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One Hundred and Thirty-First Legislature
First Special Session

Advance Journal and Calendar

State of the National Guard

13th Legislative Day

In Senate Chamber, Tuesday, May 9, 2023.

Senate called to Order by President Troy D. Jackson of Aroostook County.

Prayer by Chaplain Colonel Earl Weigelt of the Maine Army National Guard.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Eloise A. Vitelli of Sagadahoc County.

Reading of the Journal of Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate

Darek M. Grant
Secretary of the Senate

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On motion by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland, the following Senate Order:
S.O. 20

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature be held at 11:00 this morning in the Hall of the House for the purpose of extending to Major General Douglas A. Farnham, Adjutant General of the Maine National Guard and Commissioner of the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, an invitation to attend the Convention and make such communication as pleases him.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-1) An Act to Protect Maine Taxpayers by Requiring a Person to Be a United States Citizen to Receive General Assistance Benefits and to Ensure Municipal Compliance with Federal Immigration Laws

H.P. 437 L.D. 668

In Senate, May 3, 2023, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Comes from the House, that Body having **INSISTED** on its former action whereby the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

Non-Concurrent Matter

(1-2) An Act to Amend the Opioid Education Requirements

H.P. 838 L.D. 1323

In Senate, May 3, 2023, the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

Comes from the House, that Body having **INSISTED** on its former action whereby the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** .

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(1-3) Emily Flinkstrom, of Kittery, Executive Director of Fair Tide, who has been named the Women of the Year honoree from Maine by USA Today. Fair Tide is a Kittery-based nonprofit that works to find permanent housing for people and families experiencing homelessness. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 246

(1-4) Estrella Paredes-Vazquez, of Milbridge, a student of the Coastal Washington County Institute of Technology, Health Occupations Program, who has earned the distinction of being named the 2023 Career and Technical Student of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 292

(1-5) the Cobbossee Watershed District, of Winthrop, on its 50th Anniversary. Since 1973, the Cobbossee Watershed District's mission has been to protect, improve and manage the lakes, ponds and streams of the 217 square mile Cobbossee Watershed. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

HLS 293

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

Joint Resolution

(1-6) The following Joint Resolution:

H.P. 1211

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 5, 2023 AS MISSING AND MURDERED
INDIGENOUS PERSONS AWARENESS DAY**

WHEREAS, there are thousands of unsolved cases of missing and murdered Native Americans, including high case rates involving women and girls, including transgender women and girls; and

WHEREAS, the number of these cases is disproportionately high compared to cases among the population of the United States as a whole; and

WHEREAS, failure to demonstrate the necessary commitment to addressing and preventing this ongoing tragedy fails to honor the dignity and humanity of each person who goes missing or is murdered; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to work with tribal nations to increase coordination among state and tribal entities to investigate and resolve these cases and ensure accountability; and

WHEREAS, it is also necessary to address the underlying causes of these cases, including sexual violence, human trafficking, domestic violence, violent crime, systemic racism, economic disparities and substance use and addiction, as well as to put in place a support system to bridge the gap for families in crisis and provide opportunities for healing through community-driven approaches; and

WHEREAS, the challenges in tribal communities are best met by solutions that are informed and shaped by tribal leaders and tribal governments; and

WHEREAS, an effective community response plan requires critical partnerships within and timely response from the community, tribal law enforcement and local, state and federal law enforcement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize May 5, 2023 as Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons Awareness Day in order to remember the indigenous people we have lost and commit to working to ensure that any incident of a missing or murdered person is met with swift and effective action.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

(2-1) The Following Communication:

S.C. 434

**STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, VETERANS AND
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

April 24, 2023

The Honorable Troy D. Jackson
President of the Senate
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003

The Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross
Speaker of the House
Room 303, State House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333-0002

Dear Mr. President and Madam Speaker:

As the Commissioner of the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management and the Adjutant General of the Maine National Guard, I accept your invitation to address the Joint Session of the 131st Maine Legislature on Tuesday, May 9th at 10:45 a.m.

