (L.D. 224) Bill "An Act To Modify Requirements for Multiple-party Accounts, Limited Purpose Financial Institutions and Mergers" Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-1)**

(H.P. 191) (L.D. 275) Bill "An Act To Amend the Retirement Laws Pertaining to Certain Educational Technicians" (EMERGENCY) Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-6)**

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

There being no objection, 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**.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act To Explore Alternative Uses of Pulpwood and To Support the Logging and Forestry Industries" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 573) (L.D. 768)

Sponsored by Representative DUCHARME of Madison.
Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, DOLLOFF of Milton Township, GRIGNON of Athens, POIRIER of Skowhegan, SKOLFIELD of Weld, STETKIS of Canaan, Senator: BLACK of Franklin.

Resolve, Directing the Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations To Study the Impact of Policies Regarding Agriculture, Access to Land, Access to Grants and Access to Financing on African-American and Indigenous Farmers in the State

(H.P. 638) (L.D. 870)

Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren.
Cosponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland and Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, O'NEIL of Saco, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, WARREN of Scarborough, Senators: BRENNER of Cumberland, MAXMIN of Lincoln.

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 Clarify the Laws Concerning Off-track Betting Facility Licenses"

(H.P. 628) (L.D. 860)

Sponsored by Representative WHITE of Waterville.
Cosponsored by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec and Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, ORDDAY of Standish, Senator: DIAMOND of Cumberland.

Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** suggested.

On motion of Representative O'NEIL of Saco, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for the Construction of a Convention Center in Portland, Improvements to the Augusta Civic Center and a Competitive Grant Program for Capital Improvements to Public Venues across the State"

(H.P. 715) (L.D. 969)

Sponsored by Representative BAILEY of Gorham.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CROCKETT of Portland, DOORE of Augusta, DOUDERA of Camden, GEIGER of Rockland, GERE of Kennebunkport, SACHS of Freeport, ZAGER of Portland, Senator: SANBORN of Cumberland.

Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Criminal Services for Juveniles"
(H.P. 561) (L.D. 756)

Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland.
Cosponsored by Representative: WARREN of Hallowell.
Resolve, To Study Streamlining the Background Check
Process for State-licensed Professions That Require
Background Checks (EMERGENCY)
(H.P. 563) (L.D. 758)

Sponsored by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield.
Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester,
BRYANT of Windham, O'NEIL of Saco, Senators: CHIPMAN of
Cumberland, MIRAMANT of Knox.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Child Endangerment Laws To
Include Certain Unauthorized Access to a Loaded Firearm"
(H.P. 564) (L.D. 759)

Sponsored by Representative DOUDERA of Camden.
Cosponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland and
Representatives: BELL of Yarmouth, Speaker FECTEAU of
Biddeford, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, TALBOT ROSS of
Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, ZAGER of Portland, Senator:
LIBBY of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Allow State Vehicles Assigned to Maine
Emergency Management Agency Employees To Be Used for
Commuting"
(H.P. 568) (L.D. 763)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Hallowell.
Submitted by the Department of Defense, Veterans and
Emergency Management pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Authorize the Maine Emergency
Management Agency To Requisition Food Supplies for
Emergency Use or Special Duty Assignments"
(H.P. 569) (L.D. 764)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Hallowell.
Submitted by the Department of Defense, Veterans and
Emergency Management pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Availability of Mental Health
Services for a Defendant Who Has Been Found Incompetent To
Stand Trial"
(H.P. 574) (L.D. 769)

Sponsored by Representative STOVER of Boothbay.
Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services
pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the
Department of Corrections for Certified Batterer Intervention
Programming"
(H.P. 587) (L.D. 782)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Hallowell.
Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and
Representatives: COREY of Windham, FAY of Raymond,
PICKETT of Dixfield, RECKITT of South Portland.

Bill "An Act To Promote Highway Safety by Restricting the
Use of Marijuana and Possession of an Open Marijuana
Container in a Motor Vehicle"
(H.P. 597) (L.D. 829)

Sponsored by Representative PICKETT of Dixfield.
Cosponsored by Representatives: COSTAIN of Plymouth,
NEWMAN of Belgrade, RUDNICKI of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act To Divert Older Youth from the Adult Criminal
Justice System"
(H.P. 615) (L.D. 847)

Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland.

Resolve, To Review Public Safety around School Buses
and School Bus Stops
(H.P. 620) (L.D. 852)

Sponsored by Representative RISEMAN of Harrison.
Bill "An Act To Enable Motor Vehicle Technicians To
Safely Disable Breathalyzer Starter Devices"
(H.P. 649) (L.D. 893)

Sponsored by Representative HUTCHINS of Penobscot.
Bill "An Act To Increase Government Accountability by
Removing the Restriction on the Dissemination of Information
Regarding Investigations"
(H.P. 650) (L.D. 894)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Hallowell.
Cosponsored by Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris,
EVANGELOS of Friendship, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford,
MORALES of South Portland, PLUECKER of Warren, Senator:
POULIOT of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act To Require Adequate Training for Police
Officers Who Use Speed Measurement Devices"
(H.P. 684) (L.D. 928)

Sponsored by Representative LEMELIN of Chelsea.
Bill "An Act To Create Culturally Sensitive Treatment and
Recovery Halfway Houses for Immigrants Transitioning out of
the Juvenile Justice System"
(H.P. 709) (L.D. 963)

Sponsored by Representative BROOKS of Lewiston.
Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and
Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CRAVEN of
Lewiston, MELARAGNO of Auburn, MORALES of South
Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, Senators: CLAXTON of
Androscoggin, MAXMIN of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Make Possession of Scheduled Drugs for
Personal Use a Civil Penalty"
(H.P. 713) (L.D. 967)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston,
TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator:
BRENNER of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Definition of 'Machine Gun' To
Include Bump Stock Devices"
(H.P. 722) (L.D. 976)

Sponsored by Representative DOUDERA of Camden.
Cosponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland and
Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, OSHER of Orono,
RECKITT of South Portland, SACHS of Freeport.

Bill "An Act To Promote Public Health by Eliminating
Criminal Penalties for Possession of Hypodermic Apparatuses"
(H.P. 732) (L.D. 994)

Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston,
EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, PLUECKER of Warren, STOVER of
Boothbay, WARREN of Scarborough, ZAGER of Portland,
Senators: CARNEY of Cumberland, DAUGHTRY of
Cumberland.

Bill "An Act Regarding Background Checks for the Sale of
Firearms"
(H.P. 737) (L.D. 999)

Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland.
Bill "An Act To Ensure That Assemblies, Protests and
Demonstrations in Maine Remain Peaceful" (EMERGENCY)
(H.P. 754) (L.D. 1016)

Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris.
Bill "An Act To Protect Maine Residents from Stalking by
Use of an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle"
(H.P. 759) (L.D. 1021)

Sponsored by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Maintaining Drug-involved Premises"

(H.P. 769) (L.D. 1035)

Sponsored by Representative COSTAIN of Plymouth.

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 Require Joint Use Entities To Establish Permanent Liaisons with All County Emergency Management Agencies"

(H.P. 746) (L.D. 1008)

Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham.

Cosponsored by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, HEPLER of Woolwich, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PAULHUS of Bath.

Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested.

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

Bill "An Act To Establish the Maine Community College System Pell Grant Match Program"

(H.P. 566) (L.D. 761)

Sponsored by Representative CROCKETT of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Permit Naloxone Possession, Prescription, Administration and Distribution in Public and Private Schools"

(H.P. 577) (L.D. 772)

Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth.

Submitted by the Department of Education pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Correct Career and Technical Education Funding"

(H.P. 582) (L.D. 777)

Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, DRINKWATER of Milford, RUDNICKI of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act To Extend the Time Allowed for Selling, Distributing and Displaying the State of Maine Bicentennial Commemorative License Plate and To Allow the Maine Bicentennial Commission To Continue To Serve in 2021" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 584) (L.D. 779)

Sponsored by Representative BRYANT of Windham.

Cosponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland and Representative: BABBIDGE of Kennebunk.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Vaccines by Reinstating Religious Exemptions"

(H.P. 601) (L.D. 833)

Sponsored by Representative KINNEY of Knox.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, CONNOR of Lewiston, GRIFFIN of Levant, JAVNER of Chester, LYMAN of Livermore Falls, O'CONNOR of Berwick, RUDNICKI of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act To Protect Teachers' Privacy While Delivering Remote Instruction"

(H.P. 632) (L.D. 864)

Sponsored by Representative DODGE of Belfast.

Cosponsored by Senator RAFFERTY of York and Representatives: CROCKETT of Portland, HEPLER of Woolwich, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, ROBERTS of South Berwick, SALISBURY of Westbrook, Senator: CURRY of Waldo.

Bill "An Act Concerning Mental Health in Public Schools" (H.P. 652) (L.D. 896)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act To Provide Equity in Access to Applications for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program"

(H.P. 707) (L.D. 961)

Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth.

Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and Representatives: PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, SALISBURY of Westbrook, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, ZAGER of Portland, Senators: POULIOT of Kennebec, RAFFERTY of York.

Bill "An Act To Create an Additional Pathway To Certify Industrial Arts Teachers To Foster Career and Technical Subjects in Maine Schools"

(H.P. 721) (L.D. 975)

Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Representatives: FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, LYMAN of Livermore Falls, ORDWAY of Standish, ROCHE of Wells, SAMPSON of Alfred, STEARNS of Guilford, Senator: WOODSOME of York.

Bill "An Act To Prevent the Spread of Infectious Disease in Schools" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 731) (L.D. 993)

Sponsored by Representative WHITE of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Senator RAFFERTY of York and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DODGE of Belfast, DOORE of Augusta, FECTEAU of Augusta, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, ROEDER of Bangor, SACHS of Freeport.

Bill "An Act To Repeal the School Bus Reimbursement Formula and Replace It with Essential Programs and Services Funding"

(H.P. 752) (L.D. 1014)

Sponsored by Representative GREENWOOD of Wales.

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 Regarding the University of Maine System Hiring Practices"

(H.P. 633) (L.D. 865)

Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested.

On motion of Representative BRENNAN of Portland, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Ban Biological Males from Participating in Women's Sports"

(H.P. 682) (L.D. 926)

Sponsored by Representative O'CONNOR of Berwick.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DUCHARME of Madison, GIFFORD of Lincoln, JAVNER of Chester, MORRIS of Turner,

ROCHE of Wells, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, STEARNS of Guilford, WADSWORTH of Hiram.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested.

On motion of Representative BRENNAN of Portland, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Extend the Right-of-way Surrounding Power Lines for the Purpose of Tree Trimming"

(H.P. 549) (L.D. 744)

Sponsored by Representative PICKETT of Dixfield.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COSTAIN of Plymouth, HALL of Wilton, HANLEY of Pittston, NEWMAN of Belgrade, RUDNICKI of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act Concerning Large-scale Water Extraction"

(H.P. 562) (L.D. 757)

Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

Bill "An Act To Prevent Power Line Electrocutations"

(H.P. 608) (L.D. 840)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARLOW of Buxton, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, McDONALD of Stonington, Senator: BENNETT of Oxford.

Bill "An Act To Increase High-speed Internet In Rural Maine"

(H.P. 616) (L.D. 848)

Sponsored by Representative COLLAMORE of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Transition from a Fossil Fuel-based to an Electrical Energy Economy"

(H.P. 674) (L.D. 918)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act To Promote Oversight of and Competitive Parity among Video Service Providers"

(H.P. 676) (L.D. 920)

Sponsored by Representative KESSLER of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator WOODSOME of York and Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, HEPLER of Woolwich, SACHS of Freeport, STOVER of Boothbay, Senators: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, DIAMOND of Cumberland, MAXMIN of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Facilitate the Expansion of Broadband to Unserved Areas of the State" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 689) (L.D. 933)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

Bill "An Act To Amend State Laws Relating to Net Energy Billing and the Procurement of Distributed Generation"

(H.P. 692) (L.D. 936)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

Bill "An Act To Require the Public Utilities Commission To Open an Inquiry Regarding Notification of the Sale of an Investor-owned Transmission and Distribution Utility"

(H.P. 717) (L.D. 971)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

Bill "An Act To Improve Future Reorganizations of Transmission and Distribution Utilities"

(H.P. 733) (L.D. 995)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

Bill "An Act To Allow a Customer with a Net Energy Billing Arrangement To Annually Donate Any Unused Kilowatt-hour Credits"

(H.P. 763) (L.D. 1025)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Update the Regulation of Public Utility Monopolies"

(H.P. 764) (L.D. 1026)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

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.

Bill "An Act To Balance Renewable Energy Development with Natural and Working Lands Conservation"

(H.P. 624) (L.D. 856)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** suggested.

On motion of Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Establish a Funding Mechanism To Protect Private Roads Endangered by Climate Action Impacts"

(H.P. 540) (L.D. 735)

Sponsored by Representative BLUME of York.

Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Invasive Aquatic Species"

(H.P. 548) (L.D. 743)

Sponsored by Representative FAY of Raymond.

Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Certification"

(H.P. 576) (L.D. 771)

Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act Regarding Uncontrolled Hazardous Substance Sites"

(H.P. 585) (L.D. 780)

Sponsored by Representative FAY of Raymond.

Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act Concerning Advanced Refrigeration Technology"

(H.P. 634) (L.D. 866)

Sponsored by Representative LYFORD of Eddington.

Bill "An Act To Protect Maine Consumers and Decrease Environmental Pollution"

(H.P. 646) (L.D. 890)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act To Assist Maine Residents Negatively Affected by Climate Change"

(H.P. 657) (L.D. 901)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Depth of Phillips Lake in the Town of Dedham" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 665) (L.D. 909)

Sponsored by Representative O'CONNELL of Brewer.

Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Reception of Foreign Waste Plastic in Maine Ports"

(H.P. 667) (L.D. 911)

Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor.

Bill "An Act To Establish Appliance Energy and Water Standards"

(H.P. 696) (L.D. 940)

Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln.

Resolve, To Authorize Maine as the Nonfederal Sponsor with the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the Shore Damage Mitigation Project in Saco

(H.P. 702) (L.D. 946)

Sponsored by Representative COPELAND of Saco.

Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and Representatives: BLUME of York, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, O'NEIL of Saco, SHEEHAN of Biddeford, WARREN of Scarborough, Senator: DESCHAMBAULT of York.

Bill "An Act To Require Reporting of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances, PFAS, in Products and of Discharges of Firefighting Foam Containing PFAS"

(H.P. 706) (L.D. 960)

Sponsored by Representative FAY of Raymond.

Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Allow the Sale of Ethanol-free Gasoline Statewide"

(H.P. 744) (L.D. 1006)

Sponsored by Representative O'CONNOR of Berwick.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GREENWOOD of Wales, GRIFFIN of Levant, JAVNER of Chester, MASON of Lisbon, MORRIS of Turner, SKOLFIELD of Weld.

Bill "An Act To Define Intentional Balloon Releases as Litter"

(H.P. 761) (L.D. 1023)

Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, FAY of Raymond, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, HARNETT of Gardiner, HEPLER of Woolwich, O'NEIL of Saco, STOVER of Boothbay.

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 Enhance the Ecological Reserve System"

(H.P. 541) (L.D. 736)

Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested.

On motion of Representative TUCKER of Brunswick, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Promote Municipal Climate Action"

(H.P. 559) (L.D. 754)

Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco.

Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and Representative: COPELAND of Saco.

Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested.

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

Bill "An Act To Facilitate the Recycling of Clean Energy Equipment"

(H.P. 656) (L.D. 900)

Sponsored by Representative KESSLER of South Portland.

Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested.

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

Resolve, To Facilitate the Provision of Incentives for Soil Carbon Storage

(H.P. 693) (L.D. 937)

Sponsored by Representative OSHER of Orono.

Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: BLUME of York, DODGE of Belfast, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, SACHS of Freeport, WARREN of Scarborough, ZEIGLER of Montville, Senators: CARNEY of Cumberland, MAXMIN of Lincoln.

Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested.

On motion of Representative TUCKER of Brunswick, the Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Credible Allegations of Fraud by MaineCare Providers"

(H.P. 544) (L.D. 739)

Sponsored by Representative O'CONNOR of Berwick.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DOLLOFF of Milton Township, GIFFORD of Lincoln, GRIFFIN of Levant, GRIGNON of Athens, JAVNER of Chester, PARRY of Arundel, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, STEARNS of Guilford.

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Maine's Public Health by Expanding Access to Certain Health Programs and Services"

(H.P. 550) (L.D. 745)

Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Disclosure of Records under the Child and Family Services and Child Protection Act"

(H.P. 565) (L.D. 760)

Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville.

Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Response to Truancy under the Child and Family Services and Child Protection Act"

(H.P. 567) (L.D. 762)

Sponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot.

Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Membership of the Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner Advisory Board"

(H.P. 588) (L.D. 783)

Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco.

Cosponsored by Senator MAXMIN of Lincoln and Representatives: GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, MEYER of Eliot, Senator: KEIM of Oxford.

Bill "An Act To Expand Administration of Lifesaving Opioid Medication"
(H.P. 594) (L.D. 789)

Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington.
Bill "An Act To Ensure That Definitions in the Child and Family Services and Child Protection Act Comply with State and Federal Law"
(H.P. 605) (L.D. 837)

Sponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot.
Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Create a Pathway to Housing Stability for Homeless Young People and Those at Risk of Entering and Those Exiting Corrections Systems"
(H.P. 611) (L.D. 843)

Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland.
Bill "An Act To Ensure Continued School-based Services for Children with Disabilities" (EMERGENCY)
(H.P. 622) (L.D. 854)

Sponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot.
Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CRAVEN of Lewiston, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, STOVER of Boothbay, Senators: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, President JACKSON of Aroostook, STEWART of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Ongoing Services for Victims of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence"
(H.P. 644) (L.D. 888)

Sponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town.
Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and Representatives: COREY of Windham, FAY of Raymond, MEYER of Eliot, STOVER of Boothbay, WARREN of Hallowell, Senators: BAILEY of York, President JACKSON of Aroostook, POULIOT of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act To Amend the General Assistance Laws Governing Reimbursement"
(H.P. 666) (L.D. 910)

Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.
Bill "An Act To Create a Family and Juvenile Mediation Program within the Department of Health and Human Services"
(H.P. 690) (L.D. 934)

Sponsored by Representative LIBBY of Auburn.
Cosponsored by Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, WARREN of Hallowell.

Bill "An Act To Appropriate Funds To Eliminate Waiting Lists for Home and Community-based Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities, Autism, Brain Injury and Other Related Conditions"
(H.P. 708) (L.D. 962)

Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth.
Cosponsored by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin and Representatives: MEYER of Eliot, PERRY of Calais, STOVER of Boothbay, WHITE of Waterville.

Bill "An Act To Expand Access to Certified Substance Use Disorder Recovery Residence Services"
(H.P. 710) (L.D. 964)

Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta.
Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Representatives: DUNPHY of Old Town, MADIGAN of Waterville, PICKETT of Dixfield, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln.

Resolve, To Expand Mental Health Crisis Intervention Mobile Response Services
(H.P. 714) (L.D. 968)

Sponsored by Representative SUPICA of Bangor.
Cosponsored by Representatives: SACHS of Freeport, WARREN of Hallowell.

Bill "An Act To Establish the Rare Disease Advisory Council"
(H.P. 718) (L.D. 972)

Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston.
Bill "An Act To Expand Maine's School-based Health Centers"
(H.P. 725) (L.D. 979)

Sponsored by Representative SACHS of Freeport.
Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, DODGE of Belfast, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, PERRY of Calais, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, ZAGER of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Improve Dental Health Access for Maine Children and Adults with Low Incomes"
(H.P. 734) (L.D. 996)

Sponsored by Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford.
Cosponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland and Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Waterford, O'CONNOR of Berwick, STOVER of Boothbay, SUPICA of Bangor, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: MOORE of Washington.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Parents' Access to Their Minor and Adult Children with Special Needs" (EMERGENCY)
(H.P. 739) (L.D. 1001)

Sponsored by Representative LEMELIN of Chelsea.
Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: CONNOR of Lewiston, GRIFFIN of Levant.

Resolve, To Create a Health Care Ombudsman Position To Serve in Maine's County Jails
(H.P. 747) (L.D. 1009)

Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville.
Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, CRAVEN of Lewiston, RECKITT of South Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln.

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.

Resolve, To Track Youth Mental Health during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency by Ensuring the Maine Integrated Youth Health Survey Is Conducted during the 2020-2021 School Year (EMERGENCY)
(H.P. 547) (L.D. 742)

Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta.
Cosponsored by Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, Senator: WOODSOME of York.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Resolve, To Establish a Task Force To Study the Coordination of Services and Expansion of Educational Programs for Young Adults with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities To Identify Barriers to Full Societal Integration (H.P. 680) (L.D. 924)

Sponsored by Representative PEBWORTH of Blue Hill. Cosponsored by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock and Representatives: COPELAND of Saco, DODGE of Belfast, DRINKWATER of Milford.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Safety of Certain State Employees by Allowing Disclosure of Certain Confidential Information in Limited Circumstances"

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

Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner. Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Issuance of a Birth Certificate Following a Gender Marker Change"

(H.P. 623) (L.D. 855)

Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner. Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Mandatory COVID-19 Vaccinations for 5 Years To Allow for Safety Testing and Investigations into Reproductive Harm" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 635) (L.D. 867)

Sponsored by Representative QUINT of Hodgdon. Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and Representatives: BERNARD of Caribou, COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, CONNOR of Lewiston, MORRIS of Turner, SAMPSON of Alfred, STANLEY of Medway.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Availability of Health Care Services by Eliminating the Certificate of Need for All Health Care Services"

(H.P. 683) (L.D. 927)

Sponsored by Representative LIBBY of Auburn. Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, CAIAZZO of Scarborough, MORRIS of Turner, O'CONNOR of Berwick, Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Increase Hospital Bed Capacity by Eliminating the Certificate of Need for Outside Hospital Beds"

(H.P. 687) (L.D. 931)

Sponsored by Representative LIBBY of Auburn. Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, CAIAZZO of Scarborough, MORRIS of Turner, O'CONNOR of Berwick, Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Increase Hospital Capacity by Eliminating the Certificate of Need for Hospital Beds"

(H.P. 688) (L.D. 932)

Sponsored by Representative LIBBY of Auburn. Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, CAIAZZO of Scarborough, MORRIS of Turner, O'CONNOR of Berwick, Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Ability of Health Care Facilities To Respond to Health Needs by Eliminating the Certificate of Need for Health Care Facilities"

(H.P. 691) (L.D. 935)

Sponsored by Representative LIBBY of Auburn. Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, CAIAZZO of Scarborough, MORRIS of Turner, O'CONNOR of Berwick, Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Access to Health Care Equipment by Eliminating the Certificate of Need for Major Medical Equipment"

(H.P. 742) (L.D. 1004)

Sponsored by Representative LIBBY of Auburn.
Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and
Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, CAIAZZO of
Scarborough, MORRIS of Turner, O'CONNOR of Berwick,
Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
suggested.

On motion of Representative MEYER of Eliot, the Bill was
REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE,**
INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, ordered printed
and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Provide High-quality Health Care for All
Maine Residents"

(H.P. 543) (L.D. 738)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act To Establish a Council on Health Systems
Development"

(H.P. 554) (L.D. 749)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston,
MEYER of Eliot, Senator: SANBORN of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Increase Transparency of and Lower Health
Care Costs"

(H.P. 555) (L.D. 750)

Sponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner.

Cosponsored by Senator: STEWART of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act To Allow Employers To Shop for Competitive
Health Plan Options"

(H.P. 556) (L.D. 751)

Sponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner.

Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act To Increase Patients' Access to Quality
Doctors"

(H.P. 557) (L.D. 752)

Sponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner.

Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act Clarifying Patient Consent for Certain Medical
Examinations"

(H.P. 595) (L.D. 790)

Sponsored by Representative DOUDERA of Camden.

Bill "An Act To Make Permanent the Telehealth
Reimbursement Options Passed by Emergency Measures"

(H.P. 617) (L.D. 849)

Sponsored by Representative MATHIESON of Kittery.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston,
GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, SACHS of Freeport,
Senator: BRENNER of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Have Maine Join the Interstate Psychology
Interjurisdictional Compact To Improve Telehealth Options for
Psychologists and Their Patients"

(H.P. 631) (L.D. 863)

Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham.

Bill "An Act To Help Cancer Patients with Fertility
Preservation"

(H.P. 678) (L.D. 922)

Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Representatives: STOVER of Boothbay,
WHITE of Waterville, Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act Regarding Notice by Health Insurance Carriers
of Policy Changes"

(H.P. 701) (L.D. 945)

Sponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Continuing Education
Requirement for Pharmacists"

(H.P. 736) (L.D. 998)

Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham.

Bill "An Act To Change Licensure Requirements for
Foreign-trained Dentists"

(H.P. 738) (L.D. 1000)

Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham.

Cosponsored by Representative: MORALES of South Portland.

Bill "An Act To Improve Outcomes for Persons with Limb
Loss"

(H.P. 741) (L.D. 1003)

Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Representative: WHITE of Waterville, Senator:
BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Increase Availability of Health Care through
Telehealth"

(H.P. 745) (L.D. 1007)

Sponsored by Representative LIBBY of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and
Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, MADIGAN of
Waterville, MORRIS of Turner, PERRY of Calais, STOVER of
Boothbay, WARREN of Hallowell, ZAGER of Portland, Senator:
BRENNER of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Include Excluded Individuals on Insurance
Cards"

(H.P. 749) (L.D. 1011)

Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter
Harbor.

Cosponsored by Representative: HARRINGTON of Sanford.

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 To Remove Coverage under the MaineCare
Program for Abortions Not Covered by Medicaid"

(H.P. 553) (L.D. 748)

Sponsored by Representative JAVNER of Chester.

Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and
Representatives: CONNOR of Lewiston, DUCHARME of
Madison, GRIFFIN of Levant, KINNEY of Knox, O'CONNOR of
Berwick, STANLEY of Medway, STETKIS of Canaan, Senator:
KEIM of Oxford.

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

On motion of Representative TEPLER of Topsham, the Bill
was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered
printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Change the Standard for Assessing Risk of
Serious Harm"

(H.P. 590) (L.D. 785)

Sponsored by Representative CARDONE of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot and
Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, McDONALD of
Stonington, PERRY of Bangor, ROEDER of Bangor, Senator:
GUERIN of Penobscot.

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

On motion of Representative TEPLER of Topsham, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Women Are Informed of Abortion Pill Reversal"

(H.P. 619) (L.D. 851)

Sponsored by Representative GRIFFIN of Levant.
Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, DOLLOFF of Milton Township, DUCHARME of Madison, GRIGNON of Athens, KINNEY of Knox, MASON of Lisbon, O'CONNOR of Berwick.

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

On motion of Representative TEPLER of Topsham, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Conform State Funding to the Federal Hyde Amendment Limiting Funding for Some Abortion Services"

(H.P. 671) (L.D. 915)

Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor.

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

On motion of Representative TEPLER of Topsham, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Governing Approval Authority over and Oversight of Certified Nursing Assistant Educational Programs"

(H.P. 589) (L.D. 784)

Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, CARDONE of Bangor, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, STOVER of Boothbay, Senator: MOORE of Washington.

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

On motion of Representative TEPLER of Topsham, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Protect Consumer Property by Requiring Liability Insurance for Snowplow Vehicles and Vehicles Used in Landscaping or Gardening"

(H.P. 630) (L.D. 862)

Sponsored by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich.
Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN of Cumberland and Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, BROOKS of Lewiston.

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

On motion of Representative TEPLER of Topsham, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INNOVATION, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT AND BUSINESS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Improve Turkey Tagging by Allowing Electronic Tagging"

(H.P. 699) (L.D. 943)

Sponsored by Representative MASON of Lisbon.
Cosponsored by Representatives: O'CONNOR of Berwick, ORDDAY of Standish, ROCHE of Wells, STEARNS of Guilford, STETKIS of Canaan, TUELL of East Machias, WHITE of Mars Hill, Senator: TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Simplify Dual Registration of Snowmobiles and All-terrain Vehicles"

(H.P. 700) (L.D. 944)

Sponsored by Representative SKOLFIELD of Weld.
Cosponsored by Representative: PICKETT of Dixfield, Senator: BENNETT of Oxford.

Bill "An Act To Fund Wildlife Rehabilitators" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 750) (L.D. 1012)

Sponsored by Representative FAY of Raymond.

Bill "An Act To Ban Hunting with Ammunition That Contains Lead"

(H.P. 753) (L.D. 1015)

Sponsored by Representative ROEDER of Bangor.

Bill "An Act To Create an Administrative Review Process for Hunting Violations"

(H.P. 766) (L.D. 1031)

Sponsored by Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BERNARD of Caribou, KRYZAK of Acton, THERIAULT of China.

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 Create a Municipal Grant Program To Promote Sustainable Economic Development"

(H.P. 625) (L.D. 857)

Sponsored by Representative BAILEY of Gorham.
Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, GERE of Kennebunkport, HASENFUS of Readfield, Senator: STEWART of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act To Promote Bulk Retail Purchasing"

(H.P. 641) (L.D. 885)

Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Representative: GROHOSKI of Ellsworth.

Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Governor's Economic Recovery Committee"

(H.P. 648) (L.D. 892)

Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth.

Bill "An Act To Advance Maine's Economic Growth by Investing in Innovative, Next-generation Technology and Research"

(H.P. 675) (L.D. 919)

Sponsored by Representative COLLAMORE of Pittsfield.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BAILEY of Gorham, DUCHARME of Madison, TUELL of East Machias.

Bill "An Act To Waive Professional and Occupational Licensing Fees for Calendar Year 2020"

(H.P. 698) (L.D. 942)

Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, FECTEAU of Augusta, GRIGNON of Athens, MASON of Lisbon, O'CONNOR of Berwick, THORNE of Carmel.

Bill "An Act To Prevent the Denial or Revocation of a Professional or Business License for a Violation Not Related to That Profession or Business"

(H.P. 730) (L.D. 992)

Sponsored by Representative NEWMAN of Belgrade.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, COSTAIN of Plymouth, PICKETT of Dixfield, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, Senator: FARRIN of Somerset.

Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Study Strategies To Assist Working-class Families in Building Wealth and Achieving Upward Mobility

(H.P. 743) (L.D. 1005)

Sponsored by Representative RIELLY of Westbrook.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BAILEY of Gorham, EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MEYER of Eliot, MORALES of South Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

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 Strengthen Maine's Economy"

(H.P. 586) (L.D. 781)

Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth.

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

On motion of Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Concerning Motor Vehicle Emissions Control System Tampering"

(H.P. 640) (L.D. 872)

Sponsored by Representative ZEIGLER of Montville.

Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

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

On motion of Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Establish a Bill of Rights for Maine Residents 65 Years of Age and Older"

(H.P. 546) (L.D. 741)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act Regarding Remote Participation in Municipal Meetings"

(H.P. 551) (L.D. 746)

Sponsored by Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin and Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, TUELL of East Machias.

Bill "An Act Regarding Civil Mental Health Evaluations of Former Criminal Defendants"

(H.P. 552) (L.D. 747)

Sponsored by Representative STOVER of Boothbay.

Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Provide for Judicial Review in Compliance with the Federal Family First Prevention Services Act"

(H.P. 570) (L.D. 765)

Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner.

Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Allow the Participation of Marine Patrol Officers in Proceedings for Administrative Suspension of a License or Certificate"

(H.P. 572) (L.D. 767)

Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington.

Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Length of Time and Circumstances for Which a Sheriff May Furlough Individuals Incarcerated in a County Jail"

(H.P. 581) (L.D. 776)

Sponsored by Representative COSTAIN of Plymouth.

Cosponsored by Senator: DESCHAMBAULT of York.

Bill "An Act To Enable Electronic Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect for Certain Mandated Reporters"

(H.P. 583) (L.D. 778)

Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville.

Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Align the Preconviction and Post-conviction Discretionary Deductions for Time Served"

(H.P. 593) (L.D. 788)

Sponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship.

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Appropriate Allocation of Victim Restitution"

(H.P. 602) (L.D. 834)

Sponsored by Representative STOVER of Boothbay.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, CRAVEN of Lewiston, FAY of Raymond, MEYER of Eliot, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act Regarding Probation and Deferred Disposition"

(H.P. 609) (L.D. 841)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Hallowell.

Cosponsored by Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, MORALES of South Portland, PICKETT of Dixfield, RECKITT of South Portland, Senators: DESCHAMBAULT of York, MAXMIN of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Reestablish Parole"

(H.P. 610) (L.D. 842)

Sponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship.

Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, O'NEIL of Saco, PLUECKER of Warren, RECKITT of South Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, Senators: BAILEY of York, MAXMIN of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Examine and Amend the Conditions of Release and Probation"

(H.P. 612) (L.D. 844)

Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland.

Bill "An Act To Promote Benefit Corporations"

(H.P. 614) (L.D. 846)

Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Employment Status of Assistant District Attorneys"

(H.P. 618) (L.D. 850)

Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Fees Paid to Sheriffs and Their Deputies for Service of Civil Process Documents"

(H.P. 621) (L.D. 853)

Sponsored by Representative MATLACK of St. George.
Cosponsored by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec and Representative: PICKETT of Dixfield.

Bill "An Act To Expand Recovery Services to Persons on Probation"

(H.P. 626) (L.D. 858)

Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell.
Cosponsored by Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, PICKETT of Dixfield, PLUECKER of Warren, RECKITT of South Portland, WARREN of Hallowell.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Contract for Assessments for Involuntary Hospitalizations

(H.P. 629) (L.D. 861)

Sponsored by Representative EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft.
Cosponsored by Representatives: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, TEPLER of Topsham, WHITE of Waterville, ZAGER of Portland, Senators: BAILEY of York, MAXMIN of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Provide Consistency Regarding Persons Authorized To Conduct Examinations for Emergency Involuntary Commitment and Post-admission Examinations"

(H.P. 636) (L.D. 868)

Sponsored by Representative RECKITT of South Portland.

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 (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 637) (L.D. 869)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais.
Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot and Representatives: MADIGAN of Waterville, STOVER of Boothbay.

Bill "An Act To Require Uniform Adherence to Internal Revenue Service Guidelines by Maine Nonprofit Organizations"

(H.P. 643) (L.D. 887)

Sponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford.

Bill "An Act To Eliminate or Forgive Fines and Penalties on Persons and Businesses Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic"

(H.P. 647) (L.D. 891)

Sponsored by Representative HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Enact the Uniform Registration of Canadian Money Judgments Act"

(H.P. 658) (L.D. 902)

Sponsored by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Enact the Uniform Foreign-country Money Judgments Recognition Act"

(H.P. 659) (L.D. 903)

Sponsored by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act Concerning the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts"

(H.P. 660) (L.D. 904)

Sponsored by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Enact the Uniform Voidable Transactions Act"

(H.P. 661) (L.D. 905)

Sponsored by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Provide Passamaquoddy Tribal Members Access to Clean Drinking Water" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 662) (L.D. 906)

Sponsored by Representative NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe.

Bill "An Act To Protect Maine Residents and Organizations from Unreasonable and Illegal Surveillance, Monitoring or Tracking"

(H.P. 664) (L.D. 908)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act To Enact the Maine Data Collection Protection Act"

(H.P. 669) (L.D. 913)

Sponsored by Representative HASENFUS of Readfield.

Cosponsored by Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, MORALES of South Portland, O'NEIL of Saco, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act Regarding Electronic Monitoring of Pretrial and Post-conviction Defendants"

(H.P. 673) (L.D. 917)

Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco.

Bill "An Act To Enact the Stop Guilt by Accusation Act" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 679) (L.D. 923)

Sponsored by Representative SAMPSON of Alfred.

Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: DRINKWATER of Milford, LIBBY of Auburn, LYMAN of Livermore Falls, RUDNICKI of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act To Address the Long-term Impact of Economic Abuse by a Spouse"

(H.P. 703) (L.D. 947)

Sponsored by Representative SUPICA of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: FAY of Raymond, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, SACHS of Freeport.

Bill "An Act To Protect against Discrimination by Public Entities"

(H.P. 728) (L.D. 982)

Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Value of Property Exempt from Attachment and Execution"

(H.P. 542) (L.D. 737)

Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham.

Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, MATHIESON of Kittery, Senators: BAILEY of York, CARNEY of Cumberland, SANBORN of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested.

On motion of Representative HARNETT of Gardiner, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Apply the Civil Trespass Law to Hunting Dogs"

(H.P. 575) (L.D. 770)

Sponsored by Representative THERIAULT of China.

Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested.

On motion of Representative HARNETT of Gardiner, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Set a Minimum Wage for School Support Staff"

(H.P. 539) (L.D. 734)

Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland.
Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Bill "An Act To Assist Public School Students and Families Who Are Homeless"

(H.P. 578) (L.D. 773)

Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Promote Minimum Wage Consistency"

(H.P. 579) (L.D. 774)

Sponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, COSTAIN of Plymouth, DRINKWATER of Milford, NEWMAN of Belgrade, PERKINS of Oakland, PICKETT of Dixfield.

Bill "An Act To Include within the Definitions of 'Public Employee' and 'Judicial Employee' Those Who Have Been Employed for Less Than 6 Months"

(H.P. 580) (L.D. 775)

Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Direct the Department of Labor To Work with the Department of Education and Colleges and Universities and Career and Technical Education Centers To Develop a Preapprenticeship Program and Career Ladder for the Direct Care Workforce"

(H.P. 591) (L.D. 786)

Sponsored by Representative GRIFFIN of Levant.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DILLINGHAM of Oxford, DUCHARME of Madison, FAY of Raymond, RUDNICKI of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act To Comprehensively Address Homelessness and Affordable Housing in Maine"

(H.P. 592) (L.D. 787)

Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland and Representative: WHITE of Waterville.

Bill "An Act To Aid Workforce Development"

(H.P. 599) (L.D. 831)

Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland.

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

(H.P. 600) (L.D. 832)

Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Exempt Substitutes, Coaches and Temporary Employees in the Education System from Paid Sick Leave Requirements"

(H.P. 606) (L.D. 838)

Sponsored by Representative POIRIER of Skowhegan.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DOLLOFF of Milton Township, DUCHARME of Madison, PICKETT of Dixfield, STEARNS of Guilford, TUELL of East Machias.

Bill "An Act To Address Unemployment Issues Facing School Employees"

(H.P. 607) (L.D. 839)

Sponsored by Representative DODGE of Belfast.

Cosponsored by Senator RAFFERTY of York and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, SALISBURY of Westbrook.

Resolve, To Encourage Employment in the Direct Care Workforce (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 642) (L.D. 886)

Sponsored by Representative FAY of Raymond.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, BAILEY of Gorham, CUDDY of Winterport, GRIFFIN of Levant,

HASENFUS of Readfield, STOVER of Boothbay, Senator: CURRY of Waldo.

Bill "An Act To Provide Incentives to Unemployed Workers To Become Part of the Caregiver Workforce" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 654) (L.D. 898)

Sponsored by Representative FAY of Raymond.

Bill "An Act Concerning State Pension Funds and Climate Change"

(H.P. 663) (L.D. 907)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act To Extend Family Medical Leave to Hourly School Employees"

(H.P. 668) (L.D. 912)

Sponsored by Representative ROEDER of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CUDDY of Winterport, OSHER of Orono, SUPICA of Bangor, Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Maine Workers' Right To Request a Schedule Change at Their Places of Employment"

(H.P. 694) (L.D. 938)

Sponsored by Representative WOOD of Portland.

Bill "An Act Concerning Nondisclosure Agreements in Employment"

(H.P. 711) (L.D. 965)

Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner.

Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, MORALES of South Portland, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, Senator: CARNEY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Support Maine's Corrections Officers and E-9-1-1 Dispatchers"

(H.P. 735) (L.D. 997)

Sponsored by Representative PEBWORTH of Blue Hill.

Cosponsored by Representative: RECKITT of South Portland.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Availability of Health Insurance Coverage for Dependents of Certain State Employees"

(H.P. 740) (L.D. 1002)

Sponsored by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, PLUECKER of Warren, STOVER of Boothbay, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Bill "An Act To Promote the Integrity of the Unemployment Insurance Program"

(H.P. 758) (L.D. 1020)

Sponsored by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro.

Bill "An Act To Make Agricultural Workers and Other Workers Employees under the Wage and Hour Laws"

(H.P. 760) (L.D. 1022)

Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner.

Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: GERE of Kennebunkport, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, OSHER of Orono, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: CARNEY of Cumberland.

Resolve, Directing the Workers' Compensation Board To Study the Impact of Workers' Compensation Laws on Certain Public Sector Employees

(H.P. 762) (L.D. 1024)

Sponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford.

Bill "An Act To Promote the Sustainability of the State's Unemployment Insurance System by Linking the Duration of Benefits to the State's Average Unemployment Rate"

(H.P. 767) (L.D. 1032)

Sponsored by Representative STETKIS of Canaan.

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 Increase Transparency in the Legislature by Removing Certain Freedom of Access Act Exemptions"

(H.P. 558) (L.D. 753)

Sponsored by Representative CONNOR of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act Regarding Monhegan Plantation"

(H.P. 560) (L.D. 755)

Sponsored by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle.

Bill "An Act To Allow Citizens To Petition Government Agencies To Repeal or Modify Occupational Regulations"

(H.P. 603) (L.D. 835)

Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris.

Bill "An Act To Allow Municipalities To Use Ranked-choice Voting in Municipal Elections"

(H.P. 627) (L.D. 859)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

Bill "An Act Concerning Proportional Representation"

(H.P. 645) (L.D. 889)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act To Make Necessary Changes to State Law"

(H.P. 651) (L.D. 895)

Sponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town.

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Continuance of a Citizen Legislature by Tying Future Pay to the State Minimum Wage"

(H.P. 720) (L.D. 974)

Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.

Cosponsored by Representatives: OSHER of Orono, SKOLFIELD of Weld.

Bill "An Act To Establish Balance in the Governor's Emergency Powers"

(H.P. 726) (L.D. 980)

Sponsored by Representative SAMPSON of Alfred.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DRINKWATER of Milford, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, FECTION of Augusta, PICKETT of Dixfield, WADSWORTH of Hiram.

Bill "An Act To Establish the Maine Service Fellows Program"

(H.P. 748) (L.D. 1010)

Sponsored by Representative RIELLY of Westbrook.

Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot and Representatives: CARLOW of Buxton, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, Speaker FECTION of Biddeford, MATLACK of St. George, RISEMAN of Harrison, WARREN of Scarborough, Senator: MOORE of Washington.

Bill "An Act To Let the Citizens of the State Choose Their State Auditor"

(H.P. 755) (L.D. 1017)

Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Allow the Citizens of the State To Elect the Secretary of State, Treasurer of State and Attorney General

(H.P. 756) (L.D. 1018)

Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris.

Bill "An Act To Promote Transparent Emergency Management"

(H.P. 757) (L.D. 1019)

Sponsored by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DUCHARME of Madison, HAGGAN of Hampden, MORRIS of Turner, STETKIS of Canaan, TUELL of East Machias.

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 Provide Municipalities a Percentage of the Revenue Generated from the Taxes Imposed on the Sale of Recreational Marijuana in Those Municipalities"

(H.P. 545) (L.D. 740)

Sponsored by Representative O'CONNELL of Brewer.

Bill "An Act To Restructure the Taxation of Adult Use Marijuana"

(H.P. 598) (L.D. 830)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Bangor.

Bill "An Act To Clarify Certain Provisions Regarding the Marijuana Excise Tax" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 639) (L.D. 871)

Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Bangor.

Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Bill "An Act To Protect Maine Veterans from Unfair Consequences of Taxation Policy"

(H.P. 653) (L.D. 897)

Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough.

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

(H.P. 712) (L.D. 966)

Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham.

Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland and Representatives: Speaker FECTION of Biddeford, MATLACK of St. George, TERRY of Gorham.

Bill "An Act To Base the Motor Vehicle Excise Tax on Actual Sale Price"

(H.P. 716) (L.D. 970)

Sponsored by Representative CONNOR of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, DUCHARME of Madison, GRIFFIN of Levant, GRIGNON of Athens, KINNEY of Knox, LIBBY of Auburn, POIRIER of Skowhegan, SKOLFIELD of Weld.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Educational Opportunity Tax Credit"

(H.P. 719) (L.D. 973)

Sponsored by Representative WOOD of Portland.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Maine Educational Opportunity Tax Credit"

(H.P. 723) (L.D. 977)

Sponsored by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich.

Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, SACHS of Freeport, SHEEHAN of Biddeford, WOOD of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Create an Access to Justice Income Tax Credit"
(H.P. 724) (L.D. 978)

Sponsored by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich.

Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and Representatives:
CARDONE of Bangor, HASENFUS of Readfield, Senator:
STEWART of Aroostook.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Protect Privacy and Security at the Bureau
of Motor Vehicles"

(H.P. 655) (L.D. 899)

Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To
Develop a Plan To Redevelop Exit 5 of Interstate 295 in Portland
(H.P. 681) (L.D. 925)

Sponsored by Representative LOOKNER of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland,
TALBOT ROSS of Portland, ZAGER of Portland, Senators:
CHIPMAN of Cumberland, SANBORN of Cumberland.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Enhance Compliance with Motor Vehicle
Insurance Requirements"

(H.P. 604) (L.D. 836)

Sponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford.

Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and Senator:
DAVIS of Piscataquis.

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested.

On motion of Representative MARTIN of Sinclair, the Bill
was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE,
INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**, ordered printed
and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Make a Vehicle Registration Violation a
Secondary Offense"

(H.P. 613) (L.D. 845)

Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland.

Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** suggested.

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

Bill "An Act To Meet the State's Obligation To Pay 55
Percent of Education Costs"

(H.P. 670) (L.D. 914)

Sponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford.

Bill "An Act To Protect Data Privacy and Security in
Elections"

(H.P. 672) (L.D. 916)

Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco.

Bill "An Act To Eliminate Maine Clean Election Act Funding
for Candidates in Gubernatorial Races"

(H.P. 677) (L.D. 921)

Sponsored by Representative HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Address Funding for Maine Clean Elections"
(H.P. 685) (L.D. 929)

Sponsored by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro.
Cosponsored by Representatives: JAVNER of Chester,
STETKIS of Canaan.

Bill "An Act To Revise Reporting Requirements for Maine
Clean Election Act Expenditures"

(H.P. 686) (L.D. 930)

Sponsored by Representative POIRIER of Skowhegan.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARMICHAEL of
Greenbush, MASON of Lisbon, TUELL of East Machias.

Bill "An Act To Support Maine's Medical Marijuana
Program and Ensure Patient Access"

(H.P. 695) (L.D. 939)

Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren.

Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and
Representatives: TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WILLIAMS of Bar
Harbor, Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, FARRIN of
Somerset, President JACKSON of Aroostook, MAXMIN of
Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Protect the Privacy of Absentee Voters"

(H.P. 697) (L.D. 941)

Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter
Harbor.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARMICHAEL of
Greenbush, DOLLOFF of Milton Township, GRIFFIN of Levant.

Bill "An Act To Support Boys and Girls Clubs through
Lottery Revenue"

(H.P. 704) (L.D. 948)

Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and
Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, WHITE of Waterville,
Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin.

Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Integrity of the Maine Clean
Election Act by Limiting the Amount of Money Paid to Political
Operatives"

(H.P. 727) (L.D. 981)

Sponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner.

Cosponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin and
Representatives: DUCHARME of Madison, GIFFORD of
Lincoln, HARRINGTON of Sanford, KINNEY of Knox, MASON
of Lisbon, O'CONNOR of Berwick.

Bill "An Act To Provide Absentee Ballot Tracking for
Maine Voters"

(H.P. 751) (L.D. 1013)

Sponsored by Representative BAILEY of Gorham.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COREY of Windham,
McCREIGHT of Harpswell, RIELLY of Westbrook, SUPICA of
Bangor, Senators: FARRIN of Somerset, LUCHINI of Hancock.

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.

**Pursuant to Statute
Family Law Advisory Commission**

Representative HARNETT for the **Family Law Advisory Commission** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 19-A, section 354, subsection 2 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Expand Courts' Authority To Protect Children When a Parent Has Been Awarded Sole Parental Rights and Responsibilities"

(H.P. 765) (L.D. 1030)

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

Pursuant to Statute

Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations

Representative SYLVESTER for the **Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 25007, subsection 2, paragraph D asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Provide Funding To Support the Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations"

(H.P. 768) (L.D. 1034)

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

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

Subsequently, on motion of Representative SYLVESTER of Portland, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

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

ORDERS

On motion of Representative HARRINGTON of Sanford, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 467)

JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING APPLICATION TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES CALLING AN ARTICLE V CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO IMPOSE FISCAL RESTRAINTS ON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, LIMIT THE POWER AND JURISDICTION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND LIMIT THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution empowered state legislators to be guardians of liberty against future abuses of power by the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has created a crushing national debt through improper and imprudent spending; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has invaded the legitimate roles of the states through the manipulative process of federal mandates, most of which are unfunded to a great extent; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has ceased to live under a proper interpretation of the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, it is the solemn duty of the states to protect the liberty of the American people, particularly for the generations to come, by proposing amendments to the United States Constitution for the purpose of restraining these and related abuses of power; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Legislature of Maine respectfully applies to the Congress of the United States to call a convention for the specific and exclusive purpose of proposing amendments to the United States Constitution that impose fiscal restraints on the Federal Government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the Federal Government and limit the terms of office for federal government officials and members of Congress; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this application by this body constitutes a continuing application in accordance with the United States Constitution, Article V until at least two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states have made similar application pursuant to Article V; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the presiding officers of both houses of the legislatures of each of the several states in the nation, the Speaker and the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the President and the Secretary of the United States Senate and each member of the Maine Congressional Delegation.

READ.

On motion of Representative HARRINGTON of Sanford, the Joint Resolution was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

Sent for concurrence.

On motion of Representative WADSWORTH of Hiram, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 438) (Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, CEBRA of Naples, GREENWOOD of Wales, GRIGNON of Athens, HARRINGTON of Sanford, SAMPSON of Alfred, Senators: FARRIN of Somerset, MIRAMANT of Knox)

JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING APPLICATION TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES CALLING AN ARTICLE V CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO IMPOSE CONGRESSIONAL TERM LIMITS

WHEREAS, under the United States Constitution, Article V, the Congress of the United States, whenever two-thirds of both Houses shall deem it necessary, shall propose amendments to the United States Constitution, or, on the application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the several states, shall call a convention for proposing amendments that, in either case, shall be valid to all intents and purposes, as part of the United States Constitution, when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states, or by conventions in three-fourths thereof, as the one or the other mode of ratification may be proposed by the Congress; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Legislature of Maine hereby applies to the Congress of the United States, under the provisions of Article V of the United States Constitution, to call a convention of the states limited to proposing an amendment to the United States Constitution to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected to the United States House of Representatives and to set a limit on the number of terms that a

person may be elected to the United States Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this application is intended to address the same subject matter as applications from other states under the provisions of Article V of the United States Constitution to call a convention to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected to the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate; and this application must be aggregated with the same for the purpose of attaining the two-thirds of states necessary to require Congress to call a limited convention on this subject, but may not be aggregated with any other applications on any other subject; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the United States Constitution until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the several states have made applications on the same subject; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Secretary of the Senate and presiding officers of both houses of the legislatures of each of the several states in the nation, the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the President and Secretary of the United States Senate and each member of the Maine Congressional Delegation.

READ.

On motion of Representative WADSWORTH of Hiram, the Joint Resolution was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

Sent for concurrence.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Funding for the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Diagnostic and Research Laboratory"

(S.P. 141) (L.D. 808)

Resolve, To Convene a Working Group To Develop Plans To Protect Maine's Agricultural Lands When Siting Solar Arrays

(S.P. 206) (L.D. 820)

Bill "An Act To Provide Equal Access to the Benefits of the Maine Food Sovereignty Act"

(S.P. 306) (L.D. 954)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Promote Land Conservation, Working Waterfronts, Water Access and Outdoor Recreation"

(S.P. 313) (L.D. 983)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for the Portland Harbor Commercial Revitalization Project's Confined Aquatic Disposal Cell and Dredging Projects"

(S.P. 318) (L.D. 987)

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 To Create a Registry To Improve Access to Automated External Defibrillators"

(S.P. 67) (L.D. 797)

Bill "An Act To Expand the Definition of Unlawful Sexual Touching"

(S.P. 291) (L.D. 877)

Bill "An Act To Ban the Surveillance of Firearm Purchases"

(S.P. 299) (L.D. 884)

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 Improve Communication between School Boards and Educators by Requiring Notice of Discussion of Labor Matters"

(S.P. 185) (L.D. 816)

Bill "An Act To Protect School Employees from Workplace Bullying"

(S.P. 294) (L.D. 880)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Equitable Access to Mobile Hotspots for Maine Students"

(S.P. 139) (L.D. 807)

Bill "An Act To Support School Decarbonization"

(S.P. 184) (L.D. 815)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Limit Spam Texting"

(S.P. 199) (L.D. 818)

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

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.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Procurement of Renewable Natural Gas by Gas Utilities"

(S.P. 321) (L.D. 989)

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Decommissioning of Solar Energy Developments"

(S.P. 113) (L.D. 802)

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Purging of Volatile Organic Compound Gases from Oil Tankers in the Waters of Maine" (S.P. 144) (L.D. 809)

Bill "An Act To Increase Economic Development by Expanding the Special Fee Application Review Process of the Department of Environmental Protection" (S.P. 319) (L.D. 988)

Bill "An Act To Ease Business Expansion by Increasing the Number and Applicability of Permit Exemptions under the Site Location of Development Laws" (S.P. 323) (L.D. 1028)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Make Technical Changes to the Eligibility Provisions of the Higher Opportunity for Pathways to Employment Program" (S.P. 53) (L.D. 792)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Procedures for Veterinarians in the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program" (S.P. 71) (L.D. 799)

Bill "An Act To Affirm That Food Seeds Are a Necessity in Maine" (S.P. 225) (L.D. 822)

Resolve, To Waive Reductions to Nursing Facility Reimbursement Resulting from Payroll Protection Program Loans and Grants (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 287) (L.D. 873)

Resolve, To Increase MaineCare Reimbursement Rates for Services Provided by Direct Care Workers (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 292) (L.D. 878)

Resolve, To Restore the MaineCare Nursing Facility COVID-19 Temporary Rate Increase (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 301) (L.D. 949)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Conduct a Review of Rules Governing In-home Personal Care Assistance Services (S.P. 310) (L.D. 958)

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 Regarding Telehealth Regulations" (S.P. 50) (L.D. 791)

Bill "An Act To Maintain Maine's System of Therapeutic Foster Care for Children through the Creation of a Nonprofit Risk Indemnification Trust" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 57) (L.D. 794)

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 To Ensure Equality in Women's Health Care Access in Maine by Requiring Facilities Providing Abortions To Inform Patients of Options and Alternatives" (S.P. 254) (L.D. 825)

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 Improve Transparency of Medical Billing" (S.P. 303) (L.D. 951)

Bill "An Act To Allow Procurement of Surplus Lines Insurance for Commercial Forestry and Construction Equipment" (S.P. 314) (L.D. 984)

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 To Allow Sunday Hunting on Private Property with the Written Permission of the Landowner" (S.P. 325) (L.D. 1033)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Require Notice for Orthopedic Medical Device Recalls" (S.P. 119) (L.D. 804)

Bill "An Act To Provide Student Loan Debt Relief" (S.P. 161) (L.D. 812)

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.

Resolve, Directing the Maine Community College System To Evaluate the Need To Expand Workforce Training Options in Waldo County (S.P. 180) (L.D. 814)

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

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

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Education Savings Program" (S.P. 282) (L.D. 828)

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

Comes from the Senate, with the Bill and accompanying papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED**.

Bill and accompanying papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Include as a Factor in Sentencing the Selection of a Victim Based on the Victim's Employment as a Law Enforcement Officer"

(S.P. 55) (L.D. 793)

Bill "An Act To Address Rental Housing Policies"

(S.P. 62) (L.D. 795)

Bill "An Act Regarding Violation of a Protective Order"

(S.P. 117) (L.D. 803)

Bill "An Act To Protect the Reproductive Rights and Freedoms of Maine People"

(S.P. 156) (L.D. 811)

Bill "An Act To Increase the Penalty for Engaging in the Sex Trafficking of Children"

(S.P. 162) (L.D. 813)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Reduce Lung Cancer Rates in Maine by Requiring Testing for and Mitigation of Radon in Residential Buildings by Landlords"

(S.P. 203) (L.D. 819)

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

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 Clarifying the Acceptance of Public Funding by Community Benefit Organizations"

(S.P. 293) (L.D. 879)

Bill "An Act To Limit Liability Regarding Donations of Menstrual Products"

(S.P. 304) (L.D. 952)

Bill "An Act To Reform Alternative Sentencing Programs"

(S.P. 309) (L.D. 957)

Bill "An Act To Provide Campground Owners Limited Civil Liability from the Inherent Risks of Camping"

(S.P. 316) (L.D. 986)

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 Extend the Protections Provided to State Employees upon the Expiration of Labor Contracts to Other Public Sector Employees"

(S.P. 235) (L.D. 824)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Eligibility Criteria for Creditable Service in the Armed Forces of the United States under the State Retirement System"

(S.P. 308) (L.D. 956)

Bill "An Act To Protect Small Businesses by Ensuring That a Prevailing Wage Is Paid on Public Works Construction Projects"

(S.P. 311) (L.D. 959)

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 Amend Credit and Debit Card Surcharges Imposed by Governmental Entities"

(S.P. 87) (L.D. 800)

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

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 To Allow Municipalities To Prohibit Firearms at Voting Places"

(S.P. 123) (L.D. 805)

Bill "An Act To Clarify That Municipal Officers May Accept a Proposed, Unaccepted Way for Pedestrian, Bicycle and Other Nonmotorized Use"

(S.P. 130) (L.D. 806)

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 To Allow Remote Notarization of Documents in Limited Circumstances While Preventing Exploitation"

(S.P. 154) (L.D. 810)

Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** 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.

Resolve, To Establish the COVID-19 Review Commission (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 193) (L.D. 817)

Resolve, Directing the University of Maine System To Study the Potential Effects of the State Adopting Atlantic Standard Time (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 259) (L.D. 826)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Require the Popular Election of Maine Constitutional Officers

(S.P. 288) (L.D. 874)

Bill "An Act To Protect Taxpayers in the Privatization of Services and To Establish the State Procurement Review Committee"

(S.P. 289) (L.D. 875)

Bill "An Act To Promote Efficiency in County and Municipal Government"

(S.P. 290) (L.D. 876)

Bill "An Act To Narrowly Tailor Emergency Powers of the Governor and Other Public Officials"

(S.P. 307) (L.D. 955)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Require Legislative Approval of Any State of Emergency Lasting Longer Than 60 Days

(S.P. 315) (L.D. 985)

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 To Improve the Educational Opportunity Tax Credit"

(S.P. 70) (L.D. 798)

Bill "An Act To Improve Maine's Economic Development Incentives"

(S.P. 302) (L.D. 950)

Bill "An Act To Improve Affordable Housing Options and Services To Address Homelessness"

(S.P. 305) (L.D. 953)

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

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

Bill "An Act To Restrict Sales of Catalytic Converters Removed from Motor Vehicles"

(S.P. 61) (L.D. 796)

Bill "An Act To Improve the Investigation and Prosecution of Cases That Involve Vulnerable Road Users"

(S.P. 208) (L.D. 821)

Bill "An Act Regarding Veterans License Plates"

(S.P. 320) (L.D. 990)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Complete a Feasibility Analysis To Initiate a Commuter and Passenger Train Service between Portland and the Lewiston and Auburn Area

(S.P. 317) (L.D. 991)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Local Bridges"

(S.P. 322) (L.D. 1027)

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 Reduce State Licensing Fees for Maine Bars and Restaurants by 50 Percent for a 12-month Period"

(S.P. 233) (L.D. 823)

Bill "An Act To Help Veterans Access Jobs, Education and Housing"

(S.P. 269) (L.D. 827)

Bill "An Act To Make Technical Changes to the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act"

(S.P. 295) (L.D. 881)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act"

(S.P. 296) (L.D. 882)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Marijuana Legalization Act and the Laws Governing the Taxation of Marijuana" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 324) (L.D. 1029)

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.

