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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Roy W. Moody of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there is appropriated from the Legislative Appropriation the sum of \$100 to the special legislative recess committee to study the need for a bridge and causeway to Chebeague Island, Cumberland County, created by chapter 144 of the private and special laws of 1965, to defray the expenses of the committee in carrying out its duties (S. P. 713)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order was read and passed in concurrence.

Senate Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Providing a New Charter for the City of Lewiston" (S. P. 697) (L. D. 1790) reporting Leave to Withdraw.

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act relating to Expenses of Audit of District Court" (S. P. 621) (L. D. 1620) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

"A" to S. P. 621, L. D. 1620, Bill, "An Act Relating to Expenses of Audit of District Court."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 3rd line from the end (same in L. D. 1620) the underlined figure "50 per cent" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure '65 per cent'; and by striking out in the 2nd line from the end (3rd line in L. D. 1620) the underlined figure '20 percent'; and by striking out in the last line (next to last line in L. D. 1620) the underlined figure "20 per cent" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure '15 per cent'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Amended in Senate

Report of the Committee on State Government on Bill "An Act for Licensing Private Detectives and Watch, Guard and Patrol Agencies" (S. P. 675) (L. D. 1713) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and Senate Amendment "C".

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

"A" to S. P. 675, L. D. 1713, Bill, "An Act for Licensing Private Detectives and Watch, Guard and Patrol Agencies."

Amend said Bill in that part designated "Sec. 3802." by inserting after subsection 10 the following:

'11. Private business. Private guard or plant protection departments for any private business.'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "Sec. 3804." by inserting at the end of the next to the last paragraph, before the

period, the following: **'and the aggregate liability of the surety on any such bond shall not exceed the penal sum thereof'**

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence.

Senate Amendment "C" was read by the Clerk as follows:

SENATE AMENDMENT "C" to S. P. 675, L. D. 1713, Bill, "An Act for Licensing Private Detectives and Watch, Guard and Patrol Agencies."

Amend said Bill by inserting at the beginning of the first line the underlined abbreviation and figure **'Sec. 1.'**

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end, a new section, as follows:

'Sec. 2. Limitation. It is the intent of the Legislature that this Act shall not affect all private detectives appointed under Title 32, chapter 55, as it existed prior to the effective date of this Act and whose terms have not expired on the effective date of this Act.'

Senate Amendment "C" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Transportation reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Transportation of Disabled, Collision Damaged, Wrecked or Repossessed Highway Motor Vehicles" (S. P. 682) (L. D. 1720).

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. CAHILL of Somerset
SHIRO of Kennebec
MENDELL of Cumberland
— of the Senate.

Messrs. BEANE of Moscow
CROSBY of Kennebunk
KEYTE of Dexter
HUBER of Rockland
LEBEL of Van Buren
— of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following member:

Mr. BUSSIERE of Lewiston
— of the House.

Came from the Senate with the Reports and Bill referred to the 103rd Legislature.

In the House: Reports were read.

The Majority "Ought not to pass" Report was accepted in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

Divided Report

Report "A" of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Development of Swan Island" (S. P. 625) (L. D. 1603)

Report was signed by the following members:

Mr. BROWN of Hancock
— of the Senate.
Messrs. FAUCHER of Solon
BRAGDON of Perham
DUNN of Denmark
BIRT
of East Millinocket
— of the House.

Report "B" of same Committee on same Bill reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. HARDING of Aroostook
DUQUETTE of York
— of the Senate.
Messrs. JALBERT of Lewiston
HEALY of Portland
BISHOP of Presque Isle
— of the House.

Came from the Senate with Report "B" accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House: Reports were read.

On motion of Mr. Ross of Brownville, Report "B" "Ought to pass" was accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 625, L. D. 1603, Bill, "An Act Appropriating Funds for Development of Swan Island."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 9th line from the end (8th

line from the end in L. D. 1603) the words "the Unappropriated Surplus of"

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act Increasing Salary of Register of Deeds of Washington County" (H. P. 1253) (L. D. 1748) which was passed to be engrossed in the House on January 24.

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

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time would like to recognize in the balcony twenty-eight students of the 8th Grade Maine History class of Norridgewock, accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Clara Fitz, and their principal, Benjamin Hall. They are the guests of the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Stoutamyer. On behalf of the House, the Chair welcomes you and we hope that your visit will be both educational and enjoyable. (Applause)

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that all Acts and Resolves be reported out of Committee — with the exception of the State Employees Pay Raise Bill — not later than 4 P. M. Wednesday, January 26, 1966 (S. P. 715)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order was read and passed in concurrence.

Orders

Mr. Cote of Lewiston presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Research Committee is directed to study the subject matter of that part of Legislative Document No. 1789 relating to secondary mortgage loans, introduced at the first spe-

cial session of the 102nd Legislature, to determine whether the best interests of the State would be served by the enactment of such legislation; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Committee report the results of its study to the 103rd Legislature. (H. P. 1291)

The Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McKinnon of South Portland, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston, be excused from attendance for the duration of his illness.

On motion of Mr. Hanson of Gardiner, it was

ORDERED, that James Key of Gorham State College, and Donald Moody of Gardiner, be appointed to serve as Honorary Pages for today.

The SPEAKER: James Key is a resident of Gorham, attending Gorham State College, and Donald Moody is a resident of Gardiner, attending the University of Maine and he is the son of Reverend Moody who offered the prayer this morning. We hope that you will enjoy your duties as Pages this day. (Applause)

On motion of the gentlewoman from Guilford, Mrs. White, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session in order to permit smoking.

House Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw

Mr. Gaudreau from the Committee on Retirements and Pensions on Bill "An Act to Liberalize Credit for Out-of-State Service for Teachers under State Retirement Law" (H. P. 1225) (L. D. 1706) reported Leave to Withdraw.

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Covered by Other Legislation

Mr. Bishop from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Making Appropriations for Salary Increases for Certain Employees of the Department of Education" (H. P. 1200) (L. D. 1668) reported

Leave to Withdraw as covered by other legislation.

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

Mr. Jalbert from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Providing Funds for the Construction of a Sailing Vessel for Exhibition at the 1967 World's Fair at Montreal, Canada" (H. P. 1274) (L. D. 1775)

Report was read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Moscow, Mr. Beane.

Mr. BEANE: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: L. D. 1775 is a bill to provide an exciting and novel exhibit for the Montreal World's Fair, a genuine authentic schooner. I have been warned that the schooner bill would be torpedoed, but I didn't realize that it would be scuttled. Although I know that the Appropriations Committee has the final say, I would like to make a motion to enable the bill to be discussed on the Floor of the House. I now move that the bill be substituted for the Report, and when the vote is taken, I request a division.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Moscow, Mr. Beane, moves that we substitute the Bill for the Report.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Paris, Mr. Hammond.

Mr. HAMMOND: Mr. Speaker, I am obliged to oppose this motion. We have a fine ship existing now that could do this job far better. We have the State of Maine training ship, an imposing vessel manned by trained people, well organized and disciplined and furthermore, the expense of this vessel is paid to an extent by the Federal Government. I don't think that a schooner would be a very imposing thing in Canada. Schooners are old hat in Canada. Canada built some of the finest and fastest schooners that the world has ever seen. I think that we would do far better if we could order a visit to the scene,

to this area, by our State of Maine training ship. They have been ambassadors of good will for the State of Maine all over the world.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Anderson.

