

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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every county. They spoke loud and clear that they want to be seeing increased amounts of this education. This is their future. They want to know how to make Maine better and how to save their state, their quality of life, and make our planet a better place. So, I really urge you to support this. It's a great bill. I'm not typically one to stand and speak in such high support of curriculum bills because it's something that is a very complicated process in our schools but this was one of those few times where I was hearing from teachers, from students, from parents, from the Department of Education that this is a great partnership and a great opportunity to make sure that the education for our students in our schools is what's happening now and that it's staying current. So, I urge you to please strongly support this motion.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The pending question before the Senate is Acceptance of the Majority Ought to Pass as Amended Report. Is the Senate ready for the question?

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The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Franklin, Senator **BLACK**, and further excused the same Senator from today's Roll Call votes.

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The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#591)**

**YEAS:** Senators: BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, RAFFERTY, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

**NAYS:** Senators: BENNETT, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, MOORE, POULIOT, ROSEN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

**EXCUSED:** Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, BLACK, LAWRENCE

18 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 12 Senators having voted in the negative, with 4 Senators being excused, the motion by Senator **RAFFERTY** of York to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-769) **READ**.

House Amendment "A" (H-778) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-769) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-769) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-778) thereto, **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-769) AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-778)** thereto, in concurrence.

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**Divided Report**

The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act To Implement the Most Time-sensitive Recommendations of the Maine Climate Council" H.P. 1045 L.D. 1429

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-775)**.

Signed:

Senators:

BRENNER of Cumberland  
BENNETT of Oxford  
CARNEY of Cumberland

Representatives:

TUCKER of Brunswick  
BELL of Yarmouth  
BLUME of York  
BOYLE of Gorham  
DOUDERA of Camden  
GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach  
ZEIGLER of Montville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives:

HANLEY of Pittston  
O'CONNOR of Berwick  
TUELL of East Machias

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-775)**.

Reports **READ**.

Senator **BRENNER** of Cumberland moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Brenner.

Senator **BRENNER:** Thank you, Mr. President. I wish to speak to my motion. Pope Francis says that there can be no sincere and enduring resolution to the challenge of the ecological crisis and climate change unless the response is concerted and collective and unless the responsibility is shared and accountable,

unless we give priority to solidarity and service. Climate change is a global problem with grave implications that demands global, national, and local solutions. Thousands of them. But they must be linked to a goal and that's what this bill sets, a goal of carbon neutrality by 2045. Setting a goal in statute is a statement of solidarity. Maine's statutes list a number of goals, one of which I'm deeply familiar with on my committee, the solid waste hierarchy, and I see this as no different. Absolute tonnage reductions by sector, transportation, building, heating, industry generation are in the works. The measure of net carbon reduction compliments these goals by taking into account carbon encrustation by Maine's forests, agricultural, and wood industries. The reason for putting the carbon neutrality goal in statute is to coordinate planning between departments and between the State and private and quasi- public entities who are working together, gaining in the same direction along the same track. Mr. President, we probably won't agree on all the solutions for how to achieve this goal but I hope we can be of service together to Maine's people and set this goal in statute. Pope Francis also ties our most vulnerable to the story of climate change. Our most vulnerable industries in the state include agriculture, forestry, and fishing. Our heritage industries that define our grit and capacity, they rely on us to do our part to mitigate climate change. I urge you to vote to support embedding carbon neutrality into statute as a goal we're capable of achieving. Let's show Maine we can be united to protect the way life should be and, Mr. President, I request a division.

Same Senator requested a Division.

On motion by Senator **POULIOT** of Kennebec, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#592)**

YEAS: Senators: BENNETT, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, HICKMAN, LIBBY, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, MOORE, RAFFERTY, ROSEN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

NAYS: Senators: BLACK, CYRWAY, DAVIS, FARRIN, GUERIN, KEIM, POULIOT, SANBORN, STEWART, TIMBERLAKE, WOODSOME

EXCUSED: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, LAWRENCE

20 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 11 Senators having voted in the negative, with 3 Senators being excused, the motion by Senator **BRENNER** of Cumberland to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-775) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Sanborn.

Senator **SANBORN:** Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, I wish to make a statement on the record with regard to the last vote.

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Senator from Cumberland may proceed.

Senator **SANBORN:** Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, I voted in error on the last bill and had I pressed the correct button would have voted yea on the last bill. I apologize. Thank you.

On motion by Senator **BENNETT** of Oxford, the Senate **RECONSIDERED** whereby the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

On further motion by same Senator, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

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The Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Kennebec, Senator **HICKMAN**, and further excused the same Senator from today's Roll Call votes.

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The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

**ROLL CALL (#593)**

YEAS: Senators: BENNETT, BREEN, BRENNER, CARNEY, CHIPMAN, CLAXTON, CURRY, DAUGHTRY, DESCHAMBAULT, DIAMOND, DILL, LIBBY, MAXMIN, MIRAMANT, MOORE, RAFFERTY, ROSEN, SANBORN, VITELLI, PRESIDENT JACKSON

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EXCUSED: Senators: BAILEY, BALDACCI, HICKMAN, LAWRENCE

20 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 10 Senators having voted in the negative, with 4 Senators being excused, was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.