

Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-Second Legislature First Special Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

12th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, April 29, 2025.

Senate called to Order by President Matthea E. Larsen Daughtry of Cumberland County.

Prayer by Reverend Dr. Jodi Cohen Hayashida of Multifaith Justice Maine.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator James D. Libby of Cumberland County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, April 24, 2025.

Medical Provider of the Day, Jonathan R. Meserve, MD of Falmouth.

Matthea E. L. Daughtry
President of the Senate

Darek M. GrantSecretary of the Senate

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-1) Restoration Resources, of Alna, owned by the Honorable Les Fossel, a former member of the Maine House of Representatives, on the celebration of the company's 50th anniversary of restoring historic buildings. The 15 crew members of Restoration Resources have a combined 196 years of experience and offer education and consulting services throughout Maine and beyond. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 190

(1-2) the Pineland Suzuki School, of Manchester, on the celebration of its 30th anniversary. On April 24, 1995, Betsy Kobayashi and Ellen Gawler founded the school in their living rooms. Today, they continue to lead and instruct students. The school follows the pedagogy of Dr. Shinichi Suzuki, which emphasizes both character and musical education. Committed to musical excellence, integrity, and beauty, the school fosters a joyful, noncompetitive learning environment. Dedicated to Dr. Suzuki's ideals, it nurtures each student's character through the beauty of music and the pursuit of excellence, sharing these values with the public through performances and presentations. Over the years, the Pineland Suzuki School has provided character and music education to more than 2,000 Maine children, each for 10 to 15 years. It has also performed over 3,000 community concerts at schools, libraries, churches, hospitals, assisted living facilities, contradances and other gathering places where Maine people come together to experience music and community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes.

HLS 212

Come from the House, **READ** and **PASSED**.

Joint Resolution

(1-3) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1185

JOINT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL OF THE BATTLES OF LEXINGTON AND CONCORD

WHEREAS, the battles of Lexington and Concord took place on April 19, 1775; and

WHEREAS, in the wake of the Seven Years' War, the British government sought to pay for the costs of the war by increasing taxes on its North American territories without their consent; and

WHEREAS, British subjects in the American colonies resisted taxation without representation through political action and civil agitation, culminating in the destruction of a cargo of imported tea, an event known as the Boston Tea Party, in December 1773; and

WHEREAS, the British Government responded to the resistance in Massachusetts by passing the "Intolerable Acts," which, among other measures, revoked the charter of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, which encompassed much of today's State of Maine, concentrated power in a Governor appointed by the King, forbade town meetings without the Governor's approval and placed Boston under military occupation; and

WHEREAS, in October of 1774, the royally appointed Governor Thomas Gage dissolved the provincial assembly of Massachusetts Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Massachusetts provincial assembly defied Governor Gage, adjourning to Concord and organizing themselves as a Provincial Congress on October 7, 1774, and with John Hancock as its president, it became the de facto government of Massachusetts outside of Boston, including representatives from York and Cumberland Counties and other parts of present-day Maine; and

WHEREAS, beginning in October 1774, the Provincial Congress initiated actions for the defense and safety of the Province of Massachusetts Bay by providing for procurement and disbursement of arms and munitions, assembling a militia and appointing as the militia's commander the Honorable Jedediah Preble, Esquire, of Falmouth, now Portland, Maine; and

WHEREAS, on the evening of April 18, 1775, British forces commenced a military operation to apprehend the leaders of the Provincial Congress in Lexington and confiscate the arms and munitions stored in Concord; and

WHEREAS, local militia volunteers, distinguished by the term "Minutemen," having been notified through the night of the approaching soldiers, fought British forces on the Lexington Green and at the North Bridge in Concord, protecting their munitions from seizure and harrying the British forces throughout their retreat to Boston; and

WHEREAS, these battles launched a successful war for our nation's independence; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-second Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to honor the courage and sacrifice of those who risked their lives by taking up public service and armed service in defiance of tyranny and in defense of the principles and practice of representative self-government that is their legacy and our heritage.

Comes from	the House, RE	AD and ADO	PTED.	