Sincerely,

S/Major General Douglas A. Farnham
Commissioner and Adjutant General

(2-2) The Following Communication:

S.C. 437

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

May 3, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Collamore of Pittsfield, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 309 An Act to Ensure Equitable Access to All Higher Education Institutions

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty, Jr.
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michael F. Brennan
House Chair

(2-3) The Following Communication:

S.C. 438

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

May 3, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Bridgeo of Augusta, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 18 An Act to Provide Ongoing Funding for up to 2 Years of Community
College for in Maine Students

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty, Jr.
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michael F. Brennan
House Chair

(2-4) The Following Communication:

S.C. 440

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

May 3, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Arata of New Gloucester, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 546 An Act Regarding Child Abuse and Endangerment

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph M. Baldacci
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michele Meyer
House Chair

(2-5) The Following Communication:

S.C. 439

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING**

May 4, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Rep. Shagoury of Hallowell, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 554 An Act to Continue the Rural Affordable Rental Housing Program

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Teresa S. Pierce
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Traci Gere
House Chair

(2-6) The Following Communication:

S.C. 435

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

May 3, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,
Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Sen. Timberlake of Androscoggin, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1292 An Act to Increase the Prize Limits Allowed for Raffles

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Laura Supica
House Chair

(2-7) The Following Communication:

S.C. 436

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

April 28, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, Senate President
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Maine State Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross,

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that we have approved the request by the bill sponsor Sen. Brakey of Androscoggin, to report the following bill Leave to Withdraw:

L.D. 1467 An Act to Establish the Maine Cannabis Research Committee and
Facilitate Research into Alternative Therapeutics

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Laura Supica
House Chair

(2-8) The Following Communication:

S.C. 441

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

May 04, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 67 An Act to Increase the Number of Educational Professionals by Accepting Out-of-state Certification
- L.D. 617 An Act to Foster Career and Technical Education in Maine Schools by Creating an Additional Pathway to Certify Industrial Arts Teachers
- L.D. 712 An Act to Extend or Waive Requirements for Certain Teaching Certificates
- L.D. 1020 Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Update Course Requirements for Certification of Industrial Arts Teachers and to Finally Adopt Major Substantive Rules
- L.D. 1300 An Act to Give the Governing Board of a Municipality Input into the Budget Developed by a School Board

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Joseph E. Rafferty
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Michael F. Brennan
House Chair

(2-9) The Following Communication:

S.C. 442

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

May 01, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

- L.D. 700 Resolve, to Direct the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Examine the Northern Pike Population in Sabattus Pond

- L.D. 1127 Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Create a Process for Real-time Confirmation of Live Bait Retailer's Licenses by Electronic Means

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. David P. LaFountain
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Scott Landry
House Chair

(2-10) The Following Communication:

S.C. 443

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

May 04, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

L.D. 1259 An Act to Recover Legal Fees for Low-income Individuals in Actions or Proceedings

L.D. 1414 An Act to Ensure Involvement of Adopted Youth in the Determination of Continuing Financial Support Under the Adoption Assistance Program

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Anne Carney
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Matt Moonen
House Chair

(2-11) The Following Communication:

S.C. 444

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

May 03, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, we are writing to notify you that the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government has voted unanimously to report the following bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 501 Resolve, Authorizing the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to Convey the Interests of the State in Certain Real Property Located in Machiasport

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Tim Nangle
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Holly B. Stover
House Chair

(2-12) The Following Communication:

S.C. 445

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

May 02, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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

- L.D. 1380 An Act to Fund Municipal Administrative Costs Associated with the Senior Property Tax Stabilization Program
- L.D. 1413 An Act to Amend the Laws Establishing a Property Tax Stabilization Program for Senior Citizens
- L.D. 1650 An Act to Create a Tiered Senior Resident Homestead Exemption

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Nicole Grohoski
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Joe Perry
House Chair

(2-13) The Following Communication:

S.C. 446

**STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIRST LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

May 04, 2023

Honorable Troy Dale Jackson, President of the Senate
Honorable Rachel Talbot Ross, Speaker of the House
131st Legislature
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Jackson and Speaker Talbot Ross:

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 bill(s) out "Ought Not to Pass":

L.D. 1327 An Act to Limit the Requirements Regarding Leadership Political Action Committees and to Promote Clean Election Transparency

This is notification of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Sen. Craig V. Hickman
Senate Chair

S/Rep. Laura Supica
House Chair

SENATE PAPERS

(3-1) Bill "An Act to Ensure That a Teacher Who Participates in the Prevention of Dangerous Behavior Is Protected Under a Collective Bargaining Agreement"

S.P. 770 L.D. 1898

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth and Senators: PIERCE of Cumberland, RAFFERTY of York, Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DODGE of Belfast.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

(3-2) Bill "An Act to Enact the Maine Psilocybin Health Access Act"

S.P. 774 L.D. 1914

Presented by Senator BAILEY of York.

