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## HOUSE

Monday, May 9, 1983

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Reverend Winifred Reynolds, Pastor Emeritus, Windsor Memorial Baptist Church.

The members stood at attention during the playing of the National Anthem by Mount View High School Band, Thorndike.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

### Papers from the Senate Reports of Committees

#### Unanimous Ought Not to Pass

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought Not to Pass" on Bill "An Act to Provide Court Jurisdiction over Juvenile Run-aways" (S. P. 408) (L. D. 1256)

Was placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 15 in concurrence.

#### Unanimous Leave to Withdraw

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Leave to Withdraw" on Bill "An Act Relating to Criminal Offenses by Indians on the Penobscot Reservation" (S. P. 80) (L. D. 191)

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Leave to Withdraw" on Bill "An Act Relating to Penobscot Game and Conservation Wardens" (S. P. 93) (L. D. 224)

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Leave to Withdraw" on Bill "An Act Relating to Probate Proceedings" (S. P. 169) (L. D. 524)

Report of the Committee on Audit and Program Review reporting "Leave to Withdraw" on Bill "An Act to Include Legislative Services under the Maine Sunset Act" (S. P. 434) (L. D. 1346)

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Leave to Withdraw" on Bill "An Act Relating to Criminal Offenses on Penobscot Reservation" (S. P. 168) (L. D. 523)

Report of the Committee on Transportation reporting "Leave to Withdraw" on Bill "An Act Concerning Posted Roads" (S. P. 230) (L. D. 674)

Report of the Committee on Health and Institutional Services reporting "Leave to Withdraw" on Bill "An Act to Establish and Provide Reimbursement for a Hospice Care Program" (S. P. 394) (L. D. 1194)

Report of the Committee on Business Legislation reporting "Leave to Withdraw" on Bill "An Act Relating to Additional Charges in Connection with Consumer Credit Transactions" (S. P. 139) (L. D. 431)

Were placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 15 in concurrence.

#### Ought to Pass in New Draft/New Title

Report of the Committee on Education on Bill "An Act Concerning State Assistance to Areas Affected by Indochinese Immigrants" (S. P. 424) (L. D. 1286) reporting "Ought to Pass" in New Draft under New Title Bill "An Act Concerning State Assistance to Areas Affected by Non-English Speaking Immigrants and Refugees" (S. P. 532) (L. D. 1555)

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the New Draft passed to be engrossed.

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence, the New Draft read once and assigned for second reading later in the day.

#### Ought to Pass as Amended

Report of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources reporting "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-89) on Bill "An Act to Revise the Statutes relating to Radiation Control" (S. P. 395) (L. D.

1195)

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-89) as amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-92) thereto.

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill read once. Committee Amendment "A" (S-89) read. Senate Amendment "A" (S-92) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-89) read and adopted. Committee Amendment "A" (S-89) as amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-92) thereto adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for second reading later in the day.

#### Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Establish a Workers' Compensation Hearing Exemption for Agricultural Employers' Liability Insurance Claim Disputes" (S. P. 358) (L. D. 1079) on which the Bill and Accompanying Papers were Indefinitely Postponed in the House on May 5, 1983.

Came from the Senate passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-98) in non-concurrence.

In the House: The House voted to recede and concur.

#### Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Create a Student Seat on the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine" (H. P. 24) (L. D. 29) on which the Minority "Ought Not to Pass" report of the Committee on Education was read and accepted in the House on May 3, 1983.

Came from the Senate with the Majority "Ought to Pass" as amended report of the Committee on Education read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-177) and Senate Amendment "A" (S-91) in non-concurrence.

In the House:

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Sebec, Mrs. Locke.

Mrs. LOCKE: Mr. Speaker, I move that the House recede and concur.

The SPEAKER: The gentlewoman from Sebec, Mrs. Locke, moves that the House recede and concur.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kennebunk, Mr. Murphy.

Mr. MURPHY: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House: The student trustee issue is before us again and it is in non-concurrence. Ladies and gentlemen, this would be the beginning of a quota system for this particular board.