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.P. 706

MAINE SENATE 132nd LEGISLATURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

COMMUNICATIONS

April 25, 2025

Hon. Matthea Daughtry President of the Senate 132nd Legislature

Hon. Ryan D. Fecteau Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature

Dear Madam President and Mr. Speaker:

On April 25, 2025, 4 bills were received by the Secretary of the Senate.

Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 308.2, these bills were referred to the Joint Standing Committees on April 25, 2025, as follows:

Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Optometric Practice" (S.P. 702) (L.D. 1803) (Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland) (Cosponsored by Representative FOLEY of Wells and Senators: FARRIN of Somerset, HAGGAN of Penobscot, STEWART of Aroostook, BALDACCI of Penobscot, LAWRENCE of York, Representatives: MASTRACCIO of Sanford, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, MATHIESON of Kittery)

Judiciary

Bill "An Act to Establish a Post-conviction Review Process for Crimes Committed by Victims of Sex Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation" (S.P. 705) (L.D. 1805) (Sponsored by Senator TALBOT ROSS of Cumberland) (Cosponsored by Representative MOONEN of Portland and Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, BAILEY of York, BRENNER of Cumberland, Representatives: LEE of Auburn, KUHN of Falmouth, BOYER of Poland, SINCLAIR of Bath, SATO of Gorham)

Transportation

Bill "An Act Concerning Funding and Oversight of Transportation Matters" (S.P. 704) (L.D. 1804) (Sponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset) (Cosponsored by Representative PARRY of Arundel and Senator: HARRINGTON of York, Representatives: MASON of Lisbon, WHITE of Guilford, ALBERT of Madawaska, BISHOP of Bucksport)

Veterans and Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act to Increase Transparency in State Government by Amending Laws Regarding Persons Attempting to Influence the Competitive Bidding Process and Lobbyist Reporting During Rule-making Processes" (S.P. 708) (L.D. 1814) (Sponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec) (Cosponsored by Representative LEE of Auburn and Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, FARRIN of Somerset, GROHOSKI of Hancock, DUSON of Cumberland, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representative: EDER of Waterboro)

Sincerely,

S/Darek M. Grant Secretary of the Senate

S/Robert B. Hunt Clerk of the House

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 305

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE

April 24, 2025

Honorable Darek M. Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Grant,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 10, MRSA, Part 1, Ch. 1-A, §11.4-A2, I am pleased to appoint the following to the *Citizen Trade Policy Commission*, effective immediately:

Representative Morgan Rielly of Westbrook to serve as a member of the House of Representatives. As first-named House member, Representative Rielly will also serve as House Chair of the commission;

Representative Edward Crockett of Portland to serve as a member of the House of Representatives;

Representative Arthur Mingo of Calais to serve as a member of the House of Representatives.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan D. Fecteau Speaker of the House (2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 306

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER'S OFFICE AUGUSTA, MAINE

April 24, 2025

Honorable Darek M. Grant Secretary of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Grant,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, Chapter 631, §25002, I am pleased to appoint Jacqueline Mugwaneza of South Portland to the *Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Maine Tribal Populations*, effective immediately.

Ms. Mugwaneza will serve on this commission as a representative of an immigrant or refugee rights organization.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Ryan D. Fecteau Speaker of the House

(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 307

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUGUSTA, MAINE

April 24, 2025

The Honorable Matthea Daughtry President of the Senate 3 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Nominations to the Maine Redevelopment Land Bank Authority

Dear President Daughtry:

I am pleased to nominate the following individuals for reappointment to the Maine Redevelopment Land Bank Authority:

- Janice de Lima of Falmouth
- Robert C. Bryant of Hartland
- Ian Houseal of Portland

Pursuant to 30-A MRSA §5155, this appointment is contingent on confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Housing and Economic Development.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

S/Janet T. Mills Governor

(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 287

THE STATE OF MAINE 132nd LEGISLATURE AUGUSTA, MAINE

April 22, 2025

Brigadier General Diane Dunn The Adjutant General, Maine National Guard 23 Blue Star Ave Camp Chamberlain, Joint Force Headquarters Augusta, Maine 04330

Dear Brigadier General Dunn,

We are pleased to invite you to address a Joint Session of the 132nd Maine Legislature on April 30, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. concerning the State of the National Guard and any other matters that you may care to bring to our attention.

