

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
JOURNAL OF THE SENATE**

In Senate Chamber  
Tuesday  
March 8, 2011

Senate called to order by President Kevin L. Raye of Washington County.

Prayer by Chaplain Don Williams, Augusta Fire Department.

**CHAPLAIN WILLIAMS:** We thank you for honoring the fire services in the state of Maine. One man named Peter Gibbons defines heroes, which I believe our firefighters, EMS, and paramedics are all heroes along with our law enforcement, using three criteria. Heroes accomplish something extraordinary. They show moral valor, especially in times of adversity. They are great souls who lift us up through their high-minded noble examples. Charles Colson said "Every hero, to be sure, is human and deeply marred with sin, yet a life without heroes is an impoverished life." Celebrities may hold our interests but they have no ability to inspire us to live great lives. By contrast, heroes invite us to grow. They enlarge our imaginations, teach us to think big, and expand our sense of the possible. We must never forget the great price paid every day by those in the fire and rescue services, Fire Marshalls and also in law enforcement. They make the ultimate sacrifice for our safety. Song writer Ray Boltz penned these words, "Fallen but not forgotten". These are the heroes that stand tall and forever we will remember with honor, for with honor and glory they gave their all. Shall we pray.

Father, we thank You for these men and women who have given and are giving of themselves to keep us safe. God, we thank You for them, their dedication to this great and mighty land and the great state of Maine, and for answering the call to fire services. I would ask that You would please grant strength, courage, boldness, and wisdom to those who are serving as firefighters, EMTs, and paramedics. Care for them and keep them safe. God, I would ask that Your wisdom and power might come upon these to whom have been entrusted the leadership of this great state of Maine. Give them wisdom and understanding. Help us all to stay ethical and be people of good character and integrity. God, I ask that You would give them courage, boldness, and wisdom as they direct this great state. God, I also thank You that they have taken time today to recognize those who have given the ultimate sacrifice and for those who are giving of themselves to keep us safe. We thank You for that. We thank You for them. God, we would ask that You would just be with everything that is said and done today, that it will bring honor and glory unto You. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Jonathan T.E. Courtney of York County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, March 3, 2011.

Doctor of the day, David Andrews, MD of Falmouth.

Off Record Remarks

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication: S.C. 122

**STATE OF MAINE  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

March 3, 2011

The Honorable Kevin Raye  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Raye,

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Robert A. Harmon of Raymond for appointment to the Board of Trustees of Dirigo Health.

Pursuant to Title 24-A, MRSA §6904, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 123

**STATE OF MAINE  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

March 3, 2011

The Honorable Kevin Raye  
President of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear President Raye,

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Douglas S. Carr of Yarmouth for appointment to the Board of Trustees of Dirigo Health.

Pursuant to Title 24-A, MRSA §6904, this nomination will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage  
Governor

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication: S.C. 124

**STATE OF MAINE  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

March 2, 2011

Honorable Joseph G. Carleton  
Secretary of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Carleton:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 1, MRSA, Chapter 13, Section 411, I am pleased to appoint Senator David R. Hastings III of Oxford to the Right to Know Advisory Committee, representing a Senate member of the Judiciary Committee. With this appointment the Senator from Oxford, Senator Hastings, will be replacing the Senator from York, Senator Hobbins.

If you have any questions regarding these appointments please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

S/Kevin L. Raye  
President of the Senate

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication: S.C. 125

**STATE OF MAINE  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

March 3, 2011

Honorable Joseph G. Carleton  
Secretary of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Carleton:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5 MRSA §13171, I am pleased to appoint the following Senators to the Maine Council on Poverty and Economic Security. They will be serving as members of the Maine State Senate:

Senator Jonathan T.E. Courtney of York  
Senator Barry J. Hobbins of York

With these appointments the Senator Courtney and Senator Hobbins will be replacing the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Bartlett and the Senator from Washington, Senator Raye.

Please contact my office if you have any questions regarding these appointments.

Sincerely,

S/Kevin L. Raye  
President of the Senate

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication: S.C. 126

**STATE OF MAINE  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

March 2, 2011

Honorable Joseph G. Carleton  
Secretary of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Carleton,

Pursuant to my authority under Title 1, MRSA, Chapter 13, §411, I am pleased to appoint the following people to the Right to Know Advisory Committee:

Representative Joan M. Nass of Acton  
Mike Violette of News Radio 560 WGAN, South Portland

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these appointments,

Sincerely,

S/Robert W. Nutting  
Speaker of the House

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 133

**STATE OF MAINE  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

March 3, 2011

Honorable Joseph G. Carleton  
Secretary of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Carleton:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5 MRSA §13171, I am please to appoint the following Representatives to the Maine Council on Poverty and Economic Security:

Representative Benjamin M. Chipman of Portland  
Representative Dale J. Crafts of Lisbon  
Representative Megan M. Rochelo of Biddeford  
Representative Dianne C. Tilton of Harrington

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these appointments.

Sincerely,

S/Robert W. Nutting  
Speaker of the House

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 136

**STATE OF MAINE  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

March 4, 2011

Honorable Joseph G. Carleton  
Secretary of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Carleton:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 20-A MRSA §652, I am pleased to appoint Representative David E. Richardson of Carmel to the Education Commission of the States.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Robert W. Nutting  
Speaker of the House

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 137

**STATE OF MAINE  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SPEAKER'S OFFICE**

March 4, 2011

Honorable Joseph G. Carleton  
Secretary of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Carleton:

Pursuant to my authority under P&S 1999 Chapter 58, I am pleased to appoint Representative Maeghan Maloney of Augusta to the Governing Board of the Capital Riverfront Improvement District.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Robert W. Nutting  
Speaker of the House

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 138

**STATE OF MAINE  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

March 7, 2011

Honorable Joseph G. Carleton  
Secretary of the Senate  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Carleton:

Pursuant to my authority under Title 5, MRSA, Chapter 3, §57, I am pleased to appoint Michael Cote of Embden to the Maine Regulatory Fairness Board. Mr. Cote will be representing a public member that is an owner, operator or officer of business operating in Maine.

Please contact my office if you have any questions regarding this appointment.

Sincerely,

S/Kevin L. Raye  
President of the Senate

**READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication: S.C. 127

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND  
FORESTRY**

March 2, 2011

Honorable Kevin L. Raye, President of the Senate  
Honorable Robert W. Nutting, Speaker of the House  
125th Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Raye and Speaker Nutting:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 215 An Act To Authorize the Leasing of Rail Crossings

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsors of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Roger L. Sherman  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Peter E. Edgecomb  
House Chair

**READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication: S.C. 128

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

March 2, 2011

Honorable Kevin L. Raye, President of the Senate  
Honorable Robert W. Nutting, Speaker of the House  
125th Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Raye and Speaker Nutting:

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

L.D. 91 An Act Relating to Disorderly Conduct in the Vicinity of a Funeral

L.D. 264 An Act Regarding Residential Chimney Lining

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Garrett P. Mason  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Gary E. Plummer  
House Chair

**READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication: S.C. 129

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL  
RESOURCES**

March 2, 2011

Honorable Kevin L. Raye, President of the Senate  
Honorable Robert W. Nutting, Speaker of the House  
125th Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Raye and Speaker Nutting:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources has voted unanimously to report the following bill out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 379 An Act To Stop Unfunded Mandates  
Concerning Waste Discharge Licenses

The Following Communication: S.C. 131

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsors of the  
Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Thomas B. Saviello  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. James M. Hamper  
House Chair

