



Senate of Maine

One Hundred and Thirty-Second Legislature
Second Regular Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

29th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, April 14, 2026.

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

Prayer by Senator Bradlee T. Farrin of Somerset County.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Joseph Rafferty of York County.

Reading of the Journal of Monday, April 13, 2026.

Matthea E. L. Daughtry
President of the Senate

Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-1) Bill "An Act to Clarify the Laws Regarding Moose Hunting Permits for Hunting Outfitters"

H.P. 1378 L.D. 2054

In Senate, April 8, 2026, Bill **COMMITTED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Comes from the House, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-976) AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" (H-1038)** thereto in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-2) Jason Solomon, of Cornish, a deputy sheriff with the York County Sheriff's Department, on his retirement after 25 years of service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 527

(1-3) the Fort Kent Community High School Boys Basketball Team, which won the Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 625

(1-4) Adrianna Smith, of Orono, a forward on the University of Maine Women's Basketball Team, who was named the Eastern College Athletic Conference Player of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 691

(1-5) Diane M. Barnes, of Lisbon, on her retirement as Town Manager for the Town of North Yarmouth after 40 years of public service. Ms. Barnes has served in many roles in the towns of Skowhegan, from 1986 to 2007, Calais, from 2007 to 2014, Lisbon, from 2014 to 2022, and North Yarmouth, from 2022 to 2026. She is a Certified Tax Collector and currently sits on the Maine Municipal Employees Health Trust Board of Directors and the Maine Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program Board of Directors. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 692

(1-6) Josie Adams, of Fort Fairfield, who was crowned the 2025 Junior Miss Potato Queen on July 16, 2025. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 693

(1-7) Garrett Ridgway Edwards, of North Berwick, 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 694

(1-8) the first responders of the Camden Fire Department, Northeast Mobile Health and Ragged Mountain Ski Patrol serving at the 35th Annual Toboggan Championships held at the Camden Snow Bowl, who were recently recognized by the Town of Camden for their service. Their quick action saved the life of a woman experiencing a dangerous cardiac event. We extend our appreciation and best wishes;

HLS 695

(1-9) Rowan Stewart, of Appleton, a student-athlete at Camden Hills Regional High School, who was named the Varsity Maine Girls Swimmer of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 696

(1-10) R. Christopher Almy, of Charleston, for his 37 years of service as the District Attorney for Penobscot and Piscataquis counties and 46 years of public service overall. Mr. Almy began his service with the District Attorney's office in 1976 as an assistant. We extend our appreciation and best wishes;

HLS 698

(1-11) Debra Clark, of Phippsburg, on her retirement as the Regional School Unit 1 Business Manager after 45 years of public service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 699

(1-12) Scott Dennett, of Dixfield, on his being named Maine's Fire Chief of the Year on April 7, 2026. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 700

(1-13) Fred Kneeland, Jr., of Cherryfield, who was inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. Mr. Kneeland had an exceptional career at Narraguagus High School in Harrington. He tossed four no-hitters and was drafted by the Pittsburgh Pirates in the 35th round in 1974. He went on to pitch in the Pirates organization for two years before returning to Cherryfield, where he coached and umpired youth baseball for 30 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 701

(1-14) Pat Boisvert, of Berwick, who has been named Berwick's 2026 Citizen of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 702

(1-15) Joel Desjardin, of Fort Kent, who was named the Dennis Bishop Outstanding Wrestler of the New England Qualifier Tournament, winning the all-states title in the 157-pound division. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 703

(1-16) Thomas Carabine, of Denmark, 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 704

(1-17) Jacoby Pratt, of Harmony, who has earned the distinction of being named the 2026 Tri-County Technical Center Student of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
HLS 705

(1-18) the Mattanawcook Academy Girls Basketball Team, of Lincoln, which won the 2026 Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
HLS 706

(1-19) the Penobscot Valley High School Girls Basketball Team, of Howland, which won the 2026 Class D State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
HLS 707

(1-20) Gavin Milliken, of Monroe, who won the Class B North Wrestling Championship in the 160-pound Weight Class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
HLS 709