We look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

S/Matthea Elizabeth Larsen Daughtry President of the Senate

S/Ryan D. Fecteau Speaker of the House (2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 315

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

April 25, 2025

The Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry President of the Senate of Maine 132nd Maine State Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

Dear Madam President:

In accordance with 3 M.R.S.A., Section 157, and with Joint Rule 505 of the Maine Legislature, the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the nomination of Kelly O'Connor of Camden, for appointment to the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services.

After public hearing and discussion on this nomination, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to recommend to the Senate that this nomination be confirmed. The Committee Clerk called the roll with the following result:

YEAS	Senators	2	Carney, A. of Cumberland, Haggan, D. of Penobscot
	Representatives	4	Kuhn, A. of Falmouth, Babin, M. of Fort Fairfield, Henderson, R. of Rumford, O'Halloran, D. of Brewer
NAYS	Senators	1	Talbot Ross, R. of Cumberland
	Representatives	3	Lee, A. of Auburn, Sato, E. of Gorham, Sinclair, D. of Bath
ABSENT		3	Rep. Caruso, E. of Caratunk, Rep. Poirier, J. of Skowhegan, Rep. Pugh, D. of Portland

Rep. Dana of Passamaquoddy Tribe was absent.

Six members of the Committee having voted in the affirmative and four in the negative, it was the vote of the Committee that the nomination of Kelly O'Connor of Camden, for appointment to the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services be confirmed.

Signed,

S/Anne Carney	S/Amy D. Kuhr
Senate Chair	House Chair

(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 308

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

April 24, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1452 An Act to Allow the Emergency Medical Services' Board to Assess Civil
Penalties for the Noncompliance of Emergency Medical Services Persons with the
Requirement to Administer Naloxone Hydrochloride in Compliance with
Trainings and Procedures Developed by the Board

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Beebe-Center S/Rep. Tavis Rock Hasenfus Senate Chair House Chair

(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 314

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

April 25, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1076 An Act to Hire School Security Officers to Protect Students and Make Schools Safer

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty Senate Chair S/Rep. Kelly Maureen Noonan Murphy

House Chair

(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 299

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

April 18, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 263	Resolve, to Provide Rural Nonmedical Transportation Services to the Elderly and Adults with Disabilities Receiving Home and Community Benefits Under MaineCare
L.D. 431	An Act Regarding Driver's Licenses for Individuals in Foster Care
L.D. 1125	An Act Regarding the Impact of Certain Nonemergency Transportation Services Contracts on Community Action Agency Programs
L.D. 1191	An Act to Ensure Timely Reimbursement for Providers of Child Care Services for Children in Foster Care
L.D. 1280	Resolve, to Create Pilot Programs to Provide Tuition Assistance and Grants for Rural Child Care Providers

Resolve, Establishing the Study Group on Solutions to Address Maine's

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

L.D. 1380

S/Sen. Henry Ingwersen S/Rep. Michele Meyer Senate Chair House Chair

Behavioral Health Workforce Shortage

(2-10) The Following Communication:

S.C. 300

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

April 18, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 625	An Act Supporting Education for the Rural Health Care Workforce
L.D. 712	An Act to Clarify the Relationship Between Palliative Care Physicians and Hospital Physicians
L.D. 938	An Act to Implement Certain Local Spending and Sourcing Requirements Regarding the Statewide Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
L.D. 1028	Resolve, to Establish the Task Force to Study Equitable Access to Maternal Health Care and Birthing Facilities
L.D. 1070	Resolve, to Study a Medicaid Forward Plan for Maine
L.D. 1235	An Act to Establish Transparency in Opioid Settlement Funds Allocated to Municipalities or Counties

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Henry Ingwersen S/Rep. Michele Meyer Senate Chair House Chair

(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 309

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

April 24, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1392 An Act to Limit the Applicability of the Laws Regulating Payroll Processors to Services Provided by Payroll Processors to Employers with a Legal Address in the State (EMERGENCY)

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Donna Bailey Senate Chair S/Rep. Kristi M. Mathieson

House Chair

(2-12) The Following Communication:

S.C. 313

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

April 24, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1262 An Act to Improve Government Transparency and Accountability by Establishing a Process to Allow a Person to Require the State to Enforce Certain Laws and Rules