**READ** and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON  
FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 130

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

February 28, 2011

Honorable Kevin L. Raye, President of the Senate  
Honorable Robert W. Nutting, Speaker of the House  
125th Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Raye and Speaker Nutting:

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

L.D. 29 An Act To Limit Salaries of Hospital  
Administrators

L.D. 127 Resolve, To Align Child-to-staff Ratios in Child  
Care Facilities

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill  
listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Earle L. McCormick  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Meredith N. Strang Burgess  
House Chair

**READ** and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON  
FILE.**

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

March 2, 2011

Honorable Kevin L. Raye, President of the Senate  
Honorable Robert W. Nutting, Speaker of the House  
125th Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Raye and Speaker Nutting:

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

L.D. 259 An Act To Limit the Duration of a Legal Alien's  
Driver's License

We have also notified the sponsor and cosponsors of the  
Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Ronald F. Collins  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Richard M. Cebra  
House Chair

**READ** and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON  
FILE.**

The Following Communication: S.C. 132

**STATE OF MAINE  
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

March 1, 2011

Honorable Kevin L. Raye, President of the Senate  
Honorable Robert W. Nutting, Speaker of the House  
125th Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Raye and Speaker Nutting:

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

L.D. 73 An Act To Establish a Uniform Deadline for  
Persons Qualifying as Candidates

L.D. 103 An Act To Improve the Access of Beer and Wine Licensees to Agency Liquor Store Licenses

L.D. 196 An Act Regarding Unenrolled Candidates under the Maine Clean Election Act

We have also notified the sponsors and cosponsors of each bill listed of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Nichi S. Farnham  
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michael G. Beaulieu  
House Chair

**READ** and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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**SENATE PAPERS**

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue for Educational Opportunities for Underserved Regions of the State"  
S.P. 278 L.D. 874

Presented by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative WAGNER of Lewiston and Senators: JACKSON of Aroostook, TRAHAN of Lincoln, Representatives: LOVEJOY of Portland, NELSON of Falmouth.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Highway and Bridge Infrastructure To Meet the Needs of the Business Sector and To Create Jobs"  
S.P. 282 L.D. 894

Presented by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples and Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, BRANNIGAN of Cumberland, GERZOFKY of Cumberland, GOODALL of Sagadahoc, HILL of York, HOBBS of York, JACKSON of Aroostook, PATRICK of Oxford, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Create Jobs through Energy Efficiency"  
S.P. 294 L.D. 948

Presented by Senator BARTLETT of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, HOBBS of York, Representatives: CORNELL du HOUE of Brunswick, DION of Portland, FITTS of Pittsfield, HINCK of Portland, LUCHINI of Ellsworth.

On motion by Senator **ROSEN** of Hancock, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Reduce Student Hunger"  
S.P. 264 L.D. 860

Presented by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative LOVEJOY of Portland and Senator: JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, EBERLE of South Portland, KENT of Woolwich, RANKIN of Hiram, WAGNER of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act To Allow a 4-day School Week"  
S.P. 275 L.D. 871

Presented by Senator SULLIVAN of York.  
Cosponsored by Senator: MASON of Androscoggin, Representative: JOHNSON of Greenville.

Bill "An Act To Increase College Attainment"  
S.P. 290 L.D. 944

Presented by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative NELSON of Falmouth and Senators: BARTLETT of Cumberland, JACKSON of Aroostook, MASON of Androscoggin, Representatives: LOVEJOY of Portland, WAGNER of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act To Update Maine's High School Graduation Requirements"  
S.P. 295 L.D. 949

Presented by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative KENT of Woolwich and Senators: BARTLETT of Cumberland, WOODBURY of Cumberland, Representatives: LOVEJOY of Portland, RICHARDSON of Carmel.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the School Revolving Renovation Fund"  
S.P. 298 L.D. 952

Presented by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock.  
Cosponsored by Senators: COURTNEY of York, MASON of Androscoggin, PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, CEBRA of Naples, DAMON of Bangor, JOHNSON of Eddington, McCLELLAN of Raymond.

On motion by Senator **LANGLEY** of Hancock, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Require the Department of Environmental Protection To Enforce Standards for Smaller-scale Wind Energy Development in Organized Areas"  
S.P. 269 L.D. 865

Presented by Senator BARTLETT of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Examine Electric Utility Regulation and Fees To Reduce Rates"

S.P. 274 L.D. 870

Presented by Senator THOMAS of Somerset.  
Cosponsored by Representative DUNPHY of Embden and Representatives: COTTA of China, HARVELL of Farmington, McKANE of Newcastle.

Bill "An Act To Improve Maine's Renewable Portfolio Standard"  
S.P. 302 L.D. 956

Presented by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Senators: THOMAS of Somerset, WHITTEMORE of Somerset, Representative: CRAY of Palmyra.

On motion by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

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Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Amend Its Rules Governing the Length of Time Certain Permits Are Valid

S.P. 266 L.D. 862

Presented by Senator COLLINS of York.  
Cosponsored by Representative WATERHOUSE of Bridgton and Senator: THOMAS of Somerset, Representatives: CEBRA of Naples, CHASE of Wells.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Natural Resources Protection Act" (EMERGENCY)

S.P. 276 L.D. 872

Presented by Senator COLLINS of York.  
Cosponsored by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo, Representative CHASE of Wells and Senators: SAVIELLO of Franklin, THOMAS of Somerset, Representatives: BURNS of Alfred, CEBRA of Naples, PARRY of Arundel, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

On motion by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Extend the Time by Which Certified Plans for a Subdivision Must Be Filed"

S.P. 265 L.D. 861

Presented by Senator THOMAS of Somerset.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: COTTA of China, HARVELL of Farmington.

Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

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

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Resolve, To Convene a Task Force To Study Cost-effective Ways of Dealing with an Increased Population of Those Affected by Alzheimer's Disease

S.P. 263 L.D. 859

Presented by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: EVES of North Berwick, FOSSEL of Alna, MALABY of Hancock, O'CONNOR of Berwick, PETERSON of Rumford, SANBORN of Gorham, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIROCKI of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the State's Authority under Public Health Laws for Municipal Inspections of Establishments"

S.P. 273 L.D. 869

Presented by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act To Promote the Establishment of an Adult Day Health Care Program for Veterans in Lewiston"

S.P. 277 L.D. 873

Presented by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin.  
Cosponsored by Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston and Senator: DIAMOND of Cumberland, Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, BOLDUC of Auburn, CAREY of Lewiston, LAJOIE of Lewiston, PETERSON of Rumford, RUSSELL of Portland, WAGNER of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Application Process for the Progressive Treatment Program"

S.P. 285 L.D. 897

Presented by Senator HILL of York. (BY REQUEST)

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Mandatory Immunizations"

S.P. 287 L.D. 941

Presented by Senator THOMAS of Somerset.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: CEBRA of Naples, JOHNSON of Greenville, MALABY of Hancock, O'CONNOR of Berwick, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIROCKI of Scarborough.

On motion by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Include Teachers in the State Employee Health Insurance Program"

S.P. 261 L.D. 857

Presented by Senator BRANNIGAN of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Related to Multiple-employer Welfare Arrangements"

S.P. 262 L.D. 858

Presented by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin.  
Cosponsored by Senator: WHITTEMORE of Somerset,  
Representative: McKANE of Newcastle.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Insurance as They Relate to Civil Penalties Imposed for Violations of Those Laws"

S.P. 271 L.D. 867

Presented by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin.  
Cosponsored by Senator: SULLIVAN of York.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Consumer Credit Code Regarding Interest Charged on Deferred Payments"

S.P. 279 L.D. 891

Presented by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin.  
Cosponsored by Senator: WHITTEMORE of Somerset,  
Representatives: McKANE of Newcastle, RICHARDSON of Warren.