Cosponsored by Representative THERIAULT of Fort Kent and Senators: BRAKEY of Androscoggin, BRENNER of Cumberland, Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, BOYER of Poland, MALON of Biddeford.

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

(3-3) Bill "An Act to Support Emerging Adults Involved in the Criminal Justice System"

S.P. 773 L.D. 1913

Presented by Senator BAILEY of York.

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

(3-4) Bill "An Act to Classify Meat and Poultry Products Inspections as Essential Services"
S.P. 778 L.D. 1916

Presented by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative FOSTER of Dexter and Senators: BRENNER of Cumberland, HICKMAN of Kennebec, INGWERSEN of York, Representatives: COSTAIN of Plymouth, CRAY of Palmyra, DILL of Old Town, OSHER of Orono, PLUECKER of Warren.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Committee on **LABOR AND HOUSING** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-5) Resolve, to Establish a Grant Program to Issue Shellfish Licenses to Qualified Disabled Veterans

S.P. 775 L.D. 1915

Presented by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Cosponsored by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich and Senators: FARRIN of Somerset, HICKMAN of Kennebec, RENY of Lincoln, Representatives: CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, PERRY of Calais, RIELLY of Westbrook, THORNE of Carmel, ZAGER of Portland.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** suggested and ordered printed.

(3-6) Bill "An Act to Establish a Tax Credit for Employers Who Employ Persons Recovering from Substance Use Disorder"

S.P. 772 L.D. 1900

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and Senators: BAILEY of York, BENNETT of Oxford, MOORE of Washington, TIPPING of Penobscot, Representative: BOYER of Poland.

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

(3-7) Bill "An Act to Improve Public Roadways on Unbridged Islands Not Served by the Maine State Ferry Service"

S.P. 769 L.D. 1897

Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock.

Cosponsored by Senator: RENY of Lincoln, Representatives: CRAFTS of Newcastle, EATON of Deer Isle.

(3-8) Bill "An Act to Establish a Maine Commercial Driver's License for Use Within State Borders"

S.P. 771 L.D. 1899

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BOYER of Poland, CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

(3-9) RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Implement Ranked-choice Voting for Governor, State Senator and State Representative

S.P. 779 L.D. 1917

Presented by Senator RENY of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Senators: GROHOSKI of Hancock, HICKMAN of Kennebec, Representatives: CRAFTS of Newcastle, RIELLY of Westbrook, SKOLD of Portland.

Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** suggested and ordered printed.

ORDERS

Joint Orders

Expressions of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

(4-1) Aubrey Slater, of Waterville, who was named Kennebec Valley Community College Student of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 461

Sponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representatives: MADIGAN of Waterville, WHITE of Waterville.

(4-2) Gabby Roy, of Lewiston, a freshman at Lewiston High School, who was named the All-Region Girls Swimmer of the Year by the Lewiston Sun Journal and who also won the 100-yard Butterfly Event at the Class A State Championships. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 462

Sponsored by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, CRAVEN of Lewiston, LAJOIE of Lewiston.

(4-3) Joanne Rankin, of Shapleigh, on her retirement as Town Clerk of the Town of Shapleigh after over 37 years of public service. Ms. Rankin began her career as Town Clerk/Tax Collector/Registrar of Voters in 1985 and was named York County Clerk in 2019 during Clerk Week. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 463

Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative: LANIGAN of Sanford.

(4-4) Lisa Newell, of Augusta, who has been named the 2023 Maine Mother of the Year by AmericanMothers. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 464

Sponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec.

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

(4-5) McKella Ford, of Wilton, who has earned the distinction of being named the 2023 Foster Career and Technical Education Center Student of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 465

Sponsored by Senator BLACK of Franklin.

Cosponsored by Representative: HALL of Wilton.

(4-6) Roger Mosley, of Standish, on his retirement as Director of Public Works for the Town of Standish after 37 years of service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;

SLS 466

Sponsored by Senator LIBBY of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: POMERLEAU of Standish, WALKER of Naples.