(1-21) Cooper Wren, of Thorndike, who won the Class B North Wrestling Championship in the 175-pound Weight Class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
HLS 710

(1-22) the Mount View High School Wrestling Team, of Thorndike, which won the 2026 Class B North Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
HLS 711

(1-23) the Bates College Women's Basketball Team, of Lewiston, which won the New England Small College Athletic Conference Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
HLS 713

(1-24) the Lisbon High School Drama Team, which won the 2026 Class B Regional Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
HLS 714

(1-25) Noah Rasheed, of Portland, who won the State Championship at the 2026 Maine State Speech and Debate Championship Tournament in Congressional Debate in the Senate. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 716

(1-26) Ezri Pelletier, of Portland, who won the State Championship at the 2026 Maine State Speech and Debate Championship Tournament in Congressional Debate in the House. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 717

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

Joint Resolutions

(1-27) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1522

**JOINT RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING MAY 2026 AS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, the mental health and well-being of all children, youth, adults and families in the State are of fundamental importance to the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, since 1999, the national suicide rate has increased more than 36%, with more than 13.2 million individuals experiencing suicidal thoughts and 1.6 million individuals attempting suicide annually in the United States; and

WHEREAS, over 49,000 people died by suicide in 2022, which is about one death every 11 minutes; and

WHEREAS, suicide, opioid misuse and addiction and children's mental health issues are areas of concern in the State; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 61,000 adults in the State who are living with a serious mental illness, including, but not limited to, bipolar disorder, severe depression and schizophrenia, and 14,000 children 12 to 17 years of age in the State have depression; and

WHEREAS, over 260,000 people in the State live in a community that does not have enough mental health professionals; and

WHEREAS, the effective treatment of mental health conditions is critical to reducing the number of individuals and families who find themselves in mental health crises, to breaking individual and generational cycles of mental illness and to promoting healing; and

WHEREAS, recovery from a mental illness requires access to professional services and involves families and caregivers as allies in recovery and as critical members of the care delivery team; and

WHEREAS, maintaining an open dialogue regarding mental health conditions encourages individuals struggling with mental illness to seek help and is an essential component to fighting the stigma associated with mental illness; 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 recognize May 2026 as Mental Health Awareness Month in order to raise awareness of mental health conditions and services and to break the stigma surrounding mental illness in the State.

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

Joint Resolution in Memoriam:

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

(1-28) Kevin Kane, of Hallowell. Dr. Kane practiced as an internist and primary care physician at Kennebec Internal Medicine in Augusta. An active member in the Hallowell community, he volunteered with Vaughan Woods, the Kennebec Land Trust and the Hallowell Conservation Commission, as well as other organizations. He also volunteered at the Unitarian Universalist Community Church of Augusta, where he participated in the orchestra and choir, helped to organize the Saturday Breakfast program and joined many social justice missions. Dr. Kane will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

HLS 715

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

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 991

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

April 10, 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. Carney of Cumberland, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 456 An Act to Improve Public Defense Services

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Amy D. Kuhn
House Chair

(2-2) The Following Communication:

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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. Carney of Cumberland, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 391 An Act to Advance Recognition of the Inherent Rights of the Wabanaki Nations

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Amy D. Kuhn
House Chair

(2-3) The Following Communication:

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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. Carney of Cumberland, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 595 An Act to Update Privacy Protections for Maine Consumers

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Amy D. Kuhn
House Chair

(2-4) The Following Communication:

H.C. 440

**STATE OF MAINE
CLERK'S OFFICE
2 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

April 13, 2026

Honorable Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate
132nd Maine Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Secretary Grant:

The House voted today to insist on its former action whereby it accepted the Minority Ought to Pass as Amended Report of the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services on Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Optometric Practice" (S.P. 702) (L.D. 1803) and Passage to be Engrossed as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-658).

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt
Clerk of the House

ORDERS

Joint Orders

(4-1) On motion by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford, the following Joint Order:
S.P. 923

ORDERED, the House concurring, that, notwithstanding Joint Rule 310 or any other rule to the contrary, S.P. 753, L.D. 1912, "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Address Maine's Housing Shortage," and all of its accompanying papers, be recalled from the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs to the Senate.