Bill "An Act To Establish an Insurance Fraud Division within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance"

S.P. 280 L.D. 892

Presented by Senator SULLIVAN of York.  
Cosponsored by Senators: PLOWMAN of Penobscot, SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, Representatives: DOW of Waldoboro, FITZPATRICK of Houlton, MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

Bill "An Act To Exempt Health Care Sharing Ministries from Insurance Requirements"

S.P. 296 L.D. 950

Presented by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo.

On motion by Senator **WHITTEMORE** of Somerset, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Study Priorities and Timing of Judicial Proceedings in State Courts (EMERGENCY)  
S.P. 297 L.D. 951

Presented by Senator HASTINGS of Oxford.  
Cosponsored by Representative NASS of Acton and Senators: BLISS of Cumberland, HILL of York, HOBBS of York.

On motion by Senator **HASTINGS** of Oxford, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Allow the Maine State Housing Authority To Prepurchase Oil for the Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program"

S.P. 267 L.D. 863

Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Kennebec and Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, GERZOFKY of Cumberland, Representatives: DRISCOLL of Westbrook, NEWENDYKE of Litchfield, THERIAULT of Madawaska.

Resolve, To Establish a Consistent Workers' Compensation Classification for Pharmacies

S.P. 270 L.D. 866

Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Representative THERIAULT of Madawaska and Representative: MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

Bill "An Act To Require an Employer To Provide Notification Regarding the Employer's Personal Leave Policy to Employees"

S.P. 281 L.D. 893

Presented by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin.  
Cosponsored by Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston and Senators: JACKSON of Aroostook, PATRICK of Oxford.

Bill "An Act To Encourage Professionals To Move to the State"

S.P. 293 L.D. 947

Presented by Senator MASON of Androscoggin.  
Cosponsored by Representative TIMBERLAKE of Turner and Senators: COLLINS of York, FARNHAM of Penobscot, MARTIN of Kennebec, PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representatives: CLARK of Easton, CRAFTS of Lisbon, LIBBY of Waterboro, WOOD of Sabattus.

Bill "An Act To Establish the Dental Adjudicatory Panel"

S.P. 301 L.D. 955

Presented by Senator RECTOR of Knox.  
Cosponsored by Representative PRESCOTT of Topsham and Senators: COURTNEY of York, McCORMICK of Kennebec, PLOWMAN of Penobscot, President RAYE of Washington, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, Representatives: HAMPER of Oxford, HUNT of Buxton, WEAVER of York.



On motion by Senator **RECTOR** of Knox, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Allow the City of Bangor To Replace the Bangor Auditorium and Civic Center at the Bass Park Complex"  
S.P. 283 L.D. 895

Presented by Senator FARNHAM of Penobscot.  
Cosponsored by Representative DAMON of Bangor and Representatives: DILL of Old Town, FOSTER of Augusta, GOODE of Bangor, JOHNSON of Eddington, PARKER of Veazie, RIOUX of Winterport, STEVENS of Bangor, WINTLE of Garland.

Bill "An Act To Exempt Municipalities from Indemnification Provisions in State Contracts"  
S.P. 288 L.D. 942

Presented by Senator HILL of York.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: BEAVERS of South Berwick, EVES of North Berwick.

Bill "An Act To Promote Rural Job Creation and Workforce Development"  
S.P. 300 L.D. 954

Presented by Senator BARTLETT of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, JACKSON of Aroostook, PATRICK of Oxford, Representative: DRISCOLL of Westbrook.

On motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Establish the Maine Science Advisory Board"  
S.P. 299 L.D. 953

Presented by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Senators: McCORMICK of Kennebec, THOMAS of Somerset, TRAHAN of Lincoln, Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, GIFFORD of Lincoln, NASS of Acton.

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

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

Bill "An Act To Reform Maine Revenue Services Procedures"  
S.P. 272 L.D. 868

Presented by Senator TRAHAN of Lincoln.  
Cosponsored by Representative McKANE of Newcastle and Senators: COURTNEY of York, MARTIN of Kennebec, PLOWMAN of Penobscot, SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, HARMON of Palermo, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

Bill "An Act To Reform the Maine Estate Tax"  
S.P. 286 L.D. 898

Presented by Senator HASTINGS of Oxford.  
Cosponsored by Representative KNIGHT of Livermore Falls and Senators: HILL of York, HOBBS of York, ROSEN of Hancock, WOODBURY of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Sales and Use Tax Exemption for an Aircraft Purchased Outside of Maine by Nonresidents"  
S.P. 292 L.D. 946

Presented by President RAYE of Washington.  
Cosponsored by Speaker NUTTING of Oakland and Senators: COURTNEY of York, GERZOFKY of Cumberland, HASTINGS of Oxford, HOBBS of York, LANGLEY of Hancock, Representatives: CAIN of Orono, FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor, LUCHINI of Ellsworth.

On motion by Senator **TRAHAN** of Lincoln, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Resolve, To Require the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Submit a New Design for the Sportsman Registration Plate  
S.P. 291 L.D. 945

Presented by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Senator: THOMAS of Somerset, Representatives: BURNS of Whiting, CRAY of Palmyra, GIFFORD of Lincoln, LIBBY of Waterboro, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, WILLETTE of Presque Isle.

On motion by Senator **COLLINS** of York, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Change the Campaign Contribution Limits"  
S.P. 260 L.D. 856

Presented by Senator GOODALL of Sagadahoc.  
Cosponsored by Senator: PLOWMAN of Penobscot,  
Representatives: CAREY of Lewiston, CROCKETT of Bethel,  
DAMON of Bangor, LONGSTAFF of Waterville, RUSSELL of  
Portland.

Bill "An Act To Reduce the Minimum Amount of Product Required  
To Be Purchased by Agency Liquor Stores for Licensure"  
S.P. 268 L.D. 864

Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Representative THERIAULT of Madawaska and  
Representatives: CAREY of Lewiston, MARTIN of Eagle Lake,  
VALENTINO of Saco.

Bill "An Act To Adopt the Uniform Military and Overseas Voters  
Act"  
S.P. 284 L.D. 896

Presented by Senator FARNHAM of Penobscot.  
Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec and  
Representatives: DAMON of Bangor, GOODE of Bangor,  
JOHNSON of Eddington, RIOUX of Winterport, TURNER of  
Burlington, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WILLETTE of Presque  
Isle, WOOD of Sabattus.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Eviction of  
Residential Tenants"  
S.P. 289 L.D. 943

Presented by Senator TRAHAN of Lincoln. (BY REQUEST)

On motion by Senator **FARNHAM** of Penobscot, **REFERRED** to  
the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and  
ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for  
concurrence.