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

ORDERS

On motion of Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 439) (Cosponsored by Representative: EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft)

JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE JOHN LEWIS

WHEREAS, the Honorable John Robert Lewis was a beloved Georgia congressional representative, a political force and an ally for marginalized people everywhere; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis served as the United States Representative for Georgia's Fifth Congressional District for more than 3 decades; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis was considered a moral conscience of Congress because of his belief in a nonviolent fight for civil rights; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis' passion for equal rights was backed by a long record of action that included dozens of arrests during protests against racial and social injustice; and

WHEREAS, as a follower and colleague of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Mr. Lewis participated in lunch counter sit-ins, joined the Freedom Riders in challenging segregated buses and, at the age of 23, was a keynote speaker at the historic 1963 March on Washington; and

WHEREAS, at age 25, Mr. Lewis helped lead a march for voting rights on the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Alabama, where he and other marchers were met by heavily armed state and local police who attacked them with clubs, fracturing his skull; and

WHEREAS, images from that day, now known as "Bloody Sunday," shocked the nation and galvanized support for the Voting Rights Act of 1965, signed into law by President Lyndon B. Johnson; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, after more than 50 years on the front lines of the civil rights movement, Mr. Lewis was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Barack Obama, the first African-American President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis is recognized as a great American statesman, patriot and champion of democracy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in December 2019 and passed away July 17, 2020; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirtieth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize the life and legacy of the Honorable John Robert Lewis, a great leader and a civil rights icon, and urge the citizens of the State to recognize the importance of preserving civil liberties for all.

READ AND ADOPTED.

Sent for concurrence.

On motion of Representative LYFORD of Eddington, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 596)

JOINT RESOLUTION TERMINATING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY PROCLAIMED BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Governor Janet T. Mills has recently extended, for the 8th time, her March 15, 2020 proclamation declaring a state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has done this without consulting the Legislature, a coequal branch of State Government, in over 8 months; and

WHEREAS, emergency orders were originally based on the then-known science and designed to reduce the rate of increase in COVID-19 infections over a 2-week period but have been extended for months without providing the Legislature with a sufficient scientific rationale or justification; and

WHEREAS, executive authority over executive orders has been delegated to unelected officials in the executive branch of State Government; and

WHEREAS, the lives of Maine citizens, local jobs and small businesses and activities that promote health and well-being have been lost without due consideration; and

WHEREAS, the over 1.3 million citizens of Maine continue to be denied a voice in policies that affect their health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, the public health and well-being must be protected and enhanced; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has the authority to terminate a state of emergency at any time; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirtieth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent and pursuant to the authority granted in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 37-B, section 743, subsection 2, terminate the state of emergency first proclaimed by Governor Janet T. Mills on March 15, 2020.

READ

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Eddington, Representative Lyford

Representative LYFORD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I rise today to present a Joint Resolution to terminate the state of emergency proclaimed by the Chief Executive.

It's not an effort to end our response to this virus or any needs thereof; it is intended to begin a continuation. The beginning of bipartisan cooperation between the two branches of government as provided by the Maine Constitution. It has been many months without real consultation between the Chief Executive and the Legislative Branch. The beginning of public involvement through their elected officials. People's lives have been impacted every day, with no ability for their voices to be heard. The beginning of legislative committee work now in March. The situation demands bipartisan action with legislative involvement.

I urge members to support this so that we can all work together going forward. The federal government will not forget the State of Maine when we go back to a form of democracy.

I would like to have a roll call, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

The same Representative REQUESTED a roll call on **ADOPTION**.

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Winter Harbor, Representative Faulkingham.

Representative FAULKINGHAM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In five days, March 15th, we will reach the one-year

anniversary of Chief Executive Mills declaring a state of emergency. Since that time, she has issued dozens of executive orders that force Mainers to stay home, close schools, businesses and places of worship. All of this has negatively impacted the health of Maine's people, businesses, nonprofits and the state economy.

Emergencies do not and cannot last forever. They exist to allow a Chief Executive to respond swiftly to an imminent threat. After that initial response is mounted, the Legislature, which writes the laws and represents the citizenry, is supposed to resume its lawful control over public policy in the State. As a Maine legislator, I have no say in my government. Therefore, my constituents have been voiceless as well. I ran for the Legislature, not against it. Citizens can't petition their elected officials to modify or eliminate the emergency orders impacting their lives because the Legislature continues to allow the Chief Executive to have total control over the State's virus response. This is antithetical to the Constitution, to separation of powers, co-equal branches of government and the republican form of government our State and Nation has used for more than 200 years. One person was never meant to wield this much power. I urge the Legislature to end the state of emergency and regain control of our State on behalf of the people of Maine. This emergency has gone on long enough. We must declare a new state of emergency where the Legislature fulfills its proper role. Mainers deserve a voice in their government again. Please join me in voting for the resolution before us.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Auburn, Representative Libby.

Representative LIBBY: Mr. Speaker and my distinguished colleagues, it's time to put politics aside. Over the last 12 months, Maine citizens have been telling many of us that they want their duly elected Representatives and Senators to ensure that their voices are heard in Augusta.

This joint resolution ought not to be a partisan issue. We were all elected to represent the people and the peoples' voice is best heard when we follow the full legislative process, including holding public hearings.

I bring you one such Maine voice from a message I received last night; I'm confused as to why passing this joint resolution sounds like a party issue when you discussed it in your video. I consider myself a democrat, yet I think it's time to end the Chief Executive's emergency declaration.

Protecting the elderly while promoting autonomy, supporting businesses, dealing with unemployment, and more. These are all issues we in the 130th Legislature are fully equipped to handle. Please join me in supporting the resolution to restore the proper balance of power and ensure that Maine people have their voices heard. I look forward to working with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle as we address these pressing issues here in Maine. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Windham, Representative Corey.

Representative COREY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House, three months ago when this resolution was first talked about, there was no way I would've given it consideration to its adoption. In the time since, I've changed my mind. We've had plenty of opportunity to find ways to reestablish collaboration between the Legislature and Chief Executive, especially since we are back in session. Cynics out there in the world doubt that the branches can work together. In my experience, we always come together when the chips are down. We have all experienced this. When we could've been creating advocates across the State and

improving outcomes for Maine's people, adversaries popped up, likely because their voices were being unheard or outwardly dismissed.

It's time for Maine's elected Representatives and Senators to reassume our roles, to govern on behalf of Maine's people, and be heard. Please join me. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from East Machias, Representative Tuell.

Representative **TUELL**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I want to echo what the Good Representative from Windham just said. I find myself in much the same position he's in. Three months ago when this was put forward, I was an emphatic no. At the time, the virus was raging, things were not looking good. And while I was sympathetic to many of the concerns that mine and many of our constituents in the business and small towns across the State had, I just didn't feel that was the time to roll the dice. But we are back, or at least kind of back, remotely, and things are improving, but the state of emergency at some point here needs to end and as much as I believe that the Chief Executive has done many good things with it, there's an opportunity for collaboration and there are missed opportunities that we could be taking advantage of.

You know, Mr. Speaker, your predecessor asked for a council way back at the beginning of this, and I think if we'd had that council, we probably wouldn't be debating this here today. But, all that aside, Mr. Speaker, I certainly will be supporting the resolution before us, realizing that it's the beginning of a long and hopefully fruitful conversation this session as we ponder the scope not just of what the emergency looks like but powers going forward. So, thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Canaan, Representative Stetkis.

Representative **STETKIS**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of this resolution.

Twelve months ago, you and I and many of our colleagues here today had to make a very difficult decision during a very uncertain time with an unprecedented world health crisis sweeping across our land. Being faced with the situation, the Legislature acted swiftly and decisively in a unanimous bipartisan way, passing LD 2167 on March 18, 2020.

Mr. Speaker, there are a couple of key pieces of the law passed on March 18th that bring us to the point today and the need for this joint order. This, in part, is what we in the 129th Legislature supported unanimously, and I quote, "Whereas, it is in the best interests of the citizens of Maine to temporarily provide authorization to the Governor to waive certain restrictions, deadlines and requirements and take other necessary measures to allow the State to react quickly, effectively and efficiently to the effects of the pandemic on the citizens of Maine; and, whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety."

I felt, as many others did, that it was important for the Chief Executive to have the ability to quickly react to the evolving situation in Maine and supported LD 2167, adding COVID-19 to the emergency powers of the Chief Executive. Our objective was to bend the curve, to slow the spread of the virus in our State, to buy time for the health care industry to prepare and avoid being overwhelmed with COVID-19 cases. Also to allow much-needed time for the attainment of proper personal protective equipment for our frontline workers and citizens, to put into place other important protections and policies for

workers, employers, schools, and municipalities who are being affected due to the effects to the slow of the virus.

Mr. Speaker, mission accomplished. The curve was bent. Dozens of executive orders have been written, laid-off workers paid and business loans granted. This past year has been very difficult on those people who we have been elected to serve. Thousands of Mainers unable to have funeral services to grieve for their lost loved ones, once-in-a-lifetime weddings, births and graduations have been missed. Many people have been suffering from isolation, loneliness and despair. Suicides, drug overdoses and domestic abuse are on the rise.

It's time for our constituents to have a say in all of these important matters. Mr. Speaker, it's time for our constituents to have their constitutionally-guaranteed right of representation in their government by supporting this resolution. Returning the checks and balances to their government by them once again having the ability to express their opinion on proposed rules, regulations and laws that we will all ultimately have to live under and pay for. For several weeks now, we have been doing the peoples' business with proposed bills and committee hearings. There is no longer a reason for the Chief Executive to have to act alone to implement new rules or regulations to deal with the pandemic. We are in session and we are here today assembled to do the peoples' business.

Mr. Speaker, as you know, the Legislature can act swiftly if needed in special circumstances, as we did a year ago by voting to waive the rules and processes by passing LD 2167 and getting it to the Chief Executive's desk in a matter of hours. It's time for the citizens of Maine to have their voices restored in their government. Please join with me in supporting this resolution.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Old Town, Representative Dunphy.

Representative **DUNPHY**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Honorable Members of the House.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to the pending motion. The state of emergency declared by the Executive Branch has given Maine the ability to access critical federal aid and having access to federal funds. The state of emergency has enabled the Executive Branch to distribute more than 255 million dollars in economic recovery grants to small businesses, give out more than 25 million dollars for one-time 600-dollar benefits to unemployed Maine people who are about to lose their benefits, by 9.3 million dollars' worth of at-home learning devices like tablets and Wi-Fi hotspots for more than 21,000 students who are learning remotely, and distribute 20 million dollars in federal fund relief to Maine fishermen and 18 million dollars to farmers and food banks.

While cases are improving, Mainers are still getting gravely ill from this virus. Even though more and more people are getting vaccinated, far more adults need to get vaccinated before we can comfortably win the race against emerging and more contagious variants. That's why I oppose this resolution, Mr. Speaker. In order to properly beat this pandemic, we need the state of emergency to continue to ensure that we have the ability to act swiftly to get Mainers through the remainder of this public health crisis.

We are close to ending this chapter in our State's history but in order to put COVID-19 behind us and accelerate our economic recovery, we need continued access to federal aid and the Executive Branch's ability to quickly distribute these resources.

The emergency powers of the Executive diminish not one word of our constitutional authority or our responsibility. The

emergency powers do, however, allow our government to continue to respond swiftly and nimbly to changing conditions as we overcome this terrible pandemic. And we will, ultimately, overcome and defeat this virus outbreak. For those reasons, Mr. Speaker, I urge you and my colleagues in the House to join me in opposing this motion.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Adoption of the Joint Resolution. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 4

YEA - Andrews, Arata, Austin, Bernard, Blier, Bradstreet, Carmichael, Cebra, Collamore, Connor, Corey, Costain, Dillingham, Dolloff, Downes, Drinkwater, Ducharme, Evangelos, Faulkingham, FecteauJ, Foster, Gifford, Greenwood, Griffin, Grignon, Haggan, Hall, Hanley, Harrington, Head, Hutchins, Javner, Johansen, Kinney, Lemelin, Libby, Lyford, Lyman, MartinT, MasonR, MillettH, Morris, Nadeau, Newman, O'Connor, Ordway, Parry, Perkins, Pickett, Pluecker, Poirier, Prescott, Quint, Riseman, Roche, Rudnicki, Sampson, Skolfield, Stanley, Stearns, Stetkis, Theriault, Thorne, Tuell, Underwood, Wadsworth, WhiteD.

NAY - Alley, Arford, Bailey, Bell, Berry, Blume, Brennan, Brooks, Bryant, Caiazza, Cardone, Carlow, Cloutier, Collings, Copeland, Crafts, Craven, Crockett, Cuddy, Dodge, Doore, Doudera, Dunphy, Evans, Fay, FecteauR, Geiger, Gere, Gramlich, Grohoski, Harnett, Hasenfus, Hepler, Hymanson, Kessler, Landry, Lookner, Madigan, MartinJ, MartinR, Mathieson, Matlack, McCrea, McCreight, McDonald, Melaragno, Meyer, MillettR, Morales, Moriarty, O'Connell, O'Neil, Osher, Paulhus, Pebworth, PerryA, PerryJ, Pierce, Reckitt, Rielly, Roberts, Roeder, Sachs, Salisbury, Sharpe, Sheehan, Stover, Supica, Sylvester, Talbot Ross, Tepler, Terry, Tucker, Tuttle, WarrenC, WarrenS, WhiteB, Williams, Wood, Zager, Zeigler.

ABSENT - Babbidge, Bickford, Kryzak.

Yes, 67; No, 81; Absent, 3; Excused, 0.

67 having voted in the affirmative and 81 voted in the negative, with 3 being absent, and accordingly the Joint Resolution was **NOT ADOPTED**.

On motion of Representative TEPLER of Topsham, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 705) (Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: DUNPHY of Old Town, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 2021 AS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH

WHEREAS, March 2021 is American Red Cross Month, a special time to honor the kindness of our neighbors who help individuals and families in need every day in the State, across the United States and around the world; and

WHEREAS, Maine citizens are local, national and global humanitarians, even in the midst of a pandemic, carrying out the American Red Cross's 140-year mission of preventing and alleviating human suffering; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross aspires to turn compassion into action, and American Red Cross volunteers help others when there is a need; and

WHEREAS, during these trying times, Maine citizens in supporting the American Red Cross have helped their neighbors get back on their feet after devastating home fires, assisted communities across the country to face record-breaking hurricanes and wildfires and rolled up their sleeves to give blood when our country faced a severe blood shortage; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the American Red Cross's statewide community of volunteers and partners, people in the State facing a disaster can meet their basic emergency needs, including having access to safe shelter, food and critical health and mental health services, for free, day or night; and

WHEREAS, because of the American Red Cross's work, children and youths in the State know how to prepare for and stay safe during a disaster, people have working smoke alarms and emergency escape plans and there are always trained individuals nearby ready to use their skills to save lives; and

WHEREAS, due to the American Red Cross's efforts and local communities hosting blood drives and donating life-saving blood, anyone can access life-saving blood and blood products and we have a stable blood supply that helped to extend or save the lives of more than 400,000 people last year; and

WHEREAS, military personnel, veterans and their families have access to global emergency communication services and the support they need to cope with deployments and reintegrating with the community because of the American Red Cross; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirtieth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, pause in our deliberations, nearly 200 years since the birth of American Red Cross founder Clara Barton, to proclaim March 2021 as American Red Cross Month throughout the State and encourage all citizens of the State to participate in the humanitarian mission of the American Red Cross and advance Clara Barton's noble legacy.

READ and ADOPTED.

Sent for concurrence.

On motion of Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, the following Joint Resolution: (H.P. 729) (Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CRAFTS of Newcastle, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, MADIGAN of Waterville, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, SACHS of Freeport, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: DESCHAMBAULT of York)

JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 2021 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 Thirtieth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize March 2021 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, College of Professional Programs and Education, 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: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Old Orchard Beach, Representative Gramlich.

Representative **GRAMLICH**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you, Men and Women of the House. March is Social Work Month and it is a time to celebrate the great profession of social work. The theme for this month's Social Work Month is social workers are essential.

As practitioners, social workers are trained to help people address personal and systemic barriers to optimal living. They are employed to affect positive change with individuals, families, groups, and entire communities and we engage in public policy, we have six political social workers who are in this body. During Social Work Month, take time to learn more about the many positive contributions of our profession and I would like to leave you with a very brief quote from the founder of our profession, Jane Adams; "what the world needs more than anything else at this moment is an outbreak of goodwill and human understanding."

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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 items:

Recognizing:

Elmer and Elma May Lowell, of Penobscot, who are celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary on December 30, 2020. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

(HLS 11)

Presented by Representative HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative HUTCHINS of Penobscot, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Penobscot, Representative Hutchins.

Representative **HUTCHINS**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I hadn't intended to rise to this sentiment, I've got another of others but two that were quite close to me, so even though the people can't be here, I thought I'd speak to these two. Elmer and Elma May Lowell, citizens of Penobscot, have been for a very long time and, as you just read, they've been married as of December, 70 years. Both very active citizens of the town and they have, I'm trying to think how many great-grandchildren, it's three or four or something of that nature, I think they happen to be the great-grandparents of several of the children that I'm a grandparent of. So, another reason to recognize them. I will leave it at that at this time. Thank you.

Subsequently, this Expression of Legislative Sentiment was **PASSED** and sent for concurrence.

In Memory of:

Bruce "Chub" Caldwell, of Brunswick, Mr. Caldwell graduated from Brunswick High School in 1948, joined the Navy that December and served four years aboard the U.S.S. Shenandoah during the Korean conflict. At the time of discharge he was a Machinist Mate 1st class. He later worked for Civil Service at Brunswick Naval Air Station, as a member of the Crash and Rescue Crew for the fire department, retiring in 1985 after 29 years of service. He will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends;

(HLS 5)

Presented by Representative HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, Representative TUCKER of Brunswick, Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell, Representative ARFORD of Brunswick.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative HUTCHINS of Penobscot, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Penobscot, Representative Hutchins.

Representative **HUTCHINS**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Bruce Caldwell is Uncle Bruce Caldwell, which is one of the reasons that I am speaking, naturally, of him. But the other joint reason was if he had lived a couple more months, he and his wife, my aunt, Joyce, would've been married 70 years. But, on top of that, one of the more interesting things, they both lived on Boody Street in Brunswick, one house apart, and were born and brought up right there or he was born and brought up there; she moved a few years later. And on their first day of sub-primary school at five years old, they walked to school hand in hand and were together until just recently. Thank you very much.

Subsequently, this Expression of Legislative Sentiment was **ADOPTED** and sent for concurrence.

In Memory of:

Clinton "Peanut" Gardner, of East Machias. Mr. Gardner began working at Archibald's One Stop at a young age and became its owner/operator in 1978. In 1946, he joined the East Machias Volunteer Fire Department, which he later served as chief for over 30 years. He also served as the town's fire warden and tax collector and as treasurer at Washington Academy for over 20 years. The academy's new tennis courts were named in his honor. Mr. Gardner will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife of 66 years, Mary, his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched; (HLS 35)

Presented by Representative TUELL of East Machias.
Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative TUELL of East Machias, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.
READ.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from East Machias, Representative Tuell.

Representative **TUELL**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wanted to reflect briefly on the life of Peanut Gardner. For those who are familiar to Washington County, that name, for those who aren't familiar, that name might sound a little odd; who would name a guy Peanut? Well, honestly, I can't tell you where that came from but, you know, Washington County, as the Representative Beals could tell you, is full of characters and Peanut was a character. He was a local institution. So much so that this is probably the first in memoriam I've done in seven years of being here. That he was a giant, he was small in stature but he was giant in the community, he was involved in many things; the municipal government, the fire department, he loved the fire department greatly, even after he retired from it, he was very much still involved with it and was an institution at Archibald's, which is locally known as Peanut's even today, which his family still owns and operates, the little convenience store on Route 1 if you're coming through East Machias and want a nice Italian or egg salad or whatever kind of sandwich or cup of coffee; well, the coffee isn't up to par always but it's; you know, it's a small local establishment, it's the center of the community and we're very proud of Peanut and all he and his family have done. So, thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Subsequently, this Expression of Legislative Sentiment was **ADOPTED** and sent for concurrence.

In Memory of:

Thomas Keller, of Brunswick. Mr. Keller was a veteran of the United States Army, who served with the Blueghost Scout Platoon of the Eighth Cavalry Regiment in Chu Lai, Vietnam, and a retired Portland Police lieutenant who advocated for women and families dealing with domestic violence. He joined the department as a patrol officer in 1972 and retired after 20 years of service. He distinguished himself as a champion for the underserved, working tirelessly to help survivors of domestic violence, serving as a liaison between the department and shelters for battered women, helping draft domestic violence laws and training officers about domestic violence and the needs of survivors. He worked closely with Family Crisis Services, serving as a longtime board member and volunteer and creating an office within the police department for shelter advocates. In 1993, he was recognized by the Family Crisis Shelter with a Lifetime Achievement Award for his tireless dedication to the safety of and justice for abused women and their children. He was also an advocate for veterans, Veterans for Peace and the poor. Mr. Keller will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

(HLS 62)

Presented by Representative RECKITT of South Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, Representative TUCKER of Brunswick, Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell, Representative ARFORD of Brunswick.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative RECKITT of South Portland, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.
READ.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from South Portland, Representative Reckitt.

Representative **RECKITT**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, late Lieutenant Thomas Keller, late also of the Portland Police Department, was my friend. On February 5th, the victims and survivors of domestic abuse lost a champion and I lost a friend of more than 40 years. A true feminist friend.

In his last weeks, we were able to spend some time, quality time together. I will always treasure those moments, reminiscing about our time together working for justice. In his last days, we talked about police and reform, how to talk as a community about what is possible and what it would take, both culturally and financially. We agreed we must think about race, poverty, power, and justice, and find new paths to healing and justice for abused women and their children. It's the mission he and I shared. He will live on in the lives he saved and the love I hold for him in my heart. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Subsequently, this Expression of Legislative Sentiment was **ADOPTED** and sent for concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.P. 86)

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January 12, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On January 11, 2021, 80 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on January 11, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Bill "An Act To Invest in the Stewardship and Management of Properties Acquired with the Proceeds from the Land for Maine's Future Fund or the Public Access to Maine Waters Fund" (H.P. 31) (L.D. 65) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Improve Livestock and Poultry Preparation" (H.P. 32) (L.D. 66) (Sponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town) (Cosponsored by Representative: LANDRY of Farmington) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Removal Process Applicable to the Position of State Supervisor of the Forest Protection Unit of the Bureau of Forestry" (H.P. 56) (L.D. 90) (Sponsored by Representative SKOLFIELD of Weld) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Establish a Right to Food (H.P. 61) (L.D. 95) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: CONNOR of Lewiston, DUNPHY of Old Town,

FECTEAU of Augusta, LANDRY of Farmington, LIBBY of Auburn, PLUECKER of Warren, POIRIER of Skowhegan, SAMPSON of Alfred)

Bill "An Act To Improve the Animal Welfare Laws" (H.P. 69) (L.D. 103) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act Making Certain Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 8) (L.D. 42) (Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Infrastructure To Address Sea Level Rise" (H.P. 15) (L.D. 49) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Housing for Persons Who Are Homeless" (H.P. 16) (L.D. 50) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Replace and Repair Bureau of Forestry Aircraft" (H.P. 41) (L.D. 75) (Sponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Post-conviction Review in Order To Facilitate the Fair Hearing of All Newly Discovered Evidence" (H.P. 20) (L.D. 54) (Sponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship) (Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, PLUECKER of Warren, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, Senators: BAILEY of York, CARNEY of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Improve Information Sharing by Criminal Justice Agencies with Government Agencies Responsible for Investigating Child or Adult Abuse" (H.P. 24) (L.D. 58) (Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Northeastern Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 29) (L.D. 63) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Establish the Summer Success Pilot Program Fund" (H.P. 10) (L.D. 44) (Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth)

Bill "An Act To Protect Minority Religious Groups by Eliminating the Prior Approval Requirement for a School Absence for a Recognized Religious Holiday" (H.P. 21) (L.D. 55) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Representative: HARNETT of Gardiner)

Bill "An Act To Introduce a Career and Fiscal Management Elective Course at the High School Level" (H.P. 34) (L.D. 68) (Sponsored by Representative CROCKETT of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Allow a Parent or Guardian of a Student Who Has Been Affected by COVID-19 To Keep the Student in the Student's Current Grade Level" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 36) (L.D. 70) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Representatives: DRINKWATER of Milford, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, SAMPSON of Alfred)

Bill "An Act To Increase the State Share of the Cost of Health Insurance for Retired Teachers" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 50) (L.D.

84) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator WOODSOME of York and Representatives: DRINKWATER of Milford, FECTEAU of Augusta, ROCHE of Wells, STEARNS of Guilford)

Bill "An Act To Create Fairness in the Treatment of Students by Retaining Students with Certain Vaccine Exemptions" (H.P. 62) (L.D. 96) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot and Representatives: GREENWOOD of Wales, GRIGNON of Athens, POIRIER of Skowhegan, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, SAMPSON of Alfred)

Bill "An Act To Protect the Health of Student Athletes by Requiring the Establishment of Procedures To Report Concussions" (H.P. 70) (L.D. 104) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Resolve, To Provide for Participation of the State in the Planning and Negotiations for the Atlantic Loop Energy Project (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 48) (L.D. 82) (Sponsored by Representative KESSLER of South Portland)

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Meaning of 'Unserved Area' within the State's Broadband Service Laws" (H.P. 49) (L.D. 83) (Sponsored by Representative RISEMAN of Harrison)

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Offshore Wind Energy Development" (H.P. 67) (L.D. 101) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: GIFFORD of Lincoln, GRIGNON of Athens, MASON of Lisbon, O'CONNOR of Berwick, PARRY of Arundel, THORNE of Carmel, TUELL of East Machias, WADSWORTH of Hiram)

Environment and Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Reduce the Landfilling of Municipal Solid Waste" (H.P. 23) (L.D. 57) (Sponsored by Representative TUCKER of Brunswick) (Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Regarding Environmental Rights (H.P. 30) (L.D. 64) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco)

Bill "An Act To Assist in the Restoration of Atlantic Salmon" (H.P. 33) (L.D. 67) (Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair) (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Reduce Duplicative Permitting Review for Projects under the Site Location of Development Laws" (H.P. 35) (L.D. 69) (Sponsored by Representative TUCKER of Brunswick) (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Implement the State Climate Action Plan, Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Enhance Maine's Economy" (H.P. 53) (L.D. 87) (Sponsored by Representative TUCKER of Brunswick)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Waste Motor Oil Disposal Site Remediation Program" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 58) (L.D. 92) (Sponsored by Representative TUCKER of Brunswick) (Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Finance Authority of Maine pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Improve Public Safety by Repealing the Single-use Plastic Carry-out Bag Ban" (H.P. 74) (L.D. 108) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot and Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, DUCHARME of Madison, GIFFORD of Lincoln, GRIGNON of Athens, HALL of Wilton, KINNEY of Knox, PARRY of Arundel, THORNE of Carmel)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Fund the State's Free Health Clinics" (H.P. 13) (L.D. 47) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland) Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Request a Waiver Relating to Support Services and To Provide Funds To Prevent Homelessness (H.P. 14) (L.D. 48) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Promote Cost-effectiveness in the MaineCare Program and Improve the Oral Health of Maine Adults and Children" (H.P. 28) (L.D. 62) (Sponsored by Representative BROOKS of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin and Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, CRAVEN of Lewiston, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MEYER of Eliot, TEPLER of Topsham, Senator: BREEN of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Improve Dental Health for Maine Children and Adults with Low Incomes" (H.P. 38) (L.D. 72) (Sponsored by Representative BROOKS of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin and Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CRAVEN of Lewiston, HYMANSON of York, TEPLER of Topsham, Senators: LIBBY of Androscoggin, MOORE of Washington)

Resolve, To Ensure Appropriate Personal Needs Allowances for Persons Residing in Long-term Care Facilities (H.P. 40) (L.D. 74) (Sponsored by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield) (Cosponsored by Senator MAXMIN of Lincoln and Representatives: DOORE of Augusta, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MEYER of Eliot, O'NEIL of Saco, ROBERTS of South Berwick)

Bill "An Act To Protect Children from Extreme Poverty by Preserving Children's Access to Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Benefits" (H.P. 44) (L.D. 78) (Sponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, PERRY of Calais, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Safety of Children Experiencing Homelessness by Extending Shelter Placement Periods" (H.P. 47) (L.D. 81) (Sponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act Concerning MaineCare Coverage for Donor Breast Milk" (H.P. 51) (L.D. 85) (Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MEYER of Eliot, SACHS of Freeport, Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, LIBBY of Androscoggin, MOORE of Washington)

Bill "An Act To Improve Maine's Quality Rating System for Child Care Services" (H.P. 59) (L.D. 93) (Sponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Clarify Maine's Statutes Related to the Licensing of Child Care Providers" (H.P. 64) (L.D. 98) (Sponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Address Maine's Shortage of Behavioral Health Services for Minors" (H.P. 84) (L.D. 118) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CRAVEN of Lewiston, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, STOVER of Boothbay, Senator: MOORE of Washington)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 570: Uniform Reporting System for Prescription Drug Price Data Sets, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 7) (L.D. 41) (Submitted by the Maine Health Data Organization pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.)