Joint Resolutions

(4-7) On motion by President **JACKSON** of Aroostook (Cosponsored by Representative **THERIAULT** of Fort Kent), the following Joint Resolution:

S.P. 776

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 10, 2023
AS NATIONAL GERMAN SHEPHERD DAY**

WHEREAS, the German Shepherd is a loyal and intelligent breed of dog that has become a beloved member of many families across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the German Shepherd has played a vital role in law enforcement, military service and search and rescue operations; and

WHEREAS, the breed was first developed in Germany in the late 19th century by Captain Max von Stephanitz, who envisioned a versatile and capable working dog; and

WHEREAS, National German Shepherd Day was founded in 2011 by Ingrid Birch in memory of her own German Shepherd and therapy dog, Peter George de Corban; and

WHEREAS, the breed is well-loved in Maine, as evidenced by the students of Fort Kent Elementary School, who have expressed their thoughts and support for the German Shepherd as representing the character and spirit of the State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize May 10, 2023 as National German Shepherd Day, and to express our admiration for the character and accomplishments of this breed.

(4-8) On motion by Senator **GUERIN** of Penobscot (Cosponsored by Senators: HARRINGTON of York, KEIM of Oxford, LYFORD of Penobscot, MOORE of Washington, NANGLE of Cumberland, RENY of Lincoln, Representative: JAVNER of Chester), the following Joint Resolution:

S.P. 777

**JOINT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MAY 2023 AS
OSTEOPOROSIS AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH**

WHEREAS, an estimated 53,000,000 Americans have osteoporosis or low bone mass, and studies suggest that approximately 1 in 2 women and up to 1 in 4 men 50 years of age and older will break a bone due to osteoporosis; and

WHEREAS, approximately 1,800,000 Medicare beneficiaries nationwide suffered approximately 2,100,000 osteoporotic fractures in 2016, and osteoporosis-related bone fractures are responsible for more hospitalizations than heart attacks, strokes or breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, the total annual cost for osteoporotic fractures among Medicare beneficiaries was \$57,000,000,000 in 2018 and is expected without reforms to grow to over \$95,000,000,000 in 2040 as the population ages; and

WHEREAS, in Maine, 9,000 Medicare beneficiaries suffered over 10,500 osteoporotic fractures in 2016; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 1,400 Medicare beneficiaries in Maine suffered an initial fracture and then a subsequent fracture in 2016, which resulted in estimated costs of over \$26,900,000; and

WHEREAS, osteoporosis and the broken bones it can cause are not part of normal aging, and building strong bones must begin in childhood, with peak bone mass being reached by early adulthood, and care for our bones must continue throughout our lives; and

WHEREAS, osteoporosis is often called a silent disease because it is impossible to feel bones weakening, and breaking a bone is often the first sign of osteoporosis; and

WHEREAS, timely bone health screening and osteoporosis diagnosis and treatment can help prevent fractures that lead to hospitalization and nursing home stays; and

WHEREAS, cost-effective postfracture care that improves care coordination has been demonstrated to reduce the number of subsequent or repeat fractures, yet is not widely available or properly incentivized by Medicare; and

WHEREAS, it is crucial that we raise awareness about bone health and osteoporosis among the public, health professionals and policy makers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Legislature now assembled in the First Special Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to designate May 2023 as Osteoporosis Awareness and Prevention Month and encourage appropriate health programs and activities with respect to promoting good bone health throughout life and preventing and treating osteoporosis.

Joint Resolutions in Memoriam:

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

(4-9) Joseph Gauld, of Bath. Mr. Gauld was a veteran of the United States Navy. He briefly worked in sales with Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing before beginning a 71-year career in education. He started at New Hampton School in New Hampshire, where he taught mathematics and coached football, basketball and baseball teams. He was inducted into the school's athletic hall of fame twice, once for coaching a total of 39 varsity teams and once for his undefeated 1959 football team. He also worked in the school's administration, including in the positions of director of admissions, director of athletics, chair of the mathematics department and assistant headmaster. He moved to Berwick Academy in 1964 and then founded Hyde School in 1966, where he and the faculty made every effort to put character first. For many years, he had a weekly column in the Maine Sunday Telegram, writing about his experiences and viewpoints. He spearheaded the founding of Hyde public models in New Haven, Connecticut, New York, New York, Orlando, Florida and Washington, D.C., striving to create opportunities for those unable to afford a New England boarding school. In 2016, he received the Sanford McDonnell Award for Lifetime Achievement in Character Education from Character.org. Mr. Gauld will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

SLS 467

Sponsored by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

Cosponsored by Representatives: HEPLER of Woolwich, PAULHUS of Bath.