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**ORDERS**

**Joint Order**

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

Catherine Curtis, of Winthrop, Deputy Secretary of State, Bureau  
of Motor Vehicles, on the occasion of her retirement after 32  
years of service to the State. Ms. Curtis, who was named  
Manager of the Year in 1999, began her career at the Department  
of the Secretary of State, Bureau of Motor Vehicles in 1978,  
working in various positions until she became Assistant Director,  
Division of Public Services at the bureau in 1990. In 1994 she  
became the Director of the Division of Public Services and in

1999 Ms. Curtis was named Director - Public Service Executive 1,  
Division of Vehicle Services. She served in that senior  
management position until she became Deputy Secretary of State  
in 2006, responsible for the overall management of the Bureau of  
Motor Vehicles. We acknowledge her exemplary commitment to  
the State of Maine and we send her our appreciation for her many  
years of hard work and responsibility. We congratulate her on her  
well-deserved retirement;

SLS 142

Sponsored by Senator COLLINS of York.  
Cosponsored by Senators: DIAMOND of Cumberland,  
McCORMICK of Kennebec, THOMAS of Somerset,  
Representatives: CEBRA of Naples, FLOOD of Winthrop,  
GILLWAY of Searsport, HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach,  
MAZUREK of Rockland, PARRY of Arundel, PEOPLES of  
Westbrook, RIOUX of Winterport, ROSEN of Bucksport,  
THERIAULT of Madawaska, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

**READ.**

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from York,  
Senator Collins.

Senator **COLLINS:** Thank you Mr. President. It gives me great  
pleasure to acknowledge the hard work and dedication Cathy  
Curtis has given the people of Maine as well as the Department of  
the Secretary of State. I don't think there is a member in this  
chamber that has not at some time or another had to contact  
Cathy Curtis with some kind of constituent request, straighten out  
a matter with a driver's license, or whatever. Cathy was always  
the go-to person, in my opinion, over the many years that I was a  
member of the Transportation Committee, with four terms in the  
House, and now as Senate Chair of the Transportation  
Committee. She was always the person that I went to for  
answers. She always contributed a lot of information that helped  
us make our final decisions at work sessions dealing with bills  
dealing with registrations, licenses, or what have you. She was  
always there with the information. I was often quite astounded at  
the amount of information she was able to retain all these years  
and how she kept up to date with all the changes in law. With the  
Chamber's permission and the President's permission, I would  
like to present this morning Cathy Curtis a Legislative Sentiment  
thanking her for her years of dedication to the people of Maine  
and to the Maine Legislature.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from  
Cumberland, Senator Diamond.

Senator **DIAMOND:** Thank you Mr. President. Ladies and  
gentlemen of the Senate, I also rise to say a few well deserved  
good words about Cathy Curtis. When I was Secretary of State  
from 1989 to 1997 I got to know Cathy very well. Cathy, as you  
heard read, was promoted in 1994 to the position of Director of  
Public Services. By the way, she is one of the few women that  
were promoted back in the day and it was well deserved. I can  
say to you that she served in that position with honor. She should  
have been there much sooner. She served with honor and  
dedication. Many of the changes that you might remember  
seeing in your local Motor Vehicle branch, such as taking a ticket  
and other sorts of improvements to increase the efficiency, Cathy  
really was the one that made all that happen. The rest of us kind

of took the congratulations from time to time but Cathy made it happen. She really was just an unbelievable employee, devoted to the citizens of the state of Maine. One of the proudest moments that I had while serving as Secretary of State was the moments that we had together and she was explaining to me ways of making improvements in the system and the department. The current Secretary of State is going to miss her. We're all going to miss her. To Cathy Curtis I say Godspeed and thank you for all you've done for the state of Maine.

**PASSED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair is pleased to recognize in the rear of the chamber, as she is presented with the sentiment, Cathy Curtis, who is accompanied by the Secretary of State. Would you please stand and accept the greetings and congratulations of the Maine Senate.

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### Joint Resolutions

On motion by Senator **LANGLEY** of Hancock (Cosponsored by Representative **NELSON** of Falmouth and Senators: **COURTNEY** of York, **FARNHAM** of Penobscot, **PLOWMAN** of Penobscot, Representatives: **BEAULIEU** of Auburn, **DAMON** of Bangor, **JOHNSON** of Eddington, **McCLELLAN** of Raymond, **RANKIN** of Hiram), the following Joint Resolution:

S.P. 303

#### **JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAINE ADULT EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, since 1871 Maine's public schools have supported the development of an adult education system that has grown and adapted to meet the needs of people throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, Maine's adult education programs are uniquely positioned to provide adults with the opportunity to learn where they live in all parts of Maine, with services in 85% of municipalities; and

WHEREAS, adult education programs are vital to the economic development of Maine and are actively responding to the current crisis of job loss by providing programs and courses specifically designed to help educate the workforce and prepare Maine adults for success, including:

1. Direct service to Maine adults who have experienced job loss, with enrollment increases in academic and job-related courses of between 30% and 100% in 2008;
2. Career preparation and courses for Maine workers, plus certificate programs, including the implementation of the WorkReady program focusing on workforce development skills for success on the job;
3. Literacy and English as a second language programs and successful family literacy programs combining adult education and early childhood and parenting instruction;

4. High school completion and general educational development programs, with 3,000 credentials awarded in Maine annually;

5. Comprehensive college transition programs in place in 22 regions covering every county in Maine, which provide career guidance, orientation to college and refresher and prerequisite classes for adults seeking college success; and

6. Community education, including a vibrant array of self-supporting courses contributing to the quality of life in Maine communities, offering the opportunity for Mainers of all ages to share talents and learn from others; and

WHEREAS, the Maine Adult Education Association launched a web portal system of coordinated websites for local programs allowing statewide searching for courses and online registration and payment, with 3 million page views in the past 2 years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, pause to acknowledge and express our appreciation and strong support of Maine's adult education programs, which uniquely meet the needs of the communities they serve and provide a vital system of service to the population of the State as new challenges are faced in this period of economic uncertainty; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a suitable copy of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Department of Education.

**READ and ADOPTED.**

Sent down for concurrence.

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Off Record Remarks

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### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### Senate

#### Ought to Pass

Senator **LANGLEY** for the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, To Name the Maine Fire Training and Education Program at Southern Maine Community College the Maine Fire Service Institute

S.P. 134 L.D. 430

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

Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED.**

**READ ONCE.**

**ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY.**

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All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

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## SECOND READERS

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

### House

Bill "An Act Related to Family Law Magistrates"  
H.P. 32 L.D. 39

Bill "An Act To Allow Marriage and Family Therapists To Serve as Mental Health Professionals in the Civil Service System"  
H.P. 39 L.D. 46

**READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

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## 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 (3/3/11) Assigned matter:

JOINT ORDER - Directing the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development To Report Out a Bill

S.P. 256

Tabled - March 3, 2011, by Senator **COURTNEY** of York

Pending - motion by Senator **JACKSON** of Aroostook to **PASS**

(In Senate, March 3, 2011, on motion by Senator **JACKSON** of Aroostook, **READ**.)

Senator **COURTNEY** of York moved to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** the Joint Order.

On motion by Senator **JACKSON** of Aroostook, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

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Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

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On motion by Senator **COURTNEY** of York, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion same Senator to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** the Joint Order. (Roll Call Ordered)

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The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (3/3/11) Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act To Clarify Provisions of the Law Concerning Municipal Inspections of Buildings"

H.P. 612 L.D. 816

Tabled - March 3, 2011, by Senator **RECTOR** of Knox

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(In House, March 3, 2011, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.)

On motion by Senator **RECTOR** of Knox, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Sent down for concurrence.

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## Off Record Remarks

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The President appointed the Senator from Penobscot, Senator **PLOWMAN**, to serve as President Pro Tem for the remainder of today's session.

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Senator **SCHNEIDER** of Penobscot was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate on the Record.