Bill "An Act To Further Protect Consumers from Surprise Medical Bills" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 12) (L.D. 46) (Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Enact the Maine Insurance Data Security Act" (H.P. 17) (L.D. 51) (Sponsored by Representative BLIER of Buxton) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Insurers and Third-party Payors from Adjusting Their Fee Schedules for In-network Providers Unless the Adjustments Apply to All Specialties" (H.P. 22) (L.D. 56) (Sponsored by Representative DOORE of Augusta)

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Minimum Amount of Emergency Refills of Insulin" (H.P. 26) (L.D. 60) (Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham) (Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland and Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, BLIER of Buxton, BROOKS of Lewiston, EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, MATHIESON of Kittery, Senator: BRENNER of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Dental Practice Act To Define 'Supervision' and Authorize Teledentistry" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 42) (L.D. 76) (Sponsored by Representative MATHIESON of Kittery) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, MORALES of South Portland) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Amend Maine's Wildlife Laws Regarding Species of Special Concern" (H.P. 54) (L.D. 88) (Sponsored by Representative ORDWAY of Standish) (Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Regulate Airboats" (H.P. 55) (L.D. 89) (Sponsored by Representative SACHS of Freeport)

Bill "An Act To Address Airboat Operation in the State" (H.P. 80) (L.D. 114) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell)

Bill "An Act To Allow the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Authorize the Hunting of Antlerless Deer without a Permit in Certain Areas" (H.P. 82) (L.D. 116) (Sponsored by Representative LANDRY of Farmington) (Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

Bill "An Act To Adopt the Department of Economic and Community Development's 10-year Economic Development Strategy for Maine" (H.P. 71) (L.D. 105) (Sponsored by Representative BAILEY of Gorham)

Bill "An Act To Clarify Prepayment Requirements in Home Construction Contracts" (H.P. 76) (L.D. 110) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, TEPLER of Topsham)

Bill "An Act To Increase Faculty in Nursing Education Programs by Amending the Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program" (H.P. 85) (L.D. 119) (Sponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot) (Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and Representatives: GEIGER of Rockland, PERRY of Calais)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Provide State Recognition for the Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians" (H.P. 37) (L.D. 71) (Sponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford) (Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act Regarding Collective Bargaining Negotiations by Public Employers of Teachers" (H.P. 18) (L.D. 52) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Include Grandparents under Maine's Family Medical Leave Laws" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 27) (L.D. 61) (Sponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford) (Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: COREY of Windham, FAY of Raymond, LANDRY of Farmington, TUELL of East Machias, Senator: GUERIN of Penobscot)

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Right To Work without Payment of Dues or Fees to a Labor Union" (H.P. 63) (L.D. 97) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, CONNOR of Lewiston, GRIGNON of Athens, LIBBY of Auburn, LYFORD of Eddington, SAMPSON of Alfred)

Bill "An Act To Require the State To Divest Itself of Assets Invested in the Fossil Fuel Industry" (H.P. 65) (L.D. 99) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, McDONALD of Stonington, MORALES of South Portland, OSHER of Orono, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Scarborough, Senators: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Bill "An Act To Allow Career Educators To Retire without Penalty" (H.P. 77) (L.D. 111) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: CARLOW of Buxton, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, STEARNS of Guilford)

Bill "An Act To Preserve the Health Care of University of Maine System Retirees" (H.P. 83) (L.D. 117) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth) (Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representative: Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, Senator: BREEN of Cumberland)

Marine Resources

Bill "An Act To Authorize the Department of Marine Resources To Charge an Application Fee for Entering a Lottery for a Scallop License" (H.P. 43) (L.D. 77) (Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington) (Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Amend Maine's Aquaculture Leasing and Licensing Statutes" (H.P. 72) (L.D. 106) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act To Require the Inclusion of Racial Impact Statements in the Legislative Process" (H.P. 5) (L.D. 2) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Update the Maine Uniform Accounting and Auditing Practices Act for Community Agencies" (H.P. 57) (L.D. 91) (Sponsored by Representative MATLACK of St. George) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Establish the General Election Date in United States Presidential Election Years as a State Holiday" (H.P. 66) (L.D. 100) (Sponsored by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Coequal Branches of Maine Government by Ensuring the Legislature Has Access to Necessary Information" (H.P. 79) (L.D. 113) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, COREY of Windham, FECTEAU of Augusta, GRIFFIN of Levant, KINNEY of Knox, O'CONNOR of Berwick, PICKETT of Dixfield, STEARNS of Guilford)

Bill "An Act To Restore the Former State of Maine Flag" (H.P. 81) (L.D. 115) (Sponsored by Representative PAULHUS of Bath) (Cosponsored by Representatives: KESSLER of South Portland, MATLACK of St. George, Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Provide Critical Communications for Family Farms, Businesses and Residences by Strategic Public Investment in High-speed Internet and Broadband Infrastructure" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 46) (L.D. 80) (Sponsored by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield) (Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, CARLOW of Buxton, DUNPHY of Old Town, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, SKOLFIELD of Weld, TUELL of East Machias, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Bill "An Act To Make Sales to Area Agencies on Aging Tax-exempt" (H.P. 52) (L.D. 86) (Sponsored by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield) (Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, DUNPHY of Old Town, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, HEPLER of Woolwich, MARTIN of Sinclair, WARREN of Hallowell, WHITE of Waterville)

Bill "An Act To Allow Municipalities To Exempt Volunteer Firefighters from Paying Excise Tax on Their Vehicles Used To Respond to Fire Calls" (H.P. 60) (L.D. 94) (Sponsored by Representative DOUDERA of Camden) (Cosponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo and Representative: DODGE of Belfast)

Transportation

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 305: Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Traffic Movement Permits, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Transportation (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 6) (L.D. 40) (Submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.)

Bill "An Act To Require the Department of Transportation To Provide Ferry Service to Frenchboro" (H.P. 9) (L.D. 43) (Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington) (Cosponsored by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Improve a Bridge over the West Branch of the Mattawamkeag River in Moro Plantation and Associated Culverts (H.P. 11) (L.D. 45) (Sponsored by Representative JOHANSEN of Monticello) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

Bill "An Act To Authorize Municipalities To Allow Harbor Masters and Deputy Harbor Masters To Use Red and White Auxiliary Lights and Sirens When Responding to Emergencies" (H.P. 39) (L.D. 73) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Representatives: MATLACK of St. George, TUELL of East Machias, ZEIGLER of Montville, Senator: VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

Bill "An Act To Establish a Honeybee Special Registration Plate" (H.P. 45) (L.D. 79) (Sponsored by Representative LYFORD of Eddington)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Limit Political Advertising" (H.P. 19) (L.D. 53) (Sponsored by Representative O'CONNELL of Brewer)

Bill "An Act To Define the Term 'Unenrolled Political Action Committee'" (H.P. 25) (L.D. 59) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Cosponsored by Senator MAXMIN of Lincoln and Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, RISEMAN of Harrison, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Scarborough)

Bill "An Act To Extend the Time Frame for Processing Absentee Ballots" (H.P. 68) (L.D. 102) (Sponsored by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Specify the Qualifications of Electors (H.P. 73) (L.D. 107) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, CONNOR of Lewiston, FECTEAU of Augusta, GRIFFIN of Levant, LIBBY of Auburn, SAMPSON of Alfred)

Bill "An Act To Facilitate Fair Ballot Representation for All Candidates By Allowing a Candidate's Nickname To Appear on the Ballot" (H.P. 75) (L.D. 109) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, DOLLOFF of Milton Township, DUCHARME of Madison, POIRIER of Skowhegan, THORNE of Carmel)

Bill "An Act To Facilitate the Timely and Accurate Counting of Absentee Ballots By Extending the Processing Period" (H.P. 78) (L.D. 112) (Sponsored by Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick) (Cosponsored by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock and Representatives: DUNPHY of Old Town, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MEYER of Eliot, PIERCE of Falmouth, Senator: LAWRENCE of York)

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 122)

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January 19, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On January 19, 2021, 35 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on January 19, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Resolve, Directing the Board of Pesticides Control To Prohibit the Use of Certain Neonicotinoids for Outdoor Residential Use (H.P. 111) (L.D. 155) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth) (Cosponsored by Senator MAXMIN of Lincoln and Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, O'NEIL of Saco, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, PLUECKER of Warren, ZEIGLER of Montville)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Fire Stations" (H.P. 89) (L.D. 133) (Sponsored by Representative CROCKETT of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Fund Hazardous Substance Site Cleanups" (H.P. 106) (L.D. 150) (Sponsored by Representative FAY of Raymond) (Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and Senator: BLACK of Franklin) (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Provide Necessary Maintenance and Upgrades for State Parks and Historic Sites" (H.P. 121) (L.D. 165) (Sponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town) (Cosponsored by Representatives: LANDRY of Farmington, O'NEIL of Saco) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Address Issues in Funding Prekindergarten Programs" (H.P. 91) (L.D. 135) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Increase Student Reading Proficiency" (H.P. 94) (L.D. 138) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Fund Capital Improvements to Career and Technical Education Centers and Regions To Bolster Maine's Future Workforce" (H.P. 100) (L.D. 144) (Sponsored by Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford)

Bill "An Act To Promote School Attendance by Exempting Virtual Public Charter School and Private School Students from Immunization Requirements" (H.P. 112) (L.D. 156) (Sponsored by Representative DRINKWATER of Milford) (Cosponsored by Representative: SAMPSON of Alfred)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act To Make the Arrearage Management Program Permanent" (H.P. 99) (L.D. 143) (Sponsored by Representative KESSLER of South Portland) (Cosponsored by Representative: O'CONNOR of Berwick)

Environment and Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Revise Maine's Environmental Laws" (H.P. 119) (L.D. 163) (Sponsored by Representative TUCKER of Brunswick)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Establish Maximum Contaminant Levels under the State's Drinking Water Rules for Certain Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances" (H.P. 120) (L.D. 164) (Sponsored by Representative TUCKER of Brunswick)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act To Allow Insurance Producers To Refer to Third Parties for Credit Card and Debit Card Payments" (H.P. 116) (L.D. 160) (Sponsored by Representative BLIER of Buxton) (Cosponsored by Representative: MORRIS of Turner)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Give the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Rule-making Authority To Establish a Bear Season Framework and Bag Limits" (H.P. 98) (L.D. 142) (Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake) (Submitted by the

Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

Bill "An Act To Increase the Minimum Grant Award under the Maine State Grant Program" (H.P. 90) (L.D. 134) (Sponsored by Representative CROCKETT of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Facilitate Licensure for Credentialed Individuals from Other Jurisdictions" (H.P. 105) (L.D. 149) (Sponsored by Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Implement the Attorney General's Recommendations on Data Collection in Order To Eliminate Profiling in Maine" (H.P. 88) (L.D. 132) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Uniform Probate Code" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 101) (L.D. 145) (Submitted by the Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 18-C, section 1-803, subsection 2.)

Bill "An Act To Extend Time Limits for Placing Land in Trust Status under the Maine Indian Claims Settlement" (H.P. 115) (L.D. 159) (Sponsored by Representative WOOD of Portland)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act Regarding Absence from Work for Emergency Response" (H.P. 93) (L.D. 137) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth)

Bill "An Act To Protect Farm Workers by Allowing Them To Organize for the Purpose of Collective Bargaining" (H.P. 107) (L.D. 151) (Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner) (Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Marine Resources

Bill "An Act To Address Training Requirements for Harbor Masters" (H.P. 108) (L.D. 152) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc and Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, MATLACK of St. George, O'NEIL of Saco, PIERCE of Falmouth)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act To Amend the Governor's Emergency Powers" (H.P. 87) (L.D. 131) (Sponsored by Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford) (Cosponsored by Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, BERNARD of Caribou, COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, KINNEY of Knox, KRYZAK of Acton, MORRIS of Turner, POIRIER of Skowhegan, TUELL of East Machias)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Change the Number of Legislators Required To Approve a Constitutional Amendment (H.P. 109) (L.D. 153) (Sponsored by Representative KINNEY of Knox) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, DOLLOFF of Milton Township, HALL of Wilton, TUELL of East Machias)

Bill "An Act To Eliminate Inactive Boards and Commissions" (H.P. 114) (L.D. 158) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Increase the Maximum Pension Deduction for State Income Tax" (H.P. 92) (L.D. 136) (Sponsored by Representative HANLEY of Pittston) (Cosponsored by Senator KEIM of Oxford)

Bill "An Act To Assist Certain Businesses in the State That Sell Prepared Food or Alcohol" (H.P. 96) (L.D. 140) (Sponsored by

Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford) (Cosponsored by Representative: MORRIS of Turner)

Bill "An Act To Make Technical Changes to the Tax Laws" (H.P. 97) (L.D. 141) (Sponsored by Representative TERRY of Gorham) (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor To Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory (H.P. 102) (L.D. 146) (Sponsored by Representative TERRY of Gorham) (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Update References to the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986 Contained in the Maine Revised Statutes and Amend Income Tax Modifications and the Maine Capital Investment Tax Credit" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 103) (L.D. 147) (Sponsored by Representative TERRY of Gorham) (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Transportation

Resolve, To Name Bridge 2267 in the Town of Embden and the Town of Solon the Jotham and Emma Stevens Bridge (H.P. 110) (L.D. 154) (Sponsored by Representative DUCHARME of Madison) (Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, GRIGNON of Athens, POIRIER of Skowhegan, SKOLFIELD of Weld, ZAGER of Portland)

Bill "An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, Highway 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, 2021, June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2023" (H.P. 117) (L.D. 161) (Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair) (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Bill "An Act To Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021" (H.P. 118) (L.D. 162) (Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair) (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapters 33 to 43, Concerning the Regulation of Fantasy Gambling, Major Substantive Rules of the Department of Public Safety, Gambling Control Unit (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 95) (L.D. 139) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.)

Bill "An Act To Establish Ongoing Absentee Voting" (H.P. 104) (L.D. 148) (Sponsored by Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Fair Representation of Candidate Identities" (H.P. 113) (L.D. 157) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth)

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 140)

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

January 21, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On January 21, 2021, 17 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on January 21, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Ending Hunger by 2030 Advisory Group" (H.P. 127) (L.D. 174) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Cosponsored by Representatives: LANDRY of Farmington, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, O'NEIL of Saco, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Create and Enhance Regional Homeless Shelters" (H.P. 128) (L.D. 175) (Sponsored by Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CARDONE of Bangor, COREY of Windham, CRAVEN of Lewiston, DOORE of Augusta, LOOKNER of Portland, MORALES of South Portland, STOVER of Boothbay, Senator: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Complete the Renovation of a Wharf and Bulkhead in Portland for Marine Research" (H.P. 134) (L.D. 181) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Amend the Storage Requirements for Consumer Fireworks" (H.P. 133) (L.D. 180) (Sponsored by Representative PERKINS of Oakland) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Facilitate a Grade 9 to 16 School Project" (H.P. 129) (L.D. 176) (Sponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford) (Cosponsored by Representative: FOSTER of Dexter, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act Pertaining to Transmission Lines Not Needed for Reliability or Local Generation" (H.P. 123) (L.D. 170) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth) (Cosponsored by Senator LAWRENCE of York and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, KESSLER of South Portland, McDONALD of Stonington, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act To Improve Prescription Information Access" (H.P. 125) (L.D. 172) (Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin)

Bill "An Act To Reduce Waste of Prescription Medications" (H.P. 131) (L.D. 178) (Sponsored by Representative CUDDY of Winterport)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Minimize the Propagation of Invasive Aquatic Plants" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 137) (L.D. 184) (Sponsored by Representative RISEMAN of Harrison) (Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, FAY of Raymond, HASENFUS of Readfield, HEPLER of Woolwich, Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

Bill "An Act To Enable Out-of-state Certified Public Accountancy Firms To Provide Services in Maine on the Basis of Substantial Equivalency" (H.P. 124) (L.D. 171) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BAILEY of Gorham, HASENFUS of Readfield, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, ROBERTS of South Berwick)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Improve Labor Laws for Workers in Maine" (H.P. 130) (L.D. 177) (Sponsored by Representative CUDDY of Winterport)

Bill "An Act To Expand the Definition of 'Essential Worker' To Include Retail and Food Service Workers" (H.P. 135) (L.D. 182) (Sponsored by Representative PAULHUS of Bath) (Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, HEPLER of Woolwich, SYLVESTER of Portland)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act To Establish Juneteenth as a Paid State Holiday" (H.P. 136) (L.D. 183) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representative: EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Exclude Energy Efficiency Improvements from Property Tax" (H.P. 132) (L.D. 179) (Sponsored by Representative KESSLER of South Portland)

Transportation

Bill "An Act To Allow Signs in a Public Right-of-way To Be Removed by the Landowner" (H.P. 139) (L.D. 186) (Sponsored by Representative KINNEY of Knox) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DUCHARME of Madison, GRIFFIN of Levant, MORRIS of Turner)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Restore Honor to Certain Service Members" (H.P. 126) (L.D. 173) (Sponsored by Representative WOOD of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, COREY of Windham, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, RIELLY of Westbrook, SUPICA of Bangor, Senator: DESCHAMBAULT of York)

Bill "An Act To Abolish Mandatory Political Caucuses" (H.P. 138) (L.D. 185) (Sponsored by Representative CARDONE of Bangor)

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 170)

**STATE OF MAINE
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January 25, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On January 25, 2021, 21 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on January 25, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 1: Fee Schedule, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Maine Land Use Planning Commission (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 142) (L.D. 207) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Maine Land Use Planning Commission pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.)

Bill "An Act To Enhance the Agricultural Marketing Loan Fund by Establishing a Variable Interest Rate for Loans and To Allow Participants in the Maine Farms for the Future Program To Borrow at That Rate" (H.P. 154) (L.D. 219) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Cosponsored by Representative: Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Accelerate Weatherization Efforts in the State" (H.P. 153) (L.D. 218) (Sponsored by Representative KESSLER of South Portland)

Bill "An Act To Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021" (H.P. 155) (L.D. 220) (Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth) (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Bill "An Act Making Unified 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, 2021, June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2023" (H.P. 156) (L.D. 221) (Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth) (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Require Instruction on the History of Genocide and the Holocaust" (H.P. 150) (L.D. 215) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Senator WOODSOME of York and Representatives: DOLLOFF of Milton Township, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, LIBBY of Auburn, ROCHE of Wells, SAMPSON of Alfred, STEARNS of Guilford)

Bill "An Act Concerning Civics Instruction" (H.P. 168) (L.D. 238) (Sponsored by Representative BAILEY of Gorham) (Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and Representatives: CROCKETT of Portland, HEPLER of Woolwich, ORDWAY of Standish, SALISBURY of Westbrook, TALBOT ROSS of

Portland, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, WOOD of Portland, Senator: WOODSOME of York)

Environment and Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Limit the Use of Hydrofluorocarbons To Fight Climate Change" (H.P. 161) (L.D. 226) (Sponsored by Representative TUCKER of Brunswick) (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Health and Human Services

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 234: Lead Testing in School Drinking Water Rule, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 141) (L.D. 206) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act To Modify Requirements for Multiple-party Accounts, Limited Purpose Financial Institutions and Mergers" (H.P. 159) (L.D. 224) (Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Support Senior Hunting by Allowing Lifetime Licensed Hunters over 65 Years of Age To Automatically Receive an Antlerless Deer Permit" (H.P. 147) (L.D. 212) (Sponsored by Representative DUCHARME of Madison) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, GRIGNON of Athens, O'CONNOR of Berwick, POIRIER of Skowhegan, ROCHE of Wells, Senator: FARRIN of Somerset)

Bill "An Act To Clarify Maine's Fish and Wildlife Licensing and Registration Laws" (H.P. 158) (L.D. 223) (Sponsored by Representative ALLEY of Beals) (Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

Bill "An Act To Require Crane Operators To Be Licensed" (H.P. 145) (L.D. 210) (Sponsored by Representative CUDDY of Winterport)

Bill "An Act To Require Furniture Sellers To Accept Cancellations before Delivery" (H.P. 165) (L.D. 235) (Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin)

Bill "An Act To Improve the Transparency of Real Estate Appraisals" (H.P. 169) (L.D. 239) (Sponsored by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act Concerning Name Changes for Minors" (H.P. 144) (L.D. 209) (Submitted by the Family Law Advisory Commission pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 19-A, section 354, subsection 2.)

Bill "An Act To Eliminate Qualified Immunity for Police Officers" (H.P. 149) (L.D. 214) (Sponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship) (Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, MORALES of South Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell)

Bill "An Act To Seal Marijuana Criminal Convictions and Civil Adjudications" (H.P. 151) (L.D. 216) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, HARNETT of Gardiner, ROEDER of Bangor,

TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Bill "An Act To Update the Maine Parentage Act" (H.P. 157) (L.D. 222) (Sponsored by Representative CARDONE of Bangor)

Bill "An Act To Provide Electronic Access to Confidential Juror Information" (H.P. 163) (L.D. 233) (Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner) (Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, MORALES of South Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: BAILEY of York)

Bill "An Act To Allow Veterans To Opt Out of Jury Duty" (H.P. 167) (L.D. 237) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, HARNETT of Gardiner, RIELLY of Westbrook, SHEEHAN of Biddeford, Senator: LUCHINI of Hancock)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Support Emergency Shelter Access for Persons Experiencing Homelessness" (H.P. 146) (L.D. 211) (Sponsored by Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CRAVEN of Lewiston, LOOKNER of Portland, MORALES of South Portland, SUPICA of Bangor, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Require Coverage for Female Firefighters Facing Reproductive System Cancer" (H.P. 148) (L.D. 213) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth) (Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, SACHS of Freeport, SUPICA of Bangor, Senator: BREEN of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Treatment of Vacation Time upon the Cessation of Employment" (H.P. 160) (L.D. 225) (Sponsored by Representative ROEDER of Bangor) (Cosponsored by Representative: CUDDY of Winterport)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act To Recognize 'My Sweet Maine' as Maine's Song of the 21st Century" (H.P. 162) (L.D. 232) (Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris) (Cosponsored by Representative: RISEMAN of Harrison)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Make Contributions Made To Pay Off School Meal Debt Tax-deductible" (H.P. 152) (L.D. 217) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Senator WOODSOME of York and Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, KRYZAK of Acton, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, ROCHE of Wells, SAMPSON of Alfred, STEARNS of Guilford)

Transportation

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Concerning the Annual Number of Ferry Service Trips to Matinicus Isle" (H.P. 164) (L.D. 234) (Sponsored by Representative MATLACK of St. George) (Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Definition of 'Reportable Accident'" (H.P. 166) (L.D. 236) (Sponsored by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich) (Cosponsored by Representatives: GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, STOVER of Boothbay, WARREN of Hallowell)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Expand Access to Absentee Ballots" (H.P. 143) (L.D. 208) (Sponsored by Representative BROOKS of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and Representatives: McCREIGHT of Harpswell, RIELLY of Westbrook)

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 186)

STATE OF MAINE

CLERK'S OFFICE

2 STATE HOUSE STATION

AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

January 27, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On January 27, 2021, 15 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on January 27, 2021, as follows:

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Ensure Student Success" (H.P. 176) (L.D. 255) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Study Truancy Trends in the State and Develop Recommendations for Increasing Student Attendance and Reducing Truancy (H.P. 182) (L.D. 261) (Sponsored by Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick) (Cosponsored by Senator RAFFERTY of York and Representatives: CROCKETT of Portland, DODGE of Belfast, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, ROCHE of Wells, SALISBURY of Westbrook, Senator: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act Regarding Public Utility Assessments, Fees and Penalties" (H.P. 172) (L.D. 251) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham)

Bill "An Act To Adjust Sewer and Wastewater Lien Fees" (H.P. 177) (L.D. 256) (Sponsored by Representative DOUDERA of Camden)

Environment and Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Improve Solid Waste Management" (H.P. 180) (L.D. 259) (Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington)

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Establishment, Collection and Use of Certain Fees for Nonwetland Habitat Mitigation Required by the Department of Environmental Protection for Project Permitting" (H.P. 181) (L.D. 260) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth)

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Aerial Application of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances" (H.P. 185) (L.D. 264) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Assist Nursing Homes in the Management of Facility Beds" (H.P. 171) (L.D. 250) (Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais) (Cosponsored by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin and Representative: McCREA of Fort Fairfield)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act To Allow Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists To Bill for Their Services" (H.P. 175) (L.D. 254) (Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Expand the Hunting Season for Deer" (H.P. 178) (L.D. 257) (Sponsored by Representative PARRY of Arundel)

Marine Resources

Bill "An Act To Make Technical Changes to Maine's Marine Resources Laws" (H.P. 184) (L.D. 263) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Combat Hunger by Creating a Tax Credit of 10 Percent of Wholesale Market Prices up to \$5,000 Annually for Businesses Engaged in Food Production for Donations of Food to Tax-exempt Organizations" (H.P. 183) (L.D. 262) (Sponsored by Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick) (Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, HALL of Wilton, MATLACK of St. George, McDONALD of Stonington, MEYER of Eliot, PLUECKER of Warren, TERRY of Gorham, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Transportation

Bill "An Act To Expand Training Opportunities for Department of Transportation Workers" (H.P. 173) (L.D. 252) (Sponsored by Representative BRYANT of Windham) (Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland and Representative: WHITE of Waterville)

Bill "An Act To Expand Eligibility for Special Emergency Medical Services Registration Plates to Ambulance Operators" (H.P. 179) (L.D. 258) (Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Maine's Election Laws by Requiring Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting" (H.P. 174) (L.D. 253) (Sponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples)

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 204)

**STATE OF MAINE
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January 28, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On January 28, 2021, 17 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on January 28, 2021, as follows:**Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**

Bill "An Act Regarding Maine Agriculture" (H.P. 198) (L.D. 282) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Recruit and Retain Department of Corrections Facilities Support Staff" (H.P. 187) (L.D. 271) (Sponsored by

Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Cosponsored by Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, LOOKNER of Portland, MORALES of South Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Bill "An Act To Protect Persons Detained or Committed in a Correctional or Detention Facility from Excessive Telephone or Video Charges" (H.P. 195) (L.D. 279) (Sponsored by Representative TUCKER of Brunswick)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Discontinue the Use of the SAT in Maine Schools" (H.P. 193) (L.D. 277) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Establish a Process for the Consideration and Implementation of Changes to Mandated Instruction or Training for Students" (H.P. 194) (L.D. 278) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Address Student Achievement Gaps" (H.P. 197) (L.D. 281) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act To Protect Utility Customers from Investor Risk for Costs Incurred Due to a Disaster" (H.P. 201) (L.D. 285) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham)

Health and Human Services

Resolve, To Address Inequities for Certain Direct Care Workers (H.P. 199) (L.D. 283) (Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

Bill "An Act To Require Electronic Benefits Transfer Cards To Be Printed with the Beneficiary's Photograph" (H.P. 203) (L.D. 287) (Sponsored by Representative CONNOR of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representative: DUCHARME of Madison)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Resolve, Directing the Maine Health Data Organization To Determine the Best Methods and Definitions To Use in Collecting Data To Better Understand Racial and Ethnic Disparities in the Provision of Health Care in Maine (H.P. 190) (L.D. 274) (Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham) (Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN of Cumberland and Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, BROOKS of Lewiston, TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Increase Funding for Snowmobile Trails and Capital Equipment Grants" (H.P. 196) (L.D. 280) (Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

Bill "An Act To Sustain the Doctors for Maine's Future Scholarship Program" (H.P. 189) (L.D. 273) (Sponsored by Representative ZAGER of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator MAXMIN of Lincoln and Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, HYMANSON of York, PERRY of Calais, PIERCE of Falmouth, Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, MOORE of Washington, SANBORN of Cumberland)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Establish Separate Prosecutorial Districts in Downeast Maine" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 188) (L.D. 272) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, COSTAIN of Plymouth, DOWNES of Bucksport, JAVNER of Chester, PERRY of Calais, PICKETT of Dixfield, Senators: CYRWAY of Kennebec, LUCHINI of Hancock)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Amend the Retirement Laws Pertaining to Certain Educational Technicians" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 191) (L.D. 275) (Sponsored by Representative CUDDY of Winterport) (Cosponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo and Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, HASENFUS of Readfield, ROEDER of Bangor, SYLVESTER of Portland, WARREN of Scarborough, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: RAFFERTY of York)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act To Make Election Day a State Holiday" (H.P. 202) (L.D. 286) (Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Improve and Update Maine's Tax Laws" (H.P. 192) (L.D. 276) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham) (Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

Transportation

Bill "An Act To Provide That Inspections of New Motor Vehicles Are Valid for 2 Years" (H.P. 200) (L.D. 284) (Sponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples)

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 217)

**STATE OF MAINE
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February 1, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On February 1, 2021, 12 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on February 1, 2021, as follows:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Fund Capital Improvements and Equipment for Career and Technical Education Centers and Regions To Prepare Students To Join Maine's Workforce" (H.P. 211) (L.D. 298) (Sponsored by Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford) (Cosponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin and Representatives: COREY of Windham, DILLINGHAM of Oxford, EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, FAY of Raymond, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, Senators: POULIOT of Kennebec, RAFFERTY of York)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Increase the State's Share of the Cost of Health Insurance for Retired Teachers" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 206) (L.D. 293) (Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of

Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Define the Term 'Behavioral Health'" (H.P. 210) (L.D. 297) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN of Cumberland and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, BROOKS of Lewiston, MEYER of Eliot, PERRY of Calais)

Bill "An Act To Eliminate the Working Cars for Working Families Program" (H.P. 215) (L.D. 302) (Sponsored by Representative RUDNICKI of Fairfield) (Cosponsored by Representatives: COSTAIN of Plymouth, DOLLOFF of Milton Township, KINNEY of Knox, NEWMAN of Belgrade, QUINT of Hodgdon, SAMPSON of Alfred, Senator: CYRWAY of Kennebec)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act To Repeal Restrictions That Prohibit Certain Advanced Practice Registered Nurses from Providing Essential Health Care Services" (H.P. 208) (L.D. 295) (Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais) (Cosponsored by Representatives: HEPLER of Woolwich, MEYER of Eliot)

Bill "An Act To Provide Clarity in the Laws Governing the Profession of Counseling" (H.P. 212) (L.D. 299) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell)

Bill "An Act Regarding Early Closures by Financial Institutions" (H.P. 213) (L.D. 300) (Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Bangor)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Simplify the Any-deer Permit Distribution System by Including the Ability To Purchase Additional Permits" (H.P. 207) (L.D. 294) (Sponsored by Representative LANDRY of Farmington) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, LYFORD of Eddington, THERIAULT of China, Senator: BLACK of Franklin)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

Bill "An Act To Increase the Minimum Grant Amount under the Maine State Grant Program" (H.P. 205) (L.D. 292) (Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth) (Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CROCKETT of Portland, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Provide a Tax Credit for Family Caregivers" (H.P. 209) (L.D. 296) (Sponsored by Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, CONNOR of Lewiston, COREY of Windham, HEPLER of Woolwich, OSHER of Orono, SACHS of Freeport, TERRY of Gorham, Senator: CARNEY of Cumberland)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act Regarding Adult Use Marijuana" (H.P. 214) (L.D. 301) (Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Bangor)

Bill "An Act To Establish Semi-open Primary Elections To Allow Unenrolled Voters To Participate" (H.P. 216) (L.D. 303) (Sponsored by Representative LOOKNER of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representative: BAILEY of Gorham, Senators: MOORE of Washington, POULIOT of Kennebec)

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 265)

**STATE OF MAINE
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February 4, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On February 4, 2021, 47 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on February 4, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Use of Chlorpyrifos" (H.P. 220) (L.D. 316) (Sponsored by Representative DOUDERA of Camden)

(Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, O'NEIL of Saco, OSHER of Orono, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Bill "An Act To Provide Occupants of Motor Vehicles with Gold Star Family Registration Plates Free Entry to State Parks and Historic Sites" (H.P. 226) (L.D. 322) (Sponsored by Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick) (Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and Representatives: McCREIGHT of Harpswell, McDONALD of Stonington, O'NEIL of Saco, WHITE of Waterville, Senators: LIBBY of Androscoggin, MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Bill "An Act To Limit Public Land Ownership in Maine" (H.P. 228) (L.D. 324) (Sponsored by Representative JAVNER of Chester) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: STANLEY of Medway, TUELL of East Machias, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Return Surplus Money to Maine Taxpayers" (H.P. 231) (L.D. 327) (Sponsored by Representative HANLEY of Pittston) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Issuance of Bonds" (H.P. 233) (L.D. 329) (Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner) (Cosponsored by Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senators: President JACKSON of Aroostook, MIRAMANT of Knox)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act Requiring the Use of Propane and Natural Gas Detectors" (H.P. 244) (L.D. 346) (Sponsored by Representative RECKITT of South Portland)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Expand the Definition of 'Education Disruption' To Include States of Emergency That Limit Students' Access to On-site Education for Longer Than 15 School Days" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 229) (L.D. 325) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, SALISBURY of Westbrook, Senators: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, WOODSOME of York)

