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One Hundred and Thirty-Second Legislature
Second Regular Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

10th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, March 3, 2026.

Senate called to Order by President Pro Tem Mark W. Lawrence of York County.

Prayer by Right Reverend Thomas J. Brown, the 10th Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Stacy Brenner of Cumberland County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, February 26, 2026.

Matthea E. L. Daughtry
President of the Senate

Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

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The Following Communication:

S.C. 835

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

March 2, 2026

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

Dear Secretary Grant,

Pursuant to my authority under Senate Rule 201.3, please be advised that I appoint the Senator from York County, Senator Mark Lawrence, to serve as President Pro Tem to convene the Senate on Tuesday, March 3, 2026.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

S/Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry
President of the Senate

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-1) the Hall-Dale High School Boys Soccer Team, of Farmingdale, which won the Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 545

(1-2) Clyde Rolerson, of Thorndike, 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;

HLS 566

(1-3) Beverly Ingraham, of Knox, who has received the Boston Post Cane, an honor given to the oldest citizen of a municipality. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 567

(1-4) Louis Rivers, of Dayton, 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;

HLS 568

(1-5) James Call, Jr., of Milo, 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;

HLS 569

(1-6) Thomas J. Connors, of Augusta, on his retirement as Intensive Case Manager for the Department of Health and Human Services after forty-one years of dedicated state service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 570

(1-7) Jeanne M. St. Peter, of Caribou, who is celebrating her 100th birthday on March 5, 2026. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 571

(1-8) Brock Gagnon, of Caribou, who won the Class B State Wrestling Championship in the 150-pound Weight Class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 572

(1-9) William "Pops" Mangum, of Orrington, for his 50 years of service at Regional School Unit 34. In 1976, Mr. Mangum started working in the Old Town School Department mentoring one student. Soon he was mentoring other students. Over the years, he's been asked to work with students in other districts, including Milford, Hampden and RSU 63, and students at the University of Maine, including student-athletes. At 77 years of age, Mr. Mangum continues to serve as a mentor to the district's students. We extend our appreciation and best wishes;

HLS 573

(1-10) the Boothbay Region Water District, which received the Maine's Best Water Award from the Maine Rural Water Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 575

(1-11) the Boothbay Region Water District, which won the Bronze Medal at the nationwide 27th Annual Great American Water Taste Test. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 576

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

Joint Resolutions

(1-12) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1500

**JOINT RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 2026 AS CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH**

WHEREAS, dental caries is the most common chronic disease found in children; and

WHEREAS, through dental education and regular preventive dental care, tooth decay is almost completely preventable; and

WHEREAS, good oral health habits start in childhood, and parents and caregivers who are educated about the importance of oral health are empowered to embrace appropriate oral hygiene and dietary behaviors and make and keep dental appointments for their children; and

WHEREAS, research shows that, through supervised tooth brushing programs and preventive dental care, children can reduce the occurrence of dental-related illness, which starts as early as first grade and causes children in the United States to miss 51,000,000 hours of school time each year; and

WHEREAS, through a balanced diet, brushing and flossing after every meal and regular dental checkups, children can avoid dental caries and remain healthy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-second Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to designate February 2026 as Children's Dental Health Month and to encourage the raising of public awareness about the importance of preventive dental care for all children.

Comes from the House, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(1-13) Verna Hammond, of Belgrade. Following her high school graduation, Mrs. Hammond spent a summer working at a local defense plant in Portsmouth, New Hampshire before returning to Belgrade to work for Maine's Department of Agriculture. Dedicated to the care of her children, she volunteered in many capacities at their schools and in their Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts activities. In 1953, Verna and her husband, Clifton "Skip" Hammond, founded the Clifton K. Hammond Lumber Company in Belgrade, currently Hammond Lumber Company. The company has grown from a handful of employees to 33 Maine locations and one in New Hampshire, with a total of 1,200 employees. She worked for 58 years before retiring at 85 years of age. She and Skip also owned Christmas tree farms and were involved in the Maine Christmas Tree Growers Association. On December 10, 2024, she received the Boston Post Cane from Belgrade. She was also a longtime member of the Grange. Mrs. Hammond will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

HLS 565

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

(1-14) Phyllis Marie Peterson, of Gouldsboro. Mrs. Peterson was a veteran of the United States Army. After working at the Eleanor Widener Dixon Memorial Clinic in Gouldsboro in the mid-1960s, she served with the Army as a medical lab technician during the Vietnam War. She went on to work in a number of medical clerical positions in Illinois, Virginia, Hawaii, Scotland, United Kingdom and Washington, D.C. before transitioning to the United States Civil Service. As a civil servant, she served commendably at the Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu and Naval Security Group Command Headquarters in Washington, D.C. She was also one of the first civilian employees chosen to launch the Navy's Central Adjudication Facility, part of the Naval Criminal Investigative Service. In 1987, she received the NCIS Civilian of the Quarter award for her leadership. Always ready to volunteer to assist Navy families, she was selected by the commanding officer of Naval Security Group Activity, Edzell, Scotland in the United Kingdom to manage the base Child Care Center in the mid-1970s. In the early 1980s she was appointed by the commanding officer of Naval Security Group Activity, Kunia, Hawaii, as the command's Navy Family Ombudsman. In the late 1980s, she moved to New Hampshire and was the training officer for the Civilian Personnel Office at Fort Devens, Massachusetts until she retired from government service. In 2007, she moved to Gouldsboro, where she served on the boards of the Gouldsboro Clinic and Gouldsboro Historical Society and was a volunteer at the Schoodic Education and Research Center in Acadia National Park. Mrs. Peterson will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

HLS 574

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

(1-15) James Brown, of Waterville, a devoted employee of the Maine Department of Transportation, who tragically lost his life in the line of duty while working to ensure the safety of Maine's transportation infrastructure for all who travel Maine's roadways. Mr. Brown was a valued member of MaineDOT's Fairfield crew. He joined the department in May 2012 as a Seasonal Transportation Worker I and quickly distinguished himself through his strong work ethic, dependability and commitment to excellence, earning a full-time position later that year. He was promoted to Transportation Worker II in June 2015 and to Transportation Worker III in July 2018, roles in which he continued to serve the people of Maine with professionalism and care. Ever willing to lend a helping hand, Mr. Brown was deeply respected and admired by his colleagues. He will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and colleagues and community;