Senator **SCHNEIDER**: Thank you Madame. President. Men and women of the Senate, first of all I'd like to congratulate those who are honoring adult education. As somebody who has been a strong advocate for adult education I am very pleased that this particular Joint Resolution was put into play. In more broader terms, with regard to Joint Resolutions in this Body, in the past it has been very much a tradition that we advise each other of Joint Resolutions, though it certainly is not a requirement, so those of us who might like to join in on Joint Resolutions are made aware of their existence. There might have been quite a few more of us who would have liked to have joined. I know I very much would have liked to have joined. Just in a broad sense, if people have Joint Resolutions, and they are willing to be collegial, it would be really nice to communicate that there is a Joint Resolution out there and I would be very grateful to be aware of that. I just wanted to let people know I appreciate, in particular, this Joint Resolution because I think it's wonderful that we are honoring and

recognizing the efforts of adult education and want to thank you for that and just let you know of my support. Thanks so much.

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Senator  **CRAVEN**  of Androscoggin was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

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Senator  **SULLIVAN**  of York was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate on the Record.

Senator  **SULLIVAN** : Thank you Madame President. Today, coming from East Winthrop, the trees were glistening and it was absolutely beautiful. The ice that had caused so many problems was just beautiful on the trees. I had just come in and there is a group of soldiers returning home to Maine. The Augusta Fire Truck was there. The ladder was extended. As you came down you could still see the glistening trees and there was the flag. If we may honor them in our thoughts, we have another group of Maine soldiers returning home. What a beautiful glorious day to return home.

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

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Senator  **SNOWE-MELLO**  of Androscoggin was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

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Senator  **DIAMOND**  of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

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Off Record Remarks

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**RECESSED**  until the sound of the bell.

After Recess

Senate called to order by  
President Pro Tem  **DEBRA D. PLOWMAN**  of Penobscot County.

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

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication:     H.P. 674

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

February 17, 2011

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest  
Clerk of the House  
2 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Clerk Priest:

Enclosed please find my official certification to the 125th Legislature of the citizen initiative petition entitled "An Act Regarding Establishing a Slot Machine Facility."

Sincerely,

S/Charles E. Summers, Jr.  
Secretary of State

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State Of Maine  
Department Of State

I, Charles E. Summers, Jr., Secretary of State, hereby certify that written petitions bearing signatures of 59,095 electors of this State were addressed to the Legislature of the State of Maine and were filed in the office of the Secretary of State on December 30, 2010, January 6, 2011 and January 19, 2011, requesting that the Legislature consider an act entitled, "An Act Regarding Establishing a Slot Machine Facility."

I further certify that the number of signatures submitted is in excess of ten percent of the total votes cast in the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of such petitions, as required by Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 of the Constitution of Maine, that number being 57,277.

I further certify this initiative petition to be valid and attach herewith the text of the legislation circulated on the petition's behalf.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State of Maine to be hereunto affixed. Given under my hand at Augusta on the seventeenth day of February in the year two thousand and eleven.

S/Charles E. Summers, Jr.  
Secretary of State

Comes from the House,  **READ**  and  **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE** .

**READ**  and  **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE** , in concurrence.

The accompanying Bill:

"An Act Regarding Establishing a Slot Machine Facility"  
(I.B. 1)(L.D. 985)

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

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

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Resolve, To Streamline the Laws Governing Small Slaughterhouses (EMERGENCY)  
H.P. 682 L.D. 922

Presented by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan. Cosponsored by Senator SCHNEIDER of Penobscot and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, DILL of Old Town, GIFFORD of Lincoln, KENT of Woolwich, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.

Bill "An Act To Require Certification of Private Applicators of General Use Pesticides"  
H.P. 719 L.D. 975

Presented by Representative DILL of Old Town. Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Senator: SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, CRAY of Palmyra, McCABE of Skowhegan, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

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.

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Resolve, To Adjust Composting Limits for Farms  
H.P. 713 L.D. 969

Presented by Representative LIBBY of Waterboro. Cosponsored by Senator COURTNEY of York and Senator: SHERMAN of Aroostook, Representatives: DILL of Old Town, EDGECOMB of Caribou, EVES of North Berwick, HAMPER of Oxford, McCABE of Skowhegan, NASS of Acton, VALENTINO of Saco.

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

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

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Weatherize and Upgrade the Energy Efficiency of Maine Homes and Businesses and To Provide for a Trained Workforce for Maine's Energy Future"  
H.P. 679 L.D. 919

Presented by Representative HINCK of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Create an Animal and Plant Diagnostic Facility at the University of Maine"  
H.P. 723 L.D. 979

Presented by Representative EDGECOMB of Caribou. Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Senator: SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, CRAY of Palmyra, FOSTER of Augusta, GIFFORD of Lincoln, KENT of Woolwich, McCABE of Skowhegan, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.

Come 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.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Protect Minors from Questioning by Private Investigators"  
H.P. 647 L.D. 880

Presented by Representative MORISSETTE of Winslow. Cosponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset and Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, COTTA of China, DION of Portland, HARVELL of Farmington, KESCHL of Belgrade, NELSON of Falmouth, PLUMMER of Windham, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

Bill "An Act To Increase Penalties for Operating a Motor Vehicle under the Influence of Drugs or Alcohol"  
H.P. 652 L.D. 885

Presented by Representative CEBRA of Naples.

Bill "An Act To Make Certain Synthetic Cannabinoids Illegal"  
H.P. 673 L.D. 914

Presented by Representative NASS of Acton.  
Cosponsored by Representative MOULTON of York and Senator:  
MASON of Androscoggin, Representatives: BURNS of Whiting,  
KESCHL of Belgrade, MALABY of Hancock, TUTTLE of Sanford.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Credit Toward Payment of Fines  
Given for Jail Time"  
H.P. 686 L.D. 926

Presented by Representative HASKELL of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec and Senator:  
GERZOFKY of Cumberland, Representatives: DILL of Cape  
Elizabeth, FOSSEL of Alna, HANLEY of Gardiner, HARLOW of  
Portland, LAJOIE of Lewiston, WAGNER of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act To Allow Concealed Weapons in the State House"  
H.P. 692 L.D. 932

Presented by Representative CRAFTS of Lisbon.  
Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and  
Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, BURNS of Whiting, CEBRA of  
Naples, DAVIS of Sangerville, LIBBY of Waterboro,  
MORISSETTE of Winslow, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, WILLETTE  
of Mapleton.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Humane Treatment for Special  
Management Prisoners"  
H.P. 707 L.D. 963

Presented by Representative CHAPMAN of Brooksville.  
Cosponsored by Representative: BOLAND of Sanford.

Bill "An Act Regarding the Use of Methadone by Operators of  
Commercial Motor Vehicles"  
H.P. 710 L.D. 966

Presented by Representative GRAHAM of North Yarmouth.  
Cosponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland and Senator:  
THOMAS of Somerset, Representatives: BRYANT of Windham,  
CLARKE of Bath, HASKELL of Portland, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle,  
PLUMMER of Windham, PRIEST of Brunswick.

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

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

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Remove All Federal Funding from Inclusion in the  
Essential Programs and Services Funding Formula"  
H.P. 653 L.D. 886

Presented by Representative HARVELL of Farmington.

Bill "An Act To Allow a Student Attending Private School Access  
to Public School Cocurricular, Interscholastic and Extracurricular  
Activities"  
H.P. 662 L.D. 903

Presented by Representative PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield.  
Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Senator:  
WHITTEMORE of Somerset, Representatives: CRAFTS of  
Lisbon, CROCKETT of Bethel, DAVIS of Sangerville, KNIGHT of  
Livermore Falls, MORISSETTE of Winslow, O'CONNOR of  
Berwick, SANDERSON of Chelsea.