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

(4-10) Mark Onal Munn, of Athens. Mr. Munn was a veteran of the United States Air Force. He spent many years farming and haying the old Poland homestead, where he made a home for his family. He retired from Oakhurst Dairy and was currently serving as the First Selectman for the Town of Athens. A musician who played banjo, guitar and mandolin, he enjoyed picking with his friends at the Friday night jams in Harmony. Mr. Munn will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched;

SLS 468

Sponsored by Senator BLACK of Franklin.

Cosponsored by Representative: DUNPHY of Embden.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-1) The Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Protect the Practice of Certain Cardiovascular Professionals"
H.P. 533 L.D. 844

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-97)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-97)**.

Divided Report

(5-2) The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Restore Religious and Philosophical Exemptions to Immunization Requirements" H.P. 26 L.D. 51

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth
MURPHY of Scarborough
SARGENT of York
WORTH of Ellsworth

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham
LYMAN of Livermore Falls
POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset
SAMPSON of Alfred

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Divided Report

(5-3) The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Restore Religious and Philosophical Exemptions Regarding Immunization Requirements"

H.P. 693 L.D. 1098

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth
MURPHY of Scarborough
SARGENT of York
WORTH of Ellsworth

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham
LYMAN of Livermore Falls
POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset
SAMPSON of Alfred

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Divided Report

(5-4) The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Reinstate the Religious and Philosophical Vaccine Exemptions for Private Schools and Virtual Public Charter Schools"

H.P. 769 L.D. 1209

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth
MURPHY of Scarborough
SARGENT of York
WORTH of Ellsworth

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham
LYMAN of Livermore Falls
POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset
SAMPSON of Alfred

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Divided Report

(5-5) The Majority of the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Prohibit Certain Higher Education Institutions from Requiring Vaccines Approved Under Emergency Use Authorization for Admission or Attendance" (EMERGENCY)
H.P. 776 L.D. 1228

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

RAFFERTY of York
PIERCE of Cumberland

Representatives:

BRENNAN of Portland
DODGE of Belfast
MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth
MURPHY of Scarborough
SARGENT of York
WORTH of Ellsworth

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-93)**.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

BAGSHAW of Windham
LYMAN of Livermore Falls
POLEWARCZYK of Wiscasset
SAMPSON of Alfred

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Divided Report

(5-6) The Majority of the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** on Resolve, Naming a Pond in the Town of New Gloucester as MacDonald Pond

H.P. 429 L.D. 660

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

Signed:

Senators:

LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec

BLACK of Franklin

CURRY of Waldo

Representatives:

LANDRY of Farmington

DILL of Old Town

DRINKWATER of Milford

GOLEK of Harpswell

HEPLER of Woolwich

MASON of Lisbon

THORNE of Carmel

WOOD of Greene

WOODSOME of Waterboro

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Representative:

CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

Divided Report

(5-7) The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Create Parity in the Taxation of Medicine"

H.P. 346 L.D. 541

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-73)**.

Signed:

Senators:

GROHOSKI of Hancock
CHIPMAN of Cumberland

Representatives:

PERRY of Bangor
CROCKETT of Portland
HASENFUS of Readfield
MATLACK of St. George
QUINT of Hodgdon
RANA of Bangor
RUDNICKI of Fairfield

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

LIBBY of Cumberland

Representative:

CARMICHAEL of Greenbush

Comes from the House with the Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

Senate

Ought to Pass As Amended

(5-8) Senator BALDACCI for the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Allow the Disclosure of Death Certificate Data to Hospitals and Health Care Practitioners"

S.P. 401 L.D. 982

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-66)**.

(5-9) Senator CHIPMAN for the Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Allow the Reinstatement of Certain Commercial Driver's Licenses"

S.P. 269 L.D. 652

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-70)**.

(5-10) Senator HICKMAN for the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations to Study Paying Bonuses to Agents for Selling Certain Powerball Tickets

S.P. 459 L.D. 1125

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-69)**.

Divided Report

(5-11) The Majority of the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Fund Consultation Services to Ensure Affordable Health Care for Maine Residents"

S.P. 446 L.D. 1077

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-76)**.