Additionally, another weakness is that the Governor is limited to nominating a person from out of a list of five names submitted by the organization of student governments. Any other interested students who might want to have their names placed before the Governor for consideration would be disenfranchised unless they could have their name added to that list of five.

Another weakness is that the student would serve only two years instead of the regular seven-year term. Testimony before our committee indicated by past and present members that it takes at least two years to learn the background and duties of the University trustees.

This student trustee could very well be an out-of-state student and the language that they must be a permanent resident, we all know that takes about five minutes to obtain.

Appointment to the board could possibly place a heavy strain on a full-time student's schedule, since there are background visits, subcommittee work, student forums and the regular meetings at the far-flung university campuses.

I am afraid, again, that this is a first step toward quotas on the university board of trustees and would open it up to further consideration in the future for additional quo-

tas based on age, occupation or special interest groups, and I think good government subscribes that it should be the best person appointed rather than to go to quotas.

I could understand this bill if current law prohibits students serving on the board of trustees, but the current law doesn't. A student can apply like any other Maine citizen for a vacancy. I have checked with the Governor's office as to why there isn't any student serving on the board, and the reason is that no student has applied until last week for any of the openings that have been under consideration. They can't consider them if they don't apply. The constituency is not there, and if I could read into the record a letter from Rodney Labbe, March 7, 1983, and in the letter, this is from the student government at the University of Maine at Orono in reference to a February 27, 1983 meeting where they met, discussed and voted on two topics, one of those topics being L. D. 29, the bill to institute a voting student seat on the board of trustees.

They say, "Our conclusion on both issues were not favorable." And to go into the next paragraph: "On the subject of L. D. 29, we were more adamant. There are too many unanswered questions concerning the mechanics of the bill and accordingly we cannot support it. I will be informing Representative James Handy, the sponsor of the bill, of our position."

That was reaffirmed Thursday with a phone call from President Rodney Labbe, who indicated in April that 14 people representing all branches of that student government were unanimous in their vote of not supporting this particular L. D.

I think a student could be valuable on that board of trustees, but it should be a seven-year term so that there is a transition from the end of graduate world to the work place so that individual can be a very effective voice in terms of what that University of Maine education did or didn't do for them as they go out and compete in the work place. But I think what we need to keep in mind is that the people who serve on that board should represent all the citizens of this state and not a special interest group.

I would urge members to defeat the motion to recede and concur so that we might adhere to our position that we took last week.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Sebec, Mrs. Locke.

Mrs. LOCKE: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House: I would especially like to address the subject of the quota system. Right now on the university board of trustees, we have a member of the board that comes from the agricultural community. He is a potato farmer and we just confirmed him a few weeks ago. The fellow who preceded him was a dairy farmer. The reason that both of these gentlemen are members of the board of trustees is because they represent the agricultural points of view. If this isn't a quota system, or the beginning of, I don't know what is.

The question I would like to ask is, do we feel that the member of the board of trustees that was a dairy farmer came with only the interest of dairy farmers in mind? Or was that fellow only interested in the college of agriculture? I don't think so. I don't think he was biased when he had to cast his vote for something that concerns the University of Maine Law School, and we have four attorneys on that board of trustees at the University of Maine, and I don't believe that they are biased when they cast their vote on a subject that concerns the University of Maine campus at Farmington. I don't really think that the quota system is an issue at all; I think it is a red herring.

The other thing is that if we have a member, or if it is possible to have a member, a student member, on the board now, then I can't see why that student member can't have voting rights. In fact, if the person was able to vote, perhaps more students would be interested.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kittery, Mr. Soucy.

Mr. SOUCY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Last week, I stood up and I opposed this bill, I still oppose this bill. I was informed by the proponents of this bill that the students at the various colleges in the University of Maine system wanted this bill. As a matter of fact, when I was informed last week that the government organization had voted 14 to 0, and that means that there are two representatives from each of the 7 campuses, so you can see how they felt about it, but the proponents indicated to me that I didn't know what I was talking about, that the students really wanted this bill. I don't believe that that is true and I would urge you to defeat the motion.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kennebunk, Mr. Murphy.