HLS 577

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

(1-16) Dwayne Campbell, of Waterville, a devoted employee of the Maine Department of Transportation, who tragically lost his life in the line of duty while working to ensure the safety of Maine's transportation infrastructure for all who travel Maine's roadways. Mr. Campbell was a valued member of MaineDOT's Fairfield crew. He began his MaineDOT career in April 2001 as a Seasonal Highway Laborer and earned a full-time position later that year. Over the next two decades, his commitment to safety, teamwork and craftsmanship guided his continued progression through the highway crew ranks with higher level of duties and responsibilities, including promotion to the highest Transportation Worker position in 2015. In September 2021, he was promoted to Transportation Crew Leader in recognition of his leadership and experience. Mr. Campbell was the heart of the Fairfield Camp: kind, funny, supportive and a source of daily warmth and camaraderie. He will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and colleagues and community;

HLS 578

Come from the House **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 831

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

February 25, 2026

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

RE: Nominations to the Maine Retirement Savings Board

Dear President Daughtry:

I am pleased to nominate the following individuals for reappointment to the Maine Retirement Savings Board:

- Rebecca Wyke, Ed.D. of Augusta
- Matthew S. Colpitts of Winthrop

Pursuant to 5 MRSA §172, these nominations are contingent on confirmation by the Maine Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services.

Sincerely,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 832

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

February 25, 2026

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

RE: Nominations to the Maine Resources Advisory Council

Dear President Daughtry:

It is my pleasure to nominate the following individuals to the Marine Resources Advisory Council.

- Dana Hammond II of Bristol for reappointment
- Luis Tirado of South Portland for appointment

Pursuant to Title 12 MRSA §6024, these nominations are contingent on confirmation by the Maine State Senate after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

S/Janet T. Mills
Governor

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 830

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

February 25, 2026

The Honorable Matthea E. L. Daughtry
President of the Senate

The Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau
Speaker of the House of Representatives

132nd Legislature
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to State Government Evaluation Act ("the GEA"), Title 3, chapter 35 of the Maine Revised Statutes, we are pleased to submit the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources resulting from a review and evaluation of the Board of Environmental Protection ("the Board") under the GEA. As a result of our review, the Committee finds that the Board is operating within its statutory authority.

Additionally, the Committee has voted to report out legislation pursuant to 3 MRSA §955(4) to consider an amendment to 38 MRSA §341-D(4)(A) to clarify Board procedures regarding appeals of licensing or permitting decisions of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, which was one subject of discussion during our Committee's review of the Board. It is our intent that this legislation once printed be referred back to the Committee for a public hearing, work session and a vote before consideration by the full Legislature.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Denise A. Tepler
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Victoria W. Doudera
House Chair

(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 834

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

February 25, 2026

The Honorable Matthea E. L. Daughtry
President of the Senate

The Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau
Speaker of the House of Representatives

132nd Legislature
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to State Government Evaluation Act ("the GEA"), Title 3, chapter 35 of the Maine Revised Statutes, we are pleased to submit the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources resulting from a review and evaluation of the Department of Environmental Protection ("the Department") under the GEA. As a result of our review, the Committee finds that the Department is operating within its statutory authority.

A majority of Committee members, however, would take this opportunity to express concerns regarding the adequacy of Department staffing responsible for the processing and review of license and permit applications. We are aware of instances where Department action on a license or permit application does not occur in a timely fashion, which can unnecessarily delay and negatively impact the project or activity for which approval is sought. To be clear, we do not believe these issues to be the fault of current Department staff and we commend those staff for the critical work they are doing to process and review the multitude of license and permit applications received.

Instead, a majority of Committee members would express support for additional staffing assistance to be provided at the Department to assist in the processing and review of applications. We are aware that the Department at present has authorization for additional positions but often faces significant difficulties in filling vacancies with qualified applicants. While there may be multiple factors contributing to what we understand is an approximately 10% unfilled position rate at the Department, we believe that the salaries and benefits associated with these authorized positions are not competitive with similar private sector jobs. Accordingly, a majority of Committee members would support the adoption of any measures that would enhance the competitiveness of the salaries and benefits for these authorized positions at the Department, which we believe would serve to best address the processing delays for license and permit applications described above.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Denise A. Tepler
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Victoria W. Doudera
House Chair

(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 833

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

February 26, 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. 2190 An Act to Implement Certain Changes in the Certificate of Need Laws Recommended by the Commission to Evaluate the Scope of Regulatory Review and Oversight over Health Care Transactions That Impact the Delivery of Health Care Services in the State
- L.D. 2197 An Act to Prohibit the Sale and Leaseback of a Health Care Entity's Main Campus to a Real Estate Investment Trust as Recommended by the Commission to Evaluate the Scope of Regulatory Review and Oversight over Health Care Transactions That Impact the Delivery of Health Care Services in the State
- L.D. 2198 An Act to Implement Certain Recommendations Related to the Ratio of Debt to Equity in Transactions Involving Health Care Entities from the Commission to Evaluate the Scope of Regulatory Review and Oversight over Health Care Transactions That Impact the Delivery of Health Care Services in the State
- L.D. 2199 An Act to Prohibit Interference with the Professional Judgment and Clinical Decisions of Licensed Health Care Professionals as Recommended by the Commission to Evaluate the Scope of Regulatory Review and Oversight over Health Care Transactions That Impact the Delivery of Health Care Services in the State

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Donna Bailey
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Kristi M. Mathieson
House Chair

(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 829

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY SECOND LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

February 13, 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 Inland Fisheries and Wildlife has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 76 An Act to Allow Use of the Fish Hatchery Maintenance Fund to Compensate Hatchery Staff When Certain Operational Needs Require Overtime

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Tiffany Danielle Roberts
House Chair

(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 828

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE**

February 25, 2026

The Honorable Matthea Larsen Daughtry, President
Maine State Senate

The Honorable Ryan D. Fecteau, Speaker
Maine House of Representatives

Dear President Daughtry and Speaker Fecteau:

Pursuant to Resolve 2023 c. 126, the Maine Semiquincentennial Commission is pleased to submit its annual report. Copies of the report have also been distributed to Governor and Joint Committee on State and Local Government as directed by law.

Sincerely,

S/Shenna Bellows
Secretary of State

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) Andrew Oliver, of Lincoln, a member of the Mattanawcook Academy Boys Basketball Team, who recently scored his 1,000th career point. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1678

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GIFFORD of Lincoln, SOBOLESKI of Phillips.

