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Sincerely,
S/ Joseph G. Carleton, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

READ and ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act Regarding the Collection of Fees for Prepaid Wireless Service"

(H.P. 1326) (L.D. 1799)

Sponsored by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

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

Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** suggested and ordered printed.

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

Sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Conform Maine Apprenticeship Program Standards with Federal Apprenticeship Regulations"

(H.P. 1327) (L.D. 1800)

Sponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GILBERT of Jay, NEWENDYKE of Litchfield.

Submitted by the Department of Labor pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

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

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

Sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.**

ORDERS

On motion of Representative STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland, the following Joint Order: (H.P. 1328)

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services shall report out, to the House, 4 bills pursuant to Resolve 2011, chapter 81:

1. "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Confidentiality of Health Care Information";

2. "An Act To Require Photographic Identification for Prescriptions for Certain Controlled Substances";

3. "An Act To Provide Immunity for Prescribing and Dispensing Intranasal Naloxone Kits"; and

4. "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Prosecution of Individuals Possessing a Controlled Substance under Certain Circumstances."

READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Cumberland, Representative Strang Burgess.

Representative **STRANG BURGESS**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I simply would like to share with you that these four bills are being introduced as a result of LD 1501, which was a Resolve, and we had a workgroup work over the summer and through this fall and reported back to the HHS Committee from the Substance Abuse

Services Commission. They came to us with about a four-inch binder thick of a lot of different suggestions and ideas that we can do to work on Maine's number one substance abuse issue. In fact, our opioid use in this state is nine times higher than the national average, and if that doesn't scare you, then I don't know what will. This commission came forward with a number of little fixes like many of the problems and challenges we have in our state. They are not solved by the perfect silver bullet. It takes many, many, many different fixes and we have four of them that this commission brought forward for consideration and they will be heading off to some different committees and I hope that you will all give them strong consideration when you see them come across your desks. Thank you very much.

Subsequently, the Joint Order was **PASSED.**

Sent for concurrence.

SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

In accordance with House Rule 519 and Joint Rule 213, the following items:

Recognizing:

the Stonington Opera House, as it celebrates its 100th Anniversary of serving the community. The Stonington Opera House has served as a movie house, vaudeville stage, community center, basketball court and roller-skating rink, as well as a venue for high school graduations, town meetings, special events and other celebrations. The opera house is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and has provided many shared memories for the Deer Isle community. More recently, as the home of Opera House Arts for over a decade, its stage has showcased many different performances, garnering regional and national visibility and acclaim. We send our congratulations to the Stonington Opera House community on its centennial celebration and extend our best wishes for continued success;

(HLS 958)

Presented by Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock, Representative CHAPMAN of Brooksville.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

READ.

On motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending **PASSAGE** and later today assigned.

Recognizing:

the Lewiston-Auburn CA\$H Coalition, a tax preparation leader in Maine's earned income tax credit coalitions for the 8th year in a row, on its receiving the 2012 Androscoggin County Chamber of Commerce Community Service Leadership Award. The Lewiston-Auburn CA\$H Coalition, a group of over 20 community partners in the Lewiston and Auburn area, promotes the earned income tax credit, which enhances family household budgets. We congratulate the Lewiston-Auburn CA\$H Coalition on its receiving this well-deserved award;

(HLS 959)

Presented by Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston.

Cosponsored by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin, Representative BICKFORD of Auburn, Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston, Representative CAREY of Lewiston, Representative WAGNER of Lewiston, Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, Representative BEAULIEU of Auburn, Representative BOLDUC of Auburn.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.