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HUMAN SERVICES reporting Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-238)

(H.P. 84) (L.D. 98) Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Education To Adopt a Policy Regarding Management of Head Injuries in Youth Sports (EMERGENCY) Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-519)**

(H.P. 638) (L.D. 841) Resolve, To Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission on Affordable Housing (EMERGENCY) Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-511)**

(H.P. 804) (L.D. 1069) Bill "An Act To Provide Maine Tourism and Industry Collaborative Film Grants" Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-517)**

(H.P. 827) (L.D. 1115) Bill "An Act To Clarify the Responsibilities of the Maine Developmental Services Oversight and Advisory Board" Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-520)**

(H.P. 1018) (L.D. 1385) Bill "An Act To Provide Tax Relief to Residents Deployed for Military Duty or Stationed outside of Maine" Committee on **TAXATION** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-510)**

Under suspension of the rules, Second Day Consent Calendar notification was given.

There being no objection, the Senate Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** in concurrence and the House Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence.

(H.P. 736) (L.D. 1000) Bill "An Act To Require the Secretary of State To Verify Voter Signatures" Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-507)**

On motion of Representative CAREY of Lewiston, was **REMOVED** from the First Day Consent Calendar.

The Unanimous Committee Report was **READ**.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Lewiston, Representative Carey.

Representative CAREY: Mr. Speaker, I wish to just speak briefly on 7-4, LD 1000, for the good Representative from Acton, Representative Nass, to talk about the work of our committee that so often the good work of committee goes unnoticed when there is a unanimous report. Briefly, this bill solves two problems having to do with the signing of oaths to stand for candidates for office. As many of you know when we circulate petitions to get on a primary ballot, you have to sign an oath to get on that ballot.

This bill does two things. Currently when a member gets on the general election ballot through a caucus, I myself did the first time, we don't sign that same candidate oath. This would correct that loophole. Second, there is a number of requirements as you all know to run for office and they stand at different parts of the law. Some are in the Constitution, some are in statute. Currently the oath that we sign on the petitions simply says "I certify that I am able to run for office." The problem that Representative Nass brought us is that sometimes it is unclear exactly what those are and when this bill passes the Secretary of State will create a form to make clear what the requirements are, that we all certify an oath to. Thanks to Representative Nass for raising these issues and to the members of my committee for working in a bipartisan fashion to resolve them. Thank you.

Subsequently, the Unanimous Committee Report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Bill was **READ ONCE**. **Committee Amendment "A" (H-507)** was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING WITHOUT REFERENCE** to the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading.

Under further suspension of the rules, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-507)** and sent for concurrence.

(H.P. 1087) (L.D. 1478) Bill "An Act To Fully Enfranchise Voters" Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-508)**

On motion of Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake, was **REMOVED** from the First Day Consent Calendar.

The Unanimous Committee Report was **READ**.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Eagle Lake, Representative Martin.

Representative MARTIN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. This bill, LD 1478, was put in by the Representative from Burlington, Representative Turner, and I think the purpose of it is actually correct. However, the Committee Amendment creates in effect two different systems, depending if you have more than 10 towns in your district or less than 10 towns. So I would think we ought to re-look at the structure of the proposal of that amendment because you are going to have different structures throughout the state as we proceed to do caucuses when there should be a vacancy in the House or Senate. So I would suggest that someone Table the bill until we can have a look at the amendment and perhaps a redrafting of that amendment.

On motion of Representative CURTIS of Madison, **TABLED** pending **ACCEPTANCE** of the Committee Report and later today assigned.

**ENACTORS
Acts**

An Act Concerning Sex Offender Registry Information

(H.P. 963) (L.D. 1317)
(C. "A" H-466)

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

On motion of Representative PLUMMER of Windham, was **SET ASIDE**.

On further motion of the same Representative, the rules were **SUSPENDED** for the purpose of **RECONSIDERATION**.

On further motion of the same Representative, the House **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**.

On further motion of the same Representative, the rules were **SUSPENDED** for the purpose of **FURTHER RECONSIDERATION**.

On further motion of the same Representative, the House **RECONSIDERED** its action whereby **Committee Amendment "A" (H-466)** was **ADOPTED**.

The same Representative **PRESENTED House Amendment "A" (H-497)** to **Committee Amendment "A" (H-466)**, which was **READ** by the Clerk and **ADOPTED**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-466) as Amended by **House Amendment "A" (H-497)** thereto was **ADOPTED**.