Bill "An Act To Authorize Lifetime Teaching Certificates" (H.P. 230) (L.D. 326) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta)

Bill "An Act To Help Maine Students Catch Up and Keep Up by Providing Remedial and Compensatory Assistance in Response to Education Disruption" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 238) (L.D. 334) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth)

Bill "An Act To Increase the Number of Courses Regarding Autism Spectrum Disorder That Count toward Special Education Certification" (H.P. 248) (L.D. 350) (Sponsored by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle)

Resolve, To Require the Department of Education To Form a Family Income Data Collection Working Group (H.P. 260) (L.D. 362) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act To Continue the Green Power Electricity Offer" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 218) (L.D. 314) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham) (Submitted by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Provide More Options to Maine Electric Service Customers and Support Maine's Climate Goals" (H.P. 222) (L.D. 318) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth)

Bill "An Act To Facilitate Maine's Climate Goals by Encouraging Use of Electric Vehicles" (H.P. 245) (L.D. 347) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth)

Environment and Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Promote Energy Production from Recyclable Plastics" (H.P. 257) (L.D. 359) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Prevent Accidental Overdoses by Establishing a Protocol for Prescription Drug Recovery" (H.P. 234) (L.D. 330) (Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, KESSLER of South Portland, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, MEYER of Eliot, O'CONNOR of Berwick, PERRY of Calais, ZAGER of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Clarify Requirements for Criminal History Record Checks Pursuant to the Federal Family First Prevention Services Act" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 239) (L.D. 335) (Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

Bill "An Act To Set Aside Funds from Federal Block Grants for Certain Communities" (H.P. 241) (L.D. 343) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representative: MARTIN of Greene)

Bill "An Act To Repeal the Working Cars for Working Families Program" (H.P. 255) (L.D. 357) (Sponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples)

Resolve, To Reduce Barriers to Recovery from Addiction by Expanding Eligibility for Targeted Case Management Services (H.P. 258) (L.D. 360) (Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act Regarding Insurance Coverage for Telehealth Services" (H.P. 227) (L.D. 323) (Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais) (Cosponsored by Representatives: HYMANSON of York, TEPLER of Topsham)

Bill "An Act Regarding Telehealth" (H.P. 237) (L.D. 333) (Sponsored by Representative HYMANSON of York)

Bill "An Act To Maintain the Integrity of the Individual and Small Group Health Insurance Markets" (H.P. 250) (L.D. 352) (Sponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

Bill "An Act To Protect Consumers from Surprise Medical Bills" (H.P. 263) (L.D. 365) (Sponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Use of Personal Watercraft on Keyes Pond in the Town of Sweden" (H.P. 247) (L.D. 349) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Waterford)

Bill "An Act To Increase Opportunities for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities To Participate in Moose Hunting" (H.P. 254) (L.D. 356) (Sponsored by Representative ALLEY of Beals)

Bill "An Act To Establish a Permanent Appointment of a Member of the Wabanaki Tribes to the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council" (H.P. 259) (L.D. 361) (Sponsored by Representative NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, HEPLER of Woolwich, McDONALD of Stonington, PERRY of Calais, Senators: CURRY of Waldo, DILL of Penobscot)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Provide the Right to Counsel for Juveniles and Improve Due Process for Juveniles" (H.P. 224) (L.D. 320) (Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator KEIM of Oxford)

Bill "An Act To Protect Student Privacy" (H.P. 235) (L.D. 331) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DODGE of Belfast, FECTEAU of Augusta, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, STEARNS of Guilford, Senators: DESCHAMBAULT of York, DIAMOND of Cumberland)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on the Sex of an Individual (H.P. 242) (L.D. 344) (Sponsored by Representative RECKITT of South Portland)

Bill "An Act Updating Certain Probate Filing and Certification Fees To Reflect Current Costs" (H.P. 243) (L.D. 345) (Sponsored by Representative RECKITT of South Portland)

Bill "An Act To Give Oversight Powers to the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services" (H.P. 246) (L.D. 348) (Sponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship)

Bill "An Act To Require Pest Disclosure in All Real Estate Transactions" (H.P. 253) (L.D. 355) (Sponsored by Representative CONNOR of Lewiston)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Statute of Limitations for Injuries or Harm Resulting from Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances" (H.P. 261) (L.D. 363) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and Representative: O'NEIL of Saco, Senators: CARNEY of Cumberland, MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Bill "An Act Regarding Emergency Guardianship" (H.P. 264) (L.D. 366) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and Representatives: BABBIDGE of Kennebunk, EVANGELOS of Friendship, HARNETT of Gardiner, RECKITT of South Portland, Senator: CARNEY of Cumberland)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Create Equality in Retirement for Forest Rangers with That of Employees of State Conservation Law Enforcement Agencies" (H.P. 221) (L.D. 317) (Sponsored by Representative DOORE of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CUDDY of Winterport, MADIGAN of Waterville, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot)

Bill "An Act To Promote Socially Responsible Investing by the Maine Public Employees Retirement System by Prohibiting Investment in the Fossil Fuel Industry or For-profit Prisons" (H.P.

223) (L.D. 319) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Protect Workers from Unsafe Working Conditions with Regard to Indoor Temperatures" (H.P. 256) (L.D. 358) (Sponsored by Representative WHITE of Waterville) (Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot and Representatives: CUDDY of Winterport, FECTEAU of Augusta, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, SYLVESTER of Portland, WARREN of Scarborough, Senator: MIRAMANT of Knox)

Marine Resources

Bill "An Act To Reevaluate the Frenchboro Area Dragging Exclusion Zone" (H.P. 236) (L.D. 332) (Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington)

Bill "An Act To Establish a Permanent Appointment of a Member of the Wabanaki Tribes to the Marine Resources Advisory Council" (H.P. 240) (L.D. 342) (Sponsored by Representative NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe) (Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, EVANGELOS of Friendship, PERRY of Calais, PLUECKER of Warren, WARREN of Scarborough, Senators: MAXMIN of Lincoln, MOORE of Washington)

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Safety of Maine's Scallop Fleet" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 262) (L.D. 364) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, JAVNER of Chester, KINNEY of Knox, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PERRY of Calais)

State and Local Government

Resolve, To Require State Departments To Report on Rule Changes within State Government since the Beginning of the COVID-19 Pandemic (H.P. 219) (L.D. 315) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, DILLINGHAM of Oxford, FOSTER of Dexter, HAGGAN of Hampden, STETKIS of Canaan, Senator: KEIM of Oxford)

Bill "An Act To Limit State Legislators to a Lifetime Total of 16 Years of Legislative Service" (H.P. 225) (L.D. 321) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CONNOR of Lewiston, LIBBY of Auburn, O'CONNOR of Berwick, STETKIS of Canaan)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Fully Fund and Restore State-Municipal Revenue Sharing" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 232) (L.D. 328) (Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, LANDRY of Farmington, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, RECKITT of South Portland, STOVER of Boothbay, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook)

Bill "An Act Regarding Municipal Valuation and State-owned Property" (H.P. 249) (L.D. 351) (Sponsored by Representative FOSTER of Dexter) (Cosponsored by Representatives: LANDRY of Farmington, STEARNS of Guilford, TUELL of East Machias, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, MOORE of Washington)

Transportation

Bill "An Act To Require Motor Vehicle Inspections Every 2 Years" (H.P. 252) (L.D. 354) (Sponsored by Representative CONNOR of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, GRIFFIN of Levant, LIBBY of Auburn, MORRIS of Turner, O'CONNOR of Berwick, ROCHE of Wells, RUDNICKI of Fairfield)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Establish Medical Marijuana Cooperatives" (H.P. 251) (L.D. 353) (Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Hallowell) (Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and

Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, GRIGNON of Athens, HARRINGTON of Sanford, WHITE of Waterville, Senators: CHIPMAN of Cumberland, MOORE of Washington)

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 307)

**STATE OF MAINE
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February 8, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On February 8, 2021, 41 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on February 8, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Bill "An Act Regarding the Production and Sale of Birch Syrup and Birch Syrup Products" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 300) (L.D. 416) (Sponsored by Representative KINNEY of Knox) (Cosponsored by Representatives: HALL of Wilton, HARRINGTON of Sanford, MORRIS of Turner, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Fund the Transition from a Fossil Fuel-based to an Electrical Energy Economy" (H.P. 268) (L.D. 384) (Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Modify the Composition of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy" (H.P. 284) (L.D. 400) (Sponsored by Representative BELL of Yarmouth)

Bill "An Act To Protect Maine's Drivers from Pretextual Traffic Stops" (H.P. 301) (L.D. 417) (Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell)

Bill "An Act Regarding Participation in Public Works Projects by Pretrial Inmates" (H.P. 303) (L.D. 419) (Sponsored by Representative COSTAIN of Plymouth) (Cosponsored by Representatives: PICKETT of Dixfield, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, WARREN of Hallowell)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Improve Operations at the Department of Education" (H.P. 270) (L.D. 386) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Study the Costs and Feasibility of Requiring Industrial Arts To Be Offered in All Maine Public High Schools" (H.P. 290) (L.D. 406) (Sponsored by Representative ORDDWAY of Standish)

Bill "An Act To Create Parity between Private Schools and Public Schools Regarding Career and Technical Education Tuition Rates" (H.P. 298) (L.D. 414) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act Concerning Small Wireless Facilities in Maine" (H.P. 267) (L.D. 383) (Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough)

Bill "An Act To Amend Conflicts in the Laws Governing the Efficiency Maine Trust" (H.P. 269) (L.D. 385) (Sponsored by Representative KESSLER of South Portland)

Environment and Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Reduce the Amount of Waste Going into Landfills" (H.P. 271) (L.D. 387) (Sponsored by Representative ALLEY of Beals)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Mapping of Shoreland Zones" (H.P. 274) (L.D. 390) (Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Health and Human Services" (H.P. 277) (L.D. 393) (Sponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot)

Bill "An Act To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Provide Assistance with Applications for Basic Necessities To Prevent Children Being Removed from Parental Custody" (H.P. 280) (L.D. 396) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

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. 299) (L.D. 415) (Sponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford) (Cosponsored by Representative: MEYER of Eliot)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Inland Fisheries and Wildlife" (H.P. 273) (L.D. 389) (Sponsored by Representative LANDRY of Farmington)

Bill "An Act To Protect Maine's Loons and Other Wildlife in the Issuance of a Permit To Hold a Regatta, Race or Boat or Water-ski Exhibition" (H.P. 278) (L.D. 394) (Sponsored by Representative ORDDWAY of Standish)

Bill "An Act To Preserve Deer Habitat" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 288) (L.D. 404) (Sponsored by Representative JOHANSEN of Monticello)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Implement Recommendations of the Sixth Amendment Center Concerning Indigent Legal Services" (H.P. 282) (L.D. 398) (Sponsored by Representative CARDONE of Bangor)

Bill "An Act To Protect an Individual's Personal Data" (H.P. 286) (L.D. 402) (Sponsored by Representative WHITE of Waterville) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and Representatives: BLIER of Buxton, BROOKS of Lewiston, COREY of Windham, EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, FECTEAU of Augusta, O'NEIL of Saco, PLUECKER of Warren, Senator: POULIOT of Kennebec)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Fair Judicial Outcomes" (H.P. 295) (L.D. 411) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Revised Unclaimed Property Act" (H.P. 304) (L.D. 420) (Sponsored by Representative RIELLY of Westbrook) (Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN of Cumberland and Representative: HARNETT of Gardiner)

Bill "An Act To Enact the Maine Uniform Trust Decanting Act" (H.P. 306) (L.D. 422) (Submitted by the Probate and Trust Law

Advisory Commission pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 18-C, section 1-803, subsection 2.)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Recalculate Retirement Benefits for Certain State Employees Adversely Affected by Merit Pay Freezes" (H.P. 281) (L.D. 397) (Sponsored by Representative PICKETT of Dixfield) (Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: COSTAIN of Plymouth, NEWMAN of Belgrade, Senator: DESCHAMBAULT of York)

Bill "An Act To Clarify Retirement Benefits under the Maine Public Employees Retirement System" (H.P. 283) (L.D. 399) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth)

Marine Resources

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Marine Resources" (H.P. 275) (L.D. 391) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Regulating the Operation of the Legislature" (H.P. 292) (L.D. 408) (Sponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Amend the Tax Laws" (H.P. 276) (L.D. 392) (Sponsored by Representative TERRY of Gorham)

Bill "An Act To Provide a Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Certain Nonprofit Cemeteries" (H.P. 285) (L.D. 401) (Sponsored by Representative UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle) (Cosponsored by Senator: STEWART of Aroostook)

Bill "An Act To Assist Service Center Communities by Adjusting State-Municipal Revenue Sharing" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 287) (L.D. 403) (Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

Bill "An Act To Provide Funding To Restore Fully State-Municipal Revenue Sharing" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 293) (L.D. 409) (Sponsored by Representative RISEMAN of Harrison)

Bill "An Act To Authorize the Use of Tax Increment Financing Funds for Constructing or Renovating Municipal Offices and Other Buildings" (H.P. 296) (L.D. 412) (Sponsored by Representative CARLOW of Buxton) (Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and Representative: BAILEY of Gorham)

Bill "An Act To Create a Graduated Real Estate Transfer Tax" (H.P. 302) (L.D. 418) (Sponsored by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor) (Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland and Representatives: KESSLER of South Portland, LOOKNER of Portland, MORALES of South Portland, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, ROEDER of Bangor)

Transportation

Bill "An Act Regarding the Department of Transportation and Electric Vehicle Charging Stations" (H.P. 266) (L.D. 382) (Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Scarborough)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Transportation" (H.P. 272) (L.D. 388) (Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair)

Bill "An Act To Remove the Authorization for Temporary Signs To Be Placed in the Public Right-of-way" (H.P. 279) (L.D. 395) (Sponsored by Representative ORDWAY of Standish)

Bill "An Act To Provide Funding for the Reconstruction of Route 161 from Fort Kent to Caribou" (H.P. 294) (L.D. 410) (Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake) (Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Prevent Fraudulent Endorsements in Political Materials" (H.P. 289) (L.D. 405) (Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

Bill "An Act To Improve Education Funding through Lottery Proceeds" (H.P. 291) (L.D. 407) (Sponsored by Representative ALLEY of Beals)

Bill "An Act To Apply the Same Auditing Standards to All Candidates and Political Action Committees" (H.P. 297) (L.D. 413) (Sponsored by Representative RISEMAN of Harrison)

Bill "An Act To Increase the Number of Plants a Medical Marijuana Caregiver May Cultivate" (H.P. 305) (L.D. 421) (Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland) (Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, MADIGAN of Waterville, NADEAU of Winslow, O'CONNOR of Berwick, PERRY of Calais, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot)

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.
Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 316)
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February 9, 2021
Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
130th Legislature
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:
On February 9, 2021, 8 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on February 9, 2021, as follows:

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Protect the Health of Students and Educators by Requiring the Establishment of Health and Safety Committees in School Administrative Units" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 309) (L.D. 429) (Sponsored by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, DUNPHY of Old Town, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Provide for School Choice and Online Learning Opportunities in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic" (H.P. 310) (L.D. 430) (Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris)

Health and Human Services

Resolve, To Improve Behavioral Health Care for Children (H.P. 312) (L.D. 432) (Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Allow Winners of Moose Permits To Sell Subpermittee Selections" (H.P. 313) (L.D. 433) (Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris) (BY REQUEST)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Bonding Authority of Counties for Capital Maintenance Projects" (H.P. 314) (L.D. 434) (Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Prevent Tax Haven Abuse" (H.P. 308) (L.D. 428) (Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham) (Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MATLACK of St. George, Senator: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Provide a Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Certain Educational Collaboratives" (H.P. 315) (L.D. 435) (Sponsored by Representative PICKETT of Dixfield) (Cosponsored by Representatives: HANLEY of Pittston, STEARNS of Guilford, TUELL of East Machias)

Transportation

Bill "An Act To Repeal the Requirement That Certain Motor Vehicles Be Inspected" (H.P. 311) (L.D. 431) (Sponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples)

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

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The Following Communication: (H.P. 356)

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February 11, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On February 11, 2021, 39 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on February 11, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Bill "An Act To Provide Free State Park Passes to Persons with Disabilities" (H.P. 333) (L.D. 457) (Sponsored by Representative CUDDY of Winterport)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Support a Climate Center at the Gulf of Maine Research Institute" (H.P. 342) (L.D. 466) (Sponsored by Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford)

Bill "An Act To Propose a General Fund Bond Issue To Train Workers in High-demand Sectors and Support the State's 10-year Economic Plan Goal of Increasing Wages by 10 Percent" (H.P. 355) (L.D. 481) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Waterford) (Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representative: COREY of Windham)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Provide Licensed Assisted Living and Nursing Facilities Levels of Care for Incarcerated Persons" (H.P. 350) (L.D. 476) (Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland)

Bill "An Act To Allow for Fair Restitution by Providing That Restitution Does Not Include the Cost of Analysis of Suspected Illegal Drugs" (H.P. 351) (L.D. 477) (Sponsored by

Representative WARREN of Hallowell) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, EVANGELOS of Friendship, LOOKNER of Portland, PERRY of Calais)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Create Parity between Department of Education Recommendations and Maine Principals' Association Guidelines for Sports" (H.P. 320) (L.D. 444) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor)

Bill "An Act To Require Certain Schools To Provide Menstrual Products" (H.P. 328) (L.D. 452) (Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham) (Cosponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DODGE of Belfast, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, Senator: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Establish a Permanent Appointment of a Member of the Wabanaki Tribes to the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System" (H.P. 329) (L.D. 453) (Sponsored by Representative NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: BAILEY of Gorham, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, Senator: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Update the Laws Regarding Private Schools That Serve At-risk Youth" (H.P. 341) (L.D. 465) (Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth)

Bill "An Act Regarding School Discipline for Maine's Youngest Children" (H.P. 348) (L.D. 474) (Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Promote the Education of Patients by Primary Care and Urgent Care Physicians Regarding the Bone Marrow Transplant List" (H.P. 326) (L.D. 450) (Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, STOVER of Boothbay, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin)

Bill "An Act To Allow the Reduction of a MaineCare Lien" (H.P. 337) (L.D. 461) (Sponsored by Representative CARDONE of Bangor)

Resolve, To Create the Frequent Users System Engagement Collaborative (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 349) (L.D. 475) (Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act To Expand Adult Dental Health Insurance Coverage" (H.P. 317) (L.D. 441) (Sponsored by Representative BROOKS of Lewiston)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Choices in Health Insurance Markets" (H.P. 319) (L.D. 443) (Sponsored by Representative MORRIS of Turner)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Allow Deer Baiting by Hunters" (H.P. 321) (L.D. 445) (Sponsored by Representative LYFORD of Eddington)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

Bill "An Act To Change the Licensing Authority for Tattoo Artists" (H.P. 335) (L.D. 459) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, DOORE of Augusta, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: STEWART of Aroostook)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act Regarding Recording of Witness Interviews" (H.P. 324) (L.D. 448) (Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner) (Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, FECTEAU of Augusta, MORALES of South Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell)

Bill "An Act To Establish a Fund To Compensate Unjustly Incarcerated Persons" (H.P. 352) (L.D. 478) (Sponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship)

Bill "An Act To Establish a Presumption of Entitlement to Counsel for a Person Who Is the Subject of an Adult Guardianship, Conservatorship or Other Protective Arrangement Proceeding" (H.P. 354) (L.D. 480) (Sponsored by Representative CARDONE of Bangor)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Require Equivalent Paid Parental Leave for All Parents Employed by Companies Offering Paid Parental Leave" (H.P. 323) (L.D. 447) (Sponsored by Representative ROEDER of Bangor) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DUNPHY of Old Town, McDONALD of Stonington, SUPICA of Bangor, Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot)

Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Ability of Public Employers and Unions To Negotiate" (H.P. 325) (L.D. 449) (Sponsored by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DUNPHY of Old Town, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, ROBERTS of South Berwick, SYLVESTER of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: President JACKSON of Aroostook)

Bill "An Act To Give the State the Sole Authority To Establish a Minimum Wage and Hazard Pay with Certain Exceptions" (H.P. 331) (L.D. 455) (Sponsored by Representative NEWMAN of Belgrade) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, COSTAIN of Plymouth, PICKETT of Dixfield)

Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Employment Laws To Help Front-line and Other Workers" (H.P. 336) (L.D. 460) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Better House Maine Residents" (H.P. 339) (L.D. 463) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Change Certain Labor Laws" (H.P. 340) (L.D. 464) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Support E-9-1-1 Dispatchers and Corrections Officers Diagnosed with Post-traumatic Stress Disorder" (H.P. 343) (L.D. 467) (Sponsored by Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Labor and Housing" (H.P. 344) (L.D. 468) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Safety across Maine's Construction Industry" (H.P. 345) (L.D. 469) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Create the Maine Rental Assistance and Voucher Guarantee Program" (H.P. 347) (L.D. 473) (Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland)

Marine Resources

Bill "An Act To Ensure Equity in the Shellfish Depuration Compensation Process for Municipalities by Increasing the Rate of Reimbursement Paid to Municipalities" (H.P. 330) (L.D. 454) (Sponsored by Representative MATLACK of St. George) (Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, SACHS of Freeport, Senator: LUCHINI of Hancock)

State and Local Government

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Create the Office of Lieutenant Governor (H.P. 318) (L.D. 442) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representative: CUDDY of Winterport)

Bill "An Act To Reestablish the State Planning Office" (H.P. 322) (L.D. 446) (Sponsored by Representative BAILEY of Gorham) (Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot and

Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, COPELAND of Saco, DOORE of Augusta, HARNETT of Gardiner, PAULHUS of Bath, RISEMAN of Harrison, SACHS of Freeport, WARREN of Hallowell)

Bill "An Act To Reexamine the Relationship among County, Municipal and State Governments" (H.P. 338) (L.D. 462) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland)

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 104: Certain Payments Not Immediate, a Major Substantive Rule of the Treasurer of State (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 346) (L.D. 472) (Submitted by the Treasurer of State pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.)

Transportation

Bill "An Act To Support Public Transportation Infrastructure in York and Cumberland Counties" (H.P. 334) (L.D. 458) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Representative: COPELAND of Saco, Senator: BAILEY of York)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Remove the Party Designation from Return Envelopes for Absentee Ballots for the General Election" (H.P. 327) (L.D. 451) (Sponsored by Representative RUDNICKI of Fairfield) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, DOLLOFF of Milton Township, O'CONNOR of Berwick, PARRY of Arundel, PICKETT of Dixfield, POIRIER of Skowhegan, STANLEY of Medway)

Bill "An Act To Protect Voter Identification by Prohibiting a Voter's Party Designation from Appearing on Absentee Ballot Envelopes" (H.P. 332) (L.D. 456) (Sponsored by Representative SAMPSON of Alfred) (Cosponsored by Senator KEIM of Oxford and Representatives: DRINKWATER of Milford, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, FECTEAU of Augusta, LYMAN of Livermore Falls, MASON of Lisbon, RUDNICKI of Fairfield)

Bill "An Act To Ban Foreign Campaign Contributions and Expenditures in Maine Elections" (H.P. 353) (L.D. 479) (Sponsored by Representative BAILEY of Gorham) (Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: BELL of Yarmouth, CARLOW of Buxton, COREY of Windham, DOUDERA of Camden, EVANGELOS of Friendship, HASENFUS of Readfield, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, WOOD of Portland)

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 384)

**STATE OF MAINE
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February 17, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On February 17, 2021, 27 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on February 17, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Bill "An Act To Protect Children from Exposure to Toxic Chemicals" (H.P. 382) (L.D. 519) (Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator MAXMIN of Lincoln and Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, DUNPHY of Old Town, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, LOOKNER of Portland, O'NEIL of Saco, OSHER of Orono, PLUECKER of Warren, Senator: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Promote the Construction of Energy-efficient Affordable Homes and the Adaptive Reuse, Repair and Weatherization of Existing Homes for Low-income Seniors" (H.P. 380) (L.D. 517) (Sponsored by Representative BABBIDGE of Kennebunk) (Cosponsored by Representatives: FAY of Raymond, MORALES of South Portland, OSHER of Orono, STEARNS of Guilford, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: RAFFERTY of York)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Expand the Disciplinary Authority of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy" (H.P. 368) (L.D. 505) (Sponsored by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield) (Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, HARNETT of Gardiner, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MEYER of Eliot, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: KEIM of Oxford)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Membership of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and Its Complaint Review Committee" (H.P. 376) (L.D. 513) (Sponsored by Representative RECKITT of South Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York and Representatives: MORALES of South Portland, PLUECKER of Warren, WARREN of Hallowell)

Bill "An Act To Establish and Promote a System of Safe Disposal of Expired Marine Flares" (H.P. 377) (L.D. 514) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc and Representatives: MATLACK of St. George, McDONALD of Stonington, PICKETT of Dixfield, RECKITT of South Portland, TUELL of East Machias, WARREN of Hallowell)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Create New Models of Maine Manufacturing Employment and Education" (H.P. 378) (L.D. 515) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland) (Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and Representatives: CUDDY of Winterport, O'NEIL of Saco, Senator: CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Review Career and Technical Education Courses and Provide Guidance on High School Credit Equivalencies (H.P. 379) (L.D. 516) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Senator WOODSOME of York and Representatives: ROCHE of Wells, SAMPSON of Alfred, STEARNS of Guilford, WHITE of Waterville, Senators: POULIOT of Kennebec, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Review and Assess Existing Educational Mandates (H.P. 381) (L.D. 518) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 895: Underground Facility Damage Prevention Requirements, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 363) (L.D. 500) (Submitted by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072)

Bill "An Act To Improve Consumer Protections for Community Solar Projects" (H.P. 370) (L.D. 507) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham) (Submitted by the Office of the Public Advocate pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Improve Regulation of Door-to-door Marketing of Retail Energy Supply" (H.P. 371) (L.D. 508) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham) (Submitted by the Office of the Public Advocate pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Require Telephone Service Providers To Provide at No Cost to Customers Services Designed To Reduce the Number of So-called Robocalls and Automatically Dialed Telephone Calls" (H.P. 374) (L.D. 511) (Sponsored by Representative DODGE of Belfast) (Cosponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CUDDY of Winterport, DOUDERA of Camden, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, MORIARTY of Cumberland, RISEMAN of Harrison, Senator: VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

Bill "An Act To Continue the Green Power Offer for Electricity" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 383) (L.D. 520) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham)

Environment and Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Broaden the Definition of 'Working Waterfront' with Respect to Land Use Planning" (H.P. 365) (L.D. 502) (Sponsored by Representative McDONALD of Stonington)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Clear Waiting Lists for and Ensure Timely Access to Mental Health Services for Maine Children" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 359) (L.D. 496) (Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, MADIGAN of Waterville, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, PERRY of Calais, SACHS of Freeport, STOVER of Boothbay, WHITE of Waterville)

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Supports for Families and Children through a Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention and Early Intervention Program" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 360) (L.D. 497) (Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville) (Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, CRAVEN of Lewiston, HARNETT of Gardiner, MEYER of Eliot, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot)

Bill "An Act To Eliminate the Waiting Lists for Older and Disabled Residents Who Are Eligible To Receive Home-based Care" (H.P. 362) (L.D. 499) (Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CLOUTIER of

Lewiston, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, MADIGAN of Waterville, PERRY of Calais, SACHS of Freeport, STOVER of Boothbay, Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot)

Resolve, To Help Children in Therapeutic Foster Care Move toward Adoption (H.P. 366) (L.D. 503) (Sponsored by Representative KINNEY of Knox)

Resolve, To Reduce Stigma Regarding Substance Use Disorder by Requiring the Use of Respectful Language in the MaineCare Benefits Manual and Other Department of Health and Human Services Publications (H.P. 373) (L.D. 510) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MEYER of Eliot, STOVER of Boothbay, Senators: CURRY of Waldo, MOORE of Washington)

Bill "An Act To Provide Intensive Case Managers to Counties That Do Not Have County Jails or Regional Jails" (H.P. 375) (L.D. 512) (Sponsored by Representative DODGE of Belfast) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, MADIGAN of Waterville, MORALES of South Portland, PERRY of Calais, RECKITT of South Portland, STOVER of Boothbay, WARREN of Hallowell, ZAGER of Portland)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Resolve, Regarding Certification for Certain Mental Health Rehabilitation Technicians (H.P. 367) (L.D. 504) (Sponsored by Representative SACHS of Freeport) (Cosponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland and Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, CRAVEN of Lewiston, FAY of Raymond, SHEEHAN of Biddeford, SUPICA of Bangor, TEPLER of Topsham)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Change the Compensation Structure of the Maine Labor Relations Board and the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation" (H.P. 357) (L.D. 494) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland) (Submitted by the Maine Labor Relations Board pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Protect Teachers from a Decrease in Retirement Benefits Arising from the COVID-19 Pandemic" (H.P. 372) (L.D. 509) (Sponsored by Representative DODGE of Belfast) (Cosponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo and Representatives: CROCKETT of Portland, CUDDY of Winterport, HEPLER of Woolwich, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, SALISBURY of Westbrook, Senator: RAFFERTY of York)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Improve Income Tax Progressivity by Establishing New Top Individual Income Tax Rates" (H.P. 358) (L.D. 495) (Sponsored by Representative OSHER of Orono) (Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland and Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, COPELAND of Saco, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MORALES of South Portland, RECKITT of South Portland, ROEDER of Bangor, TEPLER of Topsham, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor)

Bill "An Act To Reauthorize a 3 Percent Tax on Income over \$200,000 To Lift All Maine Workers out of Poverty" (H.P. 361) (L.D. 498) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Amend Maine's Corporate Income Tax by Increasing the Top Rate from 8.93 Percent to 12.4 Percent" (H.P. 364) (L.D. 501) (Sponsored by Representative BROOKS of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLINGS of Portland, CRAVEN of Lewiston, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, TERRY of Gorham, Senator: CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Reduce the Tax Burden on Low-income Electricity Customers" (H.P. 369) (L.D. 506) (Sponsored by

Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham) (Submitted by the Office of the Public Advocate pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 437)

**STATE OF MAINE
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February 22, 2021
Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
130th Legislature
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On February 22, 2021, 52 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on February 22, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To Study Alternative Cropping Systems for Farmers Affected by Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Contamination (H.P. 403) (L.D. 558) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Cosponsored by Senator MAXMIN of Lincoln and Representatives: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, LANDRY of Farmington, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, O'NEIL of Saco, OSHER of Orono, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: DILL of Penobscot)

Resolve, To Improve Standards for Animal Rescue Entities (H.P. 406) (L.D. 561) (Sponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford) (Cosponsored by Representatives: KINNEY of Knox, LANDRY of Farmington, Senators: BLACK of Franklin, DAVIS of Piscataquis)

Bill "An Act To Establish a Working Farmland Access and Protection Program within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and a Working Farmland Access and Protection Fund within the Land for Maine's Future Program" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 413) (L.D. 568) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Cosponsored by Representative: Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 204.)