(4-2) Megan House, of Lincoln, a member of the Mattanawcook Academy Girls Basketball Team, who recently scored her 1,000th career point. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1679

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GIFFORD of Lincoln, SOBOLESKI of Phillips.

(4-3) the Veazie Community School Co-Ed Soccer Team, which won the 2025 Mid Maine League Championship. Members of the team include Ainsley Hathaway, Alias Aucoin, Charles Xu, Clair Wallace, Ella Friedman, Gabe Stone, Grant Tocci, Ian Nickerson, Jon Crawford, Julian Murray, Leola Tran, Luke Rollins, Mackenzie Nickerson, Max Subernat, Maya Subernat, Naveah Tocci, Sebastian Lobe, Tucker Clapp, Tulia Lancisi, Warren Hathaway, Wyatt Small and Xander Aucoin. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1680

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.

(4-4) Rylee Moulton, of Howland, a member of the Penobscot Valley High School Girls Basketball Team, who recently scored her 1,000th career point. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1681

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: GIFFORD of Lincoln.

(4-5) the Veazie LEGO Robotics Team, which won the State Championship for the Maine FIRST LEGO League. Members of the team include Kirk Barber, Daphne McGovern, Will Roy, Willow Barter, Grant Tocci, Sebastian Lobe, Lydia Karpicheva and coach Laurie Kimball. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1682

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.

(4-6) Sandra Patterson, of Veazie, 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 1683

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.

(4-7) Bryan Hardison, of Orono, Deputy Fire Chief of the Orono Fire Department, for his 35 years of service to the Town of Orono. We extend our appreciation and best wishes;

SLS 1684

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-8) Laurie Carpenter, of Orono, Director of the Orono Public Library, for her 40 years of service to the Town of Orono. We extend our appreciation and best wishes;

SLS 1685

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-9) Geezers in Sneakers Getting Coffee, of Orono, led by Harland Onsrud, which was one of 10 awardees across Canada and America, and the only awardee in Maine, to receive the I Partner With My Public Library Award for their efforts to reduce loneliness in seniors. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1686

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-10) the Hichborn Middle School Girls Soccer Team, of Howland, which won the 2025 Penquis League Girls Championship. Members of the team include Allison Veino, Eliana Bernard, Hannah Bernard, Gabrielle Dube, Payslee King, Willow Madden, Clara Mulligan, Gemma Murray, Emreigh Nichols, Camrynn Osgood, McKenna Ireland, Julia LeBrun and Maren Lindsay. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1687

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative: GIFFORD of Lincoln.

(4-11) the Orono Middle School Boys Soccer Team, which won the 2025 Penobscot Valley Middle League Boys Soccer Championship. Members of the team include Eoghan Carson, Ronan Carson, Harry Crawford, Edmund Dixon, Colin Dreher, Torin Fransen, Sam Jernigan, Oliver Lule, Kodiak Marzilli, Owen Mascetta, Teddy Perry, Augustin Rondeau, Minor Smolinsky and Thomas Crawley; and Coach Chad Kirkpatrick. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1688

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-12) the Orono Middle School Girls Soccer Team, which won the 2025 Penobscot Valley Middle League Girls Soccer Championship. Members of the team include Nora Broughan, Cora Straine, Syona Putzeys, Kate Hildebrand, Stuart Hasbrouck, Greta Beazely, Evelyn Haynes, Susu Lo, Margaret Sandilands, Ella Hafford, Adalya Kenney, Sunny Hafford, Anna Kulikowski,, Brenna Tipping, Kat Marzilli and Katie Kent; and Coach Dan Strain. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1689

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-13) Frank Sternberg, of Orono, who won the 2025 Mount Desert Island Marathon. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1690

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, OSHER of Orono.

(4-14) the Veazie Community School Girls Cross Country Team, which won the 2025 Small Schools Girls Cross Country Championship. Members of the team include Ainsley Hathaway, Audrey Murphy, Ayleen Guzman, Cora Barber, Makenna Slauenwhite, Maya Subernat, Mona Barber, Nora Shannon, Rosemary Smith, Sara Nepal and Tulia Lancisi. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1691

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.

(4-15) the Veazie Community School Boys Cross Country Team, which won the 2025 Small Schools Boys Cross Country Championship. Members of the team include Alias Aucoin, Charles Xu, Colson Sirios, Eli Parker, Elias Arias-Howell, Grant Tocci, Kirk Barber, Mateo Arias-Howell, Sebastian Lobe, Tyson Rogers, Vincent Peters, Warren Hathaway, Wyatt Small and Xander Aucoin. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1692

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.

(4-16) the Hichborn Middle School Boys Soccer Team, of Howland, which won the 2025 Penquis League Boys Championship. Members of the team include Ben Boyington, Tanner Nichols, Blake Cummings, Oliver Hallett, Timothy LeBrun, Zachary LeBrun, Kayne Barbosa, Henry Brochu, Maxwell Campbell, Brady Carr, Wyatt Rackliff, Caden Shute, Mason Silva and Owen Smith. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1693

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative: GIFFORD of Lincoln.

(4-17) the Pittsfield Community Garden Club, 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 1694

Sponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset.
Cosponsored by Representative: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield.

(4-18) the late Roxie Dobson, of Durham, 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;

SLS 1695

Sponsored by Senator BICKFORD of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative: WEBB of Durham.

(4-19) James Cail, Jr., of Milo, 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 1696

Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft.

(4-20) Leon Brown, of Milo, 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 1697

Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft.

(4-21) Geneva Beckwith, of Shirley, 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 1698

Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: WHITE of Guilford.

(4-22) Mark Peirce, of Exeter, 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 1699

Sponsored by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: FOSTER of Dexter.

(4-23) Anika Manning, of Saco, a senior at Thornton Academy, who received the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award for the Class of 2025. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1700

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ARCHER of Saco, COPELAND of Saco, GATTINE of Westbrook.

(4-24) Charlene LoPresti, of Old Orchard Beach, who was named the 2025 Clerk of the Year by the Maine Town and City Clerks' Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1702

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representative: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.

(4-25) Jim Owens, of Farmingdale, on his retirement as Chief of the Hallowell Fire Department after 9 years of service and 51 years of service as a firefighter overall. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 1703

Sponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative: MONTELL of Gardiner.

