

# LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

## **One Hundred And Sixteenth Legislature**

OF THE

**State Of Maine** 

## **VOLUME I**

### FIRST REGULAR SESSION

House of Representatives December 2, 1992 to May 13, 1993 against and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### PASSED TO BE ENACTED

#### **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Define Farmers' Market (H.P. 265) (L.D. 343) (C. "A" H-168)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 120 voted in favor of the same and none against and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### PASSED TO BE ENACTED

#### **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Allow Service of Protective Orders on Sunday (H.P. 367) (L.D. 470) (C. "A" H-156)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed** Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 118 voted in favor of the same and 1 against and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### PASSED TO BE ENACTED

#### **Emergency Measure**

An Act to Facilitate the Conduct of Business of the Maine Technical College System (H.P. 508) (L.D. 666) (C. "A" H-164)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed** Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 119 voted in favor of the same and none against and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### FINALLY PASSED

#### **Emergency Measure**

Resolve, Approving the 1993 Draft and Arrangement of the Constitution of Maine Made by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court and Providing for its Publication and Distribution (H.P. 726) (L.D. 985) (C. "A" H-166)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the

members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 122 voted in favor of the same and 1 against and accordingly the Resolve was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### PASSED TO BE ENACTED

An Act to Improve Access to Dental Services (S.P. 85) (L.D. 198) (C. "A" S-83)

An Act to Prohibit the Display of Social Security Numbers on Credit Cards, Customer Service Cards and Debit Cards (S.P. 242) (L.D. 735) (C. "A" S-78)

An Act to Increase the Effectiveness of Child Support Enforcement (H.P. 108) (L.D. 150) (C. "A" H-144)

An Act to Change the Scallop Harvesting Season (H.P. 117) (L.D. 158) (C. "A" H-146)

An Act Concerning Court Approval of Minor Settlements (H.P. 205) (L.D. 267) (C. "A" H-155)

An Act Related to Common Nuisances (H.P. 273) (L.D. 351) (C. "A" H-163)

An Act to Require Judges to Consider the Desirability of Financial Forfeitures (H.P. 379) (L.D. 492) (C. "A" H-157)

An Act to Continue the Maine Dairy Farm Stabilization Act (H.P. 381) (L.D. 494) (C. "A" H-169)

An Act Relating to the Theft of Utility Services (H.P. 427) (L.D. 546) (C. "A" H-158)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### PASSED TO BE ENACTED

An Act to Authorize Modifications to Tolls on the Maine Turnpike (H.P. 582) (L.D. 786)

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Buxton, Representative Libby. Representative LIBBY: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House: This bill is regarding the new system that will go into effect with the Maine Turnpike Authority regarding toll collections. Believe it or not, there are a lot of people out there in Maine that do not like the idea of going through the toll barriers at 20 miles an hour with a gadget in their car.

I really object to this, there could be substantial capital investment to a project like this and I would like us to consider it further.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Westbrook, Representative O'Gara.

Representative O'GARA: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House: I must inform the Representative this has nothing to do at all with the proposed system in the future. This has to do with the opportunity for the Turnpike in the future — it just gives them the opportunity at other areas on the Turnpike where it might be feasible to go to the barrier system or to adjust the fares or to adjust the system, but I must say to the House this has nothing whatsoever to do with the proposal.

Representative Libby of Buxton requested a roll call vote.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been requested. For the Chair to order a roll call, it must have the expressed desire of more than one-fifth of the members present and voting. Those in favor will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

A vote of the House was taken and less than one-fifth of the members present and voting having expressed a desire for a roll call, a roll call was not ordered.

Subsequently, the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### PASSED TO BE ENACTED

An Act to Establish the Town Line between Vassalboro and China (H.P. 634) (L.D. 865) (C. "A" H-165)

An Act to Modify Public Utilities Commission Practice and Rules of Evidence (S.P. 202) (L.D. 638) (C. "A" S-69)

An Act to Require That Purchasers of Used Cars Be Informed Whether the Cars Were the Subjects of Lemon Law Decisions (S.P. 223) (L.D. 694) (C. "A" S-67)

Were reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### ENACTOR

#### Tabled and Assigned

An Act to Regulate Home Repair by Transient Contractors (S.P. 228) (L.D. 699) (C. "A" S-72)

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

On motion of Representative Coffman of Old Town, tabled pending passage to be enacted and specially assigned for Thursday, May 6, 1993.

#### FINALLY PASSED

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor to Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory (S.P. 183) (L.D. 597) (C. "A" S-82)

Was reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed, finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate. The following item appearing on Supplement No. 1 was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

#### SENATE PAPER

The following Joint Resolution: (S.P. 459)

#### JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE HONORABLE PAUL A. MACDONALD ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM JUDICIAL SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Honorable Paul A. MacDonald, of Woolwich, is an outstanding citizen and a dedicated public servant whose reputation for honesty, fairness and efficiency is widely known throughout his community and State; and

WHEREAS, his excellent reputation afforded him with ever-widening opportunities for public service, including 17 years as Deputy Secretary of State, 20 years as Secretary of State and nearly 3 decades of judicial service; and

WHEREAS, the dedication of the West Bath District Court building in Paul A. MacDonald's honor on May 7, 1993, in the year of his retirement from judicial service, is a fitting tribute to his years of service to the citizens of the State of Maine; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the 116th Legislature of the State of Maine, now assembled, in the First Regular Session, take this opportunity to commend the Honorable Paul A. MacDonald on behalf of the people of the State for his years of distinguished service; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be presented to the Honorable Paul A. MacDonald in token of our thanks and best wishes for the future.

Came from the Senate, read and adopted.

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

The following item appearing on Supplement No. 2 was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

#### SENATE PAPER

#### Ought to Pass as Amended

Report of the Committee on Labor reporting "Ought to Pass" as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-108) on Bill "An Act Concerning Independent Contractors under the Workers' Compensation Laws" (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 389) (L.D. 1184)

Came from the Senate, with the report read and accepted and the Bill Passed to be Engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-108).

Report was read and accepted, the Bill read once.