Mr. MURPHY: Mr. Speaker, I request a roll call, please.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bott.

Mr. BOTT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would just like to respond to some of the statements that the students at the various universities do not support this bill. Indeed, at this moment I can only speak for Orono and to say that the University of Maine at Orono Student Senate overwhelmingly supported this measure. Indeed, the president and vice president of student government felt so strongly about this bill that they showed up to testify at the hearing. So I would hope you would all support this bill. I think it is a good piece of legislation.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Handy.

Mr. HANDY: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House: Basically, the real question we have to answer today is whether or not we want consumers of the product of education in the State of Maine on the Board of Trustees of the University. We should place a great deal of weight in whether or not the students want it, whether or not the faculty wants it, or whether or not we as individuals, not as sitting members of the State Legislature want it, but what is the best form of government and the best form of education we can provide for the people of the State of Maine and those who attend our university system. I submit to you, ladies and gentlemen, that putting a consumer on the board of trustees will bring new life to the board and inject in that board a new sense of vitality and the needs of the students who will be greatly represented and at least considered in the various duties of the board of trustees.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Stockton Springs, Mr. Crowley.

Mr. CROWLEY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I think there is a great deal of thought to be put into this bill today and I think we should recede and concur and go along to put a student member on the board of trustees at the Super U.

Now the Super U, at the time when I was working at the state college level, before they became the Super U, we had a much tighter system for academic, financial, everything else, because we had someone looking over our shoulder, we had line control budgets and so forth in the state colleges.

The University of Maine at Orono had a board of trustees on campus who knew what was going on, knew the faculty and had some idea of what was happening within the University of Maine at Orono.

The Super U concept brings in a whole ivory tower situation where we have trustees sitting down there in Bangor fed all kinds of information by the central staff that gets paid forty, fifty, sixty, even seventy thousand dollars a year, and they have reams of paper to go over and I say they are far removed from the decision making on the campuses.

When the board of trustees visits a campus, as they tell you they do, I witnessed this because I was there when they organized this thing and I was there after they organized the Super U, they know about a month in advance that they are coming to your campus so you get ready and you wine and dine them, and I mean we wine and dine them when they come to our campus, we want to put our best foot forward. We have the right faculty members and the right students talk to them. They really don't get a picture of what is happening at that campus. So I say the trustees in the Super U situation are far removed from what is going on on that campus.

We say that our education is going down hill—I think it is going down hill real fast because we don't have the right kind of representation.

One student selected from 20,000 youngsters—I am saying people 20 and 21 years old, the youngsters, they are when you look at my age—but to take one student, one outstanding student from the cream of the crop of 20,000 students and put him on the board of trustees, you are going to get one outstanding person, and there are many outstanding persons age 20 and so forth. The age is young, yes, but you can be a legislator here at 21, which I believe happened to some people, I think the Speaker was here at age 21. Age 21 doesn't mean a person can't make good decisions. I think the students should have one vote, one voice, in this board of trustees to make them privy to not only what goes on at the meetings and all the literature in their executive sessions, I think it is very important.

The University of Maine lost this when they lost their board of trustees. By putting the student in there, I think there is nothing to be afraid of. One student may get the message across to the members of the board of trustees about what is really happening in the classroom, what is really happening in the residence halls.

I would vote to recede and concur.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Washburn, Mr. Crouse.

Mr. CROUSE: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House: I just called the Student Senate president at the University of Maine at Presque Isle and asked her why the University of Maine student governments voted against this particular bill. The reason she gave me was that the 14 representatives felt that they were going to lose the seven non-voting seats now on the University of Maine board of trustees. They felt that seven positions on the board were better than one student voting seat on the board of trustees.

