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In Senate Chamber
Tuesday
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Senate called to order by President Mark W. Lawrence of York County.

Prayer by Senator Paul T. Davis, Sr. of Piscataquis County.

SENATOR DAVIS: Our precious Heavenly Father, we pause before You as we start to do the people's business and we thank You, Lord, for the chance to do this. We thank You for a free country, a country where men and women can get together freely and do the people's business without fear. We ask, Father, that You look over us and that You guide us in all the things that we say and do this day and the days coming. In Jesus name. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Robert E. Murray, Jr. of Penobscot County.

Doctor of the day, Sue St. Pierre, D.O., Bangor.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, January 14, 1999.

Off Record Remarks

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.P. 174

119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

January 14, 1999

Senator Georgette B. Berube
Representative Michael F. Brennan
Chairpersons
Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs
119th Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Senator Berube and Representative Brennan:

Please be advised that Governor Angus S. King, Jr. has nominated Bruce N. Shatz of Augusta for appointment as a member of the Maine Public Broadcasting Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Public Law 1998, Chapter 599, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Mark W. Lawrence
President of the Senate

S/G. Steven Rowe
Speaker of the House

READ and REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS.**

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.P. 175

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January 14, 1999

Senator Georgette B. Berube
Representative Michael F. Brennan
Chairpersons
Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs
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Dear Senator Berube and Representative Brennan:

Please be advised that Governor Angus S. King, Jr. has nominated Harrison L. Richardson of South Portland for reappointment as a member of the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees and Kristy Lingley of Dennysville for appointment as the student member of the Maine Maritime Academy, Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to P.L. 1975, Chapter 771, Section 428, these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Mark W. Lawrence
President of the Senate

S/G. Steven Rowe
Speaker of the House

READ and REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS.**

Sent down for concurrence.

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Exempt Free Clinics from Payment of
Pharmaceutical Registration Fees" S.P. 168 L.D. 505

Sponsored by Senator PINGREE of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford and
Senators: LaFOUNTAIN of York, LAWRENCE of York.

REFERRED to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Extend the Department of Labor Contribution Rate
Table" S.P. 169 L.D. 506

Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of York.
Cosponsored by Representatives: MacDOUGALL of North
Berwick, MACK of Standish, NASS of Acton.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Correct Inequities in Lobster and Crab Fishing
Licensure Laws" (EMERGENCY) S.P. 167 L.D. 504

Sponsored by Senator PINGREE of Knox.
Cosponsored by Senator: ABROMSON of Cumberland,
Representatives: POWERS of Rockport, SKOGLUND of St.
George, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

REFERRED to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and
ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow Municipalities to Advertise Legal Notices in
Weekly Newspapers" S.P. 170 L.D. 507

Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of York.
Cosponsored by Representatives: MACK of Standish,
McALEVEY of Waterboro.

Bill "An Act Regarding Retainage on Major State and School
Construction Projects"

S.P. 173 L.D. 529

Sponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative BUMPS of China, and Senator:
MURRAY of Penobscot, Representatives: BROOKS of
Winterport, CAMPBELL of Holden, PLOWMAN of Hampden.

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL
GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Exempt Clothing from the Sales Tax"
S.P. 171 L.D. 508

Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of York.
Cosponsored by Representative: GERRY of Auburn.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered
printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Promote Highway Safety"
S.P. 172 L.D. 509

Sponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and
ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate
considered the following:

SENATE PAPERS

Resolve, to Ensure Equity in Public Land Acquisitions
S.P. 184 L.D. 538

Sponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative COTE of Lewiston and
Representative: MATTHEWS of Winslow.

REFERRED to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE,
CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require External Review of Coverage Decisions by Health Plans"

S.P. 177 L.D. 531

Sponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of York.
Cosponsored by Representative SAXL of Bangor and Senators: DAGGETT of Kennebec, LAWRENCE of York, PINGREE of Knox, RAND of Cumberland, Representatives: HATCH of Skowhegan, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro.

REFERRED to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require the State to Pay the Salaries of Sheriffs and County Jail Employees"

S.P. 176 L.D. 530

Sponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, GOODWIN of Pembroke.

Bill "An Act to Limit Children's Access to Firearms"

S.P. 178 L.D. 532

Sponsored by Senator RAND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative NORBERT of Portland and Senator: DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, Representative: MUSE of South Portland.

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Improve Wild Game Transportation Laws"

S.P. 182 L.D. 536

Sponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln.
Cosponsored by Representative DUNLAP of Old Town and Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, LaFOUNTAIN of York, Representatives: TRUE of Fryeburg, USHER of Westbrook.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regarding Burial at the Veterans' Memorial Cemetery"

S.P. 181 L.D. 535

Sponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative WILLIAMS of Orono and Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, FERGUSON of Oxford, RUHLIN of Penobscot, Representatives: MITCHELL of Vassalboro, TRACY of Rome, TUTTLE of Sanford.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the State from Competing with Private Industry"

S.P. 179 L.D. 533

Sponsored by Senator MITCHELL of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative CIANCHETTE of South Portland and Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, BENOIT of Franklin, DAVIS of Piscataquis, FERGUSON of Oxford, Representatives: CAMPBELL of Holden, LOVETT of Scarborough, MACK of Standish, QUINT of Portland.

