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

Daily Edition

First Regular Session

beginning December 3, 2014 beginning at page H-1 Dear Honorable Members of the 127th Legislature:

Under the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am hereby vetoing LD 111, "An Act To Ensure That Defendants Receive Proper Notification in Foreclosure Proceedings."

Far too many legislators make solemn-sounding promises to the voters who elect them, then sweep them aside as soon as they step foot into the exclusive, club-like atmosphere of the State House. Their giddy eagerness to get along with colleagues on both sides of the aisle swiftly supersedes their sworn duty to the people who sent them to Augusta.

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Mainers deserve to know how their elected officials voted on public policies that could affect the future of our state. Therefore, to ensure each piece of legislation gets the widest possible representation in Augusta, legislators will have to follow the procedure for reconsideration of a veto, which requires two-thirds support of the Legislature and a roll call.

For this reason, I return LD 111 unsigned and vetoed. Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage

Governor

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

The accompanying item An Act To Ensure That Defendants Receive Proper Notification in Foreclosure Proceedings

(H.P. 83) (L.D. 111) (C. "A" H-391)

After reconsideration, the House proceeded to vote on the question, 'Shall this Bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?' A roll call was taken.

The SPEAKER: The pending question before the House is 'Shall this Bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?' All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 398V

YEA - Alley, Babbidge, Bates, Beavers, Beck, Beebe-Center, Bickford, Blume, Brooks, Bryant, Burstein, Campbell J, Chapman, Chenette, Chipman, Cooper, Daughtry, Davitt, DeChant, Devin, Dillingham, Dion, Doore, Duchesne, Dunphy M, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Fecteau, Frey, Gattine, Gideon, Gilbert, Golden, Goode, Grant, Grohman, Guerin, Hamann, Harlow, Herbig, Hickman, Hobbins, Hogan, Hubbell, Hymanson, Jorgensen, Kornfield, Kruger, Kumiega, Lajoie, Longstaff, Luchini, Martin J, Martin R, Mastraccio, McCabe, McCreight, McLean, Melaragno, Monaghan, Moonen, Morrison, Nadeau, Peterson, Pierce T, Pouliot, Powers, Rotundo, Russell, Rykerson, Sanborn, Saucier, Schneck, Shaw, Short, Stanley, Stuckey, Sukeforth, Tepler, Tipping-Spitz, Tucker, Verow, Warren, Welsh, Mr. Speaker.

NAY - Austin, Battle, Black, Buckland, Campbell R, Chace, Corey, Crafts, Dunphy L, Edgecomb, Espling, Farrin, Foley, Fredette, Gerrish, Gillway, Ginzler, Greenwood, Hanington, Hanley, Hawke, Head, Higgins, Hilliard, Hobart, Kinney J, Kinney M, Lockman, Long, Lyford, Maker, Marean, McClellan, McElwee, Nutting, O'Connor, Parry, Picchiotti, Pickett, Prescott, Reed, Sanderson, Sawicki, Seavey, Sherman, Sirocki, Stearns,

Stetkis, Timberlake, Tuell, Turner, Vachon, Wadsworth, Wallace, Ward. White. Winsor. Wood.

ABSENT - Fowle, Herrick, Malaby, Noon, Pierce J, Skolfield, Theriault, Timmons.

Yes, 85; No, 58; Absent, 8; Excused, 0.

85 having voted in the affirmative and 58 voted in the negative, with 8 being absent, and accordingly the Veto was **SUSTAINED**.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 300)

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0001

June 26, 2015

The 127th Legislature of the State of Maine

State House

Augusta, Maine

Dear Honorable Members of the 127th Legislature:

Under the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am hereby vetoing LD 560, "An Act Regarding Patient Information Under the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act."

This bill, which attempts to prevent providers from using the medical marijuana portal to transmit identifiable information, is dangerously overbroad. The language of the bill does not limit the application of the law to the medical marijuana patient portal, and therefore, this bill could be construed to prevent other departmental functions that are conducted over the internet. The Department of Health and Human Services has voluntarily addressed the issue of data transmission using the medical marijuana certification portal, and so, on top of being overbroad, this law is unnecessary.

For these reasons, I return LD 560 unsigned and vetoed. I strongly urge the Legislature to sustain it.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage

Governor

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**. Sent for concurrence.

The accompanying item An Act Regarding Patient Information Under the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act

(H.P. 384) (L.D. 560) (C. "A" H-330)

After reconsideration, the House proceeded to vote on the question, 'Shall this Bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?' A roll call was taken.