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Maine Food Sovereignty Act" (H.P. 419) (L.D. 574) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Cosponsored by Representatives: FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, O'NEIL of Saco, OSHER of Orono, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry" (H.P. 429) (L.D. 586) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Maine Juvenile Justice System Assessment and Reinvestment Task Force" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 391) (L.D. 546) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act Concerning Records of the Employment of Law Enforcement Officers and Corrections Officers" (H.P. 418) (L.D. 573) (Sponsored by Representative COREY of Windham) (Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, COSTAIN of Plymouth, FAY of Raymond, PICKETT of Dixfield, WARREN of Hallowell)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Include Community Service Hours in High School Graduation Standards" (H.P. 394) (L.D. 549) (Sponsored by Representative POIRIER of Skowhegan) (Cosponsored by Representative: DUCHARME of Madison)

Resolve, Directing the State Board of Education To Adopt Rules Prohibiting Teachers in Public Schools from Engaging in Political, Ideological or Religious Advocacy in the Classroom (H.P. 395) (L.D. 550) (Sponsored by Representative CARMICHAEL of Greenbush) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DOLLOFF of Milton Township, DUCHARME of Madison, GRIFFIN of Levant, MASON of Lisbon, POIRIER of Skowhegan)

Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Individualized Education Program Process" (H.P. 397) (L.D. 552) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, CROCKETT of Portland, DODGE of Belfast, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor, Senator: RAFFERTY of York)

Bill "An Act To Address Labor Market Inequities in the School Funding Formula" (H.P. 411) (L.D. 566) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias)

Bill "An Act To Assist Students in Preparing for Opportunities To Live and Work in Maine" (H.P. 417) (L.D. 572) (Sponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford) (Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CROCKETT of Portland, ROCHE of Wells, WHITE of Waterville, Senators: TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, WOODSOME of York)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act To Accelerate Weatherization Efforts in the State" (H.P. 396) (L.D. 551) (Sponsored by Representative KESSLER of South Portland) (Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec)

Bill "An Act To Repeal the Changes Made by Public Law 2019, Chapter 478, 'An Act To Promote Solar Energy Projects and Distributed Generation Resources in Maine'" (H.P. 426) (L.D. 583) (Sponsored by Representative HANLEY of Pittston) (Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset)

Environment and Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Restore Regular Eelgrass Mapping in the State" (H.P. 436) (L.D. 593) (Sponsored by Representative MCCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Representatives: O'CONNOR of Berwick, TUCKER of Brunswick, ZEIGLER of Montville, Senators: CARNEY of Cumberland, MAXMIN of Lincoln, VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Improve the Rights and Basic Protections of Persons with Acquired Brain Injuries" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 404) (L.D. 559) (Sponsored by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, MEYER of Eliot, PERRY of Calais, Senator: VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 6: Crisis Prevention and Intervention Services, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Aging and Disability Services (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 420) (L.D. 577) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.)

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 113: Regulations Governing the Licensing and Functioning of Assisted Housing Programs: Infection Prevention and Control, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Licensing and Certification (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 421) (L.D. 578) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.)

Bill "An Act To Support the Fidelity and Sustainability of Assertive Community Treatment" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 425) (L.D. 582) (Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

Bill "An Act To Require MaineCare Coverage for Ostomy Equipment" (H.P. 433) (L.D. 590) (Sponsored by Representative LEMELIN of Chelsea) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: CONNOR of Lewiston, GRIFFIN of Levant, JAVNER of Chester)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Access to Outpatient Mental Health Services by Increasing Reimbursement for Outpatient Therapists" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 435) (L.D. 592) (Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, MADIGAN of Waterville, STOVER of Boothbay)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act To Promote Safety and Protect Consumers Using Peer-to-peer Car Sharing Programs" (H.P. 385) (L.D. 540) (Sponsored by Representative TEPLER of Topsham) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, BRENNAN of Portland, BROOKS of Lewiston)

Bill "An Act To Improve Health Care Data Analysis" (H.P. 386) (L.D. 541) (Sponsored by Representative PERRY of Calais)

Bill "An Act Regarding Copayment and Coinsurance Issues for Chiropractors" (H.P. 401) (L.D. 556) (Sponsored by Representative DOORE of Augusta)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Eliminate Moose Permits for Hunting Lodges" (H.P. 389) (L.D. 544) (Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris) (BY REQUEST)

Bill "An Act Regarding Nuisance Beavers" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 392) (L.D. 547) (Sponsored by Representative KINNEY of Knox) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: DOLLOFF of Milton Township, KRYZAK of Acton, MASON of Lisbon, SKOLFIELD of Weld, STEARNS of Guilford, TUELL of East Machias)

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Hunting with a Bow within 100 Yards of a Building or Residence" (H.P. 414) (L.D. 569) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, LANDRY of Farmington, MASON of Lisbon, McCREA of Fort Fairfield)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Combat the Sexual Exploitation of Minors in Maine" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 390) (L.D. 545) (Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris) (Cosponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland and Representatives: ROBERTS of South Berwick, WARREN of Hallowell)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Safe Haven Laws" (H.P. 405) (L.D. 560) (Sponsored by Representative COREY of Windham)

(Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, COSTAIN of Plymouth, KINNEY of Knox, MADIGAN of Waterville, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: DIAMOND of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Enhance Tribal-State Collaboration in the Enforcement of Child Support" (H.P. 407) (L.D. 562) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Resolve, To Create the Criminal Records Review Committee (H.P. 408) (L.D. 563) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Resolve, To Conduct an Independent Examination of the Protection Order System To Determine whether There Is Systemic Misuse by Applicants (H.P. 422) (L.D. 579) (Sponsored by Representative HANLEY of Pittston)

Bill "An Act To Restore to the Penobscot Nation and Passamaquoddy Tribe the Authority To Exercise Jurisdiction under the Federal Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010" (H.P. 428) (L.D. 585) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, PERRY of Calais, ZAGER of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Provide Access to Justice for Victims of Child Sexual Abuse" (H.P. 432) (L.D. 589) (Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland and Representatives: Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, HARNETT of Gardiner, RECKITT of South Portland, Senators: BAILEY of York, President JACKSON of Aroostook)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Provide That the Minimum Wage Increases by the Cost of Living Every 3 Years" (H.P. 388) (L.D. 543) (Sponsored by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, HAGGAN of Hampden, MORRIS of Turner)

Bill "An Act Regarding Penalties for Early Retirement for Certain Members of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System" (H.P. 393) (L.D. 548) (Sponsored by Representative DOORE of Augusta)

Bill "An Act To End At-will Employment" (H.P. 398) (L.D. 553) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Expand the Rights of Public Sector Employees" (H.P. 400) (L.D. 555) (Sponsored by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Penalty for Early Retirement for Certain Members of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System" (H.P. 412) (L.D. 567) (Sponsored by Representative HANLEY of Pittston)

Resolve, To Expedite Processing of Applications for Certification under the Federal Work Opportunity Tax Credit (H.P. 424) (L.D. 581) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act To Save Money by Eliminating the Requirement That the Annual Reports of State Agencies Be Printed" (H.P. 409) (L.D. 564) (Sponsored by Representative CONNOR of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, DUCHARME of Madison, LEMELIN of Chelsea, NADEAU of Winslow, ROCHE of Wells)

Resolve, To Establish the Commission To Study the Reduction of Unfunded and Outdated Municipal Mandates (H.P. 427) (L.D. 584) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias) (Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Representatives: DOWNES of Bucksport, DUCHARME of Madison, ROCHE of Wells, SKOLFIELD of Weld, Senator: MOORE of Washington)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Provide for Fairness in the Taxation of Extraordinary and Unearned Income by Establishing a 3 Percent Surcharge on Net Capital Gains and Dividends Income over \$250,000 for Taxpayers Filing Single or Married Separate Returns and over \$500,000 for Taxpayers Filing Joint Returns" (H.P. 415) (L.D. 570) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham) (Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland and Representatives: CARDONE of Bangor, COLLINGS of Portland, DUNPHY of Old Town, KESSLER of South Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: SANBORN of Cumberland)

Transportation

Bill "An Act To Study the Fee Structure for Motor Vehicle Inspections as It Relates to the Viability of Inspection Stations" (H.P. 410) (L.D. 565) (Sponsored by Representative HARRINGTON of Sanford) (BY REQUEST)

Resolve, To Name a Bridge in the Town of Veazie the Hayward Carl Spencer Memorial Bridge (H.P. 416) (L.D. 571) (Sponsored by Representative LYFORD of Eddington)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Provide Support Services for Military Members Transitioning to Civilian Life in Maine" (H.P. 387) (L.D. 542) (Sponsored by Representative TERRY of Gorham)

Bill "An Act To Create Gaming Equity and Fairness for the Native American Tribes in Maine" (H.P. 399) (L.D. 554) (Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, PERRY of Calais, Senator: MOORE of Washington)

Bill "An Act To Require Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting" (H.P. 402) (L.D. 557) (Sponsored by Representative JOHANSEN of Monticello)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Regarding Early Voting (H.P. 423) (L.D. 580) (Sponsored by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act Regarding the Licensing of Persons To Conduct Advance Deposit Wagering" (H.P. 430) (L.D. 587) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Waterford)

Resolve, To Study Veterans' Benefits in Maine (H.P. 431) (L.D. 588) (Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, DRINKWATER of Milford, EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, MARTIN of Sinclair, O'CONNELL of Brewer, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis)

Bill "An Act Regarding Agency Liquor Store Licensing" (H.P. 434) (L.D. 591) (Sponsored by Representative CAIAZZO of Scarborough) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CROCKETT of Portland, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, LIBBY of Auburn, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, SUPICA of Bangor, WARREN of Scarborough, Senator: LUCHINI of Hancock)

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 466)

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February 25, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On February 25, 2021, 26 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on February 25, 2021, as follows:

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Promote Accountability in Maine's Charter Schools" (H.P. 440) (L.D. 604) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Environment and Natural Resources

Bill "An Act Regarding the Outdoor Release or Abandonment of Balloons" (H.P. 454) (L.D. 618) (Sponsored by Representative BLUME of York)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act Regarding the Child Protection System" (H.P. 442) (L.D. 606) (Sponsored by Representative HYMANSON of York) (Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and Representatives: MADIGAN of Waterville, MEYER of Eliot)

Resolve, To Extend Funding to Maine Veterans' Homes during the COVID-19 Pandemic (H.P. 450) (L.D. 614) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, BERNARD of Caribou, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MILLETT of Waterford, PERRY of Calais, Senators: FARRIN of Somerset, President JACKSON of Aroostook, LUCHINI of Hancock)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Tobacco Specialty Stores" (H.P. 460) (L.D. 624) (Sponsored by Representative HARRINGTON of Sanford)

Resolve, To Establish the Task Force To Study Improving Safety and Provide Protection from Violence for Health Care Workers in Hospitals and Mental Health Care Providers (H.P. 465) (L.D. 629) (Sponsored by Representative RISEMAN of Harrison) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BAILEY of Gorham, DOUDERA of Camden, EVANGELOS of Friendship, PLUECKER of Warren, RECKITT of South Portland, WARREN of Scarborough)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act To Remove the Advanced Cardiac Life Support Certification Requirement for Dental Therapists" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 451) (L.D. 615) (Sponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth)

Bill "An Act Concerning Prior Authorizations for Prescription Drugs" (H.P. 453) (L.D. 617) (Sponsored by Representative BROOKS of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, TEPLER of Topsham, Senators: BRENNER of Cumberland, SANBORN of Cumberland)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Clarify Temporary Mooring Privileges for Moorings on Inland Waters" (H.P. 462) (L.D. 626) (Sponsored by Representative STEARNS of Guilford) (Cosponsored by

Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: COREY of Windham, FAY of Raymond, LANDRY of Farmington, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, ORDDWAY of Standish)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

Bill "An Act To Recognize Occupational Licenses and Certifications from Other States To Attract New Residents and Businesses to Maine" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 448) (L.D. 612) (Sponsored by Representative ANDREWS of Paris)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Marriage of Any Person under 18 Years of Age" (H.P. 458) (L.D. 622) (Sponsored by Representative O'CONNELL of Brewer) (Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Representatives: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, OSHER of Orono, Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, DIAMOND of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Statute of Limitations for Injuries or Harm Resulting from Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances" (H.P. 463) (L.D. 627) (Sponsored by Representative PARRY of Arundel) (Cosponsored by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec and Representatives: COREY of Windham, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, KINNEY of Knox, O'CONNOR of Berwick, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, THERIAULT of China, TUELL of East Machias, Senator: DIAMOND of Cumberland)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Restore Overtime Protections for Maine Workers" (H.P. 443) (L.D. 607) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Resolve, To Establish a Commission To Increase Housing Opportunities in Maine by Studying Zoning and Land Use Restrictions (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 445) (L.D. 609) (Sponsored by Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford) (Cosponsored by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, CROCKETT of Portland, DOUDERA of Camden, MORALES of South Portland, STOVER of Boothbay, WARREN of Scarborough, Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Employer Recovery of Overcompensation Paid to an Employee" (H.P. 446) (L.D. 610) (Sponsored by Representative DOORE of Augusta)

Bill "An Act To Increase Accountability for Wage Violations" (H.P. 452) (L.D. 616) (Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland)

Resolve, To Develop a Plan for Teachers To Collect Social Security (H.P. 456) (L.D. 620) (Sponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act Regarding the Governor's Emergency Powers" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 444) (L.D. 608) (Sponsored by Representative JOHANSEN of Monticello) (Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and Representatives: QUINT of Hodgdon, STANLEY of Medway, UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle)

Bill "An Act To Increase the Number of Franklin County Commissioners" (H.P. 457) (L.D. 621) (Sponsored by Representative LANDRY of Farmington) (Cosponsored by Representative: SKOLFIELD of Weld, Senator: BLACK of Franklin)

Bill "An Act To Protect Businesses and Civic and Religious Organizations from Actions Taken Pursuant to an Emergency Proclamation" (H.P. 464) (L.D. 628) (Sponsored by Representative CARMICHAEL of Greenbush) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DILLINGHAM of Oxford, DUCHARME of

Madison, GIFFORD of Lincoln, GRIFFIN of Levant, MASON of Lisbon, O'CONNOR of Berwick, WADSWORTH of Hiram)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Exempt Long-term Lodging from the 9 Percent Sales Tax on Lodging" (H.P. 447) (L.D. 611) (Sponsored by Representative RUDNICKI of Fairfield)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Amend the Marijuana Legalization Act" (H.P. 441) (L.D. 605) (Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Adult Use Marijuana Program Rules and Make Other Technical Changes" (H.P. 449) (L.D. 613) (Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth)

Bill "An Act To Allow Christine Pratt To Be Buried at the Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery" (H.P. 455) (L.D. 619) (Sponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Advance Deposit Wagering Laws" (H.P. 459) (L.D. 623) (Sponsored by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell) (Cosponsored by Representative: DILLINGHAM of Oxford, Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, President JACKSON of Aroostook, LIBBY of Androscoggin)

Resolve, Directing a Review of Crucial Needs and Lapses in Responding to and Preventing Sexual Trauma in the Maine National Guard (H.P. 461) (L.D. 625) (Sponsored by Representative RIELLY of Westbrook) (Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, SUPICA of Bangor, WOOD of Portland, Senator: LUCHINI of Hancock)

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 498)

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March 1, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On March 1, 2021, 30 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on March 1, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Law Enforcement Powers of the Bureau of Parks and Lands" (H.P. 484) (L.D. 657) (Sponsored by Representative SKOLFIELD of Weld) (Cosponsored by Senator BLACK of Franklin and Representatives: FAY of Raymond, KINNEY of Knox, LANDRY of Farmington, PICKETT of Dixfield, TUELL of East Machias, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, FARRIN of Somerset)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Ensure Equity in Petitions for Rulemaking under the Maine Administrative Procedure Act" (H.P. 488) (L.D. 661) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Make Comprehensive Substance Use Disorder Treatment Available to Maine's Incarcerated Population" (H.P. 490) (L.D. 663) (Sponsored by Representative WARREN of Hallowell)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Improve Professional Training for School Counselors" (H.P. 470) (L.D. 639) (Sponsored by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DODGE of Belfast, HEPLER of Woolwich, STOVER of Boothbay, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Bill "An Act To Direct the Department of Education To Establish a Working Group To Determine Best Practices and Accountability Standards for School Boards To Manage the Performance of Superintendents" (H.P. 474) (L.D. 643) (Sponsored by Representative GERE of Kennebunkport) (Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: BAILEY of Gorham, CUDDY of Winterport, EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, McDONALD of Stonington, MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth, ROEDER of Bangor, SUPICA of Bangor, TEPLER of Topsham)

Bill "An Act To Increase Funding for School Construction Projects" (H.P. 477) (L.D. 650) (Sponsored by Representative BAILEY of Gorham) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CARLOW of Buxton, DODGE of Belfast, PIERCE of Falmouth, TERRY of Gorham, Senator: BRENNER of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Stabilize Student Count in Maine's School Funding Formula" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 478) (L.D. 651) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth) (Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, PIERCE of Falmouth, WOOD of Portland, Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin)

Bill "An Act To Require at Least a 30-minute Lunch Period for Students" (H.P. 482) (L.D. 655) (Sponsored by Representative DODGE of Belfast) (Cosponsored by Representatives: McCREA of Fort Fairfield, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MORALES of South Portland, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, PERRY of Calais, SALISBURY of Westbrook, Senators: MOORE of Washington, VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act To Create Synergy between Maine Industry and Maine's Energy Goals in the Use of Certain Funds by the Efficiency Maine Trust" (H.P. 494) (L.D. 667) (Sponsored by Representative KESSLER of South Portland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DUCHARME of Madison, DUNPHY of Old Town)

Environment and Natural Resources

Bill "An Act To Ban Single-serving, Disposable Plastic Water Bottles" (H.P. 471) (L.D. 640) (Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, KESSLER of South Portland, ZEIGLER of Montville, Senator: MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Health and Human Services

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 21: Rules for the Provision of Room and Board Payments for Residential Programs Serving Children, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 468) (L.D. 637) (Submitted by the Department of Health and Human

Services pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.)

Bill "An Act To Include an Emergency Reimbursement Rate Review Process in Rate Setting by the Department of Health and Human Services" (H.P. 479) (L.D. 652) (Sponsored by Representative SACHS of Freeport) (Cosponsored by Representatives: HYMANSON of York, PERRY of Calais, STOVER of Boothbay, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WOOD of Portland)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act To Provide Maine Residents Losing Employer-based Health Coverage with Information about Other Coverage" (H.P. 480) (L.D. 653) (Sponsored by Representative ARFORD of Brunswick) (Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN of Cumberland and Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, EVANS of Dover-Foxcroft, MATHIESON of Kittery, TEPLER of Topsham, Senators: CARNEY of Cumberland, KEIM of Oxford, STEWART of Aroostook)

Bill "An Act To Promote Better Dental Care for Cancer Survivors" (H.P. 492) (L.D. 665) (Sponsored by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Lewiston, STOVER of Boothbay, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Lower the Youth Hunting Age" (H.P. 493) (L.D. 666) (Sponsored by Representative WHITE of Mars Hill) (Cosponsored by Representatives: MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MASON of Lisbon, ORDDWAY of Standish, Senators: President JACKSON of Aroostook, POULIOT of Kennebec, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Ensure That Children Receive Behavioral Health Services" (H.P. 473) (L.D. 642) (Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Representatives: MADIGAN of Waterville, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, WARREN of Hallowell, Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, MOORE of Washington)

Bill "An Act Regarding Protection from Power Outages for Tenants 65 Years of Age and Older in Subsidized Housing" (H.P. 487) (L.D. 660) (Sponsored by Representative HEAD of Bethel)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Public Accountability While Implementing a Practical Approach to Remote Participation" (H.P. 495) (L.D. 668) (Sponsored by Representative BABBIDGE of Kennebunk)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Create a 24-hour Shelter Capital Project Funding Program" (H.P. 481) (L.D. 654) (Sponsored by Representative ARFORD of Brunswick) (Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: BELL of Yarmouth, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CUDDY of Winterport, KESSLER of South Portland, MORALES of South Portland, SACHS of Freeport, SYLVESTER of Portland)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Ease the Property Tax Burden by Authorizing Municipalities To Require Payments in Lieu of Taxes from Certain Exempt Organizations" (H.P. 486) (L.D. 659) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: PICKETT of Dixfield, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, STANLEY of Medway)

Transportation

Bill "An Act Regarding Motor Vehicle Registration Violations" (H.P. 475) (L.D. 644) (Sponsored by Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston) (Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN of

Cumberland and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CONNOR of Lewiston, CRAVEN of Lewiston, LOOKNER of Portland, MORALES of South Portland, PLUECKER of Warren, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: LIBBY of Androscoggin)

Resolve, To Create an Electronic Tinting Work Group (H.P. 476) (L.D. 645) (Sponsored by Representative WHITE of Waterville) (Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN of Cumberland and Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, COSTAIN of Plymouth, MARTIN of Greene, WARREN of Scarborough)

Bill "An Act To Provide Chiefs of Police the Discretion To Allow the Use of Light Bars on Emergency Vehicles" (H.P. 489) (L.D. 662) (Sponsored by Representative WADSWORTH of Hiram)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Public Ways Are Compliant with the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990" (H.P. 496) (L.D. 669) (Sponsored by Representative MORALES of South Portland)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Timely and Transparent Delivery of Unofficial Election Results in Maine" (H.P. 469) (L.D. 638) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias)

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Contributions, Expenditures and Participation by Foreign Nationals To Influence Referenda" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 472) (L.D. 641) (Sponsored by Representative RISEMAN of Harrison)

Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Integrity of the Office of Marijuana Policy" (H.P. 483) (L.D. 656) (Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Provide Funding for 3 Veterans Services Officers in the Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services" (H.P. 485) (L.D. 658) (Sponsored by Representative FECTEAU of Augusta) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, CONNOR of Lewiston, COSTAIN of Plymouth, DRINKWATER of Milford, O'CONNELL of Brewer, STETKIS of Canaan, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis)

Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Integrity of the Maine Clean Election Program" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 491) (L.D. 664) (Sponsored by Representative COLLINGS of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Increase the Lobbyist Registration Fee" (H.P. 497) (L.D. 670) (Submitted by the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 1009.)

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate
READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.
Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 522)

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March 2, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On March 2, 2021, 23 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on March 2, 2021, as follows:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Bill "An Act To Support Farms and Address Food Insecurity" (H.P. 503) (L.D. 691) (Sponsored by Representative PLUECKER of Warren) (Cosponsored by Representatives: McCREA of Fort Fairfield, O'NEIL of Saco, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senators: BRENNER of Cumberland, DILL of Penobscot, MAXMIN of Lincoln)

Bill "An Act To Promote Economic Development and Outdoor Recreation through Investment in State Parks" (H.P. 512) (L.D. 700) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Representatives: DUNPHY of Old Town, SKOLFIELD of Weld)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Promote the Conservation of Land, Working Waterfronts, Water Access and Outdoor Recreation" (H.P. 499) (L.D. 687) (Sponsored by Representative COREY of Windham) (Cosponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland and Representatives: HALL of Wilton, KINNEY of Knox, MILLETT of Waterford, MORRIS of Turner, ROCHE of Wells, THORNE of Carmel, Senator: BENNETT of Oxford)

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Recapitalize the School Revolving Renovation Fund" (H.P. 514) (L.D. 702) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth) (Cosponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland and Representatives: BELL of Yarmouth, CROCKETT of Portland, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, PIERCE of Falmouth)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Solitary Confinement in Maine's Corrections System" (H.P. 508) (L.D. 696) (Sponsored by Representative LOOKNER of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: MORALES of South Portland, RECKITT of South Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell, Senator: CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Require the Education of High School Students in Certain Life Skills" (H.P. 513) (L.D. 701) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Representatives: COPELAND of Saco, WHITE of Waterville, Senator: BAILEY of York)

Resolve, To Improve Air Quality and Ventilation in Maine's Public Schools (H.P. 517) (L.D. 705) (Sponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth) (Cosponsored by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, McCREA of

Fort Fairfield, SALISBURY of Westbrook, Senator: BRENNER of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Promote Student Health by Requiring School Administrative Units To Offer Extracurricular Sports as a Requirement of Receiving State Education Funds" (H.P. 519) (L.D. 707) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act To Allow Municipal Utility Expansion under Certain Conditions" (H.P. 507) (L.D. 695) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham)

Bill "An Act To Enhance the Energy Security of Maine Residents" (H.P. 509) (L.D. 697) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham)

Resolve, To Provide a Brief Moratorium on Certain New Net Energy Billing Arrangements and To Examine the Costs and Benefits of Net Energy Billing (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 521) (L.D. 709) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Provide Stable Funding and Support for Child Care Providers" (H.P. 510) (L.D. 698) (Sponsored by Representative PEBWORTH of Blue Hill) (Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and Representative: MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth)

Bill "An Act To Create a Kinship Care Navigator Program within the Department of Health and Human Services" (H.P. 511) (L.D. 699) (Sponsored by Representative STOVER of Boothbay) (Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, COREY of Windham, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MADIGAN of Waterville, MATLACK of St. George, MEYER of Eliot, TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act Concerning Business Interruption Insurance" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 506) (L.D. 694) (Sponsored by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach) (Cosponsored by Senator BAILEY of York and Representatives: MATHIESON of Kittery, TEPLER of Topsham)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act To Establish the Operation Game Thief Fund and Allow an Applicant for a State Hunting or Fishing License To Make a Donation To Prevent Illegal Hunting and Fishing" (H.P. 504) (L.D. 692) (Sponsored by Representative ORDWAY of Standish)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act To Promote Justice for Victims of Childhood Sexual Abuse" (H.P. 500) (L.D. 688) (Sponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

Bill "An Act To Ensure That Victims of Assault, Battery and False Imprisonment, Including Victims of Domestic Violence, Have Parity under Tort Law" (H.P. 502) (L.D. 690) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland and Representative: CARDONE of Bangor, Senator: KEIM of Oxford)

Labor and Housing

Bill "An Act To Increase the Amount to Which a State Employee or Teacher Retiree's Cost-of-living Adjustment Is Applied from \$20,000 to the Retiree's Actual Retirement Benefit" (H.P. 515) (L.D. 703) (Sponsored by Representative PICKETT of Dixfield) (Cosponsored by Representatives: COSTAIN of Plymouth, NEWMAN of Belgrade, SKOLFIELD of Weld, TUELL of East Machias, UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Increase the Homestead Exemption to \$50,000" (H.P. 520) (L.D. 708) (Sponsored by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor) (Cosponsored by

Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, GIFFORD of Lincoln, GRIGNON of Athens, MASON of Lisbon, O'CONNOR of Berwick, PARRY of Arundel, THORNE of Carmel, TUELL of East Machias)

Transportation

Bill "An Act To Allow Trucks To Use the Leftmost Lane of a Three-lane Interstate Highway To Safely Accommodate Entering and Exiting Vehicles" (H.P. 501) (L.D. 689) (Sponsored by Representative KINNEY of Knox) (Cosponsored by Representative GRIGNON of Athens)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Culvert Replacement" (H.P. 516) (L.D. 704) (Sponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Make the Pilot Program Providing Mental Health Case Management Services to Veterans a Permanent Program" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 505) (L.D. 693) (Sponsored by Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PIERCE of Falmouth, RIELLY of Westbrook, WHITE of Waterville, Senators: President JACKSON of Aroostook, LUCHINI of Hancock)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Lower the Voting Age to 16 Years of Age (H.P. 518) (L.D. 706) (Sponsored by Representative O'NEIL of Saco) (Cosponsored by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland and Representatives: MORALES of South Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.P. 528)

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

March 3, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

130th Legislature

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

130th Legislature

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

On March 3, 2021, 15 bills were received by the Clerk of the House.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on March 3, 2021, as follows:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act To Make Certain Appropriations and Allocations and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government" (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 525) (L.D. 715) (Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill "An Act Regarding the Maine Criminal Code" (H.P. 523) (L.D. 710) (Submitted by the Criminal Law Advisory Commission

pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, section 1354, subsection 2.)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Establishing Regional School Units" (H.P. 534) (L.D. 723) (Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Bill "An Act To Allow the Efficiency Maine Trust To Own Electricity Facilities" (H.P. 527) (L.D. 717) (Sponsored by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham)

Bill "An Act To Provide Funds to Aroostook County for Broadband Development" (H.P. 531) (L.D. 720) (Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake)

Environment and Natural Resources

Resolve, To Study the Establishment of the Maine Climate Corps (H.P. 533) (L.D. 722) (Sponsored by Representative RIELLY of Westbrook) (Cosponsored by Representatives: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, O'NEIL of Saco, TUCKER of Brunswick, Senators: BRENNER of Cumberland, CARNEY of Cumberland)

Bill "An Act To Combat Climate Change and Address Its Impact in Maine" (H.P. 537) (L.D. 726) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Health and Human Services

Bill "An Act To Enhance and Improve the Maine Developmental Services Oversight and Advisory Board and To Establish the Aging and Disability Mortality Review Panel" (H.P. 526) (L.D. 716) (Sponsored by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

Bill "An Act To Improve the Health of Maine Residents by Closing Coverage Gaps in the MaineCare Program and the Children's Health Insurance Program" (H.P. 529) (L.D. 718) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland) (Cosponsored by Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, DUNPHY of Old Town, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, MEYER of Eliot, TEPLER of Topsham, Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin)

Resolve, To Ensure the Health and Wellness of Older Residents of the State (H.P. 538) (L.D. 727) (Sponsored by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

Judiciary

Resolve, To Establish the Commission To Create a Plan To Incorporate the Probate Courts into the Judicial Branch (H.P. 530) (L.D. 719) (Sponsored by Representative CARDONE of Bangor)

Bill "An Act To Improve Transparency in State Code and License Violations by Making Public the Names of Complainants" (H.P. 536) (L.D. 725) (Sponsored by Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford)