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-2) Kelson Custodio, of Westbrook, who was named the Central Maine Community College Student of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;
SLS 2129

Sponsored by Senator DUSON of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: NANGLE of Cumberland, Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, RIELLY of Westbrook, SALISBURY of Westbrook.

(4-3) the Hampden Academy Girls Indoor Track 4x200-meter Relay Team, including Addison Elliott, Madelyn DiCentes, Breah Curtis and Kelsey Ball, which won the Class A Girls State Indoor Track Championship in the 4x200-meter Relay Event. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 2130

Sponsored by Senator HAGGAN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: HAGGAN of Hampden.

(4-4) Addison Elliott, of Hampden, a student at Hampden Academy, who won the Class A Girls State Indoor Track Championship in the 800-meter Run Event. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 2131

Sponsored by Senator HAGGAN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: HAGGAN of Hampden.

(4-5) Eleanora Haines, of Orrington, who was named the Eastern Maine Community College Student of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 2132

Sponsored by Senator HAGGAN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative: CAMPBELL of Orrington.

(4-6) Kamryn "Kamy" Dube, of Winthrop, who was named the Southern Maine Community College Student of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 2134

Sponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative: HASENFUS of Readfield.

(4-7) Jasmine Sanders, of Augusta, who was named the Kennebec Valley Community College Student of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 2142

Sponsored by Senator BRADSTREET of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BRIDGEO of Augusta, ROLLINS of Augusta.

(4-8) Joshua Scheff, of Presque Isle, who was named the Northern Maine Community College Student of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 2143

Sponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative: UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle.

(4-9) Compotech, Inc., of Brewer, which was recognized as the Maine and New England Small Business Manufacturer of the Year by the United States Small Business Administration. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 2144

Sponsored by Senator HAGGAN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, O'HALLORAN of Brewer.

(4-10) Debra Ehrlenbach, of Hancock, who has received the Citizen of the Year Award from the Ellsworth Area Chamber of Commerce. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 2147

Sponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington.

Cosponsored by Representative: FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor.

(4-11) Dennis Bowker, of Marshfield, for his 60 years of service to the Marshfield Fire Department. We extend our appreciation and best wishes;

SLS 2148

Sponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington.

Cosponsored by Representative: TUELL of East Machias.

(4-12) Elden Irish, of Rangeley, who won first place in the 2026 Congressional Art Competition for Maine's 2nd District with his piece, "Gramps." We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 2149

Sponsored by Senator MARTIN of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Representative: SOBOLESKI of Phillips.

Joint Resolutions

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(4-13) Chance Lauer, of Kennebunk. Mr. Lauer was an adventurous young man who visited 29 states and 27 countries on four continents and learned to fly a plane while in middle and high school. He began gymnastics when he was two years old and competed with the gymNation boys team during his elementary and junior high years. In ninth grade, he joined the Kennebunk High School ski team, competing for two years, and then was a member of the school's diving team for two years. He was the 2024 Maine Boys Class A Diving State Champion and was a 2024 graduate of Kennebunk High School. He also attended Sanford Regional Technical Center's video production vocational program. Intending to become a journalist and to continue traveling the world, he enrolled in the Journalism/International Affairs program at the University of Maine in Orono, where he completed three semesters. Mr. Lauer will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 2127

Sponsored by Senator RAFFERTY of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GERE of Kennebunkport, SAYRE of Kennebunk.

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

(4-14) George A. Shaler, of Portland. Mr. Shaler guided efforts to implement school-based health centers while at the Catherine Cutler Institute for Health and Social Policy at the University of Southern Maine and in various roles in West Virginia. He served as a board member and president at both the Justice Information Research Network and The Children's Center, where he served on the board for more than 20 years. Mr. Shaler will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 2128

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:

(4-15) Daniel Robert Simpson, of Augusta. Mr. Simpson had a career as a reporter for the Kennebec Journal. He subsequently advanced as the state house reporter for the chain of newspapers for Augusta, Portland and Waterville until 1982. He became Public Information Officer for Maine State Housing Authority, earning many national awards for the marketing materials he produced. He worked there for almost 30 years until his retirement in 2011. During that time, he managed media relations and served a succession of seven appointed Maine Housing Directors, both Democrat and Republican. Mr. Simpson will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 2133

Sponsored by Senator BRADSTREET of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BRIDGEO of Augusta, ROLLINS of Augusta.

