



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

Advance Journal and Calendar

5th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Wednesday, January 11, 2017.

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

Prayer by Reverend Mark Wilson, First Congregational Church, UCC.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Rebecca J. Millett of Cumberland County.

Reading of the Journal of Tuesday, January 10, 2017.

Doctor of the day, Frederick C. Goggans, M.D. of Camden.

Michael D. Thibodeau
Senate President

Heather J.R. Priest
Secretary of the Senate

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Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 27

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 10:00 in the morning.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

(1-1) Bill "An Act To Eliminate Retirement Benefits and Paid Health Insurance for Legislators Elected after 2017"

H.P. 18 L.D. 17

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

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

(1-2) Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Fund Equipment for Career and Technical Education Centers"

H.P. 33 L.D. 47

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

(1-3) Bill "An Act To Make Exposing a Law Enforcement Officer to a Disorienting Substance a Crime"

H.P. 19 L.D. 18

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

(1-4) Bill "An Act To Provide for Fairness in the Transfer of Students" (EMERGENCY)

H.P. 34 L.D. 48

(1-5) Bill "An Act To Improve Science and Engineering Education for Maine's Students"

H.P. 35 L.D. 49

(1-6) Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Teacher Certification"

H.P. 36 L.D. 50

(1-7) Bill "An Act Regarding the Withdrawal of a Single Municipality from a Regional School Unit"

H.P. 37 L.D. 51

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

(1-8) Bill "An Act To Assist Residents of Nursing Homes To Return to Their Communities"

H.P. 20 L.D. 19

(1-9) Bill "An Act To Reimburse Nursing Homes for the Loss of Coinsurance and Deductibles for Skilled Nursing Beds under Rules Adopted by the Department of Health and Human Services"

H.P. 21 L.D. 20

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

(1-10) Bill "An Act To Exempt Certain Veterans from Hunter Safety Courses"
H.P. 38 L.D. 52

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

(1-11) Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Regarding the Execution of Temporary Powers of Attorney"

H.P. 22 L.D. 21

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

(1-12) Bill "An Act To Repeal the Requirement That Municipalities License Roller-skating Rinks"

H.P. 23 L.D. 22

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

(1-13) Bill "An Act To Provide for Legislative Review of Federally Mandated Major Substantive Rules under the Maine Administrative Procedure Act"

H.P. 24 L.D. 23

(1-14) Bill "An Act To Change the Name of Township 17, Range 4, WELS, in the Unorganized Territory to Sinclair"

H.P. 25 L.D. 24

(1-15) Bill "An Act To Remove the Legislative Council from the Capitol Area Development Approval Process"

H.P. 26 L.D. 25

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

(1-16) Bill "An Act To Lower the Maine Motor Vehicle Excise Tax"

H.P. 27 L.D. 26

(1-17) Bill "An Act To Exempt Sales to Parent-Teacher Organizations from the Sales Tax"

H.P. 28 L.D. 27

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

(1-18) Bill "An Act To Allow Alternate Flashing Headlights on a School Bus"

H.P. 29 L.D. 28

(1-19) Bill "An Act To Reduce Penalties for Violations of the Motor Vehicle Inspection Laws"

H.P. 30 L.D. 29

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

(1-20) Bill "An Act Regarding Dancing on the Premises of Certain Liquor Licensees"

H.P. 31 L.D. 30

(1-21) RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Require That Signatures on a Direct Initiative of Legislation Come from Each Congressional District

H.P. 32 L.D. 31

(1-22) RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Prohibit Payment Per Signature for Citizen Petition Drives

H.P. 39 L.D. 53

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

Joint Order

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-23) Geaghan's Pub and Craft Brewery, of Bangor, which has received the 2016 Governor's Award for Business Excellence. We extend to Peter, Larry, Patrick and Andrew Geaghan our congratulations;

HLS 17

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

Joint Resolution

Joint Resolution in Memoriam:

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

(1-24) Will Fulford, of Biddeford. Mr. Fulford worked in special education at Biddeford High School and coached cross-country and track at both Biddeford High School and the University of New England. He was a graduate of Kennebunk High School and the University of Southern Maine. Mr. Fulford will be sadly missed and long remembered by his wife, Ashley, his family, friends and colleagues and his students and the members of the teams he coached;

HLS 16

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

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) Marie Maude Marin, of St. Agatha, who is celebrating her 100th Birthday on January 16, 2017. We extend to her our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 23

Sponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative: MARTIN of Sinclair.

(4-2) Maine Department of Transportation Region 4, headquartered in Bangor, which earned the Safety and Health Award for Public Employers certification from the Maine Department of Labor. This certification, also known as SHAPE, recognizes public sector organizations that voluntarily undertake a rigorous safety achievement program for their workplace. We congratulate everyone at Maine Department of Transportation Region 4 on its receiving this certification;

SLS 24

Sponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARDONE of Bangor, FREY of Bangor, KORNFELD of Bangor, SCHNECK of Bangor.

(4-3) the City of Auburn, which earned the Safety and Health Award for Public Employers certification from the Maine Department of Labor. This certification, also known as SHAPE, recognizes public sector organizations that voluntarily undertake a rigorous safety achievement program for their workplace. We congratulate the City of Auburn on its receiving this certification;

SLS 25

Sponsored by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BICKFORD of Auburn, MELARAGNO of Auburn, SHEATS of Auburn.

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 - **REFERENCE**

(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)

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Portland Public Library, of Portland, on its 150th anniversary.

SLS 18

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

Pending - **PASSAGE**

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned (1/10/17)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Establish the Right To Hunt and Fish

H.P. 12 L.D. 11

Tabled - January 10, 2017, by Senator **CYRWAY** of Kennebec

Pending - **REFERENCE**

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned (1/10/17)

Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Maine Children's Growth Council"

S.P. 17 L.D. 38

Tabled - January 10, 2017, by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin

Pending - **REFERENCE**

5.

Tabled and Later Assigned (1/10/17)

JOINT ORDER - To Amend the Joint Rules Concerning Actions Relating to the United States Constitution

S.P. 19

Tabled - January 10, 2017, by Senator **MASON** of Androscoggin

Pending - **PASSAGE**