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Bring Equity to the Vehicle Excise Tax"

S.P. 180 L.D. 534

Sponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln.
Cosponsored by Representative PIEH of Bremen and Senators AMERO of Cumberland, CASSIDY of Washington, RUHLIN of Penobscot, CATHCART of Penobscot, KONTOS of Cumberland, RAND of Cumberland, Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, GLYNN of South Portland, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JONES of Pittsfield, MacDOUGALL of North Berwick, MURPHY of Kennebunk, PLOWMAN of Hampden, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, STANLEY of Medway, BUMPS of China, ETNIER of Harpswell, KNEELAND of Easton, O'NEAL of Limestone, SKOGLUND of St. George.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Money to Extend Water Lines to Families in Gorham Whose Wells Were Polluted by Highway Construction Activity" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 183 L.D. 537

Sponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset.
Cosponsored by Representative CLOUGH of Scarborough and Representative: SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

Bill "An Act to Establish a Citizen Road Watch Program"
S.P. 185 L.D. 539

Sponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative COTE of Lewiston and
Representative: MATTHEWS of Winslow.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and
ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were
ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

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

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later
(1/11/99) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Amend the Provisions Relating to Executive
Sessions in Connection with the Transaction of Public or
Government Business"

S.P. 94 L.D. 233

Tabled - January 11, 1999, by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

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

Senator **LONGLEY** of Waldo moved to **REFER** to the Committee
on **JUDICIARY**.

On motion by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland, **TABLED** until Later
in Today's Session, pending motion by Senator **LONGLEY** of
Waldo to **REFER** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY**.

Off Record Remarks

Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were
ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later
(1/11/99) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Ensure Funding for a Replacement Correctional
Facility in Washington County"

H.P. 65 L.D. 78

Tabled - January 11, 1999, by Senator **MURRAY** of Penobscot.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, January 11, 1999, **REFERRED** to the Committee on
CRIMINAL JUSTICE and ordered printed.)

On motion by Senator **MURRAY** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to
the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed, in
concurrence.

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate
considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act to Restore and Improve Family Planning and
Pregnancy Prevention Services"

H.P. 385 L.D. 516

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and ordered
printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND
FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate
considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Resolve, Creating the Commission to Study Economic
Development Opportunities for Lewiston and Auburn

H.P. 395 L.D. 526

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act to Increase the Length of Probation for a Person Convicted of Domestic Violence" H.P. 381 L.D. 512

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act to Amend the School Funding Formula by Taking Sales Tax into Account" H.P. 386 L.D. 517

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act to Provide Additional Health Care Options to Disabled Persons and the Elderly" H.P. 384 L.D. 515

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Require Resident Moose Lottery Applicants to Hold Big Game Hunting Licenses" H.P. 382 L.D. 513

Bill "An Act to Restrict a Landowner's Right to Kill Nuisance Animals" H.P. 383 L.D. 514

Bill "An Act to Increase the Number of Moose Hunting Permits to 3,000" H.P. 389 L.D. 520

Bill "An Act to Reauthorize and Expand the Special Archery Season on Deer" (EMERGENCY) H.P. 393 L.D. 524

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act to Regulate the Harvesting of Rockweed and Seaweed in Maine Waters" (EMERGENCY) H.P. 391 L.D. 522

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Favor Maine Companies in Awarding Bids" H.P. 379 L.D. 510

Bill "An Act to Increase the Amount Below Which Counties Do Not Need to Solicit Bids for Purchases"

H.P. 380 L.D. 511

Bill "An Act to Establish Recall Provisions for Elected County and Municipal Officials"

H.P. 394 L.D. 525

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Local Property Tax on Homes for Individuals 65 Years of Age or Older"

H.P. 388 L.D. 519

Bill "An Act to Decrease the Mahogany Quahog Tax from \$1.20 per Bushel to \$.40 per Bushel"

H.P. 390 L.D. 521

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Resolve, to Build Interchanges from the Maine Turnpike to Lincoln and Grove Streets in Lewiston

H.P. 387 L.D. 518

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

**Pursuant to Resolve
Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission**

The **Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission** pursuant to Resolve 1997, chapter 45, section 3 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement Recommendations of the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission Relating to Child Welfare Services for Indian Children"

H.P. 392 L.D. 523

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House, with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

**Pursuant to Statute
Task Force to Study the Need for an Ombudsman
for the Department of Human Services and
the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation
and Substance Abuse Services**

The **Task Force to Study the Need for an Ombudsman for the Department of Human Services and the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services**, pursuant to Resolve 1997, chapter 120 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force to Study the Need for an Ombudsman for the Department of Human Services and the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services Relating to the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services"

H.P. 397 L.D. 528

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

**Pursuant to Statute
Maine Turnpike Authority**

The **Maine Turnpike Authority**, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 1961, subsection 6 asked leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act to Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2000"
H.P. 396 L.D. 527

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

ENACTORS

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

Emergency Measure

An Act to Transfer Funds from the Service Retirement Benefit Reserve to the Maine State Retirement System in Order to Fund the Modification of Retirement Laws for Certain Law Enforcement Personnel

S.P. 12 L.D. 1
(C "A" S-7)

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator **MICHAUD**.

