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**PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE**

**Pursuant to Public Law and Resolve  
Commission to Improve the Sentencing, Supervision,  
Management and Incarceration of Prisoners**

Representative GROSE for the **Commission to Improve the Sentencing, Supervision, Management and Incarceration of Prisoners** pursuant to Public Law 2003, chapter 451, Part K, section 2 and Resolve 2003, chapter 101, section 3 asks leave to report that the accompanying Bill "An Act To Further Implement the Recommendations of the Commission To Improve the Sentencing, Supervision, Management and Incarceration of Prisoners" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 1409) (L.D. 1903)

Be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from York, Representative Andrews.

Representative **ANDREWS**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise briefly to speak on this just to put it on the record. I received a phone call from a constituent Sunday and this was a relative of a sexual assault attempted murder victim. Knowing that I had been a victim of violent crime, she asked me to speak on this bill.

I have been unable to get this bill until this morning. This is a 30-page bill. How can I affectively prepare a testimony to support victims of violent crimes when I get the bill the day it is being heard? Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Bangor, Representative Blanchette.

Representative **BLANCHETTE**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I guess respectfully to reply to the good Representative Andrews that had she desired a report, a copy of this report, it would have been made available to her. The committee will be working this bill today. We are proposing to bring it out of committee on Friday. I do invite the good Representative to come to the public hearing today and to let her input be known. This committee and this commission went overboard in their deliberations and their taking acceptance of statements from members of the public. I agree with the good Representative completely that this is a long and lengthy report that I sat down and took two hours to go through last night from beginning to end.

I do believe that if the good Representative would like to have more time to submit some comments, when we work this bill hopefully on Friday, any and all comments that she wants to give us in regards to this bill will be taken into consideration by the whole committee before we make any recommendations. Thank you.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Sent for concurrence.

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

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**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE**

**Ought to Pass Pursuant to Statutes and Resolve**

Representative McKEE for the **Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry** on Bill "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Joint Standing

Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Relating to the Review of Agencies under the State Government Evaluation Act"

(H.P. 1408) (L.D. 1902)

Reporting **Ought to Pass** pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, chapter 35, section 955, subsection 4 and Resolve 2003, chapter 101, section 3.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**. The Bill **READ ONCE**.

The Bill was assigned for **SECOND READING** Thursday, March 4, 2004.

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**Divided Report**

Ten Members of the Committee on **TAXATION** report in Report "A" **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act To Improve the Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement Program"

(S.P. 316) (L.D. 975)

Signed:

Senators:

STANLEY of Penobscot

NASS of York

Representatives:

LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach

McGOWAN of Pittsfield

McCORMICK of West Gardiner

PERRY of Bangor

CLOUGH of Scarborough

COURTNEY of Sanford

LERMAN of Augusta

TARDY of Newport

Two Members of the same Committee report in Report "B" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-361)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

STRIMLING of Cumberland

Representative:

SIMPSON of Auburn

One Member of the same Committee reports in Report "C" **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-362)** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

SUSLOVIC of Portland

Came from the Senate with Report "A" **OUGHT NOT TO PASS READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

**READ**.

On motion of Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, Report "A" **Ought Not to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED** in concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

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**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**First Day**

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following item appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 1276) (L.D. 1754) Bill "An Act To Permit Background Checks on Prospective Adoptive Parents" Committee on **JUDICIARY** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-728)**

There being no objections, the above item was ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar tomorrow under the listing of Second Day.

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