The SPEAKER: The pending question before the House is 'Shall this Bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?' All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 399V

YEA - Alley, Austin, Babbidge, Bates, Battle, Beavers, Beck, Beebe-Center, Bickford, Black, Blume, Brooks, Bryant, Buckland, Burstein, Campbell J, Chace, Chapman, Chenette, Chipman, Cooper, Corey, Daughtry, Davitt, DeChant, Devin, Dion, Doore, Duchesne, Dunphy L, Dunphy M, Espling, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Farrin, Fecteau, Fredette, Frey, Gattine, Gideon, Gilbert, Gillway, Ginzler, Golden, Goode, Grant, Greenwood, Grohman, Hamann, Harlow, Hawke, Head, Herbig, Hickman, Hobart, Hobbins, Hogan, Hubbell, Hymanson, Jorgensen, Kinney J, Kornfield, Kruger, Kumiega, Lajoie, Lockman, Longstaff, Luchini, Maker, Malaby, Marean, Martin R, Mastraccio, McCabe, McCreight, McElwee, McLean, Melaragno, Monaghan,

Moonen, Morrison, Nadeau, Nutting, O'Connor, Parry, Peterson, Pierce J, Pierce T, Powers, Prescott, Rotundo, Russell, Rykerson, Sanborn, Sanderson, Saucier, Sawicki, Schneck, Seavey, Shaw, Sherman, Short, Sirocki, Stanley, Stearns, Stuckey, Sukeforth, Tepler, Tipping-Spitz, Tucker, Turner, Vachon, Verow, Wadsworth, Wallace, Ward, Warren, Welsh, Wood, Mr. Speaker.

NAY - Campbell R, Crafts, Dillingham, Edgecomb, Foley, Gerrish, Guerin, Hanington, Hanley, Higgins, Hilliard, Kinney M, Long, Lyford, Martin J, McClellan, Picchiotti, Pickett, Pouliot, Reed, Stetkis, Timberlake, Tuell, White, Winsor.

ABSENT - Fowle, Herrick, Noon, Skolfield, Theriault, Timmons.

Yes, 120; No, 25; Absent, 6; Excused, 0.

120 having voted in the affirmative and 25 voted in the negative, with 6 being absent, and accordingly the Veto was **NOT SUSTAINED**. Sent for concurrence.

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

The Following Communication: (H.C. 301)

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0001

June 26, 2015

The 127th Legislature of the State of Maine

State House

Augusta, Maine

Dear Honorable Members of the 127th Legislature:

Under the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am hereby vetoing LD 834, "An Act To Clarify the Use of "M.D." To Represent Achievement of a Graduate Degree by an Individual Not Licensed To Practice Medicine in Maine."

Far too many legislators make solemn-sounding promises to the voters who elect them, then sweep them aside as soon as they step foot into the exclusive, club-like atmosphere of the State House. Their giddy eagerness to get along with colleagues on both sides of the aisle swiftly supersedes their sworn duty to the people who sent them to Augusta.

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For this reason, I return LD 834 unsigned and vetoed.

Sincerely,

S/Paul R. LePage

Governor

READ and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**. Sent for concurrence.

The accompanying item An Act To Clarify the Use of "M.D." To Represent Achievement of a Graduate Degree by an Individual Not Licensed To Practice Medicine in Maine

(H.P. 568) (L.D. 834) (C. "A" H-350)

After reconsideration, the House proceeded to vote on the question, 'Shall this Bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?' A roll call was taken.

The SPEAKER: The pending question before the House is 'Shall this Bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?' All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 400V

YEA - Alley, Austin, Babbidge, Bates, Battle, Beavers, Beck, Beebe-Center, Bickford, Black, Blume, Brooks, Bryant, Burstein, Campbell J, Campbell R, Chapman, Chenette, Chipman, Cooper, Corey, Daughtry, Davitt, DeChant, Devin, Dion, Doore, Duchesne, Dunphy M, Edgecomb, Espling, Evangelos, Farnsworth, Fecteau, Foley, Frey, Gattine, Gerrish, Gideon, Gilbert, Golden, Goode, Grant, Grohman, Hamann, Harlow, Herbig, Hickman, Hilliard, Hobart, Hobbins, Hogan, Hubbell, Hymanson, Jorgensen, Kinney M, Kornfield, Kruger, Kumiega, Lajoie, Lockman, Longstaff, Luchini, Maker, Marean, Martin J. Martin R, Mastraccio, McCabe, McCreight, McElwee, McLean, Melaragno, Monaghan, Moonen, Morrison, Nadeau, Nutting, Peterson, Pierce T, Powers, Rotundo, Russell, Rykerson, Sanborn, Saucier, Sawicki, Schneck, Seavey, Shaw, Sherman, Short, Sirocki, Stanley, Stearns, Stuckey, Sukeforth, Tepler, Tipping-Spitz, Tucker, Tuell, Vachon, Verow, Warren, Welsh, Winsor, Mr. Speaker.

NAY - Buckland, Chace, Crafts, Dillingham, Dunphy L, Farrin, Fredette, Gillway, Ginzler, Greenwood, Guerin, Hanington, Hanley, Hawke, Head, Higgins, Kinney J, Long, Lyford, Malaby, McClellan, O'Connor, Parry, Picchiotti, Pickett, Pierce J, Pouliot, Prescott, Reed, Sanderson, Skolfield, Stetkis, Timberlake, Timmons, Turner, Wadsworth, Wallace, Ward, White, Wood.

ABSENT - Fowle, Herrick, Noon, Theriault.

Yes, 107; No, 40; Absent, 4; Excused, 0.

107 having voted in the affirmative and 40 voted in the negative, with 4 being absent, and accordingly the Veto was **NOT SUSTAINED**. Sent for concurrence.

The Following Communication: (H.C. 302)

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0001

June 26, 2015

The 127th Legislature of the State of Maine State House

Augusta, Maine

Dear Honorable Members of the 127th Legislature:

Under the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am hereby vetoing LD 851, "Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 2: Standards for Qualifications of Assigned Counsel, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services."

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