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

(4-16) Dawn Elizabeth Warden, of Gray. Mrs. Warden worked at Blue Cross Blue Shield/Anthem for 24 years. An artist, she drew, sewed and worked in stained glass. Mrs. Warden will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

SLS 2135

Sponsored by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth.

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

(4-17) Marianne E. Hutcheon, of Falmouth. Mrs. Hutcheon was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother while also working as the bookkeeper for her husband Alexander's engineering firm. Mrs. Hutcheon will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

SLS 2136

Sponsored by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CROCKETT of Portland, KUHN of Falmouth.

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

(4-18) Brendon Stephen Bean, of Gray. Mr. Bean was the owner/Principal Geek of Bean Data, an information technology consulting firm he founded in 2012. Mr. Bean will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 2137

Sponsored by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth.

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

(4-19) Larry Goodine, of North Yarmouth. Mr. Goodine was a veteran of the United States Air Force, serving during the Vietnam War. After his military service, he worked as a diesel mechanic at Hubb's Engine in Falmouth. He retired after more than 30 years as a transmission specialist from Power Products in Portland. He earned many awards over the years for his expertise in Allison transmissions. Mr. Goodine will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 2138

Sponsored by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative: GRAHAM of North Yarmouth.

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

(4-20) David W. Manson, of Yarmouth. Mr. Manson began his career teaching in private schools. He taught and provided counseling at Worcester Academy in Worcester, Massachusetts, before moving to North Yarmouth Academy in Yarmouth. Following a teaching sabbatical in Germany, he returned to Maine and worked for three years as the Director of Guidance at Mt. Ararat School in Topsham. He and his wife Ellen created a down comforter mail order business, which they named Cuddledown. They sold the business in the late 1980s. Mr. Manson will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 2139

Sponsored by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative: BELL of Yarmouth.

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

(4-21) Thomas Harrison Gruber, Jr., of Cumberland. As a young man, Mr. Gruber was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the United States Army, serving as a Medical Service Corps Officer and assigned as a Company Commander at Fort Carson, Colorado. In 1974, he reported to the United States Army Command in Berlin, Germany as a Medical Supply Officer, where he was the Officer in Charge for the new American Military Hospital being constructed. Returning to the United States in 1981, he served in the Army Reserves as the Executive Officer of the 1125th Medical Service Corps in Auburn, Maine from 1981 to 1992 and retired from the Army on January 18, 1992. He was reactivated for Operation Desert Storm and was stationed at Fort Devens, Massachusetts. While serving in the Reserves, he worked at Mercy Hospital in Portland from 1981 to 2000 as Vice President, Support Services/Operations, followed by Vice President of Supply Chain Management for the Catholic Health East Health System in Newtown Square, Pennsylvania, where he worked from 2000 to 2006 before retiring. He volunteered with Preble Street Resource Center, Pequawket Lake Preservation Association, Southern Maine Agency on Aging, the Vet2Vet Program, Aging in Place in the Town of Cumberland and the Cumberland Food Pantry. He served on the Cumberland Town Council from 2011 to 2022. He also served as an umpire for youth baseball and softball. Mr. Gruber will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 2140

Sponsored by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative: MITCHELL of Cumberland.

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

(4-22) Gary Pollard, of Gray. Mr. Pollard was a veteran of the United States Navy. After his naval service, he returned to the family restaurant, Cole Farms. He held many roles there, eventually managing much of the food preparation operation. He worked at Cole Farms until 2019, ultimately becoming a co-owner with his brothers. A longtime member of Fairlawn Country Club and a passionate golfer, he earned many individual and team trophies. In the late 1990s, he and his brothers transformed the family dairy farm into Spring Meadows Golf Course. He taught golf, giving lessons and serving for many years on the local high school golf team's coaching staff. He was a lifelong member of the Gray Congregational Church, where he sang in the choir. Mr. Pollard will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 2141

Sponsored by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth.