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney Senate Chair S/Rep. Amy D. Kuhn

House Chair

(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 312

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

April 24, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1348 An Act to Increase the Limit on Damages Under the Maine Tort Claims Act for Negligence Involving School Field Trips

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney S/Rep. Amy D. Kuhn Senate Chair House Chair

(2-14) The Following Communication:

S.C. 310

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON LABOR

April 23, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Labor has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1218 An Act to Allow Certain County Commissioners Who Are Maine Public Employees Retirement System Members to Switch to the Legislative Retirement Program

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Michael Tipping Senate Chair S/Rep. Amy Jean Roeder

House Chair

(2-15) The Following Communication:

S.C. 311

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

April 24, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1278 An Act to Change the Property Tax Appeal Process

L.D. 1368 An Act to Provide a Property Tax Exemption for Allowing Shellfish Harvester Access to the Intertidal Zone

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Nicole Grohoski Senate Chair

S/Rep. Kristen Sarah Cloutier

House Chair

(2-16) The Following Communication:

S.C. 301

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

April 22, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 667	An Act to Modernize the State Motor Vehicle Inspection Program and the Law Governing Inspection Fees
L.D. 676	An Act to Fund the Recommendations of the Mountain Division Rail Use Advisory Council
L.D. 807	An Act to Limit the Number of Free Motor Vehicle Registrations That May Be Provided to a Disabled Veteran and Reimburse Municipalities for the Loss of Excise Taxes

L.D. 1194 An Act to Phase Out Vehicle Excise Taxes and Implement a Fee for Infrastructure Funding Based on a Vehicle's Annual Mileage

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Tim Nangle S/Rep. Lydia Crafts
Senate Chair House Chair

(2-17) The Following Communication:

S.C. 316

STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

April 25, 2025

Honorable Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry, President of the Senate Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker of the House 132nd Legislature State House Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 1334 An Act to Require Retailers to Place Any Liquor That Is Accessible to Customers at Least 48 Inches from the Payment Terminal
- L.D. 1434 An Act to Allow Veterans' Organizations and Fraternal Organizations to Obtain a License to Operate the Draw Game Keno

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman
Senate Chair
S/Rep. Laura Supica
House Chair

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Bill "An Act to Require a Blood Test for Drugs for Drivers Involved in a Motor Vehicle Accident That Results in Serious Bodily Injury or Death"

S.P. 703 L.D. 1815

Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative DILL of Old Town and Senators: BAILEY of York, HARRINGTON of York, Representatives: FLYNN of Albion, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, PAUL of Winterport, PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, THORNE of Carmel.

(3-2) Bill "An Act to Establish a Statewide Sexual Assault Forensic Examination Kit Tracking System and Conduct an Inventory of Existing Forensic Examination Kits in the Possession of Law Enforcement" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 707 L.D. 1816

Presented by Senator DUSON of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative STOVER of Boothbay and Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, President DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, PIERCE of Cumberland, Representatives: CARLOW of Buxton, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill.

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

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` '	Transparency in the Criminal Justice System by Requiring the
Posting of Criminal Case Dec	S.P. 710 L.D. 1823

Presented by Senator HARRINGTON of York.

Cosponsored by Senators: CYRWAY of Kennebec, HAGGAN of Penobscot, STEWART of Aroostook, Representatives: FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, SMITH of Palermo.

(3-4) Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Public Release of Information Regarding a Railroad Fatality" S.P. 711 L.D. 1824

Presented by Senator RAFFERTY of York.

Cosponsored by Representative LYMAN of Livermore Falls and Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

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

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) Lee Mank, of Readfield, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 495

Sponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative: HASENFUS of Readfield.

(4-2) Grace Keene, of Readfield, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 496

Sponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative: HASENFUS of Readfield.

(4-3) Nancy Buker, of Readfield, recipient of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 497

Sponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative: HASENFUS of Readfield.

(4-4) the Boothbay Region High School Drama Students One Act Play Team, which won the Gold Medal at the Maine Drama Festival's Class B Regional One Act Tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 498

Sponsored by Senator RENY of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Representative: STOVER of Boothbay.

(4-5) the Cape Elizabeth Speech and Debate Team, which won the Maine State Debate Championship in Congressional Debate Overall. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 499

Sponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BOYER of Cape Elizabeth, KESSLER of South Portland.