Mr. ANDERSON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I wonder if we realize that the initial cost of this ship would be just a drop in the bucket compared to the impact of maintenance to keep this wooden vessel of these dimensions afloat. Mr. Speaker, I now move indefinite postponement of this bill and all accompanying papers.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House now is the motion of the gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Anderson, that this bill and its accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Edwards.

Mr. EDWARDS: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I move this matter be tabled until the next legislative day.

The SPEAKER: The question now before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Edwards, that this matter be tabled until tomorrow.

Mr. Boissonneau of Westbrook requested a division.

The SPEAKER: A division has been requested. All those in favor of this matter being tabled until tomorrow will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Sixty-three having voted in the affirmative and sixty-four having voted in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

The SPEAKER: The question now before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Anderson, that this bill and its accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed. All those in favor of indefinite postponement will say aye; those opposed, no.

Mr. Beane of Moscow requested a division.

The SPEAKER: A division has been requested. All those in favor of this bill and its accompanying papers being indefinitely postponed will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had. Ninety-five having voted in the affirmative and twenty-seven having voted in the negative, the motion did prevail.

Sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time would like to recognize the presence in the gallery of the House 45 students of the senior class of Newport High School, accompanied by their teachers, Mr. LeBlanc and Mr. Morin and the bus driver, Mr. Pushor. They are the guests of the gentleman from Newport, Mr. Bradstreet.

On behalf of the House the Chair welcomes you and we hope that your visit will be both educational and enjoyable. (Applause)

Referred to Next Legislature

Mr. Bishop from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Redefining Aid for Public Assistance Purposes" (H. P. 1229) (L. D. 1724) reported that it be referred to the 103rd Legislature.

(Reconsidered later in the day's session and tabled and specially assigned for tomorrow.)

Mr. Jalbert from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Time and a Half Overtime Payment for State Employees" (H. P. 1284) (L. D. 1792)

Reports were read and accepted, the Bills referred to the 103rd Legislature, and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. D'Alfonso from the Committee on Public Utilities reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Aiding Agencies Furnishing Mass Bus Transportation Services Within Municipalities" (H. P. 1234) (L. D. 1729).

Mr. Drigotas from the Committee on Taxation reported same

on Bill "An Act relating to Tax on Harness and Running Horse Racing" (H. P. 1249) (L. D. 1744)

Reports were read and accepted, the Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Bishop from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Resolve Appropriating Funds for Constructing a Day School for the Mentally Retarded in Northern Maine (H. P. 1266) (L. D. 1761) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Resolve read once.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
"A" to H. P. 1266, L. D. 1761, Resolve Appropriating Funds for Constructing a Day School for the Mentally Retarded in Northern Maine.

Amend said Resolve by striking out everything after the Title, except the Statement of Facts, and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Appropriation. Resolved: There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Aroostook Association for Retarded Children, a nonprofit corporation, the sum of \$73,500. Said funds shall be used for the construction of a day school. Available federal matching funds shall be utilized. The breakdown of expenditure shall be as follows:

1965-66

AROOSTOOK ASSOCIATION

FOR RETARDED CHILDREN

All Other \$73,500 ;

and be it further

Resolves, 1965, c. 84, repealed. Resolved: That chapter 84 of the resolves of 1965 is repealed.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Tabled Later in Today's Session

Mr. Bishop from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Appropriating Moneys for Recon-

struction of Dismukes Hall, Maine Maritime Academy" (H. P. 1281) (L. D. 1787) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1281, L. D. 1787, Bill, "An Act Appropriating Moneys for Reconstruction of Dismukes Hall, Maine Maritime Academy."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Maine Maritime Academy; appropriation for. There is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$12,000 to the Maine Maritime Academy for the following purposes:

Dismukes Hall	
Roof repairs —	
South Wing	\$5,000
Painting	5,000
Contingency (re	
above items)	2,000
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Total	\$12,000

All invoices are to be submitted to the State Controller for payment. This appropriation shall not lapse until June 30, 1967. The breakdown of expenditure shall be as follows:

MAINE MARITIME
ACADEMY

	1965-66	1966-67
All Other	\$12,000	—

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

(On motion of Mr. Healy of Portland, tabled pending adoption of Committee Amendment "A" and assigned for later in today's session.)

Mr. Healy from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Adjusting Appropriations for Aroostook and Washington State Colleges for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1966 and June 30, 1967" (H. P. 1198) (L. D. 1666) reported "Ought to

pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1198, L. D. 1666, Bill, "An Act Adjusting Appropriations for Aroostook and Washington State Colleges for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1966 and June 30, 1967."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of sections 1 and 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Transfers authorized. From the moneys made available under the private and special laws of 1965, chapters 78 and 159, as shown in the following schedule, the following transfers are hereby authorized. The number of authorized permanent positions for the respective colleges by the aforesaid private and special laws, chapters 78 and 159, shall be reduced by the number of positions shown in parentheses immediately preceding the amounts of dollar reductions in personal services.

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF		1965-66	1966-67
Aroostook State College			
Personal			
Services (5) (\$14,249)		(5)	(\$15,920)
All Other		14,249	15,920
Washington State College			
Personal			
Services (4) (\$12,060)		(4)	(\$12,320)
All Other		12,060	12,320

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Mr. Jalbert from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Appropriating Moneys to Carry Out Duties of the Legislative Research Committee" (H. P. 1204) (L. D. 1672) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
 "A" to H. P. 1204, L. D. 1672, Bill, "An Act Appropriating Monneys to Carry Out Duties of the Legislative Research Committee."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause, except the emergency clause, and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Legislative Research Committee; appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative Research Committee the sum of \$40,250 to carry out the duties and functions of the office of the Legislative Research Committee. The breakdown of expenditures shall be as follows:

	1965-66	1966-67
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMITTEE		
Personal		
Services (1)	\$ 8,650 (1)	\$15,100
All Other	6,500	9,000
Capital		
Expenditures	1,000	—
	<hr/> \$16,150	<hr/> \$24,100'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Mr. Jalbert from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Providing for Longevity Pay for State Department Officers Whose Salaries are Fixed by Statute" (H. P. 1205) (L. D. 1673) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
 "A" to H. P. 1205, L. D. 1673, Bill, "An Act Providing for Longevity Pay for State Department Officers Whose Salaries are Fixed by Statute."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the first line (Same in L. D. 1673) the underlined abbreviation and figure "**Sec. 1.**"

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of section 2.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Mr. Jalbert from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Time Limitation on Exempting Liquor Bottled or Manufactured in Maine from Additional Taxes" (H. P. 1259) (L. D. 1754) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
 "A" to H. P. 1259, L. D. 1754, Bill, "An Act Relating to Time Limitation on Exempting Liquor Bottled or Manufactured in Maine from Additional Taxes."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

"P. L., 1965, c. 438, Sec. 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 438 of the public laws of 1965 is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Limitation. This Act shall remain in effect until June 30, **September 3, 1966.'**"

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Mr. Richardson from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act relating to Collisions Involving Fire Department Vehicles" (H. P. 1184) (L. D. 1652) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
 "A" to H. P. 1184, L. D. 1652, Bill, "An Act Relating to Collisions Involving Fire Department Vehicles."