Resolve, Directing the Maine Community College System To  
Establish the Great Works School Campus  
H.P. 670 L.D. 911

Presented by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford.  
Cosponsored by Senators: COURTNEY of York, SULLIVAN of  
York, Representatives: BOLAND of Sanford, CHASE of Wells,  
NASS of Acton, RANKIN of Hiram.

Resolve, To Establish a Study Group To Review the Teacher  
Certification Process  
H.P. 689 L.D. 929

Presented by Representative O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.  
Cosponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland and Senator:  
SHERMAN of Aroostook, Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn,  
EDGECOMB of Caribou, HUNT of Buxton, NELSON of Falmouth,  
RANKIN of Hiram, RICHARDSON of Carmel, WAGNER of  
Lewiston.

Bill "An Act To Permit Public School Online Learning Programs  
To Accept Nonresident Tuition Students" (EMERGENCY)  
H.P. 698 L.D. 938

Presented by Representative BEAULIEU of Auburn.  
Cosponsored by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin and  
Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, BOLDUC of Auburn,  
CASAVANT of Biddeford, EDGECOMB of Caribou, NASS of  
Acton, PRESCOTT of Topsham, RICHARDSON of Carmel,  
ROTUNDO of Lewiston.

Resolve, To Direct the Department of Education To Review the  
Essential Programs and Services Model  
H.P. 702 L.D. 958

Presented by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville.  
Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset and  
Representatives: GUERIN of Glenburn, HARMON of Palermo,  
MAKER of Calais, SARTY of Denmark.

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Provide Curriculum Consistency in Maine Public Schools  
H.P. 703 L.D. 959

Presented by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: HARMON of Palermo, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle, MAKER of Calais, SARTY of Denmark.

Resolve, Requiring the Department of Education To Amend Its Rules To Prohibit School Administrative Units from Imposing Unreasonable Restrictions That Impede the Ability of Parents and Evaluators To Observe Students  
H.P. 708 L.D. 964

Presented by Representative KENT of Woolwich.  
Cosponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, LOVEJOY of Portland, NELSON of Falmouth, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, VOLK of Scarborough, WAGNER of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act To Improve the Health of Maine Students"  
H.P. 715 L.D. 971

Presented by Representative CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick.  
Cosponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland and Representatives: BEAVERS of South Berwick, BERRY of Bowdoinham, EVES of North Berwick, HINCK of Portland, LOVEJOY of Portland, LUCHINI of Ellsworth, PRESCOTT of Topsham, PRIEST of Brunswick.

Bill "An Act To Require 3 Years of Experience in a School Administrative Unit before a Teacher May Receive a Continuing Contract Offer"  
H.P. 720 L.D. 976

Presented by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville.  
Cosponsored by Senators: LANGLEY of Hancock, SAVIELLO of Franklin, Representatives: LONGSTAFF of Waterville, VOLK of Scarborough, Senator THOMAS of Somerset and Representatives: GUERIN of Glenburn, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Resolve, To Analyze the Value of Distance Learning in a Rural Environment  
H.P. 721 L.D. 977

Presented by Representative JOHNSON of Greenville.  
Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset and Representative: KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Cyberbullying in Public Schools"  
H.P. 724 L.D. 980

Presented by Representative PILON of Saco.  
Cosponsored by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Representatives: BLODGETT of Augusta, MOULTON of York, Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and Representatives: JOHNSON of Greenville, LOVEJOY of Portland, RICHARDSON of Carmel, WEBSTER of Freeport.

Bill "An Act To Create a Unified Board of Higher Education"  
H.P. 726 L.D. 982

Presented by Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston.  
Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec and Senator: FARNHAM of Penobscot, Representatives: MARTIN of Eagle Lake, NELSON of Falmouth, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland.

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.

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

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

### House Papers

Bill "An Act To Create the Anson and Madison Water District" (EMERGENCY)  
H.P. 657 L.D. 890

Presented by Representative CURTIS of Madison.  
Cosponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset and Representative: DUNPHY of Embden.

Bill "An Act Regarding Gas Utilities under the Safety Jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission"  
H.P. 667 L.D. 908

Presented by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Provide Additional Flexibility for the Funding of Infrastructure Improvements by Consumer-owned Water Utilities"  
H.P. 668 L.D. 909

Presented by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Clarify Notification Procedures during an Emergency Excavation"  
H.P. 676 L.D. 916

Presented by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Prevent Conflict of Interest in Efficiency Maine Audits"  
H.P. 683 L.D. 923

Presented by Representative STEVENS of Bangor.  
Cosponsored by Senator BARTLETT of Cumberland and Representatives: CAIN of Orono, CRAY of Palmyra, DION of Portland, DUNPHY of Embden, HARVELL of Farmington, HERBIG of Belfast, KESCHL of Belgrade, LUCHINI of Ellsworth.



Bill "An Act To Create Fair and Open Competition in Line Extension Construction"

H.P. 695 L.D. 935

Presented by Representative GUERIN of Glenburn.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, CRAY of Palmyra, DUNPHY of Embden, EDGECOMB of Caribou, ESPLING of New Gloucester, JOHNSON of Eddington, LIBBY of Waterboro, MAKER of Calais.

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

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

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

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### House Papers

Bill "An Act To Ensure Adequate Landfill Capacity in the State for Solid Waste"

H.P. 646 L.D. 879

Presented by Representative CURTIS of Madison.  
Cosponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset and Senators: GOODALL of Sagadahoc, SAVIELLO of Franklin, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, THOMAS of Somerset, Representatives: BECK of Waterville, DUCHESNE of Hudson, McCABE of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act To Allow Flexibility under Municipal Shoreland Zoning Ordinances"

H.P. 655 L.D. 888

Presented by Representative CURTIS of Madison.  
Cosponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset and Representative: CUSHING of Hampden.

Bill "An Act To Reduce Fraud in Bottle Deposit Redemption"

H.P. 659 L.D. 900

Presented by Representative HUNT of Buxton.  
Cosponsored by Senator: RECTOR of Knox, Representative: PRESCOTT of Topsham.

Bill "An Act To Clarify Maine's Phaseout of the 'Deca' Mixture of Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers"

H.P. 690 L.D. 930

Presented by Representative CRAY of Palmyra.  
Cosponsored by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, GIFFORD of Lincoln, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.

Bill "An Act To Increase Recycling Jobs in Maine and Lower Costs for Maine Businesses Concerning Recycled Electronics"  
H.P. 725 L.D. 981

Presented by Representative INNES of Yarmouth.  
Cosponsored by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin and Senators: GOODALL of Sagadahoc, RECTOR of Knox, WOODBURY of Cumberland, Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, BOLDUC of Auburn, CHIPMAN of Portland, DUCHESNE of Hudson, KESCHL of Belgrade.

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

#### House Papers

Bill "An Act To Include Medicinal Marijuana Patients in the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program"  
H.P. 654 L.D. 887

Presented by Representative HASKELL of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland and Senator: SAVIELLO of Franklin, Representatives: DILL of Cape Elizabeth, MALONEY of Augusta, PETERSON of Rumford, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

Bill "An Act To Reduce the Cost of Mental Health Services in Maine"

H.P. 678 L.D. 918

Presented by Representative HASKELL of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland and Senator: SAVIELLO of Franklin, Representatives: EVES of North Berwick, PETERSON of Rumford, STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, STUCKEY of Portland, WEBSTER of Freeport.

