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The Speaker resumed the Chair.
The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.
Prayer by Pastor John W. Alden, Lisbon Falls Baptist Church.
National Anthem by Joelle Bronson, East Machias.
Pledge of Allegiance.
Doctor of the day, Joel Kase, D.O., North Yarmouth.
The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

SENATE PAPERS
Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Ensure a Public Process When Discontinuing or Abandoning a Public Road"

(H.P. 903) (L.D. 1325)
(C. "A" H-558)

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-558) in the House on March 15, 2016.

Came from the Senate **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-558) AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-414)** thereto in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Dixfield, Representative Pickett, who wishes to address the House on the record.

Representative **PICKETT**: On March 15, Majority Leader, the good Representative from Skowhegan, Representative McCabe, moved to Table Unassigned LD 1652, An Act Regarding Municipal Immigration Policies. Passage of the tabling motion effectively killed LD 1652 without debate and without public hearings. I rise to inquire through the Chair, whether or not the good Representative from Skowhegan, Representative McCabe, is prepared at this time to recall the bill from the table so that LD 1652 can be assigned to committee for public hearings. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Representative from Dixfield, Representative Pickett, has posed a question through the Chair to anyone who may care to respond.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Implement the Combination Defined Benefit and Defined Contribution Retirement Plan Described in a Report Submitted to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in March 2012"

(H.P. 715) (L.D. 1032)

Majority (7) **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report of the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS READ and ACCEPTED** in the House on March 3, 2016.

Came from the Senate with the Minority (6) **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report of the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS READ and ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-534)** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The House voted to **INSIST**.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Skowhegan, Representative McCabe, who wishes to address the House on the Record.

Representative **McCABE**: Mr. Speaker, may I pose a question through the Chair?

The SPEAKER: The Representative may pose his question.

Representative **McCABE**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, a question for anyone willing to answer. 3-1, 3-2, two late filed bills from the Chief Executive. Yesterday, a lot of discussion about how to handle bills coming in at this late hour. So, didn't know if anyone wanted to clarify as far as the necessity for these bills at this time.

The SPEAKER: The Representative from Skowhegan, Representative McCabe, has posed a question through the Chair to anyone who may care to respond. The Chair recognizes the Representative from Newport, Representative Fredette.

Representative **FREDETTE**: Well, I certainly don't want to speak on behalf of the Executive Branch. However, I suspect the Chief Executive, essentially, is exercising his constitutional right to submit bills, and so much like we were doing yesterday, we would have due process of the process just like we did yesterday when we were talking about bills being sent to committee by a Joint Order. So, I don't see how it's any different.

PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

Bill "An Act To Increase the Salary of the Governor and the Salary of Legislators upon Reduction in the Size of the Legislature"

(H.P. 1149) (L.D. 1679)

Sponsored by Representative **DUNPHY** of Embden. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

RESOLUTION, PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF MAINE TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATORS IN THE LEGISLATURE

(H.P. 1150) (L.D. 1680)

Sponsored by Representative **DUNPHY** of Embden. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested and ordered printed.

REFERRED to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

Sent for concurrence.

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