When we discussed this in our hearing, we had some concerns about the seven non-voting seats, one representing each of the campuses, and we wanted to make sure that the legislative intent was very clear that the students would not lose these seven seats on the board of trustees. What we intend to do, and I am sure the University of Maine board of trustees will not go ahead once we put the student seat on the board of trustees, and eliminate these seven seats. It wouldn't be politically wise, it wouldn't be wise for the representation from each of the campuses and it will not happen, I can assure you of that, but it is something that has been an implied threat, has been a threat going around the seven campuses, that they are going to lose those seven seats on the board, and that is not the case. That is why they voted against the student seat when it came before them at the student government meetings. It is very important that you remember that when you vote on this student seat today.

Another concern I have on this particular issue, it is a very important issue as far as I am concerned, as far as a lot of students are concerned. I was an administrator for five years at one of the campuses and the students had very little input on policy decisions. They had very

little input into the administration, they had very little input into the board of trustees' policy, the final policy, and it is very important that you understand that, it is very important that you vote that way today, to put a student seat on the board of trustees.

In the hearing, I spoke to a couple of the trustee members and I told them directly, I said, the trustees provide the input, they provide the opportunity for the students, for the faculty, for people to speak to them. The problem is lack of response; they do not respond to the issues that are concerning the students at the seven campuses. A prime example that I mentioned the other day was the transfer of credit policy, a policy that should have been implemented a long time ago. They promised this in 1978, that it was going to be implemented and it wasn't implemented. In 1980, they promised us again that it was going to be implemented; it was not implemented. In 1982, we finally had to put it through the Legislature, had to pass a bill to establish a uniform transfer of credit policy in the University of Maine system. That is really a concern of mine, the lack of response, and this student voting seat on the board is very important for the students of the University of Maine system.

One other concern, there are numerous student seats throughout the country. In New England, for example, there is one at U. of Mass., Amherst, there is one at B.C., Boston College, that student seat was established as a result of Tip O'Neill leading the fight, leading the effort and saying that we really need a student representative, voting member, on our board of trustees. So it is not going to be a precedent set by any means in New England or in the country.

I do hope you support the motion to recede and concur.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bost.

Mr. BOST: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House: The trustees at the University of Maine are comprised of 15 members who are legally responsible for governing the University of Maine system. The bill before us, L. D. 29, would increase the trustee by one. The new member would be a student or a consumer of education, who would be nominated by the Governor from a list of five submitted by the student government association and would then be reviewed by the appropriate legislative committee and confirmed by this body.

The idea of having a student member on the board of trustees is not a new or unusual concept. Many states have one or more students on the board of trustees of their state university, and in Maine, as I mentioned last week, Governor Kenneth Curtis appointed a student to the first board of trustees in 1968. This student served with distinction for seven years.

L. D. 29 provides for a student position, rotated every two years, as does our Legislature, with the purpose of providing new and fresh student perspective to this board of trustees.

The University of Maine board of trustees is filled by sincere and public spirited individuals; however, the board has only limited contact with the actual education process and the living environment of students.

A student member would enhance both the board's image and I believe effectiveness. No quota systems would occur here. And once the process is opened to student participation, I believe there will be many qualified students attracted to serving in this capacity. A two-year term would be plenty of time to learn the ropes and certainly plenty of time to broaden the perspective of those already serving.

Scare tactics such as denial of students to various subcommittees should be seen for what they are, just that. They will not lose their seven seats, as Representative Crouse has already stated.

In brief, this board is bureaucratically far removed from the educational process and

from what is happening on campus. There is indeed a need for the real world input of the student body, nearly 27,000 consumers of educational process.

There are those who will say that students represent a special interest group, that they will not be able to learn the trustee system in two years, that they are too young to have such responsibility and that they will have nothing to offer. To these criticisms, I say they lack a great deal of merit. Our young people who attend the University of Maine are intelligent and responsible, they are the future decision makers of our state. Their energy, their spirit and their input will in no way diminish the quality of the trustees; in fact, it may be just Elixir or Geritol that this board needs.

I strongly urge you to support the motion to recede and concur.