Bill "An Act To Ensure the Availability of Preventive Health Care Services for Children"

H.P. 680 L.D. 920

Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.

Resolve, Requiring the Department of Health and Human Services To Conduct a Review of Medicaid 'Any Willing Provider' Requirements

H.P. 693 L.D. 933

Presented by Representative STUCKEY of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland and Senator: KATZ of Kennebec, Representatives: FOSSEL of Alna, SANBORN of Gorham.

Bill "An Act To Conform Maine Menu Labeling Laws to Federal Standards"

H.P. 696 L.D. 936

Presented by Representative STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Medicaid Income Requirements To Promote Agricultural Labor"

H.P. 706 L.D. 962

Presented by Representative TILTON of Harrington. Cosponsored by Senator GOODALL of Sagadahoc and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, FITTS of Pittsfield, GIFFORD of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Cut the Cost of Behavioral Health Care in Hospital Emergency Rooms and To Enhance Access to Peer Support and Community-based Services"

H.P. 711 L.D. 967

Presented by Representative SANBORN of Gorham. Cosponsored by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin and Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, EBERLE of South Portland, STUCKEY of Portland, WEBSTER of Freeport.

Come 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.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Change the Moose Lottery To Increase the Chances for Resident Hunters"

H.P. 651 L.D. 884

Presented by Representative GIFFORD of Lincoln. Cosponsored by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, EDGECOMB of Caribou, HARVELL of Farmington, KENT of Woolwich, LIBBY of Waterboro, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville, PARRY of Arundel, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

Bill "An Act To Allow Sunday Hunting for Small Game and Wild Birds"

H.P. 665 L.D. 906

Presented by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Allow Hunting on Sunday for Landowners"  
H.P. 669 L.D. 910

Presented by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act To Change the Coyote Night Hunting Law"  
H.P. 687 L.D. 927

Presented by Representative JOHNSON of Eddington. Cosponsored by Senator: PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representatives: DAMON of Bangor, FOSTER of Augusta, GUERIN of Glenburn, PRESCOTT of Topsham, WILLETTE of Presque Isle, WINTLE of Garland, WOOD of Sabattus.

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.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Paper**

Resolve, To Consolidate the State's Boat Launch Programs  
H.P. 672 L.D. 913

Presented by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan. Cosponsored by Senator: SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, CRAY of Palmyra, EVES of North Berwick, GIFFORD of Lincoln, KENT of Woolwich, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.

Comes from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committees on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE AND AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committees on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE AND AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed, in concurrence.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Insurance Provisions Relating to Variable Annuity Death Benefits and Multiple Employer Trusts"  
H.P. 648 L.D. 881

Presented by Representative RICHARDSON of Warren. Cosponsored by Representatives: MORRISON of South Portland, TREAT of Hallowell.

Bill "An Act To Limit Health Care Mandates"  
H.P. 649 L.D. 882

Presented by Representative RICHARDSON of Warren.  
Cosponsored by Senator: WHITTEMORE of Somerset,  
Representatives: McKANE of Newcastle, PICCHIOTTI of  
Fairfield.

Bill "An Act To Disclose Insurance Policy Options to Senior  
Citizens"  
H.P. 658 L.D. 899

Presented by Representative VALENTINO of Saco.  
Cosponsored by Senator PATRICK of Oxford and Senators:  
COURTNEY of York, PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representatives:  
BEAULIEU of Auburn, CAREY of Lewiston, CROCKETT of  
Bethel, HINCK of Portland, NASS of Acton.

Bill "An Act To Reform the Dirigo Health Program"  
H.P. 694 L.D. 934

Presented by Representative McKANE of Newcastle.  
Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset and Senators:  
SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, WHITTEMORE of Somerset,  
Representative: RICHARDSON of Warren.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Payment to Tow Truck Operators for  
Towing from Accidents"  
H.P. 704 L.D. 960

Presented by Representative O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.  
Cosponsored by Senator RECTOR of Knox and Representatives:  
CRAY of Palmyra, DILL of Old Town, KENT of Woolwich,  
McCABE of Skowhegan, PEOPLES of Westbrook, TIMBERLAKE  
of Turner.

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

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

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Resolve, To Streamline the Judicial Process in Maine's Courts  
H.P. 644 L.D. 877

Presented by Representative FREDETTE of Newport.  
Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec and  
Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, CLARK of Easton,  
DAVIS of Sangerville, DILL of Cape Elizabeth, KESCHL of  
Belgrade, LUCHINI of Ellsworth, MALONEY of Augusta,  
STEVENS of Bangor.

Bill "An Act To Protect Licensing Information Provided to the  
Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and To Require a  
Review of Public Access to Other Personal Information"  
H.P. 677 L.D. 917

Presented by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.  
Cosponsored by Representative TILTON of Harrington.

Bill "An Act To Educate Women on the Medical Risks Associated  
with Abortion"  
H.P. 684 L.D. 924

Presented by Representative ESPLING of New Gloucester.  
Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Senators:  
PLOWMAN of Penobscot, SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin,  
Representatives: BURNS of Whiting, CEBRA of Naples, CLARK  
of Easton, CRAFTS of Lisbon, CUSHING of Hampden, DUNPHY  
of Embden, FITZPATRICK of Houlton, FOSTER of Augusta,  
GIFFORD of Lincoln, GUERIN of Glenburn, HAMPER of Oxford,  
HARMON of Palermo, JOHNSON of Eddington, MAKER of  
Calais, McCLELLAN of Raymond, MORISSETTE of Winslow,  
O'CONNOR of Berwick, OLSEN of Phippsburg, RIOUX of  
Winterport, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIROCKI of Scarborough,  
TIMBERLAKE of Turner, VOLK of Scarborough, WILLETTE of  
Mapleton.

Bill "An Act To Enhance Mandated Reporting and Prosecution of  
Elder Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation"  
H.P. 699 L.D. 939

Presented by Representative NASS of Acton.  
Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Senator:  
PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representatives: BEAULIEU of  
Auburn, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, VALENTINO of Saco.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Probate Code Regarding Powers of  
Attorney, Education of Children and Guardianship"  
H.P. 722 L.D. 978

Presented by Representative STEVENS of Bangor.  
Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Senators:  
BLISS of Cumberland, CRAVEN of Androscoggin, HASTINGS of  
Oxford, Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, DILL of Cape  
Elizabeth, NASS of Acton, PRIEST of Brunswick, WEBSTER of  
Freeport.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Limited Liability Company Act"  
(EMERGENCY)  
H.P. 727 L.D. 983

Presented by Representative PRIEST of Brunswick.  
Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland and  
Senators: BLISS of Cumberland, HASTINGS of Oxford,  
Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, CORNELL du HOUX of  
Brunswick, MALONEY of Augusta, MITCHELL of the Penobscot  
Nation, NASS of Acton, ROCHELO of Biddeford.

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

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

Bill "An Act To Provide Administrative Support to the Citizen Trade Policy Commission"

H.P. 716 L.D. 972

Presented by Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston. Cosponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook and Senators: GERZOFKY of Cumberland, PATRICK of Oxford, SHERMAN of Aroostook, Representatives: GIFFORD of Lincoln, TREAT of Hallowell.

Come from the House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH 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 Papers**

Bill "An Act To Make Changes to Boards and Commissions Concerning Membership, Appointments and Terms"  
H.P. 663 L.D. 904

Presented by Representative VALENTINO of Saco. Cosponsored by Senators: COURTNEY of York, PATRICK of Oxford, PLOWMAN of Penobscot, Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, CROCKETT of Bethel, HINCK of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Increase Access to State Rule-making Notices"  
H.P. 700 L.D. 940

Presented by Representative HAYES of Buckfield.