Signed:

Senator:

BAILEY of York

Representatives:

PERRY of Calais

ARFORD of Brunswick

CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham

CYRWAY of Albion

MASTRACCIO of Sanford

MATHIESON of Kittery

MORRIS of Turner

NUTTING of Oakland

PRINGLE of Windham

SWALLOW of Houlton

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

BRAKEY of Androscoggin

Divided Report

(5-12) The Majority of the Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Protect Maine People from Inflation by Exempting Gold and Silver Coins and Bullion from the State Sales and Use Tax"

S.P. 420 L.D. 1051

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-71)**.

Signed:

Senators:

GROHOSKI of Hancock
LIBBY of Cumberland

Representatives:

PERRY of Bangor
CARMICHAEL of Greenbush
CROCKETT of Portland
LAVIGNE of Berwick
LIBBY of Auburn
QUINT of Hodgdon

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

CHIPMAN of Cumberland

Representatives:

HASENFUS of Readfield
MATLACK of St. George

Divided Report

(5-13) The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Authorize State Political Parties to Opt Out of Ranked-choice Voting for Primary Elections"

S.P. 327 L.D. 768

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec
BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

SUPICA of Bangor
COLLINGS of Portland
MALON of Biddeford
MONTELL of Gardiner
RIELLY of Westbrook
RISEMAN of Harrison

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-68)**.

Signed:

Senator:

TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin

Representatives:

BOYER of Poland
RUDNICKI of Fairfield

Divided Report

(5-14) The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Prohibit Ballot Harvesting by Preventing a 3rd Person from Returning More than 2 Absentee Ballots per Day"

S.P. 329 L.D. 770

Reported that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec
BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

SUPICA of Bangor
COLLINGS of Portland
MALON of Biddeford
MONTELL of Gardiner
RIELLY of Westbrook
RISEMAN of Harrison

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass**.

Signed:

Senator:

TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin

Representatives:

ANDREWS of Paris
BOYER of Poland
HYMES of Waldo
RUDNICKI of Fairfield

Divided Report

(5-15) The Majority of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Place Restrictions on Candidate Speech and Clothing, Buttons and Other Items at Voting Places"

S.P. 376 L.D. 879

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-74)**.

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec
BRENNER of Cumberland
TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin

Representatives:

SUPICA of Bangor
COLLINGS of Portland
MALON of Biddeford
MONTELL of Gardiner
RIELLY of Westbrook
RISEMAN of Harrison

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought To Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-75)**.

Signed:

Representatives:

ANDREWS of Paris
BOYER of Poland
HYMES of Waldo
RUDNICKI of Fairfield

Divided Report

(5-16) Five members of the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Limits on Candidates' Speech at the Polls"

S.P. 308 L.D. 750

Reported in Report "A" that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-72)**.

Signed:

Senator:

TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin

Representatives:

ANDREWS of Paris

BOYER of Poland

HYMES of Waldo

RUDNICKI of Fairfield

Four members of the same Committee on the same subject reported in Report "B" that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-73)**.

Signed:

Senators:

HICKMAN of Kennebec

BRENNER of Cumberland

Representatives:

COLLINGS of Portland

RISEMAN of Harrison

Four members of the same Committee on the same subject reported in Report "C" that the same **Ought Not to Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives:

SUPICA of Bangor

MALON of Biddeford

MONTELL of Gardiner

RIELLY of Westbrook

SECOND READERS

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

House

(6-1) Resolve, Directing the Maine Community College System to Study Providing On-campus Housing on All Campuses

H.P. 519 L.D. 830

House As Amended

(6-2) Bill "An Act to Improve Coastal Sand Dune Restoration Projects"

H.P. 295 L.D. 478
(C "A" H-92)

(6-3) Bill "An Act to Change the Notification Law for School Truancy"

H.P. 408 L.D. 631
(C "A" H-94)

(6-4) Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands Within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to Lease Certain Land Within Somerset County

H.P. 860 L.D. 1346
(C "A" H-96)

Senate As Amended

(6-5) Bill "An Act to Assist Municipal Shellfish Conservation Programs"

S.P. 249 L.D. 581
(C "A" S-63)

ENACTORS

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

Emergency

(7-1) An Act to Improve Access to Civil Legal Services

S.P. 235 L.D. 564
(C "A" S-30)