Amend said Bill in the 6th line (5th line in L. D. 1652) by striking out the words "a collision" and inserting in place thereof the following: 'a collision'; and by inserting after the stricken out word and punctuation "person," in the 6th line (same in L. D. 1652) the underlined words and punctu-

ation 'any accident or mishap, whether or not a collision occurs.'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Mr. Cote from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Limited Electrician's Licenses and Funds for State Electrical Inspection" (H. P. 1277) (L. D. 1784) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
"A" to H. P. 1277, L. D. 1784, Bill, "An Act Relating to Limited Electrician's Licenses and Funds for State Electrical Inspection."

Amend said Bill by inserting before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the present law relating to electricians has created many unjust hardships by not providing for a limited electrician's license; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to enable many people, who formerly performed electricians' work, to obtain a limited license and therefore aid themselves in earning a livelihood; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Sec. 1. R. S., T. 32, Sec. 1101, sub-Sec. 7, additional. Section 1101 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 385 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended by adding a

new subsection 7, to read as follows:

"7. Limited License. A limited electrician's license to install and service the electrical work related to a specific type of electrically operated equipment or to specific electrical installations shall be granted only to a person who held a limited license on or before September 3, 1955. Such licenses shall expire on June 30th of each year and may be renewed thereafter for periods of one year without further examination upon the payment of a fee of \$5. It shall specify the name of such person who shall be limited to engage in the occupation of installing and servicing the electrical work related to the type of equipment or to specific electrical installations only authorized by this license."

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act to Authorize the Department of Health and Welfare to Initiate a Food Stamp Program" (H. P. 1252) (L. D. 1747) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. DUQUETTE of York
HARDING of Aroostook
BROWN of Hancock
— of the Senate.

Messrs. JALBERT of Lewiston
FAUCHER of Solon
BIRT of East Millinocket
BISHOP of Presque Isle
HEALY of Portland
— of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. DUNN of Denmark

BRADGON of Perham

— of the House.

Reports were read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hollis, Mr. Harriman.

Mr. HARRIMAN: Mr. Speaker, I move that we accept the Minority Report and I would like to speak to my motion.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. HARRIMAN: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: This bill authorizing the food stamp program only asks the State of Maine to put in the amount of approximately \$35,000 to get a million and a half of Federal funds for the Androscoggin County.

Now it so happens that I believe, and I think a lot of other people believe with me, that we should not accept all Federal programs just because we can bring a lot of our own money back into the State. This particular program, I would like to give you a few details regarding the same. Eligibility, number 1. Now rather than quote from the original bill, I am going to quote from a pamphlet put out by the Department of Agriculture. "Who is eligible. Families and individuals determined by State welfare agencies to be in economic need of food assistance may elect to participate in the Food Stamp Program. Generally, those receiving some type of public or general assistance under a State's welfare program are eligible, as long as they are living in a household or prepare food for home consumption." But here is the important part: "Other families may also be eligible if their income does not exceed stated amounts."

Now I know through research done five and six months ago that there is no limitation on the amount of net income, and this bill is based on net income, that an individual may earn and still be eligible to receive assistance under this program. The tables that have been put out in other

states go as high as a net income of \$399.00 a month on the table. They further set up that you can get \$4.00 for every \$30.00, I believe it is, over and above this amount of income up to no ceiling that I can find in the bill. The program works in this manner. Assuming that I am getting we will say \$160 a month. I can take \$40.00 of this and I can go to the Department of Agriculture office which they will have in Androscoggin County and I can get \$80.00 worth of food stamps. These in turn I can take to my grocer and I can swap for all types of food except you cannot get tobacco and luxury items, beer, imported foods, imported meats, which the government on one hand has asked us to support, and on the other hand they say you can't use them. This goes in brackets, as I have said, all the way up to \$400.00 a month. These stamps in turn after spent at the retailer go to the Federal Reserve Bank or any bank designated by the agency, they in turn give them to the Federal Reserve and get face value.

Now we are going to set up three more people in the Welfare Department which is going to cost \$35,000 a year. We are going to have a Department of Agriculture office somewhere in the county which Dr. Fisher says will employ one person. I asked him what this person will do, and he said check the retail stores who have these stamp programs. Well, one person in the Department of Agriculture office in Androscoggin will not be able to check the stores. There probably will be four. At least that was my understanding six months ago when the program was given on this at Poland Spring.

Now here are some of the things that you can't do, and you can draw your own conclusions as to whether or not one person is going to be able to police all the grocers there are in Androscoggin County. You can't accept food stamp coupons before they are authorized; you can't accept cancelled or endorsed coupons; you can't accept loose \$2.00 coupons;

you can't accept them of course for alcoholic beverages; you can't accept coupons as I said before for imported foods; you can't accept them for non-food items; you can't give cash, you have got to give credit slips if for more than 49 cents; you can't accept them for back bills, which is the way it should be of course; you can give cancelled or endorsed 50 cent coupons and of course you can't accept coupons for bottles or other container deposits. And there is another list here on the other side of about twenty other items.

Now there is a million and a half dollars allocated to Androscoggin County. We are going to maintain an office in the Welfare Department; we are going to maintain one in the Department of Agriculture. According to Dr. Fisher this million and a half dollars will be allocated to 3,000 families, approximately 12,000 people figuring four to a family. That means that one out of every seven people in Androscoggin County will be under this program. Well that seems fine, but to carry it further, you ask Dr. Fisher what happens if this is a success in Androscoggin County; he says it will be extended to all the other counties in the State. I think in basic theory perhaps it is all right to some people, but to me it is not.

I can see people who have eight children getting a net income of \$4800 a year or \$6,000 a year being good managers and getting by all right; I can see other people who are poor managers who would come under the stamp plan. I can see their neighbors that are working hard to make a living seeing their neighbors getting food stamps, and eventually they are going to get on the program; they are going to say well, I might as well get the money too. I think it will spread to other counties. I don't think it is a good program for the State of Maine. I don't think it will create self-respect. I think it will kill motivation for a lot of people and I would like to see the bill defeated.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is the motion of

the gentleman from Hollis, Mr. Harriman, that we accept the Minority "Ought not to pass" Report.

Mr. Levesque of Madawaska requested a division.

The SPEAKER: A division has been requested. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Bishop.

Mr. BISHOP: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I would like to mention one more reason why I favored this bill in addition to the fact that \$35,000 of state money will generate a million and a half dollars brought into the State of Maine, and that reason is this, that you are all aware of the dissatisfaction that there has been with the surplus foods distribution program because of the heavy burden of administrative details that is laid on the municipalities. Now this is an attempt by the Federal Government to work out a new program, a new policy, and they looked for an opportunity to put in a pilot program in Maine. It happened that Androscoggin County fitted the specifications for the area that they wanted to use, the number of families, 3,000, and the fact that it was convenient to the State Capitol and other things. I believe that we have an obligation here, not to mention the fifty to one return that we get, I think we have an obligation here to participate with the Federal Government to see if this is a workable program because this is important to the Country as a whole.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hollis, Mr. Harriman.

