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The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Livermore, Representative Berry.

Representative BERRY: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I just want to speak briefly. I just want to say that I will be voting to override the veto today. This budget process has been quite a challenge with all the players involved and the process. We got down to finally agreeing to a budget and agreeing that \$1 million would be set aside for a table and the table would be divided amongst four caucuses. Part of that process is dividing that up and this was part of it. When the bill came to the Appropriations Table. I was cool to it, but I supported it. They convinced me that there was quite a lot that the broadcasters gave back though public service announcements and things like that where they do some support back into some issues that I feel strongly about. I would recommend to my colleagues that do return here dividing up the table like that is not necessarily the best way to go. I don't think we get the best bang for our buck for the taxpayers. I think the democratic process should play though that. Regardless of that, I will support the table as we hatched it out. I would say for the Chief Executive that he has promised future sportsmen that \$4 million in general fund revenues. There is the BETR Program and we know there is great support for that in here, but we don't know what the costs are going to be next year and who is going to add to that. What was the package in Lewiston with the Wal Mart Distribution Center? What are the ongoing costs for that? Did we have a say in that? There are other items that have ongoing costs. I think the Legislature that comes back here will have some tough choices as we did this time. If the economy doesn't improve greatly, you are going to have to make some adjustments. I will write letters that offer my opinions for you. I think the Chief Executive was involved in the budget agreement and as far as I am concerned, the table is part of the process and part of the agreement. I would just ask that you support the efforts to override this veto. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is shall this bill become law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor? All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL NO. 679V

YEA - Andrews, Annis, Belanger, Berry DP, Berry RL, Blanchette, Bowles, Brooks, Bruno, Bryant, Buck, Bumps, Bunker, Canavan, Carr, Chase, Clark, Clough, Collins, Colwell, Cote, Crabtree, Cressey, Cummings, Daigle, Davis, Dorr, Dudley, Dugay, Duncan, Dunlap, Duplessie, Duprey, Estes, Fisher, Foster, Fuller, Glynn, Gooley, Green, Haskell, Hatch, Heidrich, Honey, Hutton, Jodrey, Kasprzak, Labrecque, Laverriere-Boucher, Ledwin, Lovett, Lundeen, MacDougall, Madore, Marley, Marrache, Matthews, Mayo, McKee, McKenney, McLaughlin, McNeil, Mendros, Michaud, Morrison, Murphy E, Muse C, Muse K, Nass, Norbert, Norton, Nutting, O'Brien LL, Paradis, Patrick, Peavey, Perkins, Perry, Pineau, Pinkham, Povich, Quint, Richardson, Rines, Rosen, Schneider, Sherman, Skoglund, Snowe-Mello, Stanley, Stedman, Sullivan, Tarazewich, Tessier, Thomas, Tobin D, Tobin J, Tracy, Trahan, Treadwell, Usher, Waterhouse, Watson, Weston, Wheeler EM, Wheeler GJ, Winsor, Young, Mr. Speaker.

NAY - Ash, Bliss, Bouffard, Brannigan, Bull, Chick, Chizmar, Cowger, Desmond, Etnier, Gagne, Gerzofsky, Goodwin, Hall, Hawes, Jones, Koffman, Landry, LaVerdiere, Lemoine, Lessard, Mailhot, McDonough, McGowan, Mitchell, Richard, Savage, Smith, Tuttle, Twomey.

ABSENT - Bagley, Baker, Jacobs, Kane, McGlocklin, Michael, Murphy T, O'Brien JA, O'Neil, Shields, Simpson, Volenik.

Yes, 109; No, 30; Absent, 12; Excused, 0.

109 having voted in the affirmative and 30 voted in the negative, with 12 being absent, and accordingly the Veto was Not Sustained in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (H.C. 479)
STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL
AND FINANCIAL REGULATION
35 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0035

April 18, 2002
The Honorable Michael Saxl
Speaker of the House
2 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333
Dear Speaker Saxl:

Pursuant to the Charitable Solicitations Act, 9 MRSA § 5010, enclosed is the 2001 Annual Report on the fundraising activity of charitable organizations in the State of Maine.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions about this report.

Sincerely,

S/S. Catherine Longley

Commissioner

READ and with accompanying papers ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

BILLS IN THE SECOND READING House

Bill "An Act to Correct Recently Enacted Legislation" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1741) (L.D. 2216)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading and READ the second time.

On motion of Representative LaVERDIERE of Wilton, was $\mbox{\bf SET}\mbox{\bf ASIDE}.$

The same Representative **PRESENTED House Amendment** "A" (H-1118), which was **READ** by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Wilton, Representative LaVerdiere.

Representative **LAVERDIERE**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This amendment is an addition to the mini errors bill that we have before us. It is one that came in very late. It is a minor adjustment. I would be happy to answer any questions that anybody may have. Thank you.

House Amendment "A" (H-1118) was ADOPTED.

The Bill was PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-1118) and sent for concurrence.

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