

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
55th Legislative Day  
Friday, June 14, 2019

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Reverend Peter Panagore, East Boothbay.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Under suspension of the rules, members were allowed to remove their jackets.

The following item was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE**  
**Divided Report**

Eleven Members of the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** report in Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-586)** on Bill "An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds, and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2021" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 743) (L.D. 1001)

Signed:

Senators:

BREEN of Cumberland  
HAMPER of Oxford  
SANBORN, L. of Cumberland

Representatives:

GATTINE of Westbrook  
DUNPHY of Old Town  
HUBBELL of Bar Harbor  
JORGENSEN of Portland  
KESCHL of Belgrade  
MARTIN of Eagle Lake  
MILLETT of Waterford  
PIERCE of Falmouth

One Member of the same Committee reports in Report "B" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-587)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

ARATA of New Gloucester

One Member of the same Committee reports in Report "C" **Ought Not to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

WADSWORTH of Hiram

**READ.**

Representative GATTINE of Westbrook moved that the House **ACCEPT** Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended.**

Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford **REQUESTED** a roll call on the motion to **ACCEPT** Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended.**

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Acceptance of Report "A" Ought to Pass as Amended. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

**ROLL CALL NO. 264**

YEA - Alley, Austin B, Babbidge, Babine, Beebe-Center, Berry, Blume, Brennan, Brooks, Bryant, Caiazzo, Cardone, Carney, Cloutier, Cooper, Craven, Crockett, Daughtry, Denk, Dodge, Doore, Doudera, Dunphy, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Fay, Fecteau R, Foley, Gattine, Gramlich, Grohoski, Handy, Harnett, Hepler, Hickman, Hobbs, Hubbell, Hymanson, Ingwersen, Jorgensen, Keschl, Kessler, Kornfield, Landry, Madigan C, Marean, Martin J, Martin R, Mastraccio, Matlack, Maxmin, McCrean, McCreight, McDonald, McLean, Melaragno, Meyer, Millett, Moonen, Morales, Moriarty, Nadeau, O'Neil, Paulhus, Pebworth, Peoples, Perry A, Perry J, Pierce T, Pluecker, Reckitt, Riseman, Roberts-Lovell, Rykerson, Schneck, Sharpe, Sheats, Stanley, Stover, Talbot Ross, Tepler, Terry, Tipping, Tucker, Verow, Warren, White B, Zeigler, Madam Speaker.

NAY - Ackley, Andrews, Arata, Austin S, Bickford, Blier, Bradstreet, Campbell, Cebra, Corey, Costain, Curtis, DeVeau, Dillingham, Dolloff, Drinkwater, Faulkingham, Fecteau J, Foster, Griffin, Haggan, Hall, Hanington, Hanley, Harrington, Head, Higgins, Hutchins, Javner, Johansen, Kinney, Kryzak, Lockman, Martin T, Mason, Morris, O'Connor, Ordway, Perkins, Pickett, Prescott, Reed, Rudnicki, Sampson, Skolfield, Stearns, Stetkis, Stewart, Strom, Swallow, Tuell, Wadsworth.

ABSENT - Bailey, Collings, Cuddy, Grignon, Lyford, Riley, Sylvester, Theriault, White D.

Yes, 89; No, 52; Absent, 9; Excused, 1.

89 having voted in the affirmative and 52 voted in the negative, with 9 being absent and 1 excused, and accordingly Report "A" **Ought to Pass as Amended** was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-586)** was **READ** by the Clerk.

Representative ORDWAY of Standish **PRESENTED House Amendment "A" (H-595) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-586)**, which was **READ** by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER: The Representative may proceed.

Representative **ORDWAY**: Thank you. Madam Speaker, this amendment seeks to put in, back into the budget, the Chief Executive's original request for the Maine Community College System. Some people may think I'm prejudiced about the Community College System; they're right. Not because I work there; I truly believe in their mission.

This amendment and these funds will probably not affect me, I am at the retirement age and probably will take them up on that. But let me just go a little bit. The Community College System in the State of Maine, for my thinking, is the best system. Think of another system of anything in this state that works as well. Ninety-five percent of the people that graduate from the Community College System get a job and stay in Maine. They lift their selves up, they lift their families up. We get a lot for the money. These students also graduate with very little student debt. As a matter of fact, the courses that they take in the Community College System transfer to the University at less than half the cost. Same classes, half the cost. I urge you all, to please support the Community College

System and its mission. It's critical to the economic and the social welfare of this state. Thank you.