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

(4-23) Seth Robert Hodgkins, of Greenwood. An emergency medical technician, Mr. Hodgkins worked at Buckfield Rescue and MaineHealth Emergency Medical Services, formerly the Paramedic Alliance for Community Emergencies, and previously served with United Ambulance. Mr. Hodgkins will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family, friends and community;

SLS 2145

Sponsored by Senator MARTIN of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Representative: WOOD of Norway.

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

(4-24) Marion Arlena (Webster) Sherman, of Saco. As a young woman, Mrs. Sherman pursued a career as a secretary at a local oil company. Once she had raised her children, she began a second career as a bank teller at Biddeford and Saco Savings Bank, retiring after 20 years. Mrs. Sherman will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family, friends and community;

SLS 2146

Sponsored by Senator BAILEY of York.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Divided Report

(5-1) The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Lower Electric Rates for Maine Ratepayers by Requiring the Payment of Certain Costs from the General Fund"
H.P. 798 L.D. 1223

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-1064)**.

Signed:

Senators:

GROHOSKI of Hancock
BICKFORD of Androscoggin
TIPPING of Penobscot

Representatives:

SAYRE of Kennebunk
CROCKETT of Portland
FRIEDMANN of Bar Harbor
HARRIMAN of Lewiston
LAVIGNE of Berwick
MATLACK of St. George
QUINT of Hodgdon
RUDNICKI of Fairfield
WHITE of Ellsworth

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-1065)**.

Signed:

Representative:

SWALLOW of Houlton

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-1064)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-1064)**.

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

HOUSE REPORT - on Bill "An Act to Support Investment in Agriculture"
H.P. 199 L.D. 299

Report -**Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-918)**

Tabled - April 2, 2026 by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT** in concurrence

(In House, Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-918).**)

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

An Act to Authorize General Fund Bond Issues to Support Maine's Agricultural and Forestry Sectors

H.P. 1409 L.D. 2094
(C "A" H-922; S "A" S-602
to C "A" H-922)

Tabled - April 8, 2026 by Senator **PIERCE** of Cumberland

Pending - **ENACTMENT** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**

(In House, **FAILED ENACTMENT**.)

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Institute Testing and Tracking of Medical Use Cannabis and Cannabis Products Similar to Adult Use Cannabis and Cannabis Products, Dedicate a Portion of the Adult Use Cannabis Sales and Excise Tax to Medical Use Cannabis Programs and Create a Study Group"
H.P. 1231 L.D. 1847

Report "A" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-1043) (6 members)

Report "B" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-1044) (5 members)

Report "C" - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "C" (H-1045) (1 member)

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

Tabled - April 13, 2026 by Senator **HICKMAN** of Kennebec

Pending - **ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" (H-1044)** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**