Mr. HARRIMAN: Mr. Speaker, this program, when originally set up was supposed to take care of the food surpluses in the seven basic commodities. It has since been expanded so that it covers everything as you will see reading the bill, and what is so-called surplus may be what the store manager puts up in his market as a list. It could be anything.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from East Milinocket, Mr. Birt.

Mr. BIRT: Mr. Speaker, at the presentation that was made before the Appropriations Committee, Dr. Fisher gave a very excellent explanation of this program, many of the points of which the Chairman of the Committee, the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Bishop has explained out.

This stamp plan could eventually replace the surplus food plan and as it was pointed out there, it could be a very excellent program to improve the dietary conditions of many of the people who are living on sub-standard programs.

I would also like to point out that this is a part of the Governor's program, that he stressed this in his message the first of the week, and I certainly would support the passage of this bill.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Hollis, Mr. Harriman, that we accept the Minority "Ought not to pass" Report, and the gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque has requested a division.

All those in favor of accepting the Minority "Ought not to pass" Report will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Thirty-two having voted in the affirmative and ninety-four having voted in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

Thereupon, the Majority "Ought to pass" Report was accepted and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1252, L. D. 1747, Bill, "An Act to Authorize the Department of Health and Welfare to Initiate a Food Stamp Program."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the first 7 lines (first 5 lines in L. D. 1747) and inserting in place thereof the following:

Health and Welfare; appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Welfare the sum of \$34,730 for the purposes of initiating a limited food stamp program in cooperation with the Federal Department of Agricul-

ture. The breakdown of expenditures shall be as follows:

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Towns and Counties reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Creating a Third Assistant County Attorney for Cumberland County" (H. P. 1240) (L. D. 1735)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. CASEY of Washington
BERNARD of Penobscot
GIRARD of Androscoggin
—of the Senate.

Mrs. KILROY of Portland

Messrs. CROMMETT
—of Millinocket
SULLIVAN of Portland
—of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. WIGHT of Presque Isle
HAMMOND of Paris
BUSSIÈRE of Lewiston
FARRINGTON of China
—of the House.

Reports were read.

The Majority "Ought to pass" Report was accepted, the Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned.

The SPEAKER: At this time the Chair will request the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort the gentlewoman from Bangor, Mrs. Ruby, to the rostrum for the purpose of acting as Speaker pro tem.

Thereupon, Mrs. Ruby assumed the Chair as Speaker pro tem and Speaker Childs retired from the Hall.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Pertaining to the Renovation and Use of the Internal Revenue Service Building" (S. P. 680) (L. D. 1718)

Bill "An Act to Clarify State Aid for School Construction Purposes" (S. P. 712) (L. D. 1794)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading,

read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Third Reader Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act relating to Weight Tolerances of Vehicles Loaded with Wood Chips" (H. P. 1258) (L. D. 1753)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and read the third time.

(On motion of Mr. Edwards of Portland, tabled pending passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for tomorrow.)

At this point, Speaker Childs returned to the rostrum.

SPEAKER CHILDS: The Chair at this time would like to thank the gentlewoman from Bangor, Mrs. Ruby, for serving as Speaker pro tem and for the excellent job that she did.

Thereupon, the Sergeant-at-Arms escorted the gentlewoman from Bangor, Mrs. Ruby, to her seat on the Floor, amid the applause of the House, and Speaker Childs resumed the Chair.

Third Reader Amended

Bill "An Act Converting Allagash Plantation into the Town of Allagash and Converting St. Francis Plantation into the Town of Allagash" (H. P. 1289) (L. D. 1795)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and read the third time.

The **SPEAKER:** The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Eagle Lake, Mr. Martin.

Mr. MARTIN: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I am sure by this time that you have noticed the error not only in the title but in the bill. Therefore, it is with a great deal of pleasure that I offer House Amendment "A" to L. D. 1795 and move its adoption.

Thereupon, House Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1289, L. D. 1795, Bill, "An Act Converting Allagash Plantation into the Town of Allagash

and Converting St. Francis Plantation into the Town of Allagash."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the Title the last word "Allagash" before the period at the end and inserting in place thereof the word 'St. Francis'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of the headnote of section 4 and also by striking out all of the first sentence of section 4 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 4. Town of St. Francis, incorporated. St. Francis Plantation, with the inhabitants therein, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of St. Francis.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out in the 5th line of section 5 (same in L. D. 1795) the figure "1967" and inserting in place thereof the figure '1966'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of the first paragraph of section 6 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, sections 4 to 6 of this Act shall take effect when approved only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters within the territory embraced within the limits of said proposed Town of St. Francis, voting by ballot at an election to be specially called and held for the purpose within 7 months of the effective date of sections 4 to 6 of this Act. The meeting shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, that the board of assessors in said proposed Town of St. Francis shall not be required to prepare for posting, nor the plantation clerk to post, a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters, said board shall be in session on the day of election and on such additional days thereto as they may determine. The plantation clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of sections 4 to 6 of this Act to the following question: "Shall 'An Act Converting St. Francis Plantation into the Town of St. Francis,' passed by the 102nd Legislature in special

session be accepted?" The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. Upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting, sections 4 to 6 of this Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof at the annual meeting in March, 1966; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of sections 4 to 6 of this Act at said meeting equaled or exceeded 50% of the total number of the qualified voters within said territory.'

House Amendment "A" was adopted, the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

Amended Bills

Bill "An Act relating to Distribution of Railroad Stock Tax to the City of Bangor" (S. P. 653) (L. D. 1621)

Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for the Completion of the Zoology Building at the University of Maine" (S. P. 684) (L. D. 1722)

Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Administration of Bureau of Public Administration at University of Maine" (H. P. 1182) (L. D. 1650)

Bill "An Act to Provide Funds for the Purchase of Psychiatric Drugs for the Department of Mental Health and Corrections, Augusta State Hospital" (H. P. 1208) (L. D. 1676)

Bill "An Act to Implement the State Technical Services Act" (H. P. 1241) (L. D. 1736)

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Moneys for Reconstruction of the McLellan House at Gorham State College" (H. P. 1246) (L. D. 1741)

Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Eye Care and Special Services Division, Department of Health and Welfare" (H. P. 1263) (L. D. 1758)

Bill "An Act Appropriating Moneys for Salary Increases for Maine Maritime Academy Personnel" (H. P. 1279) (L. D. 1785)

Bill "An Act Appropriating Moneys for Relocation and Conversion of Dispensary at Maine

Maritime Academy" (H. P. 1280) (L. D. 1786)

Resolve Providing Funds for State Archives Program (S. P. 645) (L. D. 1637)

Resolve Authorizing Anthony M. Look and the A. M. Look Canning Company to Sue the State of Maine (H. P. 1243) (L. D. 1738)

Resolve Providing Funds for Reimbursement of Fire Costs and for Estimated Fire Costs (H. P. 1265) (L. D. 1760)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, Bills read the third time, Resolves read the second time, all passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to Reconstitute School Administrative District No. 17" (S. P. 670) (L. D. 1703)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "B" and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Portland, Mrs. Carswell.