(4-6) Caroline Straw, of Cape Elizabeth, who won the Maine State Debate Championship in Congressional Debate. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 500

Sponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BOYER of Cape Elizabeth, KESSLER of South Portland.

(4-7) Bobbie Robinson, of Waldoboro, on her retirement after over 39 years of service as a dispatcher with Lincoln County Communications. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 501

Sponsored by Senator RENY of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Representative: SIMMONS of Waldoboro.

(4-8) Steve Johnson, of Blue Hill, who received the Bob White Award from the Maine Association of Soccer Officials. Mr. Johnson has been officiating soccer matches for 35 years. The award is given annually to a MASO official who best exemplifies the characteristics Bob White showed as a person and an official, along with dedication to the game and development of officials. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 502

Sponsored by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.

Cosponsored by Representative: MILLIKEN of Blue Hill.

(4-9) the Blue Hill Co-Op, which is celebrating its 50th Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 503

Sponsored by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.

Cosponsored by Representative: MILLIKEN of Blue Hill.

(4-10) Kindness Keepers for Hallie, of Poland, recipients of a Spirit of America Foundation Award. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the foundation presents awards to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; SLS 506

Sponsored by Senator BICKFORD of Androscoggin. Cosponsored by Representatives: BOYER of Poland, OLSEN of Raymond.

(4-11) Cape Elizabeth Little League, on the celebration of the league's 75th anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 507

Sponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BOYER of Cape Elizabeth, KESSLER of South Portland.

Joint Resolutions

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(4-12) Virginia "Gina" (Smith) Farnsworth, of Bar Harbor. Mrs. Farnsworth worked for the Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce for over 50 years. A member of the Church of Our Father in Hulls Cove, she served the church community as senior warden and, for many years, as treasurer of the church's fair committee. She was also a member of the Bar Harbor American Legion Auxiliary for several years. She frequently volunteered for the Bar Harbor YWCA, including the food pantry, and was named the Woman of the Year. She was a member of the Bar Harbor Rotary Club and one of the first women to receive the Paul Harris Fellowship. Mrs. Farnsworth will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

SLS 504

Sponsored by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock. Cosponsored by Representative: FRIEDMANN of Bar Harbor.

WHEREAS, the Legislature has learned with deep regret of the death of:

(4-13) Robert D. Pate, of Saco. Mr. Pate served in the United States Air Force and was stationed in England during the Korean Conflict. After his military service, he became a funeral director, eventually owning Dennett, Craig & Pate Funeral Homes in Saco and Buxton. He was a member of the Biddeford Saco Rotary Club, Wardwell Home and the Salvation Army Corps in Old Orchard Beach. He also served as President of the Saco Little League and the Thornton Academy Boosters. He was a longtime member of the United Baptist Church of Saco, Saco Masonic Lodge #9 and the Maine Funeral Directors Association. Mr. Pate will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 505

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York. Cosponsored by Representatives: ARCHER of Saco, COPELAND of Saco, GATTINE of Westbrook.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

(5-1) The Committee on AGRICULTURE , CONSERVATIO "An Act to Amend the Definition of 'Transient Occupancy' in the Land Use Planning Commission" (EMERGENCY)	
Reported that the same Ought to Pass .	
Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTE ENGROSSED .	D and the Bill PASSED TO BE
(5-2) The Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLI Require Reporting of Sheltering or Aiding Missing Children"	C SAFETY on Bill "An Act to H.P. 755 L.D. 1150
Reported that the same Ought to Pass .	
Comes from the House with the Report READ and ACCEPTE ENGROSSED .	D and the Bill PASSED TO BE

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-3) The Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Appropriate Funds to the Department of Environmental Protection, Lake Water Quality Restoration and Protection Fund"

H.P. 196 L.D. 296

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-69).

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-69).**

(5-4) The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Promote Clean and Affordable Maine-sourced Bioenergy by Amending the Law Regarding Outdoor Wood Boilers and Outdoor Pellet Boilers"

H.P. 331 L.D. 502

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

TEPLER of Sagadahoc BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

DOUDERA of Camden ANKELES of Brunswick BELL of Yarmouth BRIDGEO of Augusta OSHER of Orono RIELLY of Westbrook WOODSOME of Waterboro

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass** as **Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-68)**.