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

A vote of the House was taken, and more than one fifth of the members present having expressed a desire for a roll call, a roll call was ordered.

The SPEAKER: The pending question is on the motion of the gentlewoman from Sebec, Mrs. Locke, that the House recede and concur.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Rockland, Mrs. Melendy.

Mrs. MELENDY: Mr. Speaker, I wish to pair my vote with Representative Rotondi. If she were here, she would be voting yea; if I were voting, I would be voting nay.

The SPEAKER: The pending question is on the motion of the gentlewoman from Sebec, Mrs. Locke, that the House recede and concur. All those in favor will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

#### ROLL CALL

YEA—Ainsworth, Allen, Andrews, Baker, Beaulieu, Benoit, Bost, Bott, Brannigan, Brodeur, Cahill, Carroll, D.P.; Carroll, G.A.; Cashman, Chonko, Clark, Conners, Cooper, Cox, Crouse, Crowley, Daggett, Dexter, Diamond, Erwin, Gauvreau, Gwadodsky, Hall, Handy, Hayden, Hickey, Higgins, L.M.; Ingraham, Joseph, Kelleher, Kelly, Ketover, LaPlante, Lisnik, Locke, MacBride, Matthews, K.L.; Matthews, Z.E.; Maybury, McGowan, McHenry, Michael, Michaud, Mitchell, E.H.; Mitchell, J.; Murray, Nadeau, Paradis, P.E.; Paul, Pines, Reeves, P.; Richard, Roberts, Rolde, Smith, C.B.; Soule, Stevens, Stevenson, Telow, Theriault, Thompson, Tuttle, Webster, Weymouth, Zirnkilton, The Speaker.

NAY—Anderson, Armstrong, Bell, Bonney, Brown, D.N.; Brown, K.L.; Callahan, Carrier, Carter, Conary, Cote, Curtis, Davis, Day, Dillenback, Drinkwater, Dudley, Foster, Greenlaw, Holloway, Jackson, Joyce, Kiesman, Lebowitz, Lehoux, Lewis, Livesay, MacEachern, Macomber, Manning, Martin, A.C.; Masterton, Masterton, McCollister, McSweeney, Moholland, Murphy, E.M.; Murphy, T.W.; Nelson, Norton, Paradis, E.J.; Parent, Perkins, Perry, Racine, Reeves, J.W.; Ridley, Roderick, Salisbury, Scarpino, Sherburne, Small, Smith, C.W.; Soucy, Sproul, Stover, Strout, Swazey, Tammaro, Vose, Walker, Wentworth.

ABSENT—Brown, A.K.; Connolly, Higgins, H.C.; Hobbins, Jacques, Jalbert, Kane, Kilcoyne, Mahany, Martin, H.C.; McPherson, Pouliot, Randall, Seavey, Willey.

PAIRED—Melendy, Rotondi.

Yes, 71; No, 62; Absent, 15; Paired, 2; Vacant 1.

The SPEAKER: Seventy-one having voted in the affirmative and sixty-two in the negative, with fifteen being absent, two paired and one vacant, the motion does prevail.

#### Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Reestablish the Energy Test-

ing Laboratory of Maine as a Part of Southern Maine Vocational-Technical Institute" (Emergency) (H. P. 1104) (L. D. 1492) which was passed to be engrossed in the House on May 4, 1983.

Came from the Senate passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-97) in non-concurrence.

In the House: On motion of Mrs. Locke of Sebec, the House voted to recede and concur.

#### Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act Concerning Confidentiality of Information" (H. P. 998) (L. D. 1306) which was passed to be engrossed in the House on May 4, 1983.

Came from the Senate passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-100) in non-concurrence.

In the House: The House voted to recede and concur.

#### Non-Concurrent Matter

An Act Concerning the Distribution of Table Wines (H. P. 833) (L. D. 1070) which was passed to be enacted in the House on May 5, 1983.

Came from the Senate with the Bill and Accompanying Papers Indefinitely Postponed in non-concurrence.