Comes From the House, **FAILED ENACTMENT.**

Acts

(7-2) An Act to Expand Health Insurance Coverage to Certain State Employees

S.P. 60 L.D. 121
(C "A" S-49)

(7-3) An Act to Update and Clarify the Public Utilities Commission's Reporting Requirements

S.P. 100 L.D. 194
(C "A" S-50)

(7-4) An Act to Eliminate the Cannabis Advisory Commission

S.P. 162 L.D. 355
(C "A" S-47)

(7-5) An Act to Exempt Certain Conservation Lots from Municipal Subdivision Review

S.P. 264 L.D. 596

(7-6) An Act to Promote the Use of Free Annual Wellness Visits by Ensuring Proper Disclosure

H.P. 414 L.D. 637
(C "A" H-70)

(7-7) An Act to Maintain Legislative Oversight of the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Program by Requiring Major Substantive Rulemaking

H.P. 625 L.D. 978
(S "A" S-59)

Resolve

(7-8) Resolve, Directing the Department of Education, Maine School Safety Center to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Develop Best Practices for Lockdown Drills and Active Shooter Drills and Allowing Parents to Opt Out of Active Shooter Drills for Their Children

H.P. 294 L.D. 477

(C "A" H-63)

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

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing the Spruce Mountain High School Girls Basketball Team, of Jay

SLS 346

Tabled - April 6, 2023 by Senator **KEIM** of Oxford

Pending - **PASSAGE**

2.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **JUDICIARY** on Bill "An Act to Require the Recording of Grand Jury Proceedings"

S.P. 207 L.D. 453

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-29) (7 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (6 members)

Tabled - April 20, 2023 by Senator **CARNEY** of Cumberland

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

3.

Tabled and Later Assigned

Bill "An Act Regarding the Authority of Municipalities to Regulate Timber Harvesting"

S.P. 417 L.D. 1048

Tabled - April 20, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-25)**

4.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Mike Connolly, of Brunswick

SLS 449

Tabled - May 3, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **PASSAGE**

5.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Richard Flaherty, of Scarborough

SLS 450

Tabled - May 3, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **PASSAGE**

6.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Phil Curtis, of Old Orchard Beach

SLS 451

Tabled - May 3, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **PASSAGE**

7.

Tabled and Later Assigned

JOINT ORDER - Expression of Legislative Sentiment Recognizing Arlo Pike, Jr., of Buxton
SLS 452

Tabled - May 3, 2023 by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc

Pending - **PASSAGE**

8.

Tabled and Later Assigned

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES** on Bill "An Act to Protect Maine People from Inflation by Restoring Gold and Silver as Legal Tender"

S.P. 507 L.D. 1270

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-64) (11 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (2 members)

Tabled - May 4, 2023 by Senator **BAILEY** of York

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT**

SPECIAL STUDY TABLE

1.

Resolve, to Establish the Task Force to Review Work Practices and Treatment of Pharmacists
H.P. 173 L.D. 275
(C "A" H-38)

Tabled - May 3, 2023 by Senator **DAUGHTRY** of Cumberland

Pending - **FINAL PASSAGE** in concurrence

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE

L.D. 7 - H.P. 11 (C "A" H-27)
L.D. 56 - H.P. 31 (C "A" H-9)
L.D. 70 - H.P. 45 (C "A" H-24)
L.D. 112 - H.P. 80 (C "A" H-15)
L.D. 113 - H.P. 81 (C "A" H-26)
L.D. 142 - H.P. 88 (C "A" H-51)
L.D. 143 - H.P. 89 (C "A" H-6)
L.D. 164 - H.P. 105 (C "A" H-41)
L.D. 210 - H.P. 131 (C "A" H-10)

L.D. 265 - H.P. 170 (C "A" H-23)
L.D. 315 - S.P. 136 (C "A" S-27)
L.D. 384 - H.P. 235 (C "A" H-53)
L.D. 432 - H.P. 265 (H "A" H-22)
L.D. 505 - S.P. 222 (C "A" S-22)
L.D. 568 - S.P. 239 (C "A" S-11)
L.D. 588 - S.P. 256
L.D. 791 - S.P. 350 (C "A" S-26)
L.D. 1021 - H.P. 657 (C "A" H-74)

SPECIAL HIGHWAY TABLE

L.D. 575 - H.P. 370 (C "A" H-56)