Mrs. CARSWELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I move that we reconsider our action on item 4 on page 3, Bill "An Act Redefining Aid for Public Assistance Purposes," House Paper 1229, L. D. 1724. I move that we reconsider our action whereby we accepted the Committee Report and referred this to the next legislature, and I would like to speak briefly to the motion.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentlewoman from Portland, Mrs. Carswell, that we reconsider our action on item 4 on page 3 which was referred to the 103rd Legislature. The gentlewoman may proceed.

Mrs. CARSWELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This item is an item that I presented in the regular session. It appeared in the Governor's emergency message at this special session. I understand, from a member of

the Appropriations Committee, that there is a possibility that we may be able to get \$200,000 for a pilot project if an amendment is drawn up. Therefore, I make this move for reconsideration.

Thereupon, the House voted to reconsider its action of earlier in the day whereby the Bill was referred to the 103rd Legislature.

On further motion of the same gentlewoman, the Bill was tabled pending acceptance of the Report and specially assigned for tomorrow.

Passed to Be Enacted Emergency Measure

An Act Appropriating Moneys for the Continuing Activities of the Committee on Aging (S. P. 610) (L. D. 1624)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 132 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act relating to the Powers of Trust Companies (S. P. 615) (L. D. 1606)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 138 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act Appropriating Funds for the Establishment of a Speech and Hearing Referral and Training Center at Farmington State College (S. P. 629) (L. D. 1639)

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

emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 137 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act relating to the State Valuation Used in the Educational Subsidy Computation for the Town of Dedham (S. P. 634) (L. D. 1623)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 134 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act relating to the Effective Date for the Tenth Justice of the Superior Court (S. P. 656) (L. D. 1602)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 135 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act Appropriating Funds for Increased Staff at the Bangor State Hospital (S. P. 676) (L. D. 1714)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 134 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by

the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act to Incorporate the Seal Cove Water District (H. P. 1177) (L. D. 1645)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 134 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act Appropriating Funds for Additional State Police Officers (H. P. 1264) (L. D. 1759)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 134 voted in favor of same and 4 against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bond Issue

Tabled Until Later in Today's Session

An Act to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds in the Amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars on Behalf of the State of Maine to Construct an Office Building for the State Highway Commission (H. P. 1194) (L. D. 1662)

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

(On motion of Mr. Starbird of Kingman Township, tabled pending passage to be enacted and assigned for later in today's session.)

Finally Passed Constitutional Amendment

Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Affect-

ing the Apportionment of the State Senate (S. P. 624) (L. D. 1630)

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Milbridge, Mr. Kennedy.

Mr. KENNEDY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: This amendment has bipartisan agreement and this is the reapportionment bill, and because of this fact I urge all Republicans to support this measure.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque.

Mr. LEVESQUE: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I think probably this morning we have before us something that is somewhat historical where a two-party system before us has been able to come up with something that is satisfactory to both the majority and the minority party. I think it behooves every individual in the State of Maine that has got a right to vote to make sure that that right is exercised, and to make sure that this right is exercised and that he derives the most and the best benefits as far as State Government is concerned. I think we of the 102nd Legislature have arrived at something that we started out with as something as expected, but never leaving the door closed for an area of compromise. And I think at this time we of the Majority Party and as signified by the gentleman from Milbridge, Mr. Kennedy, of the Minority Party, that as a party they also want to join us in making sure that the people of the State of Maine will receive their one vote for one person. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Berry.

Mr. BERRY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This is truly an historic occasion, and I am sure it gives a great deal of satisfaction to every member of both parties to be a means of bringing to the people of the State of Maine a truly democratic mea-

sure which follows the time-honored and accepted principle of our country of one vote, one man.

The matter of Senate apportionment is something that this House spent a great deal of time upon during its regular session. I think the members of the Majority Party are to be congratulated, sincerely, for their willingness to support this historic step.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kingman Township, Mr. Starbird.

Mr. STARBIRD: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Most of you know I served on the Interim Committee and I have been on the State Government Committee all during the regular session and this session, a special session; that quite a lot of work we had throughout both sessions on this reapportionment business. I feel proud that I had a chance to participate in this historic time. I would like to congratulate all members of the State Government Committee who have helped bring this about. I would like to congratulate the members of the Interim Committee on State Government for the discussions we had, for the ideas offered. I would like to thank the people that volunteered at their own expense to come to our public hearings and offer their ideas and their plans. I hope that we all—probably not all of us, but I hope that all of us will be satisfied with the outcome. I think that ultimately it will be for the good of the whole of us. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bath, Mr. Ross.

Mr. ROSS: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Since I once served in that other honorable body, and since I come from a one-Senator county, Sagadahoc, I was always apprehensive for fear that the smaller counties would lose their identity. Last spring on the Floor of this House I expressed that concern, but after careful reconsideration, and in fairness to all of our voters throughout the State, I feel that we must now abide by the one man, one vote edict, and I believe that the most

logical approach to this is by districts.

We must remember today that we are not setting up the districts now, we are just approving a plan or formula, and I now wholeheartedly support this Constitutional Amendment and I urge the final passage of this resolve.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Edwards.

Mr. EDWARDS: Mr. Speaker, I request that when the vote is taken it be taken by the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Healy.

Mr. HEALY: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Out of deference to our Majority Leader, Mr. Levesque from Madawaska, I would hope that the Minority Party would join us in November.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Glenburn, Mr. Cookson.

Mr. COOKSON: Mr. Speaker, I only want to say that I hope such harmony exists when the districts are formed.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question? The question before the House is on final passage. This being a Constitutional Amendment, a two-thirds vote of the House is necessary. The gentleman from Portland, Mr. Edwards, has requested that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays. For the Chair to order the yeas and nays it must have the expressed desire of one-fifth of the members present. All those in favor of having the vote taken by the yeas and nays will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A sufficient number arose.

The SPEAKER: Obviously, more than one-fifth having arisen, the yeas and nays are in order.

The question before the House is final passage of this Constitutional Amendment. If you are in favor of final passage of this Constitutional Amendment you will answer yea or yes when your name is called. If you are opposed to the final passage of this

Constitutional Amendment you will answer nay or no when your name is called. The Clerk will call the roll.