In the House:

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Mount Desert, Mr. Zirnkilton.

Mr. ZIRNKILTON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I move that the House recede and concur and I wish to briefly speak to my motion.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Mount Desert, Mr. Zirnkilton, moves that the House recede and concur.

The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. ZIRNKILTON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: L. D. 1070 was submitted because there was a problem that restaurants and other people as the licensee, as the various different wholesalers were experiencing. The Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages has addressed this problem. I had a memorandum from Mr. Marcotte and I would like to briefly read a statement from this letter.

"The Bureau is willing to grant permission as of now to a retail licensee to purchase wine from other wholesalers when the licensee can demonstrate that he or she has had difficulty with the wholesaler assigned the exclusive territory."

I would like to interpret how I would define "difficulty" at this time. I would hope that that would include a price discrepancy between the various different wholesalers, lack of service, difference in selection between the wholesalers or other conflicts that might exist, and I hope this will address the problem we have been having.

Thereupon, the House voted to recede and concur.

#### Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bills were received and referred to the following Committees:

##### Education

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Authority and Responsibility of School Boards in Disciplining Students" (H. P. 1184) (Presented by Representative Rolde of York)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

##### Indefinitely Postponed

Bill "An Act to Permit Appointment of a Register of Deeds and Provide Civil Service Standards for the Register of Deeds and the County Treasurer" (H. P. 1185) (Presented by Representative Vose of Eastport)

Committee on Local and County Government was suggested.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Eastport, Mr. Vose.

Mr. VOSE: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentle-

men of the House: I move the indefinite postponement of L. D. 1185.

This is my bill and I found out that there is a similar bill already in committee and there is no need to proceed further on this one, they can address the issue now.

Thereupon, the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

#### Public Utilities

Bill "An Act to Establish Time Limits for the Eminent Domain Procedures for Sanitary and Sewer Districts" (H. P. 1186) (Presented by Representative Vose of Eastport) (Cosponsors: Representatives Roderick of Oxford, Lewis of Auburn and Senator Baldacci of Penobscot) (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### State Government

Bill "An Act Relating to Major Policy-influencing Positions in Various State Agencies" (H. P. 1187) (Presented by Speaker Martin of Eagle Lake) (Cosponsor: Senator Conley of Cumberland) (Submitted by the Department of Personnel pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### House Reports of Committees Unanimous Ought Not to Pass

Representative McCollister from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act Concerning the Use of Sludge for Agricultural Purposes" (H. P. 1007) (L. D. 1332) reporting "Ought Not to Pass".

Representative Brown from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on RESOLVE, Authorizing the State to Convey its Interest in the Public Lots in the Town of Great Pond to the Inhabitants of Great Pond. (H. P. 994) (L. D. 1304)

Were placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 15 and sent up for concurrence.

#### Unanimous Leave to Withdraw

Representative Livesay from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act to Improve Motor Vehicle Laws Regarding Pedestrian Safety" (H. P. 784) (L. D. 1013) reporting "Leave to Withdraw".

Representative Soule from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act to Establish the Maine Natural Death Act" (H. P. 924) (L. D. 1203) reporting "Leave to Withdraw".

Representative Lebowitz from the Committee on State Government on Bill "An Act to Establish Standards of Conduct for Employees of the Maine Guarantee Authority" (H. P. 1004) (L. D. 1312) reporting "Leave to Withdraw".

Representative Hobbins from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Violations within the Penobscot Nation" (H. P. 221) (L. D. 269) reporting "Leave to Withdraw".

Representative Hobbins from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Violations" (H. P. 222) (L. D. 270) reporting "Leave to Withdraw".

Were placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 15 and sent up for concurrence.

#### Ought to Pass in New Draft

Representative Beaulieu from the Committee on Labor on Bill "An Act Relating to Attendants for Power Boilers" (H. P. 404) (L. D. 487) reporting "Ought to Pass" in New Draft (H. P. 1180) (L. D. 1572).

Report was read and accepted. The New Draft given its first reading and assigned for second reading later in the day.