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

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE

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L.D. 34 - S.P. 53 (C "A" S-213)	L.D. 700 - S.P. 317 (C "A" S-60)
L.D. 52 - H.P. 16 (C "A" H-667)	L.D. 713 - H.P. 452 (C "A" H-975; H "A" H-1040 to C "A" H-975)
L.D. 60 - H.P. 24 (C "A" H-266)	L.D. 714 - H.P. 453 (C "A" H-944)
L.D. 78 - H.P. 42 (C "A" H-113)	L.D. 715 - H.P. 454 (C "A" H-525)
L.D. 105 - H.P. 70 (C "A" H-281)	L.D. 739 - H.P. 481 (C "A" H-472)
L.D. 107 - H.P. 72 (C "A" H-237)	L.D. 748 - H.P. 490 (C "A" H-229)
L.D. 111 - H.P. 76 (C "A" H-104)	L.D. 756 - S.P. 271 (C "A" S-354)
L.D. 137 - S.P. 73 (C "A" S-194)	L.D. 761 - S.P. 320 (C "A" S-56)
L.D. 140 - S.P. 76 (C "A" S-280)	L.D. 783 - S.P. 341 (C "A" S-34)
L.D. 145 - S.P. 81 (C "A" S-281)	L.D. 785 - S.P. 344 (C "A" S-694)
L.D. 182 - H.P. 115 (C "A" H-702)	L.D. 794 - S.P. 359 (C "A" S-47)
L.D. 191 - H.P. 124 (C "A" H-943)	L.D. 799 - H.P. 506 (C "A" H-353)
L.D. 192 - H.P. 125 (C "A" H-256)	L.D. 814 - H.P. 521 (C "A" H-77)
L.D. 195 - S.P. 95 (C "A" S-252)	L.D. 820 - H.P. 527 (C "A" H-324)
L.D. 244 - S.P. 110 (C "A" S-411)	L.D. 823 - S.P. 337 (C "A" S-201)
L.D. 249 - S.P. 116 (C "A" S-98)	L.D. 834 - S.P. 366 (C "A" S-336)
L.D. 255 - S.P. 122 (C "A" S-121)	L.D. 852 - H.P. 538 (C "A" H-636)
L.D. 260 - H.P. 163 (C "A" H-40)	L.D. 875 - H.P. 561 (C "A" H-44)
L.D. 264 - H.P. 167 (C "A" H-730)	L.D. 883 - H.P. 569 (C "A" H-934)
L.D. 273 - H.P. 176 (C "A" H-567)	L.D. 884 - H.P. 570 (C "A" H-60)
L.D. 281 - S.P. 131 (C "A" S-71)	L.D. 888 - H.P. 574 (C "A" H-143)
L.D. 298 - H.P. 198 (C "A" H-94)	L.D. 896 - S.P. 385 (C "A" S-183)
L.D. 311 - H.P. 211 (C "A" H-54)	L.D. 900 - S.P. 389 (C "A" S-146)
L.D. 317 - H.P. 217 (C "A" H-193)	L.D. 948 - H.P. 613 (C "A" H-699)
L.D. 326 - H.P. 226 (C "A" H-524)	L.D. 967 - H.P. 627 (C "A" H-84)
L.D. 328 - H.P. 228 (C "A" H-102)	L.D. 973 - H.P. 633 (C "A" H-181)
L.D. 331 - H.P. 231 (C "A" H-270)	L.D. 978 - H.P. 638 (C "C" H-928)
L.D. 340 - H.P. 240 (C "A" H-678)	L.D. 984 - S.P. 414 (C "A" S-309)
L.D. 361 - S.P. 152 (C "A" S-143)	L.D. 995 - H.P. 642 (C "A" H-76)
