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Reported that the same be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION**, pursuant to Joint Order, H.P. 1595.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION**.

Report READ and ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

REFERRED to the Committee on TAXATION, in concurrence.

Senate at Ease.

Senate called to order by the President.

All matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

Senator **PERRY** of Penobscot was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Senator **TURNER** of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate on the Record.

Senator DIAMOND: Thank you, Madame President. Quietly today you saw the Senator from Hancock, Senator Damon, remove L.D. 856 from the Highway Table, which was the 'Act to Reduce Drunk Driving'. That was a bill you might have heard the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Bromley, mention last week as her bill and she gave the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety accolades for getting this passed. We did work on that for two years. I do want to point out that it was through the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Bromley's dedication and her resistance to people telling her this wouldn't pass or there was no way she could make this happen. That did not faze her in the least. We have now put into statutes a very substantive interlock device system, first ever for the state of Maine. This system is well thought out. It was well planned. A lot of people, all the stakeholders, had an input in this. As I said, it took a couple of years to get this done. I want to congratulate all of you and thank you for your support. Especially thank you to the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Bromley, for bringing it to us last year.

Senator **BOWMAN** of York was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

On motion by Senator **MITCHELL** of Kennebec, **ADJOURNED** to Wednesday, March 26, 2008, at 10:00 in the morning.