Signed:

Senator:

MARTIN of Oxford

Representatives:

SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico SOBOLESKI of Phillips

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

(5-5) The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Maine National Guard from Combat Deployment Absent an Act of the United States Congress"

H.P. 168 L.D. 265

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec DUSON of Cumberland TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin

Representatives:

SUPICA of Bangor CHAPMAN of Auburn FAIRCLOTH of Bangor FREDERICKS of Sanford FROST of Belgrade MALON of Biddeford TERRY of Gorham

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass** as **Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-70)**.

Signed:

Representatives:

BOYER of Poland GRAHAM of North Yarmouth HYMES of Waldo

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Senate

Pursuant to Statute

(5-6) Senator CARNEY for the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Make Technical Changes to the Laws Governing the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services"

S.P. 700 L.D. 1801

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 1804, subsection 3, paragraph H.

Pursuant to Statute

(5-7) Senator CARNEY for the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services to Clarify When an Indigent Criminal Defendant Is Entitled to Counsel at State Expense"

S.P. 701 L.D. 1802

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 1804, subsection 3, paragraph H.

Pursuant to Statute

(5-8) Senator CARNEY for the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendation of the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services to Eliminate the Crime of Violation of Condition of Release"

S.P. 709 L.D. 1817

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 1804, subsection 3, paragraph H.

Pursuant to Statute

(5-9) Senator CARNEY for the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services Regarding the Confidentiality of Attorney-Client Communications in Jails and Correctional Facilities" S.P. 712 L.D. 1825

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**, pursuant to the

Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 1804, subsection 3, paragraph H.
Ought to Pass As Amended
(5-10) Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES on
Bill "An Act to Provide Funding for Sexual Assault Services" S.P. 16 L.D. 117
Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-30) .
(5-11) Senator NANGLE for the Committee on TRANSPORTATION on Resolve, Directing the Maine-Canadian Legislative Advisory Commission and the New England and Eastern Canada Legislative Commission to Examine Restoring Passenger Rail from Boston to Montreal S.P. 212 L.D. 472
Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-26).

(5-12) The Majority of the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**, **CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Bill "An Act to Establish the PFAS Response Program and to Modify the Fund To Address PFAS Contamination"

S.P. 66 L.D. 130

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-28).

Signed:

Senators:

TALBOT ROSS of Cumberland BLACK of Franklin INGWERSEN of York

Representatives:

PLUECKER of Warren BUNKER of Farmington COOPER of Windham CRAY of Palmyra DILL of Old Town FROST of Belgrade GUERRETTE of Caribou HEPLER of Woolwich

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Representative:

JACKSON of Oxford

(5-13) The Majority of the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act to Require the Office of the Public Advocate to Implement the State's Climate Action Plan"

S.P. 370 L.D. 837

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-29).

Signed:

Senators:

LAWRENCE of York GROHOSKI of Hancock

Representatives:

SACHS of Freeport GEIGER of Rockland KESSLER of South Portland RUNTE of York WARREN of Scarborough WEBB of Durham

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

HARRINGTON of York

Representatives:

FOSTER of Dexter MCINTYRE of Lowell PAUL of Winterport WADSWORTH of Hiram

(5-14) The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act Clarifying Exemptions from the Notification Requirements for Products Containing PFAS"

S.P. 419 L.D. 987

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-27).

Signed:

Senators:

TEPLER of Sagadahoc MARTIN of Oxford

Representatives:

DOUDERA of Camden
BELL of Yarmouth
BRIDGEO of Augusta
CAMPBELL of Orrington
RIELLY of Westbrook
SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico
SOBOLESKI of Phillips
WOODSOME of Waterboro

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

ANKELES of Brunswick OSHER of Orono

(5-15) The Majority of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Preserve Heating and Energy Choice by Prohibiting a Municipality from Prohibiting a Particular Energy System or Energy Distributor"

S.P. 218 L.D. 556

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot MARTIN of Oxford

Representatives:

ADAMS of Lebanon GREENWOOD of Wales POMERLEAU of Standish ROLLINS of Augusta TUELL of East Machias UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

