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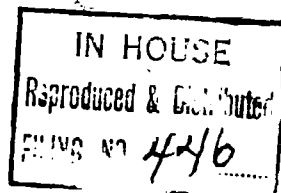
Senate Amendment "A" to H.P. 1707, L.D. 1432, Bill,  
"An Act to Amend the Act Providing for the Board of  
Commissioners of Police for the City of Augusta."

Amend said bill by striking out all of that part  
designated "Sec. 10" of Section 3 thereof, and inserting in  
place thereof the following:

'Sec. 10. Officers; demotion or removal. The commissioners shall have the power and authority to demote, lay off, suspend and remove officers of the police department for just cause and for reasons specifically given in writing to such officer within 24 hours of his demotion, lay off, suspension or removal, and they shall have the right to fill any vacancy thereby created. In all cases such department officer, should he request such in writing from said commissioners, shall be furnished with written specifications of the charges against him, and may request a public hearing, in which event a public hearing shall be granted by said commissioners to be held at such time and place as the commissioners shall designate, and said officer shall have the right of representation by counsel, if he desires, at said hearing. Said hearing shall be held upon written charges made by said commissioners or by the mayor of the city, or upon written charges being filed with said commissioners by 50 or more citizens of Augusta. Any such officer aggrieved by the decision of the commission after such public hearing, except in cases of demotion, shall have a right of appeal, if taken within 20 days thereof, to the superior court in equity for the county of Kennebec at the term thereof next to be held in said county, and the court on hearing shall lay off, suspend, remove or reinstate him. In cases of demotion any officer aggrieved by the decision of the commission, after public hearing, may within 20 days thereof, appeal to the Mayor and Council of the City of Augusta who, after reviewing the finding of said Commissioners shall demote or reinstate him.'

Name: *Cross* (Senator Cross)

County: Kennebec



In Senate Chamber,

MAY 7 1947  
Sent Down for Concurrence  
READ AND ADOPTED  
CHESTER T. WINSLOW  
SECRETARY