



Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-Second Legislature
Second Regular Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

State of the State

4th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, January 27, 2026.

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

Prayer by Reverend Dr. Kharma Amos of the Unitarian Universalist Church in Brunswick.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Anne Beebe-Center of Knox County.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, January 20, 2026.

Medical Provider of the Day, Colin McCabe, MSN, FNP-BC of Camden.

Matthea E. L. Daughtry
President of the Senate

Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

On motion by Senator **DUSON** of Cumberland, the following Senate Order:
S.O. 28

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature be held at 6:45 this evening, in the Hall of the House for the purpose of extending to Governor Janet T. Mills, an invitation to attend and make such communication as she may be pleased to make.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-1) William Dudley, of Sidney, a member of Troop No. 401, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 524

(1-2) Effie Cash, of Windham, on the celebration of her 90th Birthday. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 525

(1-3) the Town of Cutler, on the celebration of the town's bicentennial in 2026. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 528

(1-4) the Town of Machiasport, on the celebration of the town's bicentennial in 2026. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 529

(1-5) Susan Tardie, of Fort Kent, who has been named the Greater Fort Kent Area Citizen of the Year by the Greater Fort Kent Area Chamber of Commerce. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 531

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

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 745

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

January 5, 2026

Honorable Mattie Daughtry
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 Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

I am honored to accept your invitation to deliver the State of the State Address before a Joint Convention of the Legislature on Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

For the past seven years, it has been my honor and privilege to serve as Governor of this great state. I am proud of the progress we have made together, but, as we all know, there are still many challenges ahead. Maine people are struggling to get by, and by working together, we can take action to help them and to make life more affordable for folks across our state.

I have always strongly believed that lawmakers, regardless of party affiliation, share a deep desire to improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people, and I am optimistic that we can continue to have productive and respectful debates with one another and make important progress on issues that matter to the people we faithfully serve.

I look forward to addressing the Joint Convention of the Legislature and to working with you during the upcoming session.

Sincerely,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 739

**STATE OF MAINE
132nd LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

January 22, 2026

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

Dear Secretary Grant,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 23, MRSA, Chapter 304, §3036, I am pleased to appoint Amanda Egan of Bath to the *Abandoned and Discontinued Roads Commission*, effective immediately.

On this board, she will serve as a representative member of the commission representing woodland property owners.

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

Sincerely,

S/Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry
President of the Senate

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 741

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

January 21, 2026

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 we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Sen. Pierce of Cumberland, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 2045 An Act to Amend the Education Laws Regarding the State Board of Education's Authority Concerning Degree-granting Institutions

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty, Jr.
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Kelly Maureen Noonan Murphy
House Chair

(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 747

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

January 15, 2026

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 we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 615 An Act Regarding Elections

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Laura Supica
House Chair

(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 740

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

January 16, 2026

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 Environment and Natural Resources has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 754 An Act to Ban the Sale, Use and Possession of Single-use Electronic Cigarettes and to Review Extended Producer Responsibility Options for All Batteries

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Denise A. Tepler
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Victoria W. Doudera
House Chair

(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 746

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

January 15, 2026

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. 943 An Act to Require the ASPIRE-TANF Program to Be Administered by State Employees

L.D. 1418 An Act to Protect Access to Reproductive Health Care, Including Fertility Treatments and Contraceptives

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Henry Ingwersen
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michele Meyer
House Chair

(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 737

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

January 16, 2026

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. 910 An Act to Collect Data to Better Understand the Consumer's Health Insurance Experience

L.D. 1301 An Act to Prohibit the Use of Artificial Intelligence in the Denial of Health Insurance Claims

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Donna Bailey
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Kristi M. Mathieson
House Chair

(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 736

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

January 16, 2026

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. 1761 An Act to Prohibit Indemnification Agreements

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Amy D. Kuhn
House Chair

(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 742

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

January 20, 2026

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. 653 An Act to Allow Teachers to Qualify for Overtime Pay

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Michael Tipping
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Amy Jean Roeder
House Chair

(2-10) The Following Communication:

S.C. 738

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

January 20, 2026

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. 2047 Resolve, Regarding Online Driver Education

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Tim Nangle
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Lydia Crafts
House Chair

(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 735

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CHAIR**

January 20, 2026

Honorable Matthea Daughtry
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

RE: Annual Report of the Workers' Compensation Board Pursuant to 5 M.R.S.A. §12023(2)

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

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, 2026.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

S/John C. Rohde
Executive Director

(2-12) The Following Communication:

