



**One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth Legislature
First Regular Session**

Advance Journal and Calendar

4th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, January 10, 2017.

Senate called to Order by President Michael D. Thibodeau of Waldo County.

Prayer by Pastor Glenn Peterson, Hope Baptist Church.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Scott W. Cyrway of Kennebec County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, January 5, 2017.

Doctor of the day, Connie Adler, M.D. of Chesterville.

Michael D. Thibodeau
Senate President

Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate

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PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

(1-1) Bill "An Act To Allow Conveyance of Land Previously Conveyed by the State to the Town of Bridgton"

H.P. 8 L.D. 7

(1-2) Bill "An Act To Protect Maine's Forest Rangers"

H.P. 9 L.D. 8

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

(1-3) Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Creation of a Firearms Owner Registry"

H.P. 10 L.D. 9

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

(1-4) Bill "An Act To Build Greater Accountability into the General Assistance Program by Increasing the Penalty for Falsely Representing Information on an Application for General Assistance"

H.P. 11 L.D. 10

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

(1-5) RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Establish the Right To Hunt and Fish

H.P. 12 L.D. 11

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

(1-6) Bill "An Act To Incorporate Protections for Living Donors into Maine Law"

H.P. 13 L.D. 12

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

(1-7) Bill "An Act To Require Certain Licensing Boards To Report Cases of Sexual Abuse of a Patient or Client by a Licensee to a Law Enforcement Agency or the Department of Health and Human Services"

H.P. 14 L.D. 13

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

(1-8) Bill "An Act To Extend the Legal Hours for Harvesting Lobster"

H.P. 15 L.D. 14

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

(1-9) Bill "An Act Concerning the Property Tax Levy Limit"

H.P. 16 L.D. 15

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

(1-10) Bill "An Act To Exempt Certain Individuals Who Are 70 Years of Age or Older from Maine Income Tax"

H.P. 17 L.D. 16

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

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-11) Arnold Hill, of Warren, on the occasion of his 80th Birthday, January 8, 2017. We extend to him our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 6

(1-12) Logan Thompson, of Lincoln, a junior at Mattanawcook Academy, who has been named the Maine Sunday Telegram Boys' Golfer of the Year. We extend to Logan our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 7

(1-13) UniTel, of Unity, which was awarded a 2016 Smart Rural Community Award by the NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association. We extend to everyone at UniTel our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 8

(1-14) Muriel R. Mulkern, of Windham, who celebrated her 100th Birthday on January 7, 2016. We extend to Ms. Mulkern our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 9

(1-15) William Frank, of Sanford, who is retiring from his family medical practice. After studying medicine at Georgetown University School of Medicine, Dr. Frank came to Sanford in 1980. In addition to his solo practice, numbering approximately 3,000 patients, Dr. Frank's career has also included working with the State's medical examiner's office and helping to start the State's victims' compensation board. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion;

HLS 15

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

Joint Resolutions

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(1-16) Ronald K. Bakeman, of Orland. Mr. Bakeman was born in Castine and graduated from Bucksport High School. He received a degree in welding from Washington County Vocational Technical Institute and worked as a pipefitter and welder for nuclear power plants. He enjoyed boating, hiking, Harley-Davidson motorcycles and his 1962 Buick special convertible. Mr. Bakeman will be sadly missed by his loving family and many friends;

HLS 10

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

(1-17) Ronald J. Woodman, of Orland. Mr. Woodman was born in Bucksport and worked for many years at Orland Consolidated School as head of maintenance. He was a Past Master at Rising Sun Lodge AF & AM and a former Captain of the Anah Shrine Lobster Boat Unit. He and his wife, Marguerite, were married for 57 years. Mr. Woodman will be sadly missed by his loving family and many friends;

HLS 11

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

(1-18) Daniel L. Leclerc, of Orland. Mr. Leclerc was a kind and loyal family man who was always willing to lend a hand. He played basketball at Caribou High School and at Northern Maine Technical College, and he was an avid North Carolina Tar Heels fan. Mr. Leclerc was a member of the Anah Shriners, the Anah Shrine Funsters, the Knights Templar Blanquefort Commandery No. 13, the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Maine, Acadia Chapter No. 31, the Grand Lodge of Maine and Lygonia Lodge No. 40, and he was a former Rainbow Dad. Mr. Leclerc will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends;