Joint Resolutions

(4-26) On motion by Senator **STEWART** of Aroostook, the following Joint Resolution:
S.P. 909

**JOINT RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING MAINE'S REALTORS**

WHEREAS, the Maine Association of REALTORS® has more than 6,500 members actively involved in the business of real estate, with members and affiliates including lenders, appraisers, title companies, building inspectors, surveyors and insurance providers; and

WHEREAS, the not-for-profit trade association provides each member with an equal voice and representation in the real estate profession, serving members in all 16 Maine counties and in their communities; and

WHEREAS, a healthy supply of affordable, safe, secure and high-quality residential and commercial real estate inventory statewide supports the continuing growth of Maine's economy; and

WHEREAS, real estate transactions stimulate Maine's economy and include not only the money spent and reinvested in the sale price of a property but all those services and expenditures that occur in relation to a property transaction, for both a buyer and a seller; and

WHEREAS, according to national statistics, it is estimated that 3 jobs are generated for each home sold, each home sale contributes about \$170,150 to the economy and the real estate industry accounts for 19.5% of the gross state product in 2024; and

WHEREAS, the real estate market in Maine is strong, as evidenced by the number of home sales and the overall impact on Maine's economy in 2024 of 18.3 billion dollars; and

WHEREAS, real estate ownership is an investment in the future and one of the best ways to build financial security through equity accumulation, and for many in Maine their real property ownership represents their life savings; and

WHEREAS, expanding real property ownership will strengthen our State and its families and communities, enhance our economy and create jobs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-second Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, take this opportunity to recognize the Maine Association of REALTORS® and its members for their positive contributions to and the significant role they play in the lives of Maine citizens and their communities and that their service and dedication to this State are a tribute to those values and principles that we all hold dear; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Maine Association of REALTORS® and Maine's 12 local association boards and councils.

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(4-27) George "Skip" Smith, of Lamoine, Chief of the Lamoine Volunteer Fire Department. The longest continuously serving employee of the Town of Lamoine and one of the longest serving fire chiefs in the State, Chief Smith joined the department as a teenager and served the past 49 years as chief. Chief Smith will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 1676

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:

(4-28) Clifford Carl Olson, of Northeast Harbor. Mr. Olson taught history and English at Mount Desert High School in Northeast Harbor. In 1969, he became a guidance counselor and eventually a director at Mt. Desert Island High School. During his career and throughout his life, he interacted with many students and individuals through sports, coaching basketball, Little League and cross country. He also took students bowling, skiing and hiking. After he retired in 2000, he worked as a tour bus guide and crew leader for Friends of Acadia. He volunteered at Island Connections, The Land and Garden Preserve and the Northeast Harbor Village Improvement Society, where he diligently built and maintained trails. Mr. Olson will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 1677

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:

(4-29) Bridget D. Scontras, of Saco. Mrs. Scontras worked as a teacher, initially at Massabesic High School in Waterboro, where she taught chemistry, and later at Wells High School, where she taught chemistry and physics. At Wells High School, she also coached the Academic Decathlon team. She retired from teaching in 2013 after 26 years of dedicated service. In retirement, she and her husband Peter reopened the popular Way Way Store in Saco. Their efforts at the store were recognized locally and nationally, and they appeared on journalist Jane Pauley's CBS Sunday Morning television broadcast. Mrs. Scontras will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

SLS 1701

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ARCHER of Saco, COPELAND of Saco, GATTINE of Westbrook.

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

(4-30) Charles Norman Shay, of Bretteville-L'Orgueilleuse, France. Born in Bristol, Connecticut, Charles Shay, a Penobscot tribal elder and decorated combat veteran, grew up on the Indian Island Reservation and was one of the first children from the reservation to attend school across the river in Old Town. He graduated from Old Town High School in 1943, and within a year he was drafted into the United States Army, trained as a medic and transferred to the 16th Infantry Regiment, one of the three combat regiments of the 1st Infantry Division that spearheaded the Normandy invasion, known as D-Day. Only 19 years old, he showed bravery under fire and earned a Silver Star for repeatedly plunging into the sea and carrying critically wounded soldiers to relative safety. Today on Omaha Beach, there is a monument to him that pays tribute to him and the 175 Native American soldiers who landed there on D-Day. After the landing, he went with American troops to eastern France and Germany, where he was taken prisoner in March 1945 before being liberated a few weeks later. He was later awarded four bronze battle stars, and he received France's highest award, the Legion of Honor, in 2007. After World War II, Mr. Shay reenlisted and was stationed in Austria before he returned to combat as a medic during the Korean War. He also participated in United States nuclear testing in the Marshall Islands. Retiring from the military in 1954, he went to work for the United Nation's International Atomic Energy Agency, headquartered in Vienna, Austria. In 2003, he returned to Maine and Indian Island. For over 60 years, he did not talk about his World War II experience, but in recent years, he gave his powerful testimony and spread a message of peace. He was one of the first Indigenous soldiers to talk about his experiences in battle. Beginning in 2018, he lived in France near the invasion site in a town called Bretteville-L'Orgueilleuse. During the COVID-19 pandemic, his lone presence marked commemoration ceremonies as travel restrictions prevented other veterans or families of fallen soldiers from making the trip to France. Mr. Shay will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 1704

Sponsored by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senators: BAILEY of York, BALDACCI of Penobscot, BEEBE-CENTER of Knox, BENNETT of Oxford, BERNARD of Aroostook, BICKFORD of Androscoggin, BLACK of Franklin, BRADSTREET of Kennebec, BRENNER of Cumberland, CARNEY of Cumberland, CURRY of Waldo, CYRWAY of Kennebec, President DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, DUSON of Cumberland, FARRIN of Somerset, GROHOSKI of Hancock, GUERIN of Penobscot, HAGGAN of Penobscot, HARRINGTON of York, HICKMAN of Kennebec, INGWERSEN of York, LAWRENCE of York, LIBBY of Cumberland, MARTIN of Oxford, MOORE of Washington, NANGLE of Cumberland, PIERCE of Cumberland, RAFFERTY of York, RENY of Lincoln, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, STEWART of Aroostook, TALBOT ROSS of Cumberland, TEPLER of Sagadahoc, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, ADAMS of Lebanon, ALBERT of Madawaska, ANKELES of Brunswick, ARATA of New Gloucester, ARCHER of Saco, ARDELL of Monticello, ARFORD of Brunswick, BABIN of Fort Fairfield, BAGSHAW of Windham, BECK of South Portland, BELL of Yarmouth, BISHOP of Bucksport, BLIER of Buxton, BOYER of Poland, BOYER of Cape Elizabeth, BRENNAN of Portland, BRIDGEO of Augusta, BUNKER of Farmington, CAMPBELL of Orrington, CARLOW of Buxton, CARUSO of Caratunk, CHAPMAN of Auburn, CIMINO of Bridgton, CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, COLLINS of Sidney, COOPER of Windham, COPELAND of Saco, CRAFTS of Newcastle, CRAY of Palmyra, CROCKETT of Portland, DAIGLE of Fort Kent, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, DEBRITO of Waterville, DHALAC of South Portland, DILL of Old Town, DODGE of Belfast, DOUDERA of Camden, DRINKWATER of Milford, DUCHARME of Madison, EATON of Deer Isle, EDER of Waterboro, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor,