BEEBE-CENTER of Knox

Representatives:

SALISBURY of Westbrook COPELAND of Saco FARRIN of Jefferson MATLACK of St. George

ENACTORS

The Committee on **Engrossed Bills** reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following:

Pursuant to Constitution Public Land

(7-1) Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks an	d Lands to	Convey	Public
Land Parcels in Lincoln Plantation and Sandy River Plantation			

S.P. 39 L.D. 24 (C "A" S-19)

Acts

(7-2) An Act to Fund Climate Resiliency Projects Related to the Repair of Campus Infrastructure Used for Active Transportation and Outdoor Recreation

S.P. 190 L.D. 457 (C "A" S-20)

(7-3) An Act to Amend the Eligibility Criteria for Creditable Service in the Armed Forces of the United States Under the Maine Public Employees Retirement System

S.P. 196 L.D. 462 (C "A" S-21)

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

The following matters in the consideration of which the Senate was engaged at the time of Adjournment have preference in the Orders of the Day and continue with such preference until disposed of as provided by Senate Rule 516.

1.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Lewiston High School Cheering Team

SLS 106

Tabled - February 25, 2025 by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin

Pending - PASSAGE

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Joe Dube, of Lewiston SLS 190

Tabled - March 4, 2025 by Senator **ROTUNDO** of Androscoggin

Pending - PASSAGE

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - to Require the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs to Report Out a Bill Prohibiting Educational Institutions from Being Members of Certain Organizations

H.P. 500

Tabled - March 11, 2025 by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland

Pending - PASSAGE in NON-CONCURRENCE

(In House, $\boldsymbol{REFERRED}$ to the Committee on $\boldsymbol{JUDICIARY}$ and ordered printed.)

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act to Protect Maine Agriculture and Farms by Exempting Certain Pesticides from Regulation"

S.P. 490 L.D. 1201

Tabled - March 20, 2025 by Senator STEWART of Aroostook

Pending - REFERENCE

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

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT RESOLUTION - Memorializing David J. Greenier, of Hampden SLS 291

Tabled - March 25, 2025 by Senator STEWART of Aroostook

Pending - ADOPTION

6.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act to Require State Divestment from Perpetrators of International Human Rights Violations"

H.P. 905 L.D. 1383

Tabled - April 1, 2025 by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland

Pending - REFERENCE

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

(In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.)

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** on Bill "An Act to Include Possession of Compounds, Mixtures or Substances
Containing a Detectable Amount of Certain Scheduled Drugs to Prove the Offense of Unlawful Trafficking of Scheduled Drugs"

S.P. 329 L.D. 771

Majority - Ought to Pass (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (5 members)

Tabled - April 8, 2025 by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland

Pending - ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT

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8.

Tabled and Later Assigned

HOUSE REPORT - from the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Provide Support Services for Military Members Transitioning to Civilian Life in Maine"

H.P. 388 L.D. 620

Report - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-43)

Tabled - April 15, 2025 by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec

Pending - ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT

(In House, Report READ and ACCEPTED and Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-43).)

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act to Allow Municipalities to Prohibit Firearms Within Their Municipal Buildings and Voting Places and at Their Municipal Public Proceedings"

H.P. 1161 L.D. 1743

Tabled - April 23, 2025 by Senator **HARRINGTON** of York

Pending - REFERENCE

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

(In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.)

10.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill "An Act to Allow Persons to Label Their Wild Animal Traps with Their Online Identification Number Issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife"

S.P. 18 L.D. 6

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-23) (12 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (1 member)

Tabled - April 23, 2025 by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland

Pending - motion by Senator **BALDACCI** of Penobscot to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Saint Dominic Academy Boys Basketball Team, of Auburn

SLS 488

Tabled - April 24, 2025 by Senator STEWART of Aroostook

Pending - **ADOPTION**

12.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 12: Fees for Kickboxing Contests and Authorized Participants, a Major Substantive Rule of the Combat Sports Authority of Maine H.P. 174 L.D. 271 (C "A" H-38)

Tabled - April 24, 2025 by Senator BENNETT of Oxford

Pending - FINAL PASSAGE in concurrence (Roll Call Ordered)

(In House, **FINALLY PASSED**.)

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE

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