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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 FECTION 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