FARRIN of Jefferson, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford, FLYNN of Albion, FOLEY of Wells, FOSTER of Dexter, FREDERICKS of Sanford, FREDETTE of Newport, FRIEDMANN of Bar Harbor, FROST of Belgrade, GATTINE of Westbrook, GEIGER of Rockland, GERE of Kennebunkport, GIFFORD of Lincoln, GOLEK of Harpswell, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, GREENWOOD of Wales, GRIFFIN of Levant, GUERRETTE of Caribou, HAGGAN of Hampden, HALL of Wilton, HASENFUS of Readfield, HENDERSON of Rumford, HEPLER of Woolwich, HYMES of Waldo, JACKSON of Oxford, JULIA of Waterville, KESSLER of South Portland, KUHN of Falmouth, LAJOIE of Lewiston, LANCE of Paris, LANIGAN of Sanford, LAVIGNE of Berwick, LEE of Auburn, LEMELIN of Chelsea, LIBBY of Auburn, LOOKNER of Portland, LYMAN of Livermore Falls, MACIAS of Topsham, MALON of Biddeford, MASON of Lisbon, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, MATHIESON of Kittery, MATLACK of St. George, MCCABE of Lewiston, MCINTYRE of Lowell, MEYER of Eliot, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, MINGO of Calais, MITCHELL of Cumberland, MONTELL of Gardiner, MOONEN of Portland, MORRIS of Turner, MURPHY of Scarborough, NUTTING of Oakland, O'HALLORAN of Brewer, OLSEN of Raymond, OSHER of Orono, PARRY of Arundel, PAUL of Winterport, PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft, PLUECKER of Warren, POIRIER of Skowhegan, POMERLEAU of Standish, PUGH of Portland, QUINT of Hodgdon, RANA of Bangor, RAY of Lincolnville, REYNOLDS of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, RIELLY of Westbrook, ROBERTS of South Berwick, ROEDER of Bangor, ROLLINS of Augusta, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, RUNTE of York, SACHS of Freeport, SALISBURY of Westbrook, SARGENT of York, SATO of Gorham, SAYRE of Kennebunk, SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico, SHAGOURY of Hallowell, SIMMONS of Waldoboro, SINCLAIR of Bath, SKOLD of Portland, SMITH of Palermo, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, STOVER of Boothbay, STROUT of Harrington, SUPICA of Bangor, SWALLOW of Houlton, TERRY of Gorham, THORNE of Carmel, TUELL of East Machias, UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle, WADSWORTH of Hiram, WALKER of Naples, WARREN of Scarborough, WEBB of Durham, WHITE of Guilford, WHITE of Ellsworth, WOOD of Norway, WOOD of Greene, WOODSOME of Waterboro, YUSUF of Portland, ZAGER of Portland.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass

(5-1) The Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on 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. 1369 L.D. 2039

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 **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 6: Delegation of Nursing Activities and Tasks to Unlicensed Assistive Personnel by Registered Professional Nurses, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, State Board of Nursing (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1455 L.D. 2166

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

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

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-3) The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act Regarding Home Health Care and Hospice Services Ordered by a Health Care Provider Outside of Maine"
H.P. 1041 L.D. 1583

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-811)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-811)**.

(5-4) The Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Preserve and Strengthen the Fund for a Healthy Maine"

H.P. 1099 L.D. 1658

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-809)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-809)**.

(5-5) The Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Make Changes to Certain Licensing Laws Governing For-hire Charter Boat Operators, Lobster and Crab Fishing and Elver Dealers"

H.P. 1354 L.D. 2024

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-812)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-812)**.

(5-6) The Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Address Vacancies on the Knox County Budget Committee" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1447 L.D. 2158

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-810)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-810)**.

(5-7) The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act Regarding Transportation in Maine"

H.P. 205 L.D. 305

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-813)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-813)**.

Senate

Pursuant to Resolve

(5-8) Senator CURRY for the Committee on **HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** on Bill "An Act to Support Municipal Enforcement of Residential Construction Laws, Codes and Regulations"

S.P. 908 L.D. 2225

Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**, pursuant to Resolve, chapter 64, section 2.

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-9) Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Establish the Maine Child Care Affordability Program Advisory Board" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 674 L.D. 1728

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-520)**.

(5-10) Senator INGWERSEN for the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Create an Exception to the Prohibition of Tobacco Sales in Retail Establishments Containing Pharmacies for Certain Small Grocery Stores"

S.P. 832 L.D. 2134

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-521)**.

(5-11) Senator BAILEY for the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Clarify the Prohibition on Paper Billing Statement Fees"

S.P. 847 L.D. 2061

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-519)**.

Divided Report

(5-12) The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**
on Bill "An Act to Establish the Municipal Shoreline Protection Legal Fund"
S.P. 745 L.D. 1904

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-523)**.

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

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

Signed:

Senator:

MARTIN of Oxford

Representatives:

SCHMERSAL-BURGESS of Mexico
SOBOLESKI of Phillips

Divided Report

(5-13) The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Support and Sustain Maine's Child Care Workforce"

S.P. 554 L.D. 1414

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-518)**.

Signed:

Senators:

INGWERSEN of York
NANGLE of Cumberland

Representatives:

MEYER of Eliot
DEBRITO of Waterville
GRAHAM of North Yarmouth
MCCABE of Lewiston
SHAGOURY of Hallowell
ZAGER of Portland

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

Signed:

Senator:

MOORE of Washington

Representatives:

DAIGLE of Fort Kent
GRIFFIN of Levant
LEMELIN of Chelsea

Divided Report

(5-14) The Majority of the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Bill
"An Act to Protect the Right to Harvest Wildlife"

S.P. 559 L.D. 1343

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-522)**.