Roll Call

YEA — Anderson, Avery, Baker of Orrington; Baker of Winthrop; Baldic, Beane, Benson of Mechanic Falls; Benson of Southwest Harbor; Berry, Binnette, Birt, Bishop, Blouin, Boissonneau, Bourgoin, Bradstreet, Bragdon, Brennan, Brewer, Buck, Burnham, Burwell, Carroll, Carswell, Carter, Champagne, Conley, Cookson, Cornell, Cote, Cottrell, Cressey, Crommett, Crosby, Curran, Cushing, D'Alfonso, Danton, Davis, Dickinson, Dostie, Doyle, Drigotas, Drouin, Dudley, Dunn, Edwards, Erwin, Eustis, Evans, Farrington, Faucher, Fecteau, Fortier, Fraser of Mexico; Fraser of Rumford; Gaudreau, Gauvin, Gifford, Gilbert, Gillan, Glazier, Graham, Hammond, Hanson of Gardiner; Hanson of Lebanon; Harriman, Harvey of Bangor; Harvey of Windham; Harvey of Woolwich; Haugen, Hawes, Hawkes, Haynes, Healy, Hoy, Huber, Hunter of Clinton; Hunter of Durham; Jewell, Jordan, Kennedy, Keyte, Kilroy, Kittredge, Laberge, Lang, Lebel, Lent, Levesque, Lewis, Libhart, Lincoln, Littlefield, Lund, Lycette, Martin, McKinnon, Meisner, Mosher, Nadeau, Norton, O'Gara, Palmer, Payson, Peaslee, Pendergast, Pike, Poulin, Prince, Rackliff, Richardson of Cumberland; Richardson of Stonington; Roberts, Ross of Bath; Ross of Brownville; Roy, Ruby, Sahagian, Scott, Searles, Starbird, Sullivan, Susi, Waltz, Ward, Watts, Wheeler, White of Guilford; Whittier, Wight of Presque Isle; Wood, Wuori, Young, Speaker Childs.

NAY — Bedard, Berman, Busiere, Dumont, Gauthier, Lowery, Mills, Mitchell, Stoutamyer.

ABSENT — Jalbert, Katz, Lane, Millay, Sawyer, Storm, Truman.

Yes, 135; No, 9; Absent, 7.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will announce the vote. One hundred thirty-five having voted in the af-

firmative, nine having voted in the negative, one hundred and thirty-five being more than two-thirds of one hundred and forty-four, this Constitutional Amendment has been finally passed. It will be signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Is there objection to this matter being sent forthwith to the Senate? The Chair hears none. It will be done. (Prolonged Applause, the members rising)

Mr. Sullivan of Portland was granted unanimous consent to briefly address the House.

Mr. SULLIVAN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I want to congratulate those nine who had the courage, the intestinal fortitude to vote nay, led by my distant cousin, Representative Berman. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will instruct the Clerk to make note of the gentleman's congratulations.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act to Authorize the Commissioner of Mental Health and Corrections to Purchase Real Estate for Assistant Superintendent's Residence at Boys Training Center and Appropriating Funds for the Improvement Thereof (S. P. 616) (L. D. 1629)

An Act to Appropriate Moneys for the Expenditures of State Government (S. P. 618) (L. D. 1613)

An Act relating to the Staff of Vocational Rehabilitation (S. P. 628) (L. D. 1608)

An Act to Reconstitute School Administrative District No. 38 (S. P. 642) (L. D. 1599)

An Act for Shrinkage Allowance on Motor Fuel for Service Stations (H. P. 1218) (L. D. 1686)

An Act Appropriating Additional Funds for Alcoholism Services (H. P. 1220) (L. D. 1688)

An Act to Provide Special Administrative Positions in the Department of Health and Welfare (H. P. 1233) (L. D. 1728)

An Act to Correct an Error and Inconsistency in the Maine Housing Authorities Act (H. P. 1238) (L. D. 1733)

An Act Clarifying Merger and Guaranty Capital Voting Rights in Domestic Mutual Companies (H. P. 1242) (L. D. 1737)

An Act Providing for Cost of Living Plan for Retired Employees of Cumberland County or Beneficiaries of Same (H. P. 1245) (L. D. 1740)

An Act Exempting Municipalities from Financial Responsibility for Medical Care in Aid to Dependent Children (H. P. 1250) (L. D. 1745)

An Act to Authorize the Department of Health and Welfare to Collect Fees for Services (H. P. 1251) (L. D. 1746)

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

Orders of the Day

The Chair laid before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act relating to Credit for Military Service Under State Retirement Law." (S. P. 673) (L. D. 1711) (Committee Amendment "A" S-368)

Tabled—January 25, by Mrs. Carswell of Portland.

Pending—Motion of Mr. Pendergast of Kennebunkport to Indefinitely Postpone.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kennebunkport, Mr. Pendergast.

Mr. PENDERGAST: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I would speak briefly to my motion. L. D. 1711 is a poorly written law. For instance, under a., what is the definition of the word induction? Does this mean only the draftees? How about the veterans who enlisted? Are they included in this bill or not?

I would also like to point out that L. D. 1133 in the regular session last year was vetoed by the Governor, and in his message he pointed out that this bill would cost \$500,000 per year. It is estimated that L. D. 1711 currently before us would cost \$50,000 a year minimum. The retirement system is currently being reviewed by the Legislative Research Committee. This committee has em-

ployed an independent actuarial firm to make recommendations to improve this retirement system. I believe L. D. 1711 should be specifically referred to them for recommendation. I would hope that some member in the House would table this bill.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Gaudreau of Lewiston, tabled pending the motion of Mr. Pendergast to indefinitely postpone and tomorrow assigned.

The Chair laid before the House the second tabled and today assigned matter:

An Act Establishing Legislative Finance Office as Secretariat for Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. (H. P. 1257) (L. D. 1752) (House Amendment "A" H-455)

Tabled—January 25, by Mr. Birt of East Millinocket.

Pending—Passage to be Enacted.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Birt of East Millinocket, the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

House at Ease

Called to order by the Speaker.

The Chair laid before the House the third tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act Providing Convenience and Advantage for Loan Companies and Small Loan Agencies." (S. P. 606) (L. D. 1619) (Committee Amendment "A" S-357) (House Amendment "A" H-462)

Tabled—January 25, by Mr. Libhart of Brewer.

Pending—Adoption of House Amendment "A."

On motion of Mr. Ross of Brownville, retabled pending adoption of House Amendment "A" and assigned for later in today's session.

The Chair laid before the House the fourth tabled and today assigned matter:

An Act relating to Interstate Conferences and Compacts with the Maine Milk Commission. (S.

P. 672) (L. D. 1710) (Committee Amendment "A" S-350) (Emergency)

Tabled—January 25, by Mr. Ross of Bath.

Pending—Passage to be Enacted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bath, Mr. Ross.

Mr. ROSS: Mr. Speaker, I now move that this item be passed to be enacted.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bath, Mr. Ross, now moves that this matter be passed to be enacted.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Turner, Mr. Gilbert.

Mr. GILBERT: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I will apologize for apparently being asleep yesterday, which I actually wasn't. I was studying a redraft of a bill and my reflexes couldn't keep up with the Speaker's hammer. However, this is merely permissive legislation which came out of a study which the dairymen and the Commissioner of Agriculture have been conducting. At a meeting they had last summer there were people from states as far away as Georgia who came and spoke about different marketing regulations and controls they had in the various states, and how our various problems could be controlled.

At the present time we have milk crossing our state lines going in both directions, and because it crosses state lines it becomes interstate commerce and therefore is immune to producer controls at the producer level. The farmer is being paid for processing milk, which is being sold across state lines as fluid milk. By passing this act and then obtaining Congressional approval, we can follow it and see that the farmer is paid according to its use. It is generally felt that it would be better to do it this way than to have federal controls.