Bill "An Act To Shorten the Legislative Sessions"  
H.P. 717 L.D. 973

Presented by Representative LIBBY of Waterboro. Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset, Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, DUNPHY of Embden, GIFFORD of Lincoln, HARVELL of Farmington, O'CONNOR of Berwick, SIROCKI of Scarborough, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Require a Two-thirds Vote To Approve the Issuance of a Bond or Security by the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority  
H.P. 728 L.D. 984

Presented by Representative WATERHOUSE of Bridgton. Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Representatives: CHASE of Wells, CLARK of Easton, SIROCKI of Scarborough, WINSOR of Norway.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Provide a Temporary License To Operate a Public Dance Establishment"

H.P. 645 L.D. 878

Presented by Representative MALABY of Hancock. Cosponsored by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec and Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, DUNPHY of Embden, GILLWAY of Searsport, LONG of Sherman, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, RIOUX of Winterport, SANDERSON of Chelsea, TILTON of Harrington.

Bill "An Act To Regulate Boxing and Prizefighting in Maine"  
H.P. 656 L.D. 889

Presented by Representative PETERSON of Rumford. Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Senator: CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, CRAFTS of Lisbon, DOW of Waldoboro, GILBERT of Jay, HUNT of Buxton, PRESCOTT of Topsham, TUTTLE of Sanford.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Exemption of Lineworkers from Maine Electrician Licensing Laws" (EMERGENCY)  
H.P. 675 L.D. 915

Presented by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield. Cosponsored by Representative: MCKANE of Newcastle.

Bill "An Act To Repeal the Requirement That Electrical Companies Be Licensed"  
H.P. 688 L.D. 928

Presented by Representative MCKANE of Newcastle. Cosponsored by Senator RECTOR of Knox and Senator: THOMAS of Somerset, Representatives: DOW of Waldoboro, FITTS of Pittsfield, PRESCOTT of Topsham.

Bill "An Act To Increase Access to Dental Care in Rural Areas"  
H.P. 697 L.D. 937

Presented by Representative MCKANE of Newcastle. Cosponsored by Senator THOMAS of Somerset and Senator: TRAHAN of Lincoln, Representative: DOW of Waldoboro.

Resolve, Directing the Plumbers' Examining Board To Amend Its Rules Governing Installation Standards (EMERGENCY)  
H.P. 701 L.D. 957

Presented by Representative FLOOD of Winthrop.

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.

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Provide an Incentive for Unemployed Persons To Become Self-employed" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 642 L.D. 875

Presented by Representative BENNETT of Kennebunk. Cosponsored by Senator: RECTOR of Knox, Representatives: BURNS of Alfred, COTTA of China, HARMON of Palermo, KESCHL of Belgrade, LONG of Sherman, MORISSETTE of Winslow, WINTLE of Garland.

Bill "An Act To Convert Vacant Commercial Property to Occupied Commercial Property"

H.P. 643 L.D. 876

Presented by Representative BENNETT of Kennebunk. Cosponsored by Senator: TRAHAN of Lincoln, Representatives: CRAFTS of Lisbon, HARMON of Palermo, KESCHL of Belgrade, MORISSETTE of Winslow, PARKER of Veazie, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, WEAVER of York.

Bill "An Act To Clarify the Collection Process for the Commercial Forestry Excise Tax"

H.P. 681 L.D. 921

Presented by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan. Cosponsored by Senator TRAHAN of Lincoln and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, BLACK of Wilton, CRAY of Palmyra, GIFFORD of Lincoln, HARVELL of Farmington, KENT of Woolwich, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville.

Bill "An Act To Ensure Proper Tax Assessment of Property Owners"

H.P. 691 L.D. 931

Presented by Representative WILLETTE of Presque Isle. Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, CLARK of Easton, CUSHING of Hampden, JOHNSON of Eddington, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

Bill "An Act To Exempt Internet Sales from the Sales and Use Tax"

H.P. 705 L.D. 961

Presented by Representative HARMON of Palermo. Cosponsored by Representatives: DUNPHY of Embden, FITZPATRICK of Houlton, GILLWAY of Searsport, JOHNSON of Eddington, JOHNSON of Greenville, MALABY of Hancock, McCLELLAN of Raymond, NEWENDYKE of Litchfield.

Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Revenue Services To Provide Guidance Regarding the Valuation of Residential Alternative Energy Infrastructure

H.P. 709 L.D. 965

Presented by Representative FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor. Cosponsored by Senator TRAHAN of Lincoln and Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, BICKFORD of Auburn, BRYANT of Windham.

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

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

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Resolve, To Name the Katahdin Rest Area on Interstate 95

H.P. 650 L.D. 883

Presented by Representative GIFFORD of Lincoln. Cosponsored by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo and Senator: SHERMAN of Aroostook, Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, EDGECOMB of Caribou, FOSTER of Augusta, KENT of Woolwich, McCABE of Skowhegan, O'BRIEN of Lincolnville, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

Bill "An Act Regarding Motorcycle Proof of Inspection"

H.P. 685 L.D. 925

Presented by Representative WILLETTE of Presque Isle. Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, CEBRA of Naples, CLARK of Easton, COTTA of China, JOHNSON of Eddington, SHAW of Standish, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

Bill "An Act To Increase Safety for Law Enforcement Officers and  
Emergency Responders"

H.P. 714 L.D. 970

Presented by Representative CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick.  
Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland and  
Senator: CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Representatives: CLARK of  
Easton, DION of Portland, GILBERT of Jay, HINCK of Portland,  
LOVEJOY of Portland, MAZUREK of Rockland, WEBSTER of  
Freeport.

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

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

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

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE**

**House Papers**

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Individuals under 21 Years of Age from  
Being in Certain Establishments Licensed To Sell Alcohol"

H.P. 660 L.D. 901

Presented by Representative RUSSELL of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: DION of Portland, HASKELL of  
Portland.

Bill "An Act To Require That Liquor Be Sold at a Profit"  
H.P. 661 L.D. 902

Presented by Representative RUSSELL of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: CROCKETT of Bethel, DION  
of Portland, HASKELL of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Improve Maine's Liquor Distribution System"  
H.P. 664 L.D. 905

Presented by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.  
Cosponsored by Senator: PLOWMAN of Penobscot,  
Representative: RUSSELL of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Agency Liquor Store Laws"  
H.P. 666 L.D. 907

Presented by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.  
Cosponsored by Representative: RUSSELL of Portland.

Bill "An Act To Require Participating Candidates Who Are  
Principal Officers of Political Action Committees To Give a  
Percentage of Funds to the Maine Clean Election Fund"  
H.P. 712 L.D. 968

Presented by Representative HARLOW of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin and Senator:  
PATRICK of Oxford, Representatives: BRYANT of Windham,  
HARVELL of Farmington, HASKELL of Portland, HOGAN of Old  
Orchard Beach, ROCHELO of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act To Revise the Laws on Tournament Games"  
H.P. 718 L.D. 974

Presented by Representative MALONEY of Augusta.  
Cosponsored by Senator PATRICK of Oxford and  
Representative: BEAULIEU of Auburn.

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

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

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All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for  
concurrence.

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Off Record Remarks

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On motion by Senator **COURTNEY** of York, **ADJOURNED** to  
Thursday, March 10, 2011, at 10:00 in the morning.