Signed:

Senators:

BALDACCI of Penobscot

GUERIN of Penobscot

Representatives:

LANCE of Paris

MASON of Lisbon

THORNE of Carmel

WOOD of Greene

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

Signed:

Representatives:

ROBERTS of South Berwick

BRIDGEO of Augusta

CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham

DILL of Old Town

TERRY of Gorham

(Representative REYNOLDS of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians - of the House - supports the Minority **Ought Not To Pass** Report.)

SECOND READERS

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

House

(6-1) Bill "An Act to Remove the MaineCare Program from the Prescription Drug Benefit Provisions in the Maine Insurance Code"

H.P. 1341 L.D. 2011

(6-2) Bill "An Act to Clarify the Setting of Group Life Insurance Coverage Levels Under the Maine Public Employees Retirement System"

H.P. 1352 L.D. 2022

(6-3) Bill "An Act Designating July 21st as Maine Commercial Fishing Remembrance Day"

H.P. 1382 L.D. 2069

(6-4) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 100: Enforcement Procedures, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1456 L.D. 2167

(6-5) Bill "An Act Relating to Nonwater-dependent Floating Structures"

H.P. 1494 L.D. 2215

House As Amended

(6-6) Bill "An Act to Create a Statewide Housing Resolution Board" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 1282 L.D. 1921
(C "A" H-806)

(6-7) Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Consent for HIV Testing and Disclosure of Related Medical Information for Insurance Purposes"

H.P. 1314 L.D. 1970
(C "B" H-801)

(6-8) Bill "An Act to Eliminate the ConnectMaine Authority by Repealing the Advanced Technology Infrastructure Act"

H.P. 1319 L.D. 1975
(C "A" H-802)

(6-9) Bill "An Act to Amend or Correct Certain Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Laws"

H.P. 1379 L.D. 2055
(C "A" H-799)

(6-10) Bill "An Act to Make Changes to the Laws Governing Financial Institutions and to Eliminate Certain Administrative Fees Paid by Banks and Credit Unions Under the Maine Consumer Credit Code"

H.P. 1385 L.D. 2072
(C "A" H-807)

House As Amended In Non-Concurrence

(6-11) Bill "An Act to Establish Greater Alignment of Penalties for Certain Labor Law Violations"

H.P. 1045 L.D. 1587
(C "A" H-808)

Senate

(6-12) Resolve, to Rename a Bridge in Roxbury the Roxbury-Frye Veterans Memorial Bridge
S.P. 885 L.D. 2181

(6-13) Resolve, to Rename the Little River Bridge in the Town of Cornish the Cornish Veterans
Memorial Bridge

S.P. 887 L.D. 2183

Senate As Amended

(6-14) Bill "An Act to Increase Child Care Affordability and Early Childhood Educator
Stability"

S.P. 763 L.D. 1955
(C "B" S-515)

(6-15) Bill "An Act to Authorize an Educational Requirement for Seaweed Permit Holders"

S.P. 803 L.D. 1991
(C "A" S-516)

(6-16) Bill "An Act to Establish the Child Care Employment Award"

S.P. 855 L.D. 2066
(C "A" S-513)

(6-17) Bill "An Act to Establish Guidance for Awarding General Spousal Support"

S.P. 860 L.D. 2142
(C "A" S-517)

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

(7-1) An Act to Amend the Laws Regulating Transient Sales of Home Repair Services
H.P. 1399 L.D. 2084

Emergency Resolve

(7-2) Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Make Recommendations for Equity in the
Compensation of Prosecutors and Public Defenders in the State
S.P. 166 L.D. 374
(C "A" S-496)

Acts

(7-3) An Act to Incorporate the Assessment of Emerging Energy Technologies into the
Comprehensive State Energy Plan
H.P. 243 L.D. 343
(C "B" H-790)

(7-4) An Act to Reinvest in the Pension Funds of the Maine Public Employees Retirement
System
H.P. 1243 L.D. 1872
(C "B" H-795)

(7-5) An Act to Create a Process for the Residents of a Municipality to Withdraw from a School
Union
S.P. 805 L.D. 1992

(7-6) An Act to Authorize Issuance of Securities to Modernize and Consolidate Certain Court
Facilities
S.P. 810 L.D. 1997
(C "A" S-497)

(7-7) An Act to Eliminate the Thermal Imaging Camera Program

H.P. 1346 L.D. 2016

(7-8) An Act to Update the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Allowances

H.P. 1367 L.D. 2037

(7-9) An Act to Eliminate the Juvenile Crime of Willful Refusal to Pay a Fine or Comply with the Terms of a Court Order

S.P. 804 L.D. 2126

(7-10) An Act to Update the Laws Governing the Geographic Boundaries Between Certain Judicial Divisions in Aroostook County

S.P. 898 L.D. 2205

Resolve

(7-11) Resolve, Directing the Maine Office of Community Affairs to Convene a Working Group Tasked with a Comprehensive Overhaul and Modernization of Maine's Subdivision Laws

H.P. 94 L.D. 161

(C "A" H-787)

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

An Act to Include in the Ranked-choice Election Method for General and Special Elections the Offices of Governor, State Senator and State Representative and to Make Other Related Changes
S.P. 660 L.D. 1666
(C "B" S-499)

Tabled - February 10, 2026 by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland

Pending - **ENACTMENT** in concurrence

(In House, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED.**)

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Require General Public Notification of Oil Terminal Facility Transfer Activities"

H.P. 991 L.D. 1507

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-794) (6 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (4 members)

Tabled - February 12, 2026 by Senator **TEPLER** of Sagadahoc

Pending - motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report in **NON-CONCURRENCE**

(In House, Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED.**)

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Enact the Maine Online Data Privacy Act"

H.P. 1220 L.D. 1822

Report "A" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-716) (8 members)

Report "B" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-717) (4 members)

Report "C" - Ought Not to Pass (1 member)

Tabled - February 12, 2026 by Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland

Pending - motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** Report "A" **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-716)** in concurrence

(In House, Report "A", **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-716)**, **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-716) AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-788)** thereto.)

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - TO HONOR THE LIFE, FAITH, LEADERSHIP AND LEGACY OF CHARLES "CHARLIE" JAMES KIRK

H.P. 1485

Tabled - February 24, 2026 by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland

Pending - **ADOPTION** in concurrence

(In House, **READ** and **ADOPTED**.)