It was supported in public hearing by producer representatives, it was supported by Commissioner Dolloff, it was supported by retired Deputy Commissioner and

former Market Specialist George Chick. The only objection was by the dealers' attorney, who withdrew it when told it required Congressional approval. It requires no appropriation and if it should develop that it is not to our advantage we are under no obligation to continue it. The reason for the emergency clause is that we were in hopes that we could get our Congressman to get it through Congress for us at this session.

Therefore, I would sincerely hope that this would receive the necessary votes for emergency legislation.

Thereupon, this being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 122 voted in favor of same and 1 against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The Chair laid before the House the fifth tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act Authorizing Medical Care Administration Positions for the Department of Health and Welfare." (H. P. 1232) (L. D. 1727)

Tabled—January 25, by Mr. Levesque of Madawaska.

Pending—Passage to be Engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Portland, Mrs. Carswell.

Mrs. CARSWELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I understand that the Appropriations Committee has granted the full request of the Commissioner of the Department of Indian Affairs. Therefore my amendment will not be necessary, so I move that this bill be passed to be engrossed.

Thereupon, the Bill was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Notices were read.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Levesque of Madawaska,

Recessed until three o'clock this afternoon.

**After Recess
3:00 P.M.**

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The Chair laid before the House the first tabled and later today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act Appropriating Moneys for Reconstruction of Dismukes Hall, Maine Maritime Academy," (H. P. 1281) (L. D. 1787) (Committee Amendment "A" H-480) tabled January 26 by Mr. Healy of Portland, pending adoption of Committee Amendment "A".

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Healy.

Mr. HEALY: Mr. Speaker, at the outset I would like to apologize for my timing in this matter. After all, you shouldn't expect too much for \$10.00 a day, I now offer House Amendment "A" and move its adoption.

House Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1281, L. D. 1787, Bill, "An Act Appropriating Moneys for Reconstruction of Dismukes Hall, Maine Maritime Academy."

Amend said Amendment by striking out the figure "\$12,000" in the 4th line and inserting in place thereof the figure '\$24,000'; and by adding after the 7th line the following:

'New windows-South Wing \$12,000'

Further amend said Amendment by striking out the figure "\$12,000" and in the 10th line and inserting in place thereof the figure '\$24,000'; and by striking out the figure "\$12,000" in the 15th line and inserting in place thereof the figure '\$24,000'

House Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" was adopted. Committee Amendment "A" as amended by House Amendment "A" thereto was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

The Chair laid before the House the second tabled and later today assigned matter:

An Act to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds in the Amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars on Behalf of the State of Maine to Construct an Office Building for the State Highway Commission. (H. P. 1194) (L. D. 1662)

Tabled — January 26, by Mr. Starbird of Kingman Township.

Pending — Passage to be Enacted.

(On motion of Mr. Dumont of Augusta, tabled pending enactment and tomorrow assigned)

The Chair laid before the House the third tabled and later today assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act Providing Convenience and Advantage for Loan Companies and Small Loan Agencies," (S. P. 606) (L. D. 1619) (Committee Amendment "A" S-357) (House Amendment "A" H-462)

Tabled — January 26, by Mr. Ross of Brownville.

Pending — Adoption of House Amendment "A."

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Libhart.

Mr. LIBHART: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I have several problems with this particular piece of legislation. The prime problem is the one that I think that we have all felt during this special session, and that is the question of whether we are doing something too hastily that has ramifications beyond what appear on the surface. I think this is one of those situations.

It seems to me in a special session we first of all should, if we believe in the Constitution and don't believe in amending it so that it becomes an up-to-date document, we ought to stick by it. And when the Constitution of the State of Maine says that we should do certain things in special sessions and only those things, we should stick by that too, and not have a face looking in two

directions at the same time. But we are faced with the bills that have been put before us, and it seems to me that those of us who can't do anything about considering whether those bills should be here, once they get here we must consider them intelligently. We must give them a proper hearing. We must consider them properly in Committee without undue haste, and we should also consider them with intelligence when they reach this position on the Floor of this House. And even though we are only receiving \$10.00 a day or even if we are not receiving anything, the people of the State of Maine elected us to come here to do a job, and even if it takes us a month or two to do it, it seems to me we must do it.

Now this particular piece of legislation, it seems to me, the bill in itself has a great deal of questions concerning it. This bill gives to the Commissioner the right to decide unilaterally whether or not a small loan agency license should be granted. Period. Now it seems to me that this is an extraordinary delegation of authority—

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Milbridge, Mr. Kennedy, that we adopt House Amendment "A."

Mr. LIBHART: I understand, Mr. Speaker, and I will tie this up very rapidly. Now that in and of itself is the question that we are really considering here, and now comes to us a proposed amendment which does something, or attempts to do something, that is completely unrelated to the legislation itself. There was no hearing before the Committee as to rates charged by small loan agencies. There was no discussion of it, no consideration, nothing thought about it at all, and yet we are asked now to make a decision on a matter which in my opinion is completely unrelated and not germane to the bill itself, which will effectively reduce the income to the small loan agencies throughout the State of Maine. Now I have no brief for these agencies. I am rather inclined to agree probably with the consensus of opinion in this House that per-

haps we would be better off, we in the State of Maine would be rather better off without the small loan agencies that are operating in the state at all. We have the largest, the highest bankruptcy rate of any state in the nation, and every single one of these bankruptcies practically includes among the creditors one of these small loan agencies, sometimes two and sometimes three. This of course is why their rates have to be so high because they can't stay in business unless their rates are high with so many people going through bankruptcy. But this is a question of great magnitude and it is a question that concerns these people who have a great deal of money invested in these companies, and I say it isn't fair to them to make a decision on something of this magnitude simply by putting an amendment which in my opinion is completely non-germane to a bill which in itself is questionable. I therefore, Mr. Speaker, now move for the indefinite postponement of this amendment and this bill and all of its accompanying papers.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House now is the motion of the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Libhart, that House Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Milbridge, Mr. Kennedy.

Mr. KENNEDY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I would like to preface my formal presentation by saying and refuting the arguments that have just been presented by the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Libhart, and in effect, I know the history of the amendment that I have offered, and this has had public hearings for the last three sessions that I have been here in this body. It is true at this special session it has not been reviewed.

I have discovered that there is less sentiment of today relative to my amendment related to yesterday and the day before. However, once I embark upon a course, it is most difficult for me to sway to the right or the left of my early intentions. So I will proceed with my formal presentation and ask for as much sympathy as I can get for the citizens of the State of

Maine who are seeking small loans throughout this sovereign area.

This bill, as I understand it, was introduced to provide the Commissioner of Banking with the authority to refuse to grant licenses under the small loan act to those applicants considered undesirable.

The present law provides that before a license is issued, the Banking Commissioner must determine by investigation that the financial responsibility, experience, character and general fitness of the applicant and that of the officers and directors are such as to command the confidence of the community and warrant belief that the business will be operated honestly, fairly and efficiently and that the applicant has available liquid assets of at least \$50,000.

This clause in itself precludes any person or corporation with a criminal record or without financial responsibility from obtaining a license.

In my opinion, it is unnecessary to depart from this country's belief in freedom of enterprise by inserting a convenience and advantage clause in the present act, but believe it would be wiser to amend the law in another manner which would accomplish the same purpose and still not prohibit a man of responsibility from going into the business of his choice in his home town if he so desires.