HLS 12

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

(1-19) Frances Carroll Fitzgerald Haas, of Prospect. Mrs. Haas retired from the Postal Service in 1996 after working as a rural carrier in Harwinton, Connecticut and as a mail clerk at the Searsport Post Office. She was an active member of the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Bangor. Mrs. Haas will be sadly missed and long remembered by her husband of 49 years, David, and her family and friends;

HLS 13

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

(1-20) Clinton B. "Bill" Townsend, of Canaan, a tireless advocate for Maine's environment for over 50 years. Mr. Townsend began work with the Natural Resources Council of Maine in 1960. A skilled attorney, he helped lead the campaign to create the Allagash Wilderness Waterway and also helped to stop a dam at Big Amberjackmockamus Falls as well as the proposed Basin Mills Dam in the lower Penobscot watershed. He led many negotiations over the years to stop destructive practices and protect places at risk. Mr. Townsend was a member of the council's Board of Directors for nearly 30 years and served as president from 1965 to 1970. He also served the State in numerous posts, including as a member of the Land Use Regulation Commission, the Land for Maine's Future Board, the Whitewater Rafting Advisory Committee and the Task Force on Water Pollution Control. President George H.W. Bush appointed him as one of three American commissioners of the North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization. Mr. Townsend will be long remembered for his dedication to environmental issues and will be sadly missed by his loving family and many friends;

HLS 14

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

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 14

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Joint Rule 354, I have made the following appointments to the Committee on Joint Rules:

Senator Garrett P. Mason of Androscoggin, Chair
Senator Andre E. Cushing III of Penobscot
Senator Paul T. Davis, Sr. of Piscataquis
Senator Troy D. Jackson of Aroostook
Senator Nathan L. Libby of Androscoggin

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

Sincerely,

S/Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 15

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Senate Order 2, I have made the following appointments to the Committee on Senatorial Vote:

Senator James M. Hamper of Oxford, Chair
Senator Garrett P. Mason of Androscoggin
Senator Andre E. Cushing III of Penobscot
Senator Amy F. Volk of Cumberland
Senator Nathan L. Libby of Androscoggin
Senator G. William Diamond of Cumberland
Senator Michael E. Carpenter of Aroostook

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

S/Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 16

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Senate Rule 201.5, I have made the following appointments to the Committee on Engrossed Bills:

Senator Dana L. Dow of Lincoln, Chair
Senator Joyce A. Maker of Washington
Senator Geoffrey M. Gratwick of Penobscot
Senator James F. Dill of Penobscot

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

Sincerely,

S/Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate

(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 17

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Senate Rule 201.6, I have made the following appointments to the Committee on Conduct and Ethics:

Senator Roger J. Katz of Kennebec, Chair
Senator Brian D. Langley of Hancock
Senator Ronald F. Collins of York
Senator Mark N. Dion of Cumberland
Senator Justin M. Chenette of York

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

Sincerely,

S/Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate

(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 18

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Senate Rule 201.5, I have made the following appointments to the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading:

Senator Thomas B. Saviello of Franklin, Chair
Senator Kimberley C. Rosen of Hancock
Senator Rebecca J. Millett of Cumberland
Senator David R. Miramant of Knox

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

Sincerely,

S/Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate

(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 19

**STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Secretary Priest:

Pursuant to my authority under Senate Rule 201.3, I have made the following appointments to the Senate Rules Committee:

Senator Garrett P. Mason of Androscoggin, Chair
Senator Andre E. Cushing III of Penobscot
Senator Roger J. Katz of Kennebec
Senator Troy D. Jackson of Aroostook
Senator Nathan L. Libby of Androscoggin

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

Sincerely,

S/Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate

(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 20

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Joel C. Allumbaugh of Pittston for reappointment to the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority.

Pursuant to Title 4, MRSA §1602, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 21

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating John G. Melrose of Vassalboro for reappointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority.