S.C. 743

MAINE CONNECTIVITY AUTHORITY

January 22, 2026

Honorable Matthea Daughtry
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 Daughtry 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 Connectivity Authority due by February 1, 2026.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Andrew Butcher
President

(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 744

CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

January 22, 2026

Honorable Matthea Daughtry
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 Daughtry 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 CDS Annual Legislative Report due by February 1, 2026.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

S/Dan Hemdal
State Director for Child Development Services

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Bill "An Act to Create a Right to Judicial Review Under the Maine Civil Rights Act for Persons Erroneously Detained"

S.P. 881 L.D. 2176

Presented by Senator DUSON of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative SATO of Gorham and Senators: BAILEY of York, CARNEY of Cumberland, LAWRENCE of York, Representatives: DHALAC of South Portland, GATTINE of Westbrook, LEE of Auburn, RANA of Bangor, SINCLAIR of Bath.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

(3-2) Bill "An Act to Establish the Independent Office of Tax Appeals and Make Other Changes to the Laws Governing the Tax Appeals Process"

S.P. 883 L.D. 2178

Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.

Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

ORDERS

Joint Orders

(4-1) On motion by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland, the following Joint Order:
S.P. 882

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 10:00 in the morning, or until the call of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, respectively.

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-2) Katarina Ousback, of Scarborough, who has been named a delegate to the 2026 United States Senate Youth Program, one of only two delegates from Maine. The United States Senate Youth Program was developed to provide a unique educational experience for outstanding high school students interested in pursuing careers in public service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1507

Sponsored by Senator **BRENNER** of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: **CARNEY** of Cumberland, Representatives: **GATTINE** of Westbrook, **MURPHY** of Scarborough, **WARREN** of Scarborough.

(4-3) Vivian Courtway, of Peru, who was named American Miss National Young Miss. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1508

Sponsored by Senator **MARTIN** of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Representative: **SCHMERSAL-BURGESS** of Mexico.

(4-4) Anita Joan Talbot, of Portland, who celebrated her 90th birthday on January 15, 2026. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1511

Sponsored by Senator **TALBOT ROSS** of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: **DUSON** of Cumberland, Representatives: **BRENNAN** of Portland, **CROCKETT** of Portland, **LOOKNER** of Portland, **MOONEN** of Portland, **PUGH** of Portland, **SKOLD** of Portland, **YUSUF** of Portland, **ZAGER** of Portland.

(4-5) Johannah Cote, of Presque Isle, who was named American Miss National Teen. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1512

Sponsored by Senator **STEWART** of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative: **UNDERWOOD** of Presque Isle.

Joint Resolutions

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(4-6) Sharon Ruth Smarc, of Cape Elizabeth. A lifelong teacher, Mrs. Smarc retired after many years of service teaching at Loranger Middle School in Old Orchard Beach. In her community, she served for many years as a trustee of Riverside Cemetery. Mrs. Smarc will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

SLS 1503

Sponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.

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

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

(4-7) Gregory C. Hanscom, of Cape Elizabeth. Mr. Hanscom had a career in public service that began in 1972 when he served as Staff Assistant to the Police Chief at Portland Police Department. In 1976, he became the first Chief of Police in Windham, organizing and leading a department of four officers. In 1984, he became Chief of Police in Lewiston, reorganizing the Lewiston Police Department and planning a new public safety building. In 1989, he was appointed by Secretary of State Bill Diamond to serve as Deputy Secretary of State and Director of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for the State of Maine. He was active in the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators and served as a Region 1 President, and he was chair of the board of the International Registration Plan. In 2004, he joined the faculty of Southern Maine Community College, serving as Chair of the Criminal Justice Department. After retiring from the community college, he worked with Municipal Resources Incorporated, a consulting firm in New Hampshire. During his time in Windham, he coached Little League and soccer teams, and over the course of his life he devoted much of his time to charitable organizations and public service causes. Mr. Hanscom will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 1504

Sponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.

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

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

(4-8) Maureen S. Parrott, of South Portland. Certified in nuclear medicine, Mrs. Parrott devoted her professional life to radiology at Maine Medical Center. In retirement, she volunteered at the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland. Mrs. Parrott will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

SLS 1505

Sponsored by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BECK of South Portland, DHALAC of South Portland, KESSLER of South Portland.