5.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act Regarding Energy Fairness"

S.P. 756 L.D. 1949

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "C" (S-504) (8 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (5 members)

Tabled - February 24, 2026 by Senator **LAWRENCE** of York

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

6.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Clarify Activities Allowed Under the Natural Resources Protection Act"

S.P. 851 L.D. 2063

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-508) (8 members)

Minority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-509) (5 members)

Tabled - February 24, 2026 by Senator **TEPLER** of Sagadahoc

Pending - motion by same Senator to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-508)** Report

7.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act Regarding the Inclusion of Racial and Other Demographic Data from State Agencies in the Legislative Process"

S.P. 274 L.D. 590

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-502) (10 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (2 members)

Tabled - February 24, 2026 by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

8.

Tabled and Later Assigned

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Protect Private Wells from Hazardous Substances"

H.P. 1430 L.D. 2115

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-805) (9 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (4 members)

Tabled - February 26, 2026 by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

(In House, Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-805).**)

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L.D. 105 - H.P. 70 (C "A" H-281)	L.D. 641 - H.P. 409 (C "A" H-227)
L.D. 107 - H.P. 72 (C "A" H-237)	L.D. 648 - H.P. 416 (C "A" H-652)
L.D. 111 - H.P. 76 (C "A" H-104)	L.D. 666 - H.P. 434 (C "A" H-170)
L.D. 137 - S.P. 73 (C "A" S-194)	L.D. 679 - S.P. 294 (C "A" S-168)
L.D. 140 - S.P. 76 (C "A" S-280)	L.D. 681 - S.P. 296 (C "A" S-175)
L.D. 145 - S.P. 81 (C "A" S-281)	L.D. 696 - S.P. 313 (C "A" S-112)
L.D. 182 - H.P. 115 (C "A" H-702)	L.D. 700 - S.P. 317 (C "A" S-60)
L.D. 192 - H.P. 125 (C "A" H-256)	L.D. 703 - H.P. 442 (C "A" H-64)
L.D. 195 - S.P. 95 (C "A" S-252)	L.D. 715 - H.P. 454 (C "A" H-525)
L.D. 244 - S.P. 110 (C "A" S-411)	L.D. 721 - H.P. 460 (C "A" H-257)
L.D. 249 - S.P. 116 (C "A" S-98)	L.D. 739 - H.P. 481 (C "A" H-472)
L.D. 255 - S.P. 122 (C "A" S-121)	L.D. 748 - H.P. 490 (C "A" H-229)
L.D. 260 - H.P. 163 (C "A" H-40)	L.D. 756 - S.P. 271 (C "A" S-354)
L.D. 264 - H.P. 167 (C "A" H-730)	L.D. 761 - S.P. 320 (C "A" S-56)
L.D. 273 - H.P. 176 (C "A" H-567)	L.D. 783 - S.P. 341 (C "A" S-34)
L.D. 281 - S.P. 131 (C "A" S-71)	L.D. 794 - S.P. 359 (C "A" S-47)
L.D. 298 - H.P. 198 (C "A" H-94)	L.D. 799 - H.P. 506 (C "A" H-353)
L.D. 311 - H.P. 211 (C "A" H-54)	L.D. 814 - H.P. 521 (C "A" H-77)
L.D. 317 - H.P. 217 (C "A" H-193)	L.D. 820 - H.P. 527 (C "A" H-324)
L.D. 323 - H.P. 223 (C "A" H-209)	L.D. 823 - S.P. 337 (C "A" S-201)
L.D. 326 - H.P. 226 (C "A" H-524)	L.D. 834 - S.P. 366 (C "A" S-336)
L.D. 328 - H.P. 228 (C "A" H-102)	L.D. 840 - S.P. 373 (C "A" S-18)
L.D. 331 - H.P. 231 (C "A" H-270)	L.D. 852 - H.P. 538 (C "A" H-636)
L.D. 338 - H.P. 238 (C "A" H-159; H "A" H-798 to C "A" H-159)	L.D. 875 - H.P. 561 (C "A" H-44)
L.D. 340 - H.P. 240 (C "A" H-678)	L.D. 876 - H.P. 562 (C "A" H-338)
L.D. 355 - S.P. 141 (C "A" S-305)	L.D. 884 - H.P. 570 (C "A" H-60)
L.D. 361 - S.P. 152 (C "A" S-143)	L.D. 888 - H.P. 574 (C "A" H-143)
L.D. 415 - H.P. 269 (C "A" H-42)	L.D. 896 - S.P. 385 (C "A" S-183)
L.D. 419 - H.P. 273 (C "A" H-572)	L.D. 900 - S.P. 389 (C "A" S-146)
L.D. 435 - H.P. 289 (C "A" H-773)	L.D. 948 - H.P. 613 (C "A" H-699)
L.D. 437 - H.P. 291 (C "A" H-396)	L.D. 967 - H.P. 627 (C "A" H-84)
L.D. 441 - H.P. 295 (C "A" H-478)	L.D. 973 - H.P. 633 (C "A" H-181)
L.D. 457 - S.P. 190 (C "A" S-20)	L.D. 981 - S.P. 408 (C "A" S-384)
L.D. 461 - S.P. 194 (C "A" S-32)	L.D. 984 - S.P. 414 (C "A" S-309)
L.D. 462 - S.P. 196 (C "A" S-21)	L.D. 995 - H.P. 642 (C "A" H-76)
L.D. 467 - S.P. 205 (C "A" S-113)	L.D. 996 - H.P. 643 (C "A" H-341)
L.D. 468 - S.P. 206 (C "A" S-10)	L.D. 1003 - H.P. 650 (C "A" H-362)
L.D. 477 - H.P. 306 (C "A" H-80)	L.D. 1017 - S.P. 434 (C "A" S-149)
L.D. 493 - H.P. 322 (C "A" H-300)	L.D. 1021 - S.P. 439 (C "A" S-255)
L.D. 496 - H.P. 325 (C "A" H-331)	L.D. 1022 - S.P. 440 (C "A" S-99)
L.D. 500 - H.P. 329 (C "A" H-288)	L.D. 1040 - H.P. 669 (C "A" H-100)
L.D. 504 - S.P. 222 (C "A" S-79)	L.D. 1043 - H.P. 672 (C "A" H-294)
L.D. 505 - S.P. 223 (C "A" S-179)	L.D. 1052 - H.P. 681 (C "A" H-527)
L.D. 510 - S.P. 228 (C "A" S-14)	L.D. 1056 - H.P. 685 (C "A" H-747)
L.D. 522 - H.P. 341 (C "A" H-49; H "A" H-786 to C "A" H-49)	L.D. 1060 - H.P. 689 (C "A" H-149)
L.D. 524 - H.P. 343 (C "A" H-789)	L.D. 1061 - H.P. 690 (C "A" H-78)
L.D. 527 - H.P. 346 (C "A" H-715)	L.D. 1085 - H.P. 707 (C "A" H-450)
L.D. 534 - H.P. 353 (C "A" H-704)	L.D. 1099 - H.P. 721 (C "A" H-623)
L.D. 540 - H.P. 359 (C "A" H-144)	L.D. 1106 - H.P. 725 (C "A" H-230)
L.D. 549 - S.P. 199 (C "B" S-429)	L.D. 1111 - H.P. 730 (C "A" H-158)
L.D. 561 - S.P. 240 (C "A" S-225)	L.D. 1123 - H.P. 742 (C "A" H-183)
L.D. 562 - S.P. 241 (C "A" S-103)	L.D. 1139 - S.P. 470 (C "A" S-80)
L.D. 577 - S.P. 258 (C "A" S-380)	L.D. 1167 - H.P. 772 (C "A" H-492)
L.D. 579 - S.P. 260 (C "A" S-344)	L.D. 1177 - H.P. 782 (C "A" H-240)
	L.D. 1187 - H.P. 792 (C "A" H-632; H "A" H-784 to C "A" H-632)