Pursuant to Title 23, MRSA §8112, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 22

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Philip A. Brookhouse of Auburn for reappointment to the Board of Trustees, Maine Public Employees Retirement System.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §17102, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-10) The Following Communication:

S.C. 23

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Ret. Chief Alfred R. Skolfield of Winthrop for appointment to the Gambling Control Board.

Pursuant to Title 8, MRSA §1002, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 24

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Ms. Barbara J. Dresser, Esq., of Saco for reappointment to the Gambling Control Board.

Pursuant to Title 8, MRSA §1002, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-12) The Following Communication:

S.C. 25

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau,

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Honorable Richard A. Nass of Acton for reappointment to the Maine Board of Tax Appeals.

Pursuant to Title 36, MRSA §151-D, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 26

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Ronald A. Trundy of Stonington for appointment to the Marine Resources Advisory Council.

Pursuant to Title 12, MRSA §6024, this appointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-14) The Following Communication:

S.C. 27

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Geoffrey S. Smith of Portland for reappointment to the Marine Resources Advisory Council.

Pursuant to Title 12, MRSA §6024, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-15) The Following Communication:

S.C. 28

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Rebecca A. Grant of Augusta for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §7081, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-16) The Following Communication:

S.C. 29

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Daniel G. Casavant of Waterville for reappointment to the State Civil Service Appeals Board.

Pursuant to Title 5, MRSA §7081, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-17) The Following Communication:

S.C. 30

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating The Hon. W. Thomas Sawyer, Jr. of Richmond Hills, GA for reappointment to the Board of Trustees, Maine Maritime Academy.

Pursuant to P&SL 1975, Chapter 771 §428, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-18) The Following Communication:

S.C. 31

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Earle A. Cianchette of Saco for reappointment to the Board of Trustees, Maine Maritime Academy.

Pursuant to P&SL 1975, Chapter 771 §428, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-19) The Following Communication:

S.C. 32

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Dr. David M. MacMahon of Poland for reappointment to the Maine Community College System Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §12705, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-20) The Following Communication:

S.C. 33

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

January 6, 2017

The Honorable Michael Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Thibodeau:

This is to inform you that I am today nominating Laurence R. Grondin of Scarborough for reappointment to the Maine Community College System Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to Title 20-A, MRSA §12705, this reappointment is contingent on the Maine Senate confirmation after review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage
Governor

(2-21) The Following Communication:

S.C. 13

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

January 4, 2017

The Honorable Michael D. Thibodeau
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0003

Dear President Thibodeau,

The following is a summary of the results of the November 8, 2016 Referendum Election, as derived from the accompanying copies of the Governor's Proclamations and the Secretary of State's Official Tabulation of the election results.

Question 1: Citizen Initiative

Number of Votes in Favor 381,768

Number of Votes Opposed 377,773

A recount was conducted for Question 1 on December 5-16. At the conclusion of the recount, the above-referenced vote totals were agreed to by the participants. These totals include the recount results for those municipalities that were recounted, as well as the election night totals for the municipalities that were not recounted. The Governor signed the proclamation for Question 1 on December 31, 2016.

Question 2: Citizen Initiative

Number of Votes in Favor 383,428

Number of Votes Opposed 373,848

Although a recount was requested for this ballot measure, the request was withdrawn on November 29, 2016, prior to the start of the recount. The Governor signed the proclamation for Question 2 on December 11, 2016.

Question 3: Citizen Initiative

Number of Votes in Favor 366,770

Number of Votes Opposed 394,157

The Governor signed the proclamation for Question 3 on December 8, 2016.

Question 4: Citizen Initiative

Number of Votes in Favor 420,892

Number of Votes Opposed 337,486

The Governor signed the proclamation for Question 4 on December 8, 2016.

Question 5: Citizen Initiative

Number of Votes in Favor 388,273

Number of Votes Opposed 356,621

The Governor signed the proclamation for Question 5 on December 8, 2016.

Question 6: Bond Issue

Number of Votes in Favor 457,864

Number of Votes Opposed 290,062

The Governor signed the proclamation for Question 6 on December 8, 2016.