State and Local Government

Bill "An Act To Increase Transparency in Certain Expenditures of the Governor" (H.P. 532) (L.D. 721) (Sponsored by Representative TUELL of East Machias) (Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and Representatives: CARMICHAEL of Greenbush, DOLLOFF of Milton Township)

Taxation

Bill "An Act To Base the Vehicle and Mobile Home Excise Tax on Actual Value" (H.P. 535) (L.D. 724) (Sponsored by Representative ORDWAY of Standish)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act To Support the Recovery of Maine's Craft Spirits Industry" (H.P. 524) (L.D. 714) (Sponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth)

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

S/Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate
READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.
Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 5)

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

TO: Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
FROM: S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
DATE: December 11, 2020
RE: Committee Appointments
130th Legislature

Pursuant to my authority under House Rule 201.1(l)(a), I have made the following appointments to the various Joint Standing Committees:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Margaret M. O'Neil, Chair (D-Saco)
David Harold McCrea (D-Fort Fairfield)
H. Scott Landry, Jr. (D-Farmington)
Laurie Osher (D-Orono)
Randall C. Hall (R-Wilton)*
Thomas H. Skolfield (R-Weld)
Susan Bernard (R-Caribou)
Jeffrey Allen Gifford (R-Lincoln)
Joseph F. Underwood (R-Presque Isle)
William D. Pluecker (I-Warren)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Teresa S. Pierce, Chair (D-Falmouth)
John L. Martin (D-Eagle Lake)
Patricia Hymanson (D-York)
Jessica L. Fay (D-Raymond)
Barbara A. Cardone (D-Bangor)
Kristen Sarah Cloutier (D-Lewiston)
H. Sawin Millett, Jr. (R-Waterford)*
Amy Bradstreet Arata (R-New Gloucester)
Patrick W. Corey (R-Windham)
Justin Fecteau (R-Augusta)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Charlotte Warren, Chair (D-Hallowell)
Victoria E. Morales (D-South Portland)
Lois Galgay Reckitt (D-South Portland)
Braden Sharpe (D-Durham)
Grayson B. Lookner (D-Portland)
Richard A. Pickett (R-Dixfield)*
Danny Edward Costain (R-Plymouth)
Shelley Rudnicki (R-Fairfield)
Daniel J. Newman (R-Belgrade)
William D. Pluecker (I-Warren)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Michael F. Brennan, Chair (D-Portland)
Rebecca J. Millett (D-Cape Elizabeth)
David Harold McCrea (D-Fort Fairfield)
Janice S. Dodge (D-Belfast)
W. Edward Crockett (D-Portland)
Suzanne M. Salisbury (D-Westbrook)
Paul A. Stearns (R-Guilford)*
Heidi H. Sampson (R-Alfred)
Sheila A. Lyman (R-Livermore Falls)
Timothy M. Roche (R-Wells)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Seth A. Berry, Chair (D-Bowdoinham)
Scott W. Cuddy (D-Winterport)
Nicole Grohoski (D-Ellsworth)
Christopher J. Kessler (D-South Portland)
Stanley Paige Zeigler, Jr. (D-Montville)
Barbara A. Wood (D-Portland)
Nathan J. Wadsworth (R-Hiram)*
Chad Wayne Grignon (R-Athens)
Steven D. Foster (R-Dexter)
Nathan Michael Carlow (R-Buxton)

Environment and Natural Resources

Ralph L. Tucker, Chair (D-Brunswick)
Lydia C. Blume (D-York)
Lori K. Gramlich (D-Old Orchard Beach)
Stanley Paige Zeigler, Jr. (D-Montville)
Victoria W. Doudera (D-Camden)
Arthur L. Bell (D-Yarmouth)
Jeffrey P. Hanley (R-Pittston)*
Chris A. Johansen (R-Monticello)
Beth A. O'Connor (R-Berwick)
William R. Tuell (R-East Machias)

Health and Human Services

Michele Meyer, Chair (D-Eliot)
Margaret Craven (D-Lewiston)
Anne C. Perry (D-Calais)
Colleen M. Madigan (D-Waterville)
Holly B. Stover (D-Boothbay)
Samuel Lewis Zager (D-Portland)
Kathy Irene Javner (R-Chester)*
Abigail W. Griffin (R-Levant)
Jonathan M. Connor (R-Lewiston)
Michael H. Lemelin (R-Chelsea)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Denise A. Tepler, Chair (D-Topsham)
Heidi E. Brooks (D-Lewiston)
Gina M. Melaragno (D-Auburn)
Poppy Arford (D-Brunswick)
Richard A. Evans (D-Dover-Foxcroft)
Kristi Michele Mathieson (D-Kittery)
Joshua Morris (R-Turner)*
Mark John Blier (R-Buxton)
Jonathan M. Connor (R-Lewiston)
Tracy L. Quint (R-Hodgdon)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

H. Scott Landry, Jr., Chair (D-Farmington)
John L. Martin (D-Eagle Lake)
Roland Danny Martin (D-Sinclair)
Robert W. Alley, Sr. (D-Beals)
Allison Hepler (D-Woolwich)
Timothy S. Theriault (R-China)*
Peter A. Lyford (R-Eddington)
Lester S. Ordway (R-Standish)
Richard G. Mason (R-Lisbon)
Cathy R. Nadeau (R-Winslow)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Commerce

Tiffany Roberts, Chair (D-South Berwick)
Sarah Pebworth (D-Blue Hill)
Kyle R. Bailey (D-Gorham)
Valli D. Geiger (D-Rockland)
Tavis Rock Hasenfus (D-Readfield)
Susan Bernard (R-Caribou)*
Susan M. W. Austin (R-Gray)

John E. Ducharme III (R-Madison)
Amanda N. Collamore (R-Pittsfield)
John Andrews (L-Paris)

Judiciary

Thom Harnett, Chair (D-Gardiner)
Christopher W. Babbidge (D-Kennebunk)
Lois Galgay Reckitt (D-South Portland)
Stephen W. Moriarty (D-Cumberland)
Erin R. Sheehan (D-Biddeford)
David G. Haggan (R-Hampden)*
Kathy L. Downes (R-Bucksport)
Laurel D. Libby (R-Auburn)
Jennifer L. Poirier (R-Skowhegan)
Jeffrey Evangelos (I-Friendship)
Rena D. Newell (the Passamaquoddy Tribe)

Labor and Housing

Michael A. Sylvester, Chair (D-Portland)
Scott W. Cuddy (D-Winterport)
Sarah Peabworth (D-Blue Hill)
Traci Gere (D-Kennebunkport)
Amy J. Roeder (D-Bangor)
Richard T. Bradstreet (R-Vassalboro)*
Joshua Morris (R-Turner)
Dwayne W. Prescott (R-Waterboro)
Gary A. Drinkwater (R-Milford)
Sophia B. Warren (I-Scarborough)

Marine Resources

Joyce "Jay" McCreight, Chair (D-Harpswell)
Robert W. Alley, Sr. (D-Beals)
Lydia C. Blume (D-York)
Allison Hepler (D-Woolwich)
Genevieve McDonald (D-Stonington)
Lydia V. Crafts (D-Newcastle)
Billy Bob Faulkingham (R-Winter Harbor)*
Sherman H. Hutchins (R-Penobscot)
Peggy Jo Stanley (R-Medway)
James E. Thorne (R-Carmel)

State and Local Government

Ann Higgins Matlack, Chair (D-St. George)
Mark E. Bryant (D-Windham)
Donna R. Doore (D-Augusta)
Sean C. Paulhus (D-Bath)
Lynn H. Copeland (D-Saco)
William R. Tuell (R-East Machias)*
Frances M. Head (R-Bethel)
Kathy L. Downes (R-Bucksport)
Randall Adam Greenwood (R-Wales)
Walter N. Riseman (I-Harrison)

Taxation

Maureen Fitzgerald Terry, Chair (D-Gorham)
Benjamin T. Collings (D-Portland)
Lori K. Gramlich (D-Old Orchard Beach)
Ann Higgins Matlack (D-St. George)
Joseph C. Perry, Sr. (D-Bangor)
Melanie F. Sachs (D-Freeport)
Theodore Joseph Kryzak, Jr. (R-Acton)*
Bruce A. Bickford (R-Auburn)
Jeffrey P. Hanley (R-Pittston)
Meldon H. Carmichael (R-Greenbush)

Transportation

Roland Danny Martin, Chair (D-Sinclair)
Mark E. Bryant (D-Windham)
Bruce A. White (D-Waterville)
Kevin J. M. O'Connell (D-Brewer)

Lynn A. Williams (D-Bar Harbor)
Michael D. Perkins (R-Oakland)*
Richard M. Cebra (R-Naples)
Wayne R. Parry (R-Arundel)
Dustin Michael White (R-Mars Hill)
Thomas H. Martin, Jr. (R-Greene)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Christopher James Caiazzo, Chair (D-Scarborough)
Joyce "Jay" McCreight (D-Harpswell)
John L. Tuttle, Jr. (D-Sanford)
Morgan J. Rielly (D-Westbrook)
Laura D. Supica (D-Bangor)
Barbara A. Wood (D-Portland)
MaryAnne Kinney (R-Knox)*
Matthew A. Harrington (R-Sanford)
Patrick W. Corey (R-Windham)
Josanne C. Dolloff (R-Milton Township)

*Ranking Republican Member

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 6)

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

December 11, 2020

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

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Rule 371, I have appointed the following members to the Government Oversight Committee:

Government Oversight Committee

Genevieve McDonald, Chair (D-Stonington)
Margaret M. O'Neil (D-Saco)
Holly B. Stover (D-Boothbay)
Kathleen R. J. Dillingham (R-Oxford)*
H. Sawin Millett, Jr. (R-Waterford)
Amy Bradstreet Arata (R-New Gloucester)

*Ranking Republican Member

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 8)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

December 11, 2020

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

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Senate Rule 201.3, I have made the following appointments to various Joint Standing Committees.

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

James F. Dill, Chair (D-Penobscot)
Chloe S. Maxmin (D-Lincoln)

Russell Black (R-Franklin)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Catherine E. Breen, Chair (D-Cumberland)

Donna Bailey (D-York)

Paul T. Davis, Sr. (R-Piscataquis)

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Susan A. Deschambault, Chair (D-York)

Mark W. Lawrence (D-York)

Scott W. Cyrway (R-Kennebec)

Education and Cultural Affairs

Matthea Daughtry, Chair (D-Cumberland)

Joseph Rafferty (D-York)

David C. Woodsome (R-York)

Energy, Utilities and Technology

Mark W. Lawrence, Chair (D-York)

Eloise A. Vitelli (D-Sagadahoc)

Harold "Trey" L. Stewart, III (R-Aroostook)

Environment and Natural Resources

Stacy Brenner, Chair (D-Cumberland)

Anne M. Carney (D-Cumberland)

Richard A. Bennett (R-Oxford)

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Heather B. Sanborn, Chair (D-Cumberland)

Stacy Brenner (D-Cumberland)

Harold "Trey" L. Stewart, III (R-Aroostook)

Health and Human Services

Ned Claxton, Chair (D-Androscoggin)

Joseph Baldacci (D-Penobscot)

Marianne Moore (R-Washington)

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

Glenn "Chip" Curry, Chair (D-Waldo)

Louis Joseph Luchini (D-Hancock)

Scott W. Cyrway (R-Kennebec)

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

James F. Dill, Chair (D-Penobscot)

Glenn "Chip" Curry (D-Waldo)

Russell Black (R-Franklin)

Judiciary

Anne M. Carney, Chair (D-Cumberland)

Heather B. Sanborn (D-Cumberland)

Lisa M. Keim (R-Oxford)

Labor and Housing

Joseph Rafferty, Chair (D-York)

David R. Miramant (D-Knox)

Stacey K. Guerin (R-Penobscot)

Marine Resources

David R. Miramant, Chair (D-Knox)

Chloe S. Maxmin (D-Lincoln)

Kimberley C. Rosen (R-Penobscot)

State and Local Government

Joseph Baldacci, Chair (D-Penobscot)

Ned Claxton (D-Androscoggin)

Kimberley C. Rosen (R-Penobscot)

Taxation

Benjamin M. Chipman, Chair (D-Cumberland)

Matthea Daughtry (D-Cumberland)

Matthew Pouliot (R-Kennebec)

Transportation

G. William Diamond, Chair (D-Cumberland)

Benjamin M. Chipman (D-Cumberland)

Bradlee T. Farrin (R-Somerset)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Louis Joseph Luchini, Chair (D-Hancock)

Susan A. Deschambault (D-York)

Bradlee T. Farrin (R-Somerset)

Sincerely,

S/Troy Dale Jackson

President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 9)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

December 11, 2020

Honorable Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Rule 371, I have made the following appointments to the Government Oversight Committee:

Nathan L. Libby, Chair (D-Androscoggin)

Donna Bailey (D-York)

Eloise A. Vitelli (D-Sagadahoc)

Lisa M. Keim (R-Oxford)

Jeffrey L. Timberlake (R-Androscoggin)

Richard A. Bennett (R-Oxford)

Sincerely,

S/Troy Dale Jackson

President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 15)

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

January 19, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson, President of the Senate

The Honorable Ryan Fecteau, Speaker of the House

State House

Augusta, Maine 04333-0002

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau,

It is my pleasure to nominate Katherine McBrien of Union for appointment as the Maine State Archivist.

Pursuant to Title 5 MRSA §93, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government and confirmation by the Senate.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 626-8401.

Sincerely,

S/Shenna Bellows

Secretary of State

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 17)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 21, 2021

Honorable Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 20-A, MRSA, §11053, I am pleased to appoint Senator Matthea Daughtry to the New England Board of Higher Education, representing a member of the Senate. Her appointment is effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 18)
**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, §3371, I am pleased to appoint Senator Chip Curry to the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission. With this appointment, he will be serving in seat number one on the commission, effective the date of this letter.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 19)
**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, §3371, I am pleased to re-appoint Senator Scott Cyrway to the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission. This appointment is effective the date of this letter.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 20)
**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under MRSA §24051, I am pleased to appoint Senator Marianne Moore to the Maine Children's Cabinet Early Childhood Advisory Council. With this appointment, she will be serving in seat number two on the council effective the date of this letter.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 21)
**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under MRSA §24051, I am pleased to appoint Senator Matthea Daughtry to the Maine Children's Cabinet Early Childhood Advisory Council. With this appointment, she will be serving in seat number one on the council effective the date of this letter.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 22)
**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, Chapter 521, §20065, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Substance Use Disorder Services Commission:

Senator Chloe Maxmin of Lincoln
Senator Kim Rosen of Penobscot

Both appointments are effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these appointments.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 23)

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

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under M.R.S.A. Title 3, §231, I am pleased to appoint the following Representatives to the New England and Eastern Canada Legislative Commission:
Representative David McCrea of Fort Fairfield
Representative Nicole Grohoski of Ellsworth
Should you have any questions regarding these appointments, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 24)

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

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 20-A, Chapter 413, §11053 of the Maine Revised Statutes, I have appointed Representative Rebecca Millett of South Portland to the New England Board of Higher Education.
Should you have any questions regarding this appointment, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 25)

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

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 10, MRSA, Part 1, Ch. 1-A, §11.4-A2, I am pleased to appoint the following Representatives to the Citizen Trade Policy Commission:
Representative Traci Gere of Kennebunkport
Representative Edward Crockett of Portland

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

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 26)

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

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 7, MRSA, Part 1, Ch. 5, §125.2-G, I am pleased to appoint Representative William Pluecker of Warren to seat 15 on the Board of Agriculture.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 27)

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

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 7, MRSA, Part 23, Ch. 501, §19202.2-B, I am pleased to appoint Representative Laurie Osher of Orono to the Maine HIV Advisory Committee.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 28)

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

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 3, MRSA, Ch. 10, §227, I am pleased to appoint the following Representatives to the Maine-Canadian Legislative Advisory Commission:
Representative Margaret Craven of Lewiston
Representative Erin Sheehan of Biddeford

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

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 29)

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

January 21, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, Part 10-A, Ch. 319, §3371.2-B, I am pleased to appoint the following Representatives to the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission:
Representative Bruce White of Waterville
Representative Grayson Lookner of Portland

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

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 30)

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

January 26, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to reappoint Representative Lydia Blume of York to the Maine Climate Council.

Should you have questions regarding this appointment, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 31)

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

January 26, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative James Thorne of Carmel to the Maine Climate Council.

Should you have questions regarding this appointment, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 32)

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

January 26, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under S.P. 602, I am pleased to appoint Representative Laurel Libby of Auburn to the Children's Cabinet Early Childhood Advisory Council.

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

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 34)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 25, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Article IV, Part Third, Section 1-A of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I have appointed the

following to serve as members of the Apportionment Commission:

Senator Troy D. Jackson of Aroostook
Senator Nathan L. Libby of Androscoggin
Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 37)

**STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

January 27, 2021
Honorable Janet T. Mills
Governor
#1 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Governor Mills,

On behalf of the 130th Maine Legislature, we would like to invite you to deliver your State of the State Address. Whereas the novel coronavirus has led the Legislature to take new and necessary safety precautions, we would ask you to deliver your Address in writing accompanied by a video stream to be shared with the Legislature and the public.

We look forward to coordinating any details necessary to see that your Address is received by the Legislature.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 38)

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

January 11, 2021
Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Article IV, Part Third, Section 1-A of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I have appointed the following to serve as members of the Apportionment Commission:

Hon. Michelle Dunphy
Hon. Anne Perry
Hon. Michael Brennan
Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 39)

**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
HOUSE REPUBLICAN OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

January 11, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Article IV, Part Third, Section 1-A of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am appointing the following members to serve on the Apportionment Commission:
Representative Joshua Morris of Turner
Representative Ted Kryzak of Acton
Representative Wayne Parry of Arundel
Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
S/Kathleen R.J. Dillingham
House Republican Leader

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 43)

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

January 29, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Rule 354, I have appointed the following members to the Joint Select Committee on Joint Rules:

Joint Select Committee on Joint Rules
Michelle Dunphy, Chair (D-Old Town)
Christopher W. Babbidge (D-Kennebunk)
John L. Martin (D-Eagle Lake)
Joel R. Stetkis (R-Canaan)*
William R. Tuell (R-East Machias)

*Ranking Republican Member

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 44)

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

January 29, 2021
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 (J), I have made the following appointments to the Standing Committees of the House:

Bills in the Second Reading

David H. McCrea, Chair (D-Fort Fairfield)
Gina M. Melaragno (D-Auburn)
Joseph C. Perry (D-Bangor)
Erin R. Sheehan (D-Biddeford)
Thomas H. Skolfield (R-Weld)*
William R. Tuell (R-East Machias)
Richard G. Mason (R-Lisbon)
Dwayne W. Prescott (R-Waterboro)

Elections

Rachel Talbot Ross, Chair (D-Portland)
Seth A. Berry (D-Bowdoinham)
Margaret Craven (D-Lewiston)
Stephen W. Moriarty (D-Cumberland)
MaryAnne Kinney (R-Knox)*
Dustin Michael White (R-Washburn)
Patrick W. Corey (R-Windham)
Thomas H. Martin (R-Greene)

Grossed Bills

Colleen M. Madigan, Chair (D-Waterville)
Heidi E. Brooks (D-Lewiston)
John L. Tuttle, Jr. (D-Sanford)
Morgan J. Rielly (D-Westbrook)
Susan M. W. Austin (R-Gray)*
Sheila A. Lyman (R-Livermore Falls)
Randall C. Hall (R-Wilton)
William D. Pluecker (I-Warren)

Ethics

Ralph L. Tucker, Chair (D-Brunswick)
Mark E. Bryant (D-Windham)
Anne C. Perry (D-Calais)
Victoria E. Morales (D-South Portland)
Kathleen R.J. Dillingham (R-Oxford)*
Nathan J. Wadsworth (R-Hiram)
Timothy S. Theriault (R-China)
H. Sawin Millett (R-Waterford)

Leaves of Absence

John L. Martin, Chair (D-Eagle Lake)
Bruce A. White (D-Waterville)
Rebecca J. Millett (D-Cape Elizabeth)
Laura D. Supica (D-Bangor)
Richard M. Cebra (R-Naples)*
Lester S. Ordway (R-Standish)
Josanne C. Dolloff (R-Rumford)
Danny Edward Costain (R-Plymouth)

Rules and Business of the House

The Speaker, Ex Officio
Michelle Dunphy (D-Old Town)
Kathleen R. J. Dillingham (R-Oxford)
Joel R. Stetkis (R-Canaan)

*Ranking Republican Member

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 45)

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

January 29, 2021

Honorable Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 52-C, I have reappointed the following to the Marijuana Advisory Commission, effective immediately:

Hannah King of Portland

Scott Gagnon of Portland

Alysia Melnick of Portland

Should you have questions regarding these reappointments, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 46)

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

January 29, 2021

Honorable Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,

Pursuant to my authority under Public Law, Chapter 593, I am pleased to reappoint Representative Seth Berry of Bowdoinham to the State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 47)

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

January 28, 2021

Honorable Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 52-C, I have reappointed the following House members to the Marijuana Advisory Commission, effective immediately.

Representative Teresa Pierce of Falmouth

Representative Patrick Corey of Windham

Should you have questions regarding these reappointments, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 48)

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

January 29, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Public Law, Chapter 593, I am pleased to appoint Representative Paul Stearns of Guilford to the State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 49)

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

January 29, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, Chapter 631, §25002, I am pleased to reappoint Ian Yaffe of Portland to the Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 50)

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

January 28, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 10, MRSA, Part 1, Ch. 1-A, §11.4-A2, I am pleased to reappoint Representative Kathleen Dillingham of Oxford to the Citizen Trade Policy Commission. Should you have questions regarding this reappointment, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 51)

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

January 28, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, Part 10-A, Ch. 319, §3371.2-B, I am pleased to reappoint Representative Timothy Theriault of China to the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission.

Should you have any questions regarding this reappointment, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 52)

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

January 28, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 3, MRSA, Ch. 10, §227, I am pleased to reappoint Representative John Martin of Eagle Lake to the Maine-Canadian Legislative Advisory Commission, effective immediately.

Should you have any questions regarding this reappointment, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 53)

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

January 28, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under S.P. 602, I am pleased to appoint Representative Rebecca Millett of South Portland to the Children's Cabinet Early Childhood Advisory Council. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.
Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 54)

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

January 28, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 5 MRSA, §20065, I am pleased to appoint Representative Colleen Madigan of Waterville to the Substance Use Disorder Services Commission. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.
Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 55)

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

January 28, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 1, MRSA, Ch. 13, Subchapter 1, §411.2-B, I am pleased to reappoint Representative Thomas Harnett of Gardiner to the Right to Know Advisory Committee. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.
Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 56)

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

January 28, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 20, Ch. 5, Part 679, Subpart A, §679.110 (b)(2) of federal law, I am pleased to reappoint Representative Michael Sylvester of Portland to the State Workforce Board. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.
Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 64)

**STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

January 28, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to our authority under Title 12, Chapter 619, Subchapter 2, §6447 of the Maine Revised Statutes, we are pleased to appoint Representative Lynne Williams of Bar Harbor to the Lobster Management Policy Council. Should you have questions regarding this appointment, please do not hesitate to contact us.
Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 65)

**STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

January 28, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to our authority under Title 12, Chapter 619, Subchapter 2, §6447 of the Maine Revised Statutes, we are pleased to reappoint the following members to the Lobster Management Policy Council:

Senator Eloise Vitelli of Arrowsic
Senator Dave Miramant of Camden
Representative Robert Alley of Beals
Representative Lydia Blume of York
Representative Joyce McCreight of Harpswell
Representative Hutchins of Penobscot
Should you have questions regarding these reappointments,
please do not hesitate to contact us.
Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 73)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 8, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 3 MRSA, Chapter 10 §227,
I am pleased to reappoint Representative Kathleen Dillingham
of Oxford to the Maine-Canadian Legislative Advisory
Commission, effective immediately.
Should you have any questions regarding this reappointment,
please don't hesitate to contact my office.
Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 74)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 8, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 1, MRSA, Ch. 13,
Subchapter 1, §411.2-B, I am pleased to reappoint James
Campbell of Searsport to the Right to Know Advisory
Committee.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my
office.
Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 75)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 8, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, Chapter 371-A § 7030 of
the Maine Revised Statutes, I am pleased to reappoint the
following to the Permanent Commission on the Status of
Women, effective immediately:

Hon. Meredith Strang Burgess of Cumberland
Sue Mackey Andrews of Dover-Foxcroft
If you have any questions regarding these reappointments,
please do not hesitate to contact my office.
Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 78)
STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

February 8, 2021
Honorable Robert Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to our authority under MRSA Title 3, Chapter 31, §901-
A, we are pleased to appoint the Honorable Gay Grant of
Gardiner to the State House and Capitol Park Commission.
Should you have questions regarding this appointment, please
do not hesitate to contact us.
Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 79)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 10, 2021
Honorable Robert Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-
A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Genevieve McDonald
of Stonington and Representative Beth O'Connor of Berwick to
the Community Resilience Planning Working Group of the
Maine Climate Council.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my
office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 80)

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

February 10, 2021
Honorable Robert Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Rachel Talbot Ross of Portland and Representative Thomas Martin, Jr. of Greene to the Equity Working Group of the Maine Climate Council.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 81)

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

February 10, 2021
Honorable Robert Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Seth Berry of Bowdoinham and Representative Steven Foster of Dexter to the Energy Working Group of the Maine Climate Council.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 82)

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

February 10, 2021
Honorable Robert Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Laurie Osher of

Orono and MaryAnne Kinney of Knox to the Working Lands and Ecosystems Working Group of the Maine Climate Council.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 83)

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

February 10, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Melanie Sachs of Freeport and Representative Richard Bradstreet of Vassalboro to the Building, Infrastructure and Housing Working Group of the Maine Climate Council.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 84)

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

February 10, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Lydia Blume of York and Representative William Tuell of East Machias to the Coastal and Marine Working Group of the Maine Climate Council.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 85)

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

February 10, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Lynne Williams of Bar Harbor to the Transportation Working Group of the Maine Climate Council.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.
Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 86)

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

February 10, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Nicole Grohoski of Ellsworth and Representative Amanda Collamore of Pittsfield to the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee of the Maine Climate Council.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.
Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 88)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 12, 2021
The Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Senate Rule 201.3, I have appointed Senator Nathan Libby of Lewiston to the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation, replacing Senator Matthea Daughtry, effective immediately.
Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions regarding this appointment.
Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 89)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 17, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Maine Climate Council:
Senator Chloe Maxmin of Lincoln County
Senator David Woodsome of York County
These appointments are effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these appointments.
Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 90)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 17, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Coastal and Marine working group of the Maine Climate Council:
Senator Dave Miramant of Knox County
Senator Kim Rosen of Hancock County
These appointments are effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the appointments.
Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 91)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 17, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt:
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Energy working group of the Maine Climate Council:

Senator Mark Lawrence of York County
Senator Paul Davis of Piscataquis County
These appointments are effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the appointments.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 92)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 17, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Equity Subcommittee of the Maine Climate Council:

Senator Nate Libby of Androscoggin County
Senator Lisa Keim of Oxford County

These appointments are effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the appointments.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 93)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 17, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Buildings, Infrastructure and Housing working group of the Maine Climate Council:

Senator Joseph Rafferty of York County
Senator Stacey Guerin of Penobscot County

These appointments are effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the appointments.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 94)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 17, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Community Resilience Planning, Public Health, and Emergency Management working group of the Maine Climate Council:

Senator Stacy Brenner of Cumberland County
Senator Marianne Moore of Washington County

These appointments are effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the appointments.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 95)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 17, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee of the Maine Climate Council:

Senator Troy Jackson of Aroostook County
Senator Russell Black of Franklin County

These appointments are effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the appointments.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 96)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 17, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Transportation working group of the Maine Climate Council:

Senator Bill Diamond of Cumberland County
Senator Brad Farrin of Somerset County

These appointments are effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the appointments.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 97)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

February 17, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Working Lands and Ecosystems working group of the Maine Climate Council:

Senator Cathy Breen of Cumberland County

Senator Rick Bennett of Oxford County

These appointments are effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the appointments.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 98)

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0001**

February 17, 2021
Honorable Troy Jackson
Senate President
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

Recognizing that the COVID-19 pandemic has led the Legislature to implement new and necessary health and safety precautions, it is my honor to accept your invitation to deliver a virtual State of the Budget Address on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

The COVID-19 pandemic has taken a toll on our state, as it has every state, taking the lives of loved ones, separating us from our friends and family, and changing how we go about our everyday lives.

But amid these difficult challenges, we have seen the resilience, determination, heart, and the goodness of Maine people prevail - people who care for one another and who are rising to meet this trying moment.

I care about the people of this great state with all my heart, and I look forward to paying tribute to them and sharing how I believe

we can turn back this pandemic and emerge a stronger, better state.

Sincerely,
S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 99)

**STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

February 18, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to our authority under MRSA Title 30-A, Ch. 202, Subchapter 5-A, §5047, we are pleased to reappoint the following to the Statewide Homeless Council:

Donna Kelley of Belfast

Joshua D'Alessio of Bangor

Should you have questions regarding these reappointments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 100)

**STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

February 18, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to our authority under MRSA Title 30-A, Ch. 202, Subchapter 5-A, §5047, we are pleased to appoint Emily Flinkstrom of Kittery to the Statewide Homeless Council.

Should you have questions regarding this appointment, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 101)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 22, 2021
Honorable Robert Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 1, MRSA, Ch. 13, Subchapter 1, §411.2-B, I am pleased to reappoint the following to the Right to Know Advisory Committee:
Judith Meyer of Lewiston
Suzanne Goucher of Augusta

Should you have questions regarding these reappointments, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 104)
STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SPEAKER'S OFFICE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

February 24, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,
Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Michael Perkins of Oakland to the Transportation Working Group of the Maine Climate Council.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 105)
STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

February 25, 2021
Honorable Andrew M. Mead
Acting Chief Justice, Senior Associate Justice
Maine Supreme Judicial Court
Penobscot Judicial Center
78 Exchange Street
Bangor, Maine 04401
Dear Acting Chief Mead:
On behalf of the 130th Maine Legislature, we would like to invite you to deliver your State of the Judiciary Address. Whereas the novel coronavirus has led the Legislature to take new and necessary safety precautions, we would ask you to deliver your

Address in writing accompanied by a video stream to be shared with the Legislature and the public.