L.D. 1202 - S.P. 491 (C "A" S-303)	L.D. 1611 - H.P. 1065 (C "A" H-364)
L.D. 1211 - S.P. 500 (C "B" S-432)	L.D. 1624 - H.P. 1078 (C "A" H-401)
L.D. 1219 - S.P. 508 (C "A" S-133)	L.D. 1626 - H.P. 1080 (C "A" H-312)
L.D. 1226 - H.P. 801 (C "A" H-333)	L.D. 1639 - S.P. 647 (C "A" S-275)
L.D. 1236 - H.P. 811 (C "A" H-217)	L.D. 1640 - S.P. 648 (C "A" S-347)
L.D. 1252 - H.P. 827 (C "A" H-249)	L.D. 1665 - S.P. 659 (C "A" S-416)
L.D. 1261 - H.P. 836 (C "A" H-613)	L.D. 1705 - H.P. 1140 (C "A" H-611)
L.D. 1277 - H.P. 852 (C "A" H-551)	L.D. 1706 - H.P. 1141 (C "A" H-458)
L.D. 1282 - S.P. 510 (C "A" S-96)	L.D. 1720 - S.P. 673 (C "A" S-296)
L.D. 1294 - S.P. 524 (C "A" S-389)	L.D. 1734 - S.P. 680 (C "A" S-288)
L.D. 1311 - S.P. 541 (C "A" S-270)	L.D. 1735 - S.P. 681 (C "A" S-263)
L.D. 1313 - S.P. 543 (C "A" S-410)	L.D. 1740 - H.P. 1158 (C "A" H-518)
L.D. 1382 - H.P. 904 (C "A" H-600)	L.D. 1746 - H.P. 1164 (C "A" H-585)
L.D. 1419 - S.P. 575 (C "A" S-491)	L.D. 1764 - H.P. 1183 (C "A" H-514)
L.D. 1425 - S.P. 581 (C "A" S-150)	L.D. 1773 - S.P. 691 (C "A" S-177)
L.D. 1443 - S.P. 584 (C "A" S-302)	L.D. 1805 - S.P. 705 (C "A" S-407)
L.D. 1449 - S.P. 590 (C "A" S-381)	L.D. 1812 - H.P. 1213 (C "A" H-448)
L.D. 1474 - H.P. 966 (C "A" H-577)	L.D. 1816 - S.P. 707 (C "A" S-427)
L.D. 1496 - H.P. 980 (C "A" H-666)	L.D. 1820 - H.P. 1218 (C "A" H-651)
L.D. 1506 - H.P. 990 (C "A" H-729)	L.D. 1843 - H.P. 1227 (C "A" H-445)
L.D. 1515 - H.P. 999 (C "A" H-526)	L.D. 1848 - H.P. 1232 (C "A" H-498)
L.D. 1519 - H.P. 1004 (C "A" H-412; S "A" S-292)	L.D. 1855 - H.P. 1239 (C "A" H-297)
L.D. 1522 - H.P. 1007 (C "A" H-532)	L.D. 1859 - S.P. 729 (C "A" S-265)
L.D. 1528 - S.P. 612 (C "A" S-84)	L.D. 1867 - S.P. 737 (C "A" S-360)
L.D. 1539 - S.P. 623 (C "A" S-287)	L.D. 1879 - H.P. 1250 (C "A" H-571)
L.D. 1544 - S.P. 628 (C "A" S-328)	L.D. 1888 - H.P. 1259 (C "A" H-630)
L.D. 1555 - H.P. 1013 (C "A" H-570)	L.D. 1910 - S.P. 751 (C "A" S-322)
L.D. 1574 - H.P. 1032 (C "A" H-772)	L.D. 1948 - H.P. 1307
L.D. 1588 - H.P. 1046 (C "A" H-406)	

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L.D. 169 - H.P. 102 (C "A" H-129)
 L.D. 624 - H.P. 392 (C "A" H-111)
 L.D. 634 - H.P. 402 (C "A" H-259)
 L.D. 646 - H.P. 414 (C "A" H-98)
 L.D. 760 - S.P. 301 (C "A" S-122)
 L.D. 793 - S.P. 358 (C "A" S-376)
 L.D. 1107 - H.P. 726 (C "A" H-708)
 L.D. 1286 - S.P. 515 (C "A" S-240)
 L.D. 1297 - S.P. 527 (C "A" S-42)
 L.D. 1347 - S.P. 564 (C "A" S-132)
 L.D. 1420 - S.P. 576 (C "A" S-157)
 L.D. 1618 - H.P. 1072 (C "A" H-199)
 L.D. 1649 - S.P. 657 (C "A" S-368)
 L.D. 1673 - H.P. 1108 (C "A" H-562)
 L.D. 1696 - H.P. 1131 (C "A" H-156)
 L.D. 1810 - H.P. 1211 (C "A" H-680)
 L.D. 1894 - H.P. 1265 (C "A" H-457)
 L.D. 1943 - H.P. 1302 (C "A" H-739)