Sincerely,

S/Matthew Dunlap
Secretary of State

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Bill "An Act To Deter the Dealing of Dangerous Drugs"

S.P. 22 L.D. 42

Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative NADEAU of Winslow and Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, DIAMOND of Cumberland, DOW of Lincoln, JACKSON of Aroostook, VOLK of Cumberland, Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, TUELL of East Machias, WOOD of Greene.

(3-2) Bill "An Act To Lower the Age Requirement To Carry a Concealed Handgun"

S.P. 24 L.D. 44

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples and Senator: MASON of Androscoggin, Representatives: O'CONNOR of Berwick, SANDERSON of Chelsea.

Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-3) Bill "An Act To Increase the Size of Grants under the Maine State Grant Program"
S.P. 11 L.D. 32

Presented by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative DAUGHTRY of Brunswick and Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, HILL of York, KATZ of Kennebec, LANGLEY of Hancock, Representatives: HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, JORGENSEN of Portland, PIERCE of Falmouth, TIPPING of Orono.

(3-4) Bill "An Act To Strengthen Requirements for Water Testing for Schools"
(EMERGENCY)

S.P. 20 L.D. 40

Presented by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor and Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, DESCHAMBAULT of York, GRATWICK of Penobscot, LANGLEY of Hancock, MAKER of Washington, Representatives: DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, FARNSWORTH of Portland, PIERCE of Falmouth.

(3-5) Resolve, To Establish the Task Force To Study Higher Education Attainment and Completion Goals

S.P. 23 L.D. 43

Presented by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative PIERCE of Falmouth and Senators: DILL of Penobscot, KATZ of Kennebec, LANGLEY of Hancock, MAKER of Washington, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, JORGENSEN of Portland, KORNFIELD of Bangor.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-6) Bill "An Act To Adjust the Lifetime Limit for the Receipt of TANF Benefits"
S.P. 12 L.D. 33

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Senator: MASON of Androscoggin, Representative: CHACE of Durham.

(3-7) Bill "An Act To Promote Equity in Business Opportunity for Tobacco Specialty Stores"
S.P. 13 L.D. 34

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Senator: HAMPER of Oxford, Representatives: HEAD of Bethel, MALABY of Hancock, O'CONNOR of Berwick, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIROCKI of Scarborough, WARD of Dedham.

(3-8) Bill "An Act To Create a 9-month Time Limit on General Assistance Benefits for Certain Persons"

S.P. 15 L.D. 36

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Senator: MASON of Androscoggin, Representatives: CHACE of Durham, HEAD of Bethel.

(3-9) Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Maine Children's Growth Council"

S.P. 17 L.D. 38

Presented by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland and Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, CARSON of Cumberland, LANGLEY of Hancock, MAKER of Washington, VITELLI of Sagadahoc, Representatives: DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, PIERCE of Falmouth, POULIOT of Augusta.

Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-10) Resolve, To Allow the Unlicensed Ownership of Hedgehogs as Pets

S.P. 14 L.D. 35

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative SIROCKI of Scarborough and Representatives: CHACE of Durham, HAMANN of South Portland, HARLOW of Portland, KINNEY of Knox, MALABY of Hancock, MASON of Lisbon.

(3-11) Bill "An Act To Exempt a Person under 18 Years of Age from the Requirement To Wear a Helmet While on an All-terrain Vehicle in Certain Circumstances"

S.P. 21 L.D. 41

Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.

Cosponsored by Representative BLACK of Wilton and Senators: COLLINS of York, KATZ of Kennebec, KEIM of Oxford, Representatives: FARRIN of Norridgewock, MARTIN of Sinclair, STEARNS of Guilford.

Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-12) Bill "An Act To Clarify Landowners' Liability Regarding Public Access"

S.P. 18 L.D. 39

Presented by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin.

Cosponsored by Representative BLACK of Wilton and Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis, Representatives: SKOLFIELD of Weld, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

(3-13) Bill "An Act To Provide Consistency among Medical Professionals with Regard to Jury Duty Exemption"

S.P. 26 L.D. 46

Presented by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.