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

(4-9) Darrell M. Huff, of Scarborough. Mr. Huff was a veteran of the United States Air Force who served in the Vietnam War. He worked for Bath Iron Works for several years before changing careers, working for the United States Post Office as a machine mechanic. He retired from the Post Office in 2014, when he became deeply involved in his community as a member of the Grange. He was a member of the National Grange and an officer. He served on the executive committee for the Maine State Grange and was an officer in the Cumberland County Pomona Grange. He also was a Past Master of the Oakhill Grange and a member of the North Scarborough Grange. He was a deacon at Scarborough Free Baptist Church. Mr. Huff will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 1506

Sponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: CARNEY of Cumberland, Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, MURPHY of Scarborough, WARREN of Scarborough.

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

(4-10) Kathryn T. McLoon Crowley, of Damariscotta. As a young woman, Mrs. Crowley worked as a statistician at the Navy Annex at the Pentagon, living in Virginia at Arlington Farms, a government housing complex for women. Later, after her husband Dan had a 25-year career with the United States Marine Corps, she and Dan settled in Westbrook. For a time, she worked at Porteous, Mitchell and Braun in Portland, working in lamps and luggage. Mrs. Crowley will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

SLS 1509

Sponsored by Senator RENY of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Representative: CRAFTS of Newcastle.

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

(4-11) Mark David LaPointe, of Portland. Mr. LaPointe was part of an early cohort of the United States Peace Corps. His assignment in Guinea, West Africa led directly to his career with the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, first with the Smallpox/Measles Eradication Program and later with CDC's Center for Global Health. His work moved him and his family to West Africa, New Orleans, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Atlanta and back to Maine. Later in his career, working for both CDC and the Carter Presidential Center, he often returned to West and Central Africa to coordinate public health projects. In addition to his public health service, he volunteered as a case worker and served as president of St. Vincent De Paul Society of Stone Mountain, Georgia and as a member of the board of Catholic Charities of Maine. Mr. LaPointe will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 1510

Sponsored by Senator TALBOT ROSS of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: DUSON of Cumberland, Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CROCKETT of Portland, LOOKNER of Portland, MOONEN of Portland, PUGH of Portland, SKOLD of Portland, YUSUF of Portland, ZAGER of Portland.

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

(4-12) Lee B. Silverman, of Brunswick. After working in feature film development and marketing for United Artists and earning his MBA at Harvard Business School in 1990, Mr. Silverman worked for Goldman Sachs, where he was a vice president in private client services. In 2000, he joined Merrill Lynch as a senior vice president in order to work with his brother and to live in Maine. He was a longtime member of Longwood Cricket Club and the Union Club of Boston, Massachusetts. A conservationist, he helped preserve Pennellville and supported The Brunswick Topsham Land Trust and Maine Coast Heritage Trust. He volunteered in leadership roles for several nonprofit organizations, serving as the second President of the Boston Center for Jewish Heritage and as a board member of the Beacon Hill Civic Association. He also supported the libraries in both Brunswick and Carrabassett Valley and wrote a book entitled "B." Mr. Silverman will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 1513

Sponsored by President DAUGHTRY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, ARFORD of Brunswick, GOLEK of Harpswell.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

(5-1) The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, to Rename a Bridge in Woolwich the Woolwich Veterans Memorial Bridge

H.P. 1357 L.D. 2027

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

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

(5-2) The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, to Rename a Bridge in West Forks Plantation and The Forks Plantation the Gordon Clifton Berry, Sr. Bridge

H.P. 1358 L.D. 2028

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

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Divided Report

(5-3) The Majority of the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Safeguard Reproductive Rights"

H.P. 235 L.D. 335

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**.

Signed:

Senators:

CARNEY of Cumberland
HAGGAN of Penobscot
TALBOT ROSS of Cumberland

Representatives:

KUHN of Falmouth
BABIN of Fort Fairfield
CARUSO of Caratunk
LEE of Auburn
O'HALLORAN of Brewer
POIRIER of Skowhegan
PUGH of Portland
SATO of Gorham
SINCLAIR of Bath

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

Signed:

Representative:

HENDERSON of Rumford

(Representative DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe - of the House - supports the Majority be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** Report.)

Comes from the House with the Majority **REFER TO COMMITTEE** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**.