L.D. 415 - H.P. 269 (C "A" H-42)	L.D. 996 - H.P. 643 (C "A" H-341)
L.D. 419 - H.P. 273 (C "A" H-572)	L.D. 1004 - H.P. 651 (C "A" H-990; S "A" S-655 to C "A" H-990)
L.D. 435 - H.P. 289 (C "A" H-773)	L.D. 1017 - S.P. 434 (C "A" S-149)
L.D. 437 - H.P. 291 (C "A" H-396)	L.D. 1021 - S.P. 439 (C "A" S-255)
L.D. 441 - H.P. 295 (C "A" H-478)	L.D. 1022 - S.P. 440 (C "A" S-99)
L.D. 457 - S.P. 190 (C "A" S-20)	L.D. 1040 - H.P. 669 (C "A" H-100)
L.D. 461 - S.P. 194 (C "A" S-32)	L.D. 1043 - H.P. 672 (C "A" H-294)
L.D. 462 - S.P. 196 (C "A" S-21)	L.D. 1052 - H.P. 681 (C "A" H-527)
L.D. 467 - S.P. 205 (C "A" S-113)	L.D. 1056 - H.P. 685 (C "A" H-747)
L.D. 477 - H.P. 306 (C "A" H-80)	L.D. 1060 - H.P. 689 (C "A" H-149)
L.D. 500 - H.P. 329 (C "A" H-288)	L.D. 1061 - H.P. 690 (C "A" H-78)
L.D. 504 - S.P. 222 (C "A" S-79)	L.D. 1085 - H.P. 707 (C "A" H-450)
L.D. 505 - S.P. 223 (C "A" S-179)	L.D. 1099 - H.P. 721 (C "A" H-623)
L.D. 510 - S.P. 228 (C "A" S-14)	L.D. 1111 - H.P. 730 (C "A" H-158)
L.D. 519 - H.P. 337 (C "A" H-954)	L.D. 1123 - H.P. 742 (C "A" H-183)
L.D. 524 - H.P. 343 (C "A" H-789)	L.D. 1139 - S.P. 470 (C "A" S-80)
L.D. 527 - H.P. 346 (C "A" H-715)	L.D. 1167 - H.P. 772 (C "A" H-492)
L.D. 534 - H.P. 353 (C "A" H-704)	L.D. 1177 - H.P. 782 (C "A" H-240)
L.D. 540 - H.P. 359 (C "A" H-144)	L.D. 1202 - S.P. 491 (C "A" S-303)
L.D. 549 - S.P. 199 (C "B" S-429)	L.D. 1211 - S.P. 500 (C "B" S-432)
L.D. 561 - S.P. 240 (C "A" S-225)	L.D. 1219 - S.P. 508 (C "A" S-133)
L.D. 562 - S.P. 241 (C "A" S-103)	L.D. 1226 - H.P. 801 (C "A" H-333)
L.D. 577 - S.P. 258 (C "A" S-380)	L.D. 1252 - H.P. 827 (C "A" H-249)
L.D. 581 - S.P. 264 (C "A" S-70)	L.D. 1261 - H.P. 836 (C "A" H-613)
L.D. 590 - S.P. 274 (C "A" S-502)	L.D. 1282 - S.P. 510 (C "A" S-96)
L.D. 592 - S.P. 276 (C "A" S-385)	L.D. 1294 - S.P. 524 (C "A" S-389)
L.D. 593 - S.P. 277 (C "A" S-83)	L.D. 1311 - S.P. 541 (C "A" S-270)
L.D. 599 - S.P. 283 (C "A" S-114)	L.D. 1313 - S.P. 543 (C "A" S-410)
L.D. 604 - H.P. 372 (C "A" H-239)	L.D. 1382 - H.P. 904 (C "A" H-600)
L.D. 616 - H.P. 384 (C "A" H-262)	L.D. 1414 - S.P. 554 (C "A" S-518)
L.D. 629 - H.P. 397 (C "A" H-56)	
L.D. 641 - H.P. 409 (C "A" H-227)	