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

(3-14) Bill "An Act To Provide a Career and Technical Education Training Option for Plumbers"

S.P. 16 L.D. 37

Presented by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor and Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, CARPENTER of Aroostook, CHENETTE of York, DESCHAMBAULT of York, DIAMOND of Cumberland, LIBBY of Androscoggin, Representatives: DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, PIERCE of Falmouth.

Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-15) Bill "An Act Concerning the Ownership of a Causeway on Long Lake near St. Agatha"

S.P. 25 L.D. 45

Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair.

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

ORDERS

Joint Orders

(4-1) On motion by Senator MASON of Androscoggin, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 19

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Rules be amended by amending Joint Rule 215, subsection 1 as follows:

1. Calling of ~~United States Constitutional Convention~~ a Convention for Proposing Amendments. ~~An item requesting the calling of a United States Constitutional Convention applying to Congress for the calling of a convention for proposing an amendment or amendments to the United States Constitution requires a 2/3 majority vote of the members present in each chamber;~~

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-2) the Greater Bangor Area Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the University of Maine on the occasion of their annual celebration in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 16, 2017. The event commemorates the life and accomplishments of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We extend our appreciation to the Greater Bangor Area Chapter of the NAACP and the University of Maine on their honoring Dr. King at these annual celebrations. We join the community in commemorating this great American;

SLS 21

Sponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook, CUSHING of Penobscot, DAVIS of Piscataquis, DILL of Penobscot, ROSEN of Hancock, Representatives: CAMPBELL of Orrington, CARDONE of Bangor, CRAIG of Brewer, DUCHESNE of Hudson, DUNPHY of Old Town, FREDETTE of Newport, FREY of Bangor, GUERIN of Glenburn, HAGGAN of Hampden, HANINGTON of Lincoln, JOHANSEN of Monticello, KORNFIELD of Bangor, LOCKMAN of Amherst, LYFORD of Eddington, REED of Carmel, SCHNECK of Bangor, STANLEY of Medway, TIPPING of Orono, TURNER of Burlington, WALLACE of Dexter.

(4-3) Bradley Paul, of Saco, who is retiring as Chief of the Saco Police Department after 40 years of service with the department. Chief Paul began working in 1976 as a dispatcher and soon became a patrol officer. He was a sergeant from 1981 to 2002, when he became chief. We extend to Chief Paul our congratulations on his retirement, and we offer him our best wishes;

SLS 22

Sponsored by Senator CHENETTE of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BAILEY of Saco, MAREAN of Hollis, O'NEIL of Saco.

Joint Resolution

Joint Resolution in Memoriam:

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

(4-4) Joseph C. Mitchell, Jr., of Madison. Mr. Mitchell graduated from Farmington High School in 1967 and from the University of Maine at Farmington in 1981. He served in the United States Navy, and he worked for Lyons Vending and Appliances in Skowhegan for many years. In 1981, he became a reserve officer for the Madison Police Department. Within a year, he became a full-time officer, and he retired from the department in 2015. Mr. Mitchell also served as a reserve officer with the Somerset County Sheriff's Department, and he worked for the Somerset County District Court and the Superior Court in Skowhegan at the time of his passing. He was a member and past exalted ruler of the Skowhegan/Madison Elks Lodge. He taught hunter safety to the Oak Pond Hunters Safety Group and others, and he was a firearms instructor for local police departments and the Junior Rifle Club in Madison. Mr. Mitchell will be sadly missed by his longtime partner, Martha Douglas, and his family and friends;

SLS 20

Sponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset.

Cosponsored by Senator: CYRWAY of Kennebec, Representatives: AUSTIN of Skowhegan, FARRIN of Norridgewock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unfinished Business

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

1.

Tabled and Later Assigned (1/5/17)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Exclude Wildlife Issues from Citizen Initiatives

H.P. 7 L.D. 5

Tabled - January 5, 2017, by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin

Pending - motion by same Senator to **REFER**, in concurrence

(In House, January 4, 2017, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed)

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned (1/5/17)

Bill "Sentiment, Recognize the Portland Public Library, of Portland, on its 150th anniversary."
S.S. 18

Tabled - January 5, 2017, by Senator **CHIPMAN** of Cumberland

Pending - **PASSAGE**