We look forward to coordinating any details necessary to see that your Address is received by the Legislature.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 106)
STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

February 25, 2021
Major General Douglas A. Farnham
Adjutant General, Maine National Guard
33 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear General Farnham:

On behalf of the 130th Maine Legislature, we would like to invite you to deliver your State of the National Guard Address. Whereas the novel coronavirus has led the Legislature to take new and necessary safety precautions, we would ask you to deliver your Address in writing accompanied by a video stream to be shared with the Legislature and the public.

We look forward to coordinating any details necessary to see that your Address is received by the Legislature.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 107)
STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

February 25, 2021
Dannel P. Malloy, Chancellor
University of Maine System
16 Central Street
Bangor, Maine 04401

Dear Chancellor Malloy:

On behalf of the 130th Maine Legislature, we would like to invite you to deliver your State of the University System Address. Whereas the novel coronavirus has led the Legislature to take new and necessary safety precautions, we would ask you to deliver your Address in writing accompanied by a video stream to be shared with the Legislature and the public.

We look forward to coordinating any details necessary to see that your Address is received by the Legislature.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 108)

**STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

February 25, 2021
Dave Daigler, President
Maine Community College System
131 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daigler:

On behalf of the 130th Maine Legislature, we would like to invite you to deliver your State of the Community College Address. Whereas the novel coronavirus has led the Legislature to take new and necessary safety precautions, we would ask you to deliver your Address in writing accompanied by a video stream to be shared with the Legislature and the public.

We look forward to coordinating any details necessary to see that your Address is received by the Legislature. Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 109)

**STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

February 25, 2021
William J. Brennan, President
Maine Maritime Academy
Box C-03
Castine, Maine 04420

Dear President Brennan:

On behalf of the 130th Maine Legislature, we would like to invite you to deliver your State of the Maine Maritime Academy Address. Whereas the novel coronavirus has led the Legislature to take new and necessary safety precautions, we would ask you to deliver your Address in writing accompanied by a video stream to be shared with the Legislature and the public.

We look forward to coordinating any details necessary to see that your Address is received by the Legislature. Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 110)

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

March 3, 2021
Honorable Robert Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Dear Clerk Hunt,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Lydia Blume of York to the Community Resilience Planning Working Group of the Maine Climate Council. Representative Blume is replacing Representative Genevieve McDonald of Stonington. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 111)

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

March 3, 2021
Honorable Robert Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Clerk Hunt,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 38, MRSA, Ch. 3-A, §577-A, I am pleased to appoint Representative Genevieve McDonald of Stonington to the Coastal and Marine Working Group of the Maine Climate Council. Representative McDonald is replacing Representative Lydia Blume of York.

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

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 112)

**STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

March 2, 2021

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

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to our authority under Article IV, Part Third, Section 1-A of the Constitution of the State of Maine, we have appointed the following to serve as a member of the Apportionment Commission:

Bev Uhlenhake of Brewer

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
S/Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
S/Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 113)

**STATE OF MAINE
130TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

March 1, 2021

The Honorable Troy Jackson
President, Maine State Senate
3 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

The Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker, Maine House of Representatives
2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333-0002

Pursuant to Article IV, Part Third, Section 1-A of the Constitution of the State of Maine, we write to inform you of the following appointments to the 2021 Apportionment Commission: Senator Paul Davis and Senator Richard Bennett representing the Maine Senate; Representative Joshua Morris, Representative Wayne Parry and Representative Theodore Kryzak representing the Maine House of Representatives; The Honorable Joshua A. Tardy as the public member representing the Republican Party.

We appreciate your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact either of us if we can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

S/Jeffrey Timberlake
Senate Republican Leader
S/Kathleen R.J. Dillingham
House Republican Leader

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 114)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

March 4, 2021

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

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5 MRSA, Chapter 371-A, §7030, I am pleased to appoint Jill Barkley to seat number 9 on the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women. The appointment is effective the date of this letter.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 115)

**SENATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

March 4, 2021

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

Dear Clerk Hunt:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5 MRSA, Chapter 371-A, §7030, I am pleased to appoint Moriah Geer to seat number 10

on the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women. The appointment is effective the date of this letter. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 116)

**STATE OF MAINE
SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT
78 EXCHANGE STREET, SUITE 350
BANGOR, MAINE 04401**

March 3, 2021

RE: State of the Judiciary Address

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

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

Thank you for your kind invitation to deliver the annual State of the Judiciary address. I fully understand that the COVID-19 crisis has necessitated a pre-recorded version in lieu of the usual address to the joint assembly.

I have arranged to have the video recorded by MainePublic (the same group that recorded the Governor's address) on Monday, March 8. I understand it will be edited and ready for distribution on Tuesday. I will forward it and the written version to you as soon as possible, presumably sometime on Tuesday.

I understand that you will take care of the distribution of the written version and scheduling of the video.

Again, thank you for the invitation. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

S/Hon. Andrew M. Mead
Acting Chief Justice
Senior Associate Justice
Maine Supreme Judicial Court

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 7)

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING
BASIC INCOME SECURITY**

November 19, 2020

The Honorable Troy Jackson, President
Maine State Senate
The Honorable Sara Gideon, Speaker
Maine House of Representatives
State House

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Gideon:

Pursuant to Resolve 2019, chapter 82, the Committee To Study The Feasibility of Creating Basic Income Security is pleased to submit its final report. Copies of the full report have been distributed as directed by law and copies have been placed on file with the Law and Legislative Reference Library. Others may

access the full report online through the website of the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis at <http://legislature.maine.gov/opla>.

Sincerely,
S/Shenna Bellows
Senate Chair
S/James Handy
House Chair

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 10)

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

December 30, 2020
Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to 5 MRSA § 12009, I am submitting the Report of Board and Commission Appointments or Reappointments to you for the calendar year 2021. Additionally, I am providing a report that lists appointments or reappointments which have not been made from previous years through December 31, 2020. This report also indicates vacancies which exist on a board or commission that needs a new appointment. If you would like a breakdown of only your appointments, we would be pleased to provide this to you as well.

If you have any questions concerning these reports or need additional information, please contact me or Cathy Beaudoin in the Bureau of Corporations, Elections and Commissions at 624-7748.

Sincerely,
S/Matthew Dunlap
Secretary of State

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 11)

**STATE OF MAINE
CONNECTME AUTHORITY
59 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0059**

December 31, 2020
Honorable Troy Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Speaker Fecteau and President Jackson,
Please find attached the required report pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A. Section 12023 from the ConnectME Authority.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Regards,
S/Peggy Schaffer
Executive Director, ConnectME Authority

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 12)
**MAINE MUNICIPAL AND RURAL ELECTRIFICATION
COOPERATIVE AGENCY**

January 7, 2021
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to 5 MRSA, Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Municipal and Rural Electrification Cooperative Agency due by February 1, 2021.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Scott M. Hallowell
MMRECA

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 13)

**MAINE VENTURE FUND
P. O. BOX 63
NEWPORT, ME 04953**

January 8, 2021
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to 5 MRSA, Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the attached "Report to Legislature for 2020" on behalf of the quasi-independent state entity, Small Enterprise Growth Board, due February 1, 2021.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Terri Wark
Office Operations Manager
Small Enterprise Growth Board d/b/a Maine Venture Fund

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 14)

**STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL
AND FINANCIAL REGULATION
BUREAU OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
36 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0036**

January 15, 2021

Hon. Troy D. Jackson, President of the Senate

Hon. Ryan M. Fecteau, Speaker of the House

130th Maine Legislature

State House

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

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

In the event that you may have any questions regarding the information contained in this

Report, the Bureau would be pleased to respond. This Report will also be available in electronic format at www.maine.gov/pfr/financialinstitutions.

Very truly yours,

S/Lloyd P. LaFountain III

Superintendent

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 16)

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

January 21, 2021

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 January 19, 2021

Nancy Y. Harrison of Veazie, John B. Wasileski of Yarmouth and the Honorable Brian Hubbell of Bar Harbor for appointment as Commissioners of the Maine State Housing Authority.

Pursuant to Title 30-A, MRSA §4723.2, these appointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing. The Honorable Rick E. Lawrence of Portland and the Honorable Charles A. Dow of Winthrop for reappointment as Judges to the Maine District Court.

Pursuant to Title 4, MRSA §157, these reappointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

James F. Martemucci, Esquire of Arundel, Sarah I. Gilbert, Esquire of Hope, the Honorable Robert A. Langner of Fort Fairfield and Sarah A. Churchill, Esquire of Windham for appointment as Judges to the Maine District Court.

Pursuant to Title 4, MRSA §157, these appointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

The Honorable Richard W. Mulhern of Falmouth for appointment as a Justice to the Maine Superior Court.

Pursuant to Title 4, MRSA §157, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Captain Wendy L. Morrison of Dickinson, TX, Robert D. Somerville of Fort Lauderdale, FL and Miles Unobsky Theeman of Bangor for reappointment to the Board of Trustees Maine Maritime Academy.

Pursuant to Title 5 §12004-C and Public Law 1941, c. 37, §1, as amended by P&SL 1993, c 27, §1, these reappointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Paul Mercer of Penobscot and Wayne Allen Norton of Gorham for appointment to the Board of Trustees Maine Maritime Academy.

Pursuant to Title 5 §12004-C and Public Law 1941, c. 37, §1, as amended by P&SL 1993, c 27, §1, these appointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Hope Thomas of Orrington for appointment as Student Trustee to the Board of Trustees Maine Maritime Academy.

Pursuant to Title 5 §12004-C and Public Law 1941, c. 37, §1, as amended by P&SL 1993, c 27, §1, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Greyson Elliot Orne of Camden for appointment as the Student Member to the State Board of Education. Cynthia Murray Beliveau of Portland and the Honorable Victoria P. Kornfield of Bangor for appointment to the State Board of Education.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §401, these appointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

The Honorable Margaret Rotundo of Lewiston, the Honorable Roger J. Katz, Esquire of Brunswick, Beth Dobson of Falmouth for appointment to the University of Maine System Board of Trustees and Irene Neal of Fort Kent for reappointment to the University of Maine System Board of Trustees as the Student Trustee.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §12004-C, these appointments and this reappointment are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Thomas J. Zuke of Saco for reappointment to the Maine Turnpike Authority Board of Directors.

Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §1964-A, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

The Honorable Lloyd P. LaFountain III of Manchester for reappointment as the Superintendent of Financial Institutions.

Pursuant to Title 9-B MRSA §211, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services.

Jill C. Duson of Portland for appointment to the Maine Human Rights Commission.

Pursuant to Title 5 MRSA §4561, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Sarah J. Medina of Dixmont for appointment to the Maine Indian Tribal State Commission.

Pursuant to Title 30 MRSA §6212, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

Melanie Loyzim of Manchester for appointment as the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection.

Pursuant to Title 38 MRSA §341-A, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Roger K. Berle of Falmouth and Robert L. Meyers of Bath for reappointment and Catherine Robbins-Halsted of Searsmont for appointment to the Land for Maine's Future Board.

Pursuant to Title 5 MRSA §6204, these reappointments and this appointment are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

James R. May of Mapleton for reappointment to the Maine Land Use Planning Commission.

Pursuant to Title 12 MRSA §683-A, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Suzanne MacDonald of Rockland for reappointment and Mark Isaacson of Cumberland and Kenneth A. Colburn of Bar Harbor for appointment to the Efficiency Maine Trust Board of Directors.

Pursuant to Title 35-A MRSA §10103, this reappointment and these appointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology on January 20, 2021.

Renee Ouellette, CPA of Hermon for appointment to the Finance Authority of Maine to the seat designed for a Certified Public Accountant, the Honorable Bettyann Sheats of Auburn for appointment to the Finance Authority of Maine to one of the two seats designated for a Veteran and David Daigler of Portland for reappointment to the Finance Authority of Maine to the seat designated for a member knowledgeable in the field of student financial assistance.

Pursuant to Title 10, MRSA §965, these appointments and this reappointment are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

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

Honorable Lynn Bromley of South Portland, Benjamin M. Shaw of Mapleton, Kris Doody, RN of Caribou, Timothy D. Crowley of Caribou, Suzie S. Paradis of Fort Kent and Galen Weibley of Chapman for appointment to the Loring Development Authority. Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §13080-B, these appointments are contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business.

Sincerely,
S/Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 35)

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR
66 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0066**

Letter of Transmittal

January 13, 2021

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

Honorable Ryan Fecteau

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Honorable Janet T. Mills

Governor of Maine

I am pleased to submit the Communication with Those Charged with Governance at the Conclusion of the Audit in reference to the financial statement audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. Auditing standards require us to communicate audit matters that are, in our professional judgement, significant and relevant to those charged with Governance in overseeing the financial reporting process. This report is being communicated in accordance with 5 MRSA §243.

This document contains the following report and schedule:

- Communication with Those Charged with Governance at the Conclusion of the Audit
- Schedule of Uncorrected Misstatements

Please contact me if you have questions or comments about the Communication with Those Charged with Governance at the Conclusion of the Audit.

Respectfully submitted,
S/Matthew Dunlap
State Auditor

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 33)

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

January 27, 2021

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 January 25, 2021

The Honorable Patrick Paradis of Augusta, Lee C. Umphrey of Bangor, the Honorable Jeremy R. Fischer of Yarmouth, the

The Following Communication: (H.C. 36)

MIDCOAST REGIONAL REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

January 13, 2021

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

3 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

The Honorable Ryan Fecteau

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to 5 MRSA, Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority.

MRRA was created in 2006 by the Maine Legislature (5 MRSA §13083-G) as a municipal corporation charged with the responsibility to implement the reuse master plans for Naval Air Station Brunswick (NAS Brunswick) and the Topsham Annex, which closed as a result of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information. Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Jeffrey K. Jordan
Deputy Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 40)
FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MAINE
94 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04332

January 27, 2021
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Fecteau and President Jackson:
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Finance Authority of Maine due by February 1, 2021.

FAME has clarified in its travel, meals, and entertainment policies that its board of directors approves the annual budgets for travel, meals, and entertainment, and that staff must furnish periodic reports to the board on such costs as required by 5 M.R.S.A.

§ 12022(5)(E). These practices have long been the case but were not specifically recited in the policies as such.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
S/Bruce Wagner
Chief Executive Officer

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 41)
MAINE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY
2360 CONGRESS STREET
PORTLAND, MAINE 04102

January 27, 2021
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Re: An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability and the Government Oversight Committee Regarding Quasi-Independent State Entities

Dear Speaker Fecteau,
Enclosed are the reports required under 5 M.R.S.A. §12023, due February 1, 2021. The reports include: a list of all procurements in 2020 exceeding \$10,000 for which competitive procurement was waived; a list of contributions made in 2020 that exceed \$1,000. Section 12023(2c) requires a description of changes to the written policies and procedures required by Section 12022. There were no changes to the policies and procedures required by this section in 2020, therefore, there is nothing to report.

In 2020, the Maine Turnpike Authority made \$158 million in payments to approximately 680 vendors. The vast majority of these payments, approximately \$144 million, were for competitively bid products or services or were legally or legislatively required. The Authority sole-sourced approximately \$12 million in 2020. Most of these products or services were either proprietary in nature or were procured under long-term contracts. As these long-term contracts expire, the Authority will seek competitive bids.

Respectfully,
S/Peter Mills
Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 42)
MAINE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM
139 CAPITOL STREET
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04332

January 27, 2021
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Public Employees Retirement System (MainePERS) due by February 1, 2021.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
S/Sandra J. Matheson
Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 57)

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

February 3, 2021

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 January 29, 2021

James Ford of Brunswick for appointment to the State Board of Education.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA § 401, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Mark Fourre, MD of Camden for appointment to the Maine Community College System Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA § 12705, this appointment is contingent on the Maine State Senate's confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan M. Fecteau

Speaker of the House

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 58)

**MAINE PORT AUTHORITY
16 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0016**

January 21, 2021

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

3 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Honorable Ryan Fecteau

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Copy sent via email to:

quasiagencyreports@legislature.maine.gov

In Re: Maine Port Authority Legislative Report

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, the Maine Port Authority is pleased to submit the following report to the Legislature, due by February 1, 2021.

Please contact me directly at (207) 557-0923 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

S/Jonathan Nass, CEO

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 59)

**MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY
CASTINE, MAINE 04420**

January 26, 2021

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

3 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Honorable Ryan Fecteau

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to 5 MRSA, Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Maritime Academy due by February 1, 2021.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Alice Herrick

Director of Fiscal Operations for Maine Maritime Academy

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 60)

**STATE OF MAINE
LORING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF MAINE
154 DEVELOPMENT DRIVE, SUITE F
LIMESTONE, MAINE 04750**

January 27, 2021

Honorable Troy D. Jackson

President of the Senate

3 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Honorable Ryan Fecteau

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Loring Development Authority of Maine due by February 1, 2021.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

S/Carl W. Flora

President & CEO

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 61)
MAINE STATE HOUSING AUTHORITY
353 WATER STREET
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330-4633

January 27, 2021
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:
Pursuant to 5 MRSA, Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine State Housing Authority due by February 1, 2021.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
S/Daniel Brennan
Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 62)
MAINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
323 STATE STREET
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330-7131

January 28, 2021
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear Speaker Fecteau and President Jackson:
On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Community College System (MCCS), I respectfully submit the attached report on certain procurements, contributions, and policy changes for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 as required by 5 M.R.S.A. § 12023.

To compile this report, MCCS used customized reporting features built into our business management systems. We then tested the validity of those reports and reviewed several transactions with college personnel. Combined, the seven colleges and the MCCS System Office make thousands of purchases each year.

While reporting is complex, our review indicates that the colleges' compliance with existing policies is extremely high, and expenditures are consistently mission-related. In those few areas where we have identified opportunities for improvement, refinements have been made or are under-way.

MCCS will continue to use its internal controls and annual outside audit to adapt its systems to changing needs, and our Board of Trustees will continue to monitor compliance through regular reporting and an ongoing dialogue with auditors.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.
Thank you.
Sincerely yours,
S/David Daigler
President

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 63)
MAINE TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE
8 VENTURE AVENUE
BRUNSWICK LANDING
BRUNSWICK, MAINE 04011

January 29, 2019
The Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
The Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Technology Institute (MTI) due by February 1, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
S/Brian Whitney
President

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 66)
EFFICIENCY MAINE

January 31, 2021
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0003
Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, I am pleased to deliver this letter of transmittal for the required report from Efficiency Maine Trust due by February 1, 2021.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
S/Michael D. Stoddard
Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 67)

**MAINE MUNICIPAL BOND BANK
127 COMMUNITY DRIVE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04338-2268**

January 21, 2021
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank due by February 1, 2021.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you need additional information. I can be reached at 622-9386 or by email at Terry@mmbb.com.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
S/Terry Hayes
Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 68)

**MAINE GOVERNMENTAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY
127 COMMUNITY DRIVE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04338-2268**

January 21, 2021
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority due by February 1, 2021.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you need additional information. I can be reached at 622-9386 or by email at Terry@mgfa.com.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
S/Terry Hayes
Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 69)

**MAINE HEALTH AND HIGHER
EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY
127 COMMUNITY DRIVE
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04338-2268**

January 21, 2021
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority due by February 1, 2021.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you need additional information. I can be reached at 622-1958 or by email at Terry@mhhefa.com.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
S/Terry Hayes
Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 70)

**MAINE'S PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM
OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR
15 ESTABROOKE DRIVE
ORONO, ME 04469**

January 27, 2021
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:
Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report due by Feb. 1, 2021 from the University of Maine documenting our qualifying FY20 sole-source procurements and contributions.

As it conducts business, Maine's public universities are committed to a competitive procurement process to ensure the greatest value for tuition and taxpayers as well as transparency and fairness for providers of goods and services - many of which are Maine-based. While competitive procurement is our standard, there are legitimate and well-defined reasons allowed by State law and corresponding UMS policy for which the purchases listed in this report were waived from this process.

For example, given its research and economic development activities that are of vital importance to the state, the University of Maine has unique procurement needs, including for specialized equipment or services that may only be available from one vendor and we have noted that in the description of each relevant procurement listed in this report. Additionally, our flagship and other universities regularly receive federal grants

that name specific vendors and/or partners, including other educational institutions. Finally, the leadership of UMS in addressing local and state needs that emerged during the COVID-19 pandemic is hopefully well-known to the Legislature. As our universities rapidly responded including to produce thousands of gallons of hand sanitizer for health care organizations and chemical solutions used by the Maine National Guard to fit-test the N95 masks of frontline workers across the state, we were forced to make some purchases for which the competitive bid process was simply not practicable during the state of emergency, like ethanol from Maine brewers and distillers. As you review this report, please contact my office if you need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Dannel P. Malloy, Chancellor
University of Maine System

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 71)

**STATE OF MAINE
WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD
OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CHAIR
442 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 100
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0027**

January 29, 2021

Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

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

RE: Annual Report of the Workers' Compensation Board Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A. §12023(2)

Dear Speaker Fecteau and President Jackson:

Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A., §12023, please consider this the transmittal letter for the required report from the Workers' Compensation Board due by February 1, 2021.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

S/John C. Rohde
Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 72)

**SUNRISE COUNTY ECONOMIC COUNCIL
7 AMES WAY
MACHIAS, MAINE 04654**

February 4, 2021

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

Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Senator Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:

Communication Pursuant to MRSA Title 5, section 12023, the Sunrise County Economic Council (SCEC) is pleased to submit the Quasi-Independent State Entities Report to the Legislature on behalf of the Washington County Development Authority (WCDA).

SCEC is a private, nonprofit, federally recognized economic development organization which works to create jobs and wealth in Washington County. We provide staff support for the WCDA and are partnering with the Authority in its effort to redevelop the former U.S. Navy base in Cutler.

As indicated in the enclosed report, the WCDA did not make any significant procurements, contributions or changes to policies and procedures in the past year. In March 2015, the Authority was given the commercial side of the former base by Cutler North, LLC, a private developer that had failed in its redevelopment effort. The WCDA now owns roughly 20 acres and five commercial buildings comprising 75,000 square feet, half of which is currently occupied. The Authority is working to bring these facilities back into productive use.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns. Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Charles J. Rudelitch, Esq.

Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 76)

**NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND
PASSENGER RAIL AUTHORITY
75 W. COMMERCIAL STREET, SUITE 104
PORTLAND, MAINE 04101**

January 20, 2021

Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to 5 MRSA, Section 12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority (NNEPRA) due by February 1, 2021.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Mr. John Melrose
Chairman

Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority

S/Ms. Patricia Quinn

Executive Director

Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 77)
CHILD WELFARE OMBUDSMAN
P.O. BOX 2057
HOPE, MAINE 04847

January 25, 2021
Honorable Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002
Dear Mr. Hunt,

Enclosed please find 165 copies of the Annual Report of the Child Welfare Ombudsman. This report is to be distributed to the Legislature each year pursuant to 22 M.R.S.A. §4087-A. This report reflects the Fiscal Year from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully,
S/Christine Alberi
Child Welfare Ombudsman

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 87)
MAINE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
19 UNION STREET
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330

January 28, 2021
Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Honorable Ryan Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Fecteau:
Pursuant to 5 MRSA §12023, please consider this the letter of transmittal for the required report from the Maine Human Rights Commission due by February 1, 2021.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information. Thank you.

Sincerely,
S/Amy M. Sneirson
Executive Director

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 102)
STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

March 10, 2021
Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has approved the request by the sponsor Sen. Dill of Penobscot, to report the following bill "Leave to Withdraw:"

L.D. 35 An Act To Facilitate Interagency Sharing of Information and Academic Research by Allowing Disclosure of Certain Confidential Information in Wood Processor and Forest Landowner Reports

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology has approved the request by the sponsor, Representative Berry of Bowdoinham, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw:"

L.D. 520 An Act To Continue the Green Power Offer for Electricity (EMERGENCY)

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources has approved the request by the sponsor, Representative O'Neil of Saco, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw:"

L.D. 64 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Regarding Environmental Rights

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Health and Human Services has approved the request by the sponsor, Representative McCreight of Harpswell, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw:"

L.D. 297 An Act To Define the Term 'Behavioral Health'
Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Marine Resources has approved the request by the sponsor, Representative Tuell of East Machias, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw:"

L.D. 364 An Act To Ensure the Safety of Maine's Scallop Fleet (EMERGENCY)

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology has approved the request by the sponsor, Representative Berry of Bowdoinham, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw:"

L.D. 520 An Act To Continue the Green Power Offer for Electricity (EMERGENCY)

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs has approved the request by the sponsor, Representative Madigan of Waterville, to report the following "Leave to Withdraw:"

L.D. 405 An Act To Prevent Fraudulent Endorsements in Political Materials

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 103)
STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

March 10, 2021
Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Fecteau:

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

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry
L.D. 381 An Act To Reduce from 8 Weeks to 6 Weeks the Age at Which a Rabbit May be Sold

- Criminal Justice and Public Safety
- L.D. 369 An Act To Criminalize Recording an Incident in Progress but Failing To Report the Incident Immediately to the Appropriate Authority
- Health and Human Services
- L.D. 166 An Act To Allow Participants in the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Program To Qualify for MaineCare Transportation Services
- Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services
- L.D. 160 An Act To Allow Insurance Producers To Refer to Third Parties for Credit Card and Debit Card Payments
- L.D. 178 An Act To Reduce Waste of Prescription Medications
- L.D. 300 An Act Regarding Early Closures by Financial Institutions
- Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
- L.D. 184 An Act To Minimize the Propagation of Invasive Aquatic Plants (EMERGENCY)
- Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business
- L.D. 235 An Act To Require Furniture Sellers To Accept Cancellations before Delivery
- L.D. 239 An Act To Improve the Transparency of Real Estate Appraisals
- Transportation
- L.D. 43 An Act To Require the Department of Transportation To Provide Ferry Service to Frenchboro
- L.D. 45 Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Improve a Bridge over the West Branch of the Mattawamkeag River in Moro Plantation and Associated Culverts
- L.D. 79 An Act To Establish a Honeybee Special Registration Plate
- L.D. 228 An Act To Allow Travel in a Center Lane of a Restricted Highway
- L.D. 230 An Act To Allow Low-beam Headlights on Motorcycles To Flash during Daytime Hours
- L.D. 234 An Act To Amend the Law Concerning the Annual Number of Ferry Service Trips to Matinicus Isle
- L.D. 236 An Act To Amend the Definition of "Reportable Accident"
- Veterans and Legal Affairs
- L.D. 112 An Act To Facilitate the Timely and Accurate Counting of Absentee Ballots By Extending the Processing Period
- L.D. 157 An Act Regarding the Fair Representation of Candidate Identities

Sincerely,
S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of House

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

The Following Communication: (S.C. 229)

**MAINE SENATE
130TH LEGISLATURE**

February 25, 2021

Honorable Ryan M. Fecteau
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

Dear Speaker Fecteau:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A. §158 and Joint Rule 506 of the 130th Maine Legislature, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed the following nominations:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry:

To the Land for Maine's Future Board:

- Roger K. Berle of Falmouth for reappointment
 - Robert L. Meyers of Bath for reappointment
 - Catherine Robbins-Halsted of Searsmont for appointment
- To the Maine Land Use Planning Commission:
- Millard Billings of Franklin for reappointment
 - James R. May of Mapleton for reappointment

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs:

To the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees

- Paul Mercer of Penobscot for appointment
- Robert D. Somerville of Fort Lauderdale for reappointment
- Miles Unobsky Theeman of Bangor for reappointment
- Wayne Allen Norton of Gorham for appointment
- Hope Thomas of Orrington for appointment
- Wendy Morrison of Dickinson for reappointment

To the University of Maine System, Board of Trustees:

- Irene Neal of Fort Kent for appointment
- The Honorable Margaret Rotundo of Lewiston for appointment
- The Honorable Roger J. Katz, Esq. of Brunswick for appointment
- Beth Dobson of Falmouth for appointment

To the Maine Community College System, Board of Trustees:

- Dr. Mark Fourre of Camden for appointment
- To the State Board of Education:
- James E. Ford of Brunswick for appointment
 - Greyson Elliot Orne of Camden for appointment
 - The Honorable Victoria P. Kornfield of Bangor for appointment

• Cynthia Murray-Beliveau of Portland for appointment
Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology:

To the Efficiency Maine Trust Board:

- Suzanne MacDonald of Rockland for reappointment
- Mark Isaacson of Cumberland for appointment
- Kenneth A. Colburn of Bar Harbor for appointment

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources:

- Melanie Lozrim of Manchester for appointment, as the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services:

- The Honorable Lloyd P. LaFountain III of Manchester for reappointment, as the Superintendent, Bureau of Financial Institutions

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business:

To the Finance Authority of Maine:

- David Daigler of Portland for reappointment
- The Honorable Bettyann Sheats of Auburn for appointment
- Renee Ouellette, CPA of Hermon for appointment

To the Loring Development Authority of Maine:

- Kris Doody, RN of Caribou for appointment
- Suzie S. Paradis of Fort Kent for appointment
- The Honorable Patrick E. Paradis of Augusta for reappointment
- Lee C. Umphrey of Bangor for appointment
- The Honorable Jeremy R. Fischer of Yarmouth for appointment
- The Honorable Lynn Bromley of South Portland for appointment
- Benjamin M. Shaw of Mapleton for appointment
- Timothy D. Crowley of Caribou for appointment
- Galen Weibley of Chapman for appointment
- Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Judiciary:

As a District Court Judge:

- The Honorable Rob A. Langner of Fort Fairfield for appointment
- Sarah I. Gilbert of Hope for appointment
- The Honorable Charles A. Dow of Winthrop for reappointment
- Sarah A. Churchill, Esq. of Windham for appointment
- The Honorable Rick E. Lawrence of Portland for reappointment
- James F. Martemucci, Esq. of Arundel for appointment

As a Superior Court Justice:

- The Honorable Richard W. Mulhern of Falmouth for appointment

To the Maine Human Rights Commission:

- Jill C. Duson of Portland for appointment

To the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission:

- Sarah J. Medina of Dixmont for appointment

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Labor and Housing:

As a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority:

- The Honorable Brian Hubbell of Bar Harbor for appointment
- Nancy Y. Harrison of Veazie for appointment
- John B. Wasileski of Yarmouth for appointment

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on State and Local Government:

- Katherine McBrien of Union for appointment, as the State Archivist

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Transportation:

- Thomas J. Zuke of Saco for reappointment, to the Maine Turnpike Authority, Board of Directors

Best Regards,

S/Darek M. Grant

Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

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

On motion of Representative Bernard of Caribou, the House adjourned at 8:51pm until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March, 11 2021, in honor and lasting tribute to Bruce "Chub" Caldwell, of Brunswick, Clinton "Peanut" Gardner, of East Machias and Thomas Keller, of Brunswick.