Senator **MICHAUD:** Thank you, Mr. President. Men and women of the Senate. Normally this bill is an Appropriation Table item and I would refer it to the Appropriation Table. The Committee voted last week unanimously to exempt this from the process so that they can transfer the funds by February 1st. So it's ready for enactment if this body so chooses.

Senator **GOLDTHWAIT** of Hancock was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 30 Members of the Senate, with no Senators having voted in the negative, and 30 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Off Record Remarks

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Resolve, Authorizing the Transfer of Certain State Historic Site Property

H.P. 398 L.D. 540

Bill "An Act to Provide for Increased Penalties, Enforcement and Education Regarding Dangerous Dogs"

H.P. 433 L.D. 575

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$30,000,000 for Infrastructure Improvements for the Maine Technical College System"

H.P. 423 L.D. 565

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Funds for Conservation at the Local Level"

H.P. 406 L.D. 548

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **KILKELLY** of Lincoln, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **REFERENCE**.

Bill "An Act to Fund Maine Agricultural Education Programs"
H.P. 407 L.D. 549

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

On motion by Senator **KILKELLY** of Lincoln, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **REFERENCE**.

Bill "An Act to Improve Insurance Company Practices Pertaining to Collision Appraisals"
H.P. 425 L.D. 567

Bill "An Act to Require Insurance Companies to Cover Cervical Cancer Screening"
H.P. 427 L.D. 569

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Update and Amend the Maine Pharmacy Act"
H.P. 434 L.D. 576

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Exempt Certain Law Enforcement Officers from the Full Course of Training at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy"
H.P. 404 L.D. 546

Bill "An Act to Ensure a Continuum of Proper Medical Care for Prisoners with Mental Disabilities or Mental Illness"
H.P. 408 L.D. 550

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Surveillance of the Interior of Dressing Rooms"
H.P. 415 L.D. 557

Bill "An Act Concerning Consecutive Sentencing"
H.P. 420 L.D. 562

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the University of Maine System from Financially Supporting Greek Organizations"
H.P. 417 L.D. 559

Bill "An Act Relating to the Construction of a Locally Funded Arts and Technology Center in Maine School Administrative District No. 49" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 431 L.D. 573

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Create Accountability for Money Spent on Auto Insurance for Participants in the TANF Program"
H.P. 421 L.D. 563

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Allow Persons 65 Years of Age and Older to Shoot a Deer of Either Sex"
H.P. 419 L.D. 561

Bill "An Act to Exempt Donnell Pond and Tunk Lake from Personal Watercraft Prohibition"
H.P. 422 L.D. 564

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Pertaining to Conveyance and Reservation of Real Estate"
H.P. 426 L.D. 568

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Partial-birth Abortion"
H.P. 429 L.D. 571

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Homestead Tax Exemption"
H.P. 403 L.D. 545

REFERRED to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Resolve, to Require the Department of Labor to Establish a Living Wage

H.P. 413 L.D. 555

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Establish a Contractual Obligation for Members of the Maine State Retirement System

H.P. 424 L.D. 566

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Chemical Substance Identification Law"

H.P. 432 L.D. 574

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LABOR** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Purchase of Liquor by Commercial Entities"

H.P. 401 L.D. 543

Bill "An Act to Promote Ballot Clarity"

H.P. 418 L.D. 560

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Membership of the Somerset County Budget Committee"

H.P. 416 L.D. 558

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Income Eligibility Limits for the Elderly Low Cost Drug Program"

H.P. 400 L.D. 542

Bill "An Act to Value Homestead Exemption Farm Land at Current Use"

H.P. 402 L.D. 544

Bill "An Act to Amend the Veterans' Property Tax Exemption"
H.P. 430 L.D. 572

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Change the Minimum Time for Issuing a Temporary Registered Gross Weight Increase from 2 Months to One Month"
H.P. 410 L.D. 552

Bill "An Act Concerning Rules of the Road Governing Traffic Rotaries"
H.P. 414 L.D. 556

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission with Regard to Wireless Carriers"
H.P. 399 L.D. 541

Bill "An Act to Amend the Lien Enforcement Procedure for the Topsham Sewer District"
H.P. 409 L.D. 551

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Kennebec Water District"
H.P. 411 L.D. 553

Bill "An Act to Provide Affordable Computer-based Information Networks"
H.P. 412 L.D. 554

Bill "An Act Relating to the Protection of Maine Consumers in the Telecommunications Market" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 428 L.D. 570

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Paper

Bill "An Act to Restore Advocacy Services for Children with Disabilities"
H.P. 405 L.D. 547

Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**.

On motion by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending **REFERENCE**.

Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

On motion by Senator **RAND** of Cumberland, **ADJOURNED**, until Thursday, January 21, 1999, at 10:00 in the morning.