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-4) Senator TALBOT ROSS for the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands to Make Certain Land Transactions in Aroostook and Somerset Counties

S.P. 822 L.D. 2006

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-490).**

(5-5) Senator GROHOSKI for the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Provide a Sales Tax Exemption for Housing Constructed Off-site Similar to That for On-site Construction"

S.P. 575 L.D. 1419

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-491).**

Divided Report

(5-6) The Majority of the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, to Study Changing the Start of the State Fiscal Year to October 1st

S.P. 644 L.D. 1636

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

Signed:

Senators:

ROTUNDO of Androscoggin
BERNARD of Aroostook
RENY of Lincoln

Representatives:

GATTINE of Westbrook
BLIER of Buxton
BRENNAN of Portland
DHALAC of South Portland
DUCHARME of Madison
FREDETTE of Newport
MATLACK of St. George
STOVER of Boothbay

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-492)**.

Signed:

Representative:

ARATA of New Gloucester

SECOND READERS

The Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading** reported the following:

House As Amended

(6-1) Bill "An Act to Address Maine's Health Care Workforce Shortage and Improve Access to Care" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 620 L.D. 961
(C "A" H-785)

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

NOMINATION - of Renee Lewis of Hollis for reappointment as a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority

S.C. 731

Tabled - January 20, 2026 by Senator **CURRY** of Waldo

Pending - **CONSIDERATION**

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

NOMINATION - of Paul Shepherd of Belfast for reappointment as a Commissioner of the Maine State Housing Authority

S.C. 732

Tabled - January 20, 2026 by Senator **CURRY** of Waldo

Pending - **CONSIDERATION**

SPECIAL STUDY TABLE

1.

Emergency

Resolve, Establishing the Commission to Study Unmanaged Storm Water Pollution
H.P. 414 L.D. 646
(C "A" H-98)

Tabled - May 14, 2025 by Senator **DUSON** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**

2.

Emergency

Resolve, to Establish the Committee to Study the Use of Sunflower Crops to Produce Biofuels
and Other Products

S.P. 527 L.D. 1297
(C "A" S-42)

Tabled - May 14, 2025 by Senator **DUSON** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**

3.

Emergency

Resolve, Establishing the Commission to Study MaineCare Estate Recovery

H.P. 102 L.D. 169

(C "A" H-129)

Tabled - May 21, 2025 by Senator **DUSON** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE** in concurrence

4.

Resolve, to Create the Commission to Study a Legislative Internship Program

H.P. 392 L.D. 624

(C "A" H-111)

Tabled - May 21, 2025 by Senator **DUSON** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE** in concurrence

5.

Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study the Need to Codify or Recodify Laws Regarding Residential Community Ownership Associations by Adopting the Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act

S.P. 301 L.D. 760

(C "A" S-122)

Tabled - May 27, 2025 by Senator **DUSON** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE** in concurrence

6.

Emergency

Resolve, to Study the Feasibility of Establishing a Dedicated Family Court in Maine

H.P. 1072 L.D. 1618

(C "A" H-199)

Tabled - May 27, 2025 by Senator **DUSON** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE** in concurrence

7.

Resolve, to Study Maine's Absolute Dominion and Beneficial Use Laws Relating to Water Rights

H.P. 1131 L.D. 1696

(C "A" H-156)

Tabled - May 27, 2025 by Senator **DUSON** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE** in concurrence

8.

Resolve, Establishing the Commission to Study the Maine Tort Claims Act

S.P. 564 L.D. 1347

(C "A" S-132)

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9.

Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study the Reduction of Unfunded and Outdated Municipal and County Mandates

H.P. 402 L.D. 634
(C "A" H-259)

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10.

Emergency

Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Ensure a Just and Equitable Energy Transition for Maine's Workforce

S.P. 576 L.D. 1420
(C "A" S-157)

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11.

Emergency

Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study the Impact of Blockchain Technology and Cryptocurrency on Maine's Economy and the Risks of Fraud and Theft to Maine Consumers

S.P. 515 L.D. 1286
(C "A" S-240)

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12.

Emergency

Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study Consumer Grocery Pricing Fairness
H.P. 1265 L.D. 1894
(C "A" H-457)

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13.

Resolve, to Establish a Pilot Project to Facilitate the Inclusion of Economic Impact Statements in the Legislative Process

H.P. 1108 L.D. 1673
(C "A" H-562)

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14.

Emergency

Resolve, to Establish the Working Group to Review and Update the Laws Governing Harness Racing

S.P. 358 L.D. 793
(C "A" S-376)

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15.

Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study and Recommend Solutions for Modernizing and Improving the Effectiveness of the Legislature

S.P. 657 L.D. 1649
(C "A" S-368)

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16.

Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study the Judicial Disciplinary Process

H.P. 1211 L.D. 1810
(C "A" H-680)

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17.

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H.P. 726 L.D. 1107
(C "A" H-708)

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H.P. 1302 L.D. 1943
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