Representative GATTINE of Westbrook moved that **House Amendment "A" (H-595) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-586) be INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.**

Representative STEWART of Presque Isle **REQUESTED** a roll call on the motion to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE House Amendment "A" (H-595) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-586).**

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Indefinite Postponement of House Amendment "A" (H-595) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-586). All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

**ROLL CALL NO. 265**

YEA - Alley, Austin B, Babbidge, Babine, Beebe-Center, Berry, Blume, Brennan, Brooks, Bryant, Caiazzo, Cardone, Carney, Cloutier, Cooper, Craven, Crockett, Cuddy, Daughtry, Denk, Dodge, Doore, Doudera, Dunphy, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Fay, Fecteau R, Foley, Gattine, Gramlich, Grohoski, Handy, Harnett, Hepler, Hobbs, Hubbell, Hymanson, Ingwersen, Jorgensen, Keschl, Kessler, Kornfield, Landry, Madigan C, Marean, Martin J, Martin R, Mastraccio, Matlack, McCrea, McCreight, McDonald, McLean, Melaragno, Meyer, Millett, Moonen, Morales, Moriarty, Nadeau, O'Neil, Paulhus, Pebworth, Peoples, Perry A, Perry J, Pierce T, Pluecker, Riseman, Roberts-Lovell, Rykerson, Schneck, Sharpe, Stanley, Stearns, Stover, Sylvester, Talbot Ross, Tepler, Terry, Tipping, Tucker, Verow, Wadsworth, Warren, White B, Zeigler, Madam Speaker.

NAY - Andrews, Arata, Austin S, Bickford, Blier, Bradstreet, Campbell, Cebra, Corey, Costain, Curtis, DeVeau, Dillingham, Dolloff, Drinkwater, Faulkingham, Fecteau J, Foster, Griffin, Haggan, Hall, Hanington, Hanley, Harrington, Head, Hickman, Hutchins, Javner, Johansen, Kinney, Kryzak, Lockman, Martin T, Mason, Maxmin, Morris, O'Connor, Ordway, Perkins, Pickett, Prescott, Reckitt, Reed, Rudnicki, Sampson, Sheats, Skolfield, Stetkis, Stewart, Strom, Swallow, Tuell, White D.

ABSENT - Ackley, Bailey, Collings, Grignon, Higgins, Lyford, Riley, Theriault.

Yes, 89; No, 53; Absent, 8; Excused, 1.

89 having voted in the affirmative and 53 voted in the negative, with 8 being absent and 1 excused, and accordingly **House Amendment "A" (H-595) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-586) was INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.**

Subsequently, **Committee Amendment "A" (H-586) was ADOPTED.**

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading.**

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-586)** and sent for concurrence.

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

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**SENATE PAPERS**

The following Joint Resolution: (S.P. 626)

**JOINT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE BICENTENNIAL OF PITTSFIELD**

WHEREAS, the Town of Pittsfield was originally incorporated as Warsaw, Massachusetts in 1819 and was renamed Pittsfield in 1824 in honor of William Pitts of Boston, a large landowner in the town; and

WHEREAS, early settlers made their money as farmers, blacksmiths and sawmill workers; and

WHEREAS, Maine Central Institute was established in 1866 by the Reverend Oren B. Cheney and the Reverend Ebenezer Knowlton and continues to serve as the local school for area students as well as boarding students; and

WHEREAS, in 1855 a railroad came to town, playing a significant role in the growth of the town; and

WHEREAS, in 1869 one of the State's earliest woolen mills was established in Pittsfield, and later woodworking and canning factories were established, providing jobs to local residents; and

WHEREAS, in 1895 water service was established through the creation of Pittsfield Water Works, and in 1900 electric power was brought to the region through the formation of the Pittsfield Electric Light and Power Company; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Works Administration assisted the town as part of the New Deal by providing \$25,000 to construct an airport that was used by the United States Navy for training from 1943 through the end of World War II; and

WHEREAS, during the 1930s Cianbro, a bridge-building firm, opened in Pittsfield and continues to be a well-respected construction company, managing projects as far away as Texas; and

WHEREAS, Peltoma Acres, a housing development for workers, was built in 1946; and

WHEREAS, Seabasticook Valley Hospital was built on Grove Hill in the 1960s and continues to provide health care services to the community; and

WHEREAS, Interstate 95 was constructed in 1964, making Pittsfield a prime location for rest stops between southern and northern Maine, and a motel, restaurant, gas station, shopping center and large park remain in existence today for the use of residents and people passing through; and

WHEREAS, Pittsfield is home to the Central Maine Egg Festival, which is celebrating its 47th year; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Town of Pittsfield; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Pittsfield Town Office.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **ADOPTED.**

**READ.**

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Pittsfield, Representative Strom.

Representative **STROM:** Thank you, Madam Speaker, and it is with great pride that I rise to speak on this Joint Resolution.

My hometown, the town of Pittsfield, is celebrating their bicentennial this week and I'd just like to take a minute and talk a little bit about the town I represent and the town I grew up in. About a year ago, when the Town decided that they wanted to form a committee to oversee the celebration, the very first thing they did was they came up with a slogan and it was; Pittsfield,