L.D. 1419 - S.P. 575 (C "A" S-491)
L.D. 1425 - S.P. 581 (C "A" S-150)
L.D. 1443 - S.P. 584 (C "A" S-302)
L.D. 1449 - S.P. 590 (C "A" S-381)
L.D. 1496 - H.P. 980 (C "A" H-666)
L.D. 1506 - H.P. 990 (C "A" H-729)
L.D. 1515 - H.P. 999 (C "A" H-526)
L.D. 1522 - H.P. 1007 (C "A" H-532)
L.D. 1528 - S.P. 612 (C "A" S-84)
L.D. 1530 - S.P. 614 (C "A" S-595)
L.D. 1539 - S.P. 623 (C "A" S-287)
L.D. 1555 - H.P. 1013 (C "A" H-570)
L.D. 1574 - H.P. 1032 (C "A" H-772)
L.D. 1588 - H.P. 1046 (C "A" H-406)
L.D. 1611 - H.P. 1065 (C "A" H-364)
L.D. 1624 - H.P. 1078 (C "A" H-401)
L.D. 1626 - H.P. 1080 (C "A" H-312)
L.D. 1639 - S.P. 647 (C "A" S-275)
L.D. 1647 - S.P. 655 (C "A" S-661)
L.D. 1658 - H.P. 1099 (C "A" H-809)
L.D. 1665 - S.P. 659 (C "A" S-416)
L.D. 1706 - H.P. 1141 (C "A" H-458)
L.D. 1720 - S.P. 673 (C "A" S-296)
L.D. 1734 - S.P. 680 (C "A" S-288)
L.D. 1735 - S.P. 681 (C "A" S-263)
L.D. 1740 - H.P. 1158 (C "A" H-518)
L.D. 1764 - H.P. 1183 (C "A" H-514)
L.D. 1805 - S.P. 705 (C "A" S-407)
L.D. 1812 - H.P. 1213 (C "A" H-448)
L.D. 1816 - S.P. 707 (C "A" S-427)
L.D. 1820 - H.P. 1218 (C "A" H-651)
L.D. 1843 - H.P. 1227 (C "A" H-445)
L.D. 1848 - H.P. 1232 (C "A" H-498)
L.D. 1855 - H.P. 1239 (C "A" H-297)
L.D. 1859 - S.P. 729 (C "A" S-265)
L.D. 1867 - S.P. 737 (C "A" S-360)
L.D. 1872 - H.P. 1243 (C "B" H-795)
L.D. 1879 - H.P. 1250 (C "A" H-571)
L.D. 1888 - H.P. 1259 (C "A" H-630)
L.D. 1892 - H.P. 1263 (C "A" H-967)
L.D. 1893 - H.P. 1264 (C "A" H-993)
L.D. 1910 - S.P. 751 (C "A" S-322)
L.D. 1911 - S.P. 752 (C "A" S-634)
L.D. 1932 - H.P. 1293 (C "A" H-936)
L.D. 1942 - H.P. 1301 (C "A" H-901; S "A" S-621 to C "A" H-901)
L.D. 1948 - H.P. 1307
L.D. 1954 - S.P. 762 (C "A" S-615)
L.D. 1955 - S.P. 763 (C "B" S-515)
L.D. 1957 - H.P. 1309 (C "A" H-900)
L.D. 1980 - S.P. 775 (C "A" S-540)
L.D. 1996 - S.P. 809 (C "A" S-555)
L.D. 2044 - S.P. 837 (C "A" S-639)
L.D. 2062 - S.P. 849 (C "A" S-532)
L.D. 2064 - S.P. 853 (C "A" S-568)
L.D. 2066 - S.P. 855 (C "A" S-513)
L.D. 2067 - S.P. 856 (C "A" S-617)
L.D. 2077 - H.P. 1392 (C "A" H-935)
L.D. 2078 - H.P. 1393 (C "A" H-816)
L.D. 2106 - H.P. 1421 (C "A" H-999)
L.D. 2115 - H.P. 1430 (C "A" H-805)
L.D. 2117 - H.P. 1432 (C "A" H-989)
L.D. 2118 - H.P. 1433 (C "A" H-972)
L.D. 2119 - H.P. 1434 (C "A" H-908; H "A" H-970 to C "A" H-908)
L.D. 2122 - H.P. 1437 (C "A" H-960)
L.D. 2125 - H.P. 1440 (C "A" H-821)
L.D. 2145 - S.P. 863 (C "A" S-546)
L.D. 2147 - S.P. 865 (C "A" S-500)
L.D. 2151 - S.P. 872 (C "A" S-580)
L.D. 2159 - H.P. 1448 (C "A" H-959)
L.D. 2162 - H.P. 1451 (C "A" H-1002)
L.D. 2164 - H.P. 1453 (C "A" H-958)
L.D. 2194 - S.P. 895 (C "A" S-582; S "A" S-589 to C "A" S-582)
L.D. 2204 - S.P. 897 (C "A" S-600)
L.D. 2208 - H.P. 1487 (C "A" H-987)
L.D. 2225 - S.P. 908 (C "A" S-603)
L.D. 2226 - H.P. 1503 (C "A" H-1046)
L.D. 2230 - S.P. 912 (C "A" S-663)

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L.D. 364 - S.P. 156 (C "A" S-601)
L.D. 374 - S.P. 166 (C "A" S-496)
L.D. 395 - S.P. 181 (C "A" S-693)
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. 838 - S.P. 371 (C "A" S-566)
L.D. 847 - H.P. 533 (C "A" H-868)
L.D. 877 - H.P. 563 (C "A" H-831)
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. 1416 - S.P. 562 (C "A" S-550)
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. 1921 - H.P. 1282 (C "A" H-806)
L.D. 1941 - H.P. 1300 (C "B" H-978; S "A" S-646 to C "B" H-978)
L.D. 1943 - H.P. 1302 (C "A" H-739)
L.D. 2244 - S.P. 922 (S "A" S-702)