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Legislative Record House of Representatives One Hundred and Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Maine

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beginning December 3, 2014 beginning at page H-1 An Act To Establish a Magnet School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering

(H.P. 873) (L.D. 1277) (C. "A" H-314)

An Act To Encourage the Redevelopment of Upper Floors of Buildings in Downtowns and on Main Streets

(H.P. 930) (L.D. 1372) (C. "A" H-311)

An Act To Fund a Training Partnership between Riverview Psychiatric Center and the University of Maine at Augusta

(H.P. 959) (L.D. 1412) (C. "A" H-332)

An Act To Amend the Laws Relating to Corporations and Limited Partnerships

(H.P. 971) (L.D. 1425)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker Pro Tem and sent to the Senate.

An Act To Permit Medical Marijuana Cultivation by Incapacitated Adults

(H.P. 505) (L.D. 752) (C. "A" H-331)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed.

On motion of Representative CAMPBELL of Newfield, was $\mbox{\bf SET}$ $\mbox{\bf ASIDE}.$

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Newfield, Representative Campbell.

Representative **CAMPBELL**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would like to have a roll call on this vote and I object to follow my light. Thank you.

The same Representative **REQUESTED** a roll call on **PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED**.

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

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Passage to be Enacted. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 209

YEA - Alley, Austin, Bates, Battle, Beavers, Beck, Beebe-Center, Blume, Brooks, Bryant, Buckland, Burstein, Chace, Chapman, Chenette, Chipman, Cooper, Corey, Daughtry, Davitt, Devin, Dion, Doore, Duchesne, Dunphy L, Dunphy M, Espling, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Farrin, Fecteau, Fowle, Frey, Gattine, Gideon, Gilbert, Gillway, Ginzler, Golden, Goode, Grant, Greenwood, Grohman, Hamann, Hanington, Harlow, Hawke, Head, Herbig, Hickman, Hobart, Hobbins, Hogan, Hubbell, Hymanson, Jorgensen, Kinney J, Kruger, Kumiega, Lajoie, Longstaff, Luchini, Malaby, Martin J, Martin R, Mastraccio, McCabe, McCreight, McElwee, McLean, Melaragno, Moonen, Morrison, Noon, O'Connor, Parry, Peterson, Pierce J, Pierce T, Powers, Prescott, Rotundo, Russell, Rykerson, Sanborn, Sanderson, Saucier, Sawicki, Schneck, Seavey, Shaw, Short, Sirocki, Stanley, Stearns, Stetkis, Stuckey, Sukeforth, Tepler, Tipping-Spitz, Tucker, Turner, Vachon, Verow, Wadsworth, Warren, Welsh, Wood.

NAY - Babbidge, Black, Campbell J, Campbell R, Crafts, Dillingham, Edgecomb, Foley, Gerrish, Guerin, Hanley, Herrick, Higgins, Hilliard, Kinney M, Lockman, Long, Lyford, Maker, Marean, McClellan, Nadeau, Nutting, Picchiotti, Pickett, Pouliot, Reed, Sherman, Skolfield, Theriault, Timberlake, Timmons, Tuell, Wallace, Ward, White, Winsor.

ABSENT - Bickford, DeChant, Fredette, Kornfield, Monaghan, Mr. Speaker.

Yes, 108; No, 37; Absent, 6; Excused, 0.

108 having voted in the affirmative and 37 voted in the negative, with 6 being absent, and accordingly the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker Pro Tem and sent to the Senate.

An Act To Promote Community Broadband Planning and Strengthen Economic Opportunity throughout Maine

(H.P. 732) (L.D. 1063) (C. "A" H-336)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed.

On motion of Representative GIDEON of Freeport, was **SET ASIDE**.

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

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH** with the exception of matters being held.

ENACTORS

Acts

An Act To Expand Public Opportunities for Wildlife Management Education

(H.P. 633) (L.D. 913) (C. "A" H-339)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed.

On motion of Representative CHAPMAN of Brooksville, the House RECONSIDERED its action whereby the Bill was PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-339).

On further motion of the same Representative, the House RECONSIDERED its action whereby Committee Amendment "A" (H-339) was ADOPTED.

The same Representative PRESENTED House Amendment "A" (H-384) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-339), which was READ by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER PRO TEM: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Brooksville, Representative Chapman.

Representative **CHAPMAN**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Friends and Colleagues of the House, first, I apologize for the late introduction of this, requiring us to back up to it. It was not my intent. As you know, things are going by fairly quickly here, and I had hoped to do this prior to this stage of where we are, which is why we had to back up.

The amendment before you addresses an issue involving corrupting influences, or the appearance of corruption, on the part of governmental employees. LD 913 provides a fee on hunting and trapping licenses to pay for wildlife management education, which I strongly support. However, I don't believe that such funds should be available for influencing elections. The House Amendment before you prohibits the use of these funds for the direct involvement of the department in any election.

To put this in context, you may know that government employees were used to influence the 1938 congressional campaigns and that was the impetus for passage of the federal Hatch Act in 1939, which regulates federal employees' engagement in electoral activities. At the state level, it is not