Perhaps the reason for so many companies or individuals wishing to engage in the lending of money under the small loan act in Maine is the fact that the rates are so lucrative that a great deal of money can be made in a relatively short time. If the rate of interest permitted were reduced to where the lender would realize a fair profit, but not as lucrative as at present, perhaps this would serve the purpose of keeping out those greedy or unscrupulous lenders that are considered undesirables.

It is my understanding that practically all of the larger companies operating in Maine also operate in the State of New York and are realizing a fair profit in that state. I also am informed that there are a great number of independent operators in that state

who operate only one office and they too are making a fair profit on their investment. In view of this, I am offering this amendment to reduce the rate of interest in Maine to exactly the same rate of interest permitted under the New York law.

Those of our constituents who borrow money from small loan agencies are those who do not enjoy bank credit and are compelled by necessity to pay the higher rates when an emergency arises and a loan is necessary. These people are the very ones who can least afford to pay the present exorbitant rates.

I did not believe the Bank Commissioner whose duty it is to protect the borrower by supervision of the small loan agencies could possibly take a position against this proposal.

As legislators this is an opportunity for us to make it possible for the necessitous borrowers in our district to borrow money at a reasonable rate of interest. The amount of those savings are shown as follows: Under the present loan law in Maine a loan of \$100 for 12 months has interest charges amounting to \$86.32—under this amendment those charges would be \$64.72, a saving of \$21.60. For the same amount for a 24 month loan, the present charges are \$172.72 — under the amendment they would be \$128.56, a saving of \$44.00. For an \$800 loan for 24 months the present charges are \$239.46 — under the amendment \$166.48, a saving of \$72.98.

In addition to the interest charges permitted, an additional profit is realized, and I would like to call this to your attention, by the lenders from the sale of both credit life insurance and accident and health insurance. Surely a rate of interest on the first hundred dollars of 30% per year and on the next two hundred of 24% and 9% on the remainder added to the profit from insurance is adequate for any businessman to make a reasonable profit. This amendment provides these rates. The rate on an \$800 loan which I am sure is much higher than the average loan made in this state

amounts to 19% per year, not including insurance profits.

There is a general trend throughout the country to revise outdated loan laws and just this month in his message to the Rhode Island Legislature Governor Chaffee stated he would recommend legislation to reduce the interest rates in Rhode Island and stated that companies doing business in that state were also doing business in various other states with lower rates and were making a fair profit under the lower rates of interest.

This is an opportunity, ladies and gentlemen, for us to be of real service to the people in the State of Maine by doing that which has been long overdue. There has been much talk of reducing the interest rates in this field from time to time, but to date no action has been taken. A vote for this amendment is a vote for the working man of this state and his family. I urge you to give this amendment serious consideration.

There are, out of the fifty states, thirty-one states who do have the C&A clause. Some of them were introduced in omnibus bills and various other means, but the State of Maine does not have one. In your Portland Telegram of this morning was an advertisement there by a finance corporation stating that a borrower who wished \$2600 would have to repay in five years \$3961.80 and ladies and gentlemen, that is a profit of \$1361.80, and that is more than fifty per cent of the original loan, and I say it is exorbitant. I am sure that many of you will agree with me. Over the average of five years this is an interest rate of 10½ percent. Now mind you, this is being reduced by \$66.00 and some odd cents per month, but it still averages out an overall five year loan of ten and one-half percent interest. I say to you ladies and gentlemen this is a very lucrative business. I am sorry I am a pharmacist, I wish I had gone into this, and I am standing here opposing the motion to indefinitely postpone and ask for a division when the vote is taken.

The SPEAKER: The Chair rec-

ognizes the gentleman from Lubec, Mr. Pike.

Mr. PIKE: Mr. Speaker, it is a little embarrassing for me to get up here and oppose my majority—my minority leader, I'm sorry, sorry on two counts, for whom I have great respect and affection. In this case I rather think his judgment is wrong.

I hold no brief at all for these small loan companies. It has a good many aspects which are wretched and miserable where they lend with a smile and collect with a goon squad, so let me state there that I think some of their practices are very, very bad.

On the other hand, I must agree with my friend the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Libhart, that this innocent looking little bill that came up here, apparently it wasn't as innocent as it looks, had not only been deprived of its substance, but deprived of its title, and there is very little relationship between the amendment "A" and the bill. I do not want to stress germaneness or relevance, but I do think, it is very clear in my mind, that when you take a bill that hits into the earnings of the companies which are controlled and chartered by the state without any hearing or any chance to be heard, that we are doing them an injustice and we are passing bad legislation. I cannot help but feel—I have no feeling about the original bill, I don't know much about it. The Bank Commissioner feels he wants some more leeway, but if I am not mistaken hearings have been held on similar bills to this amendment and I don't remember that any of them have been passed. It seems to me in all fairness to these companies, whether we like them or not, that they should be heard about the livelihood that they make legal it is, pleasant or not, before we pass legislation which would cut right into the middle of their income. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hollis, Mr. Harriman.

Mr. HARRIMAN: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen: As a member of the Business Legislation Committee I feel I should have something to say on this subject.

We had many hearings during the last session. I think we all on that committee are convinced that the law as written should be revised, that the interest rates should be revised and no doubt cut, but I don't think this is the way to do it.

If you will look at this amendment, regardless of the fact that there isn't any hearing, you will see that about sixteen and two-thirds percent cut on the interest on that part of the loan under \$100, it is twenty percent on the next \$200 and it is cut about sixty-five percent, from \$300 up. Now I don't think anybody in this House can tell me, I know I don't know at the present time, I know there is approximately forty million dollars loaned by these loan companies in the state. I do not know what percentage of that money is under \$100. I don't know what percentage is between \$100 and \$300. Neither do I know the percentage over \$300, and I think in all fairness to these loan companies that they should have a hearing. I also believe that possibly there should be a committee set up to revise the statutes. Therefore, I am opposed to this amendment.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Libhart, that House Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Belgrade, Mr. Sahagian.

Mr. SAHAGIAN: Mr. Speaker, I move when the vote is taken it be taken by the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Belgrade, Mr. Sahagian has requested when the vote is taken it be taken by the yeas and nays.

The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Libhart, that House Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed and the gentleman from Belgrade, Mr. Sahagian has requested a roll call. In order for the Chair to order a roll call it must have the expressed desire of one-fifth of the members present. All those in favor of a roll call vote will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A sufficient number did not arise.

The SPEAKER: Obviously, less than one-fifth having arisen, a roll call is not ordered. The gentleman from Milbridge, Mr. Kennedy, has requested a division. All those in favor of House Amendment "A" being indefinitely postponed will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Eighty-three having voted in the affirmative and thirty-six having voted in the negative, the motion did prevail.

The SPEAKER: The question now before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Libhart, that this bill and its accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed. All those in favor of the indefinite postponement of this bill will kindly say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being doubted by the Chair, a division of the House was had.

Fifty-four having voted in the affirmative and sixty-nine having voted in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

Thereupon, the Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: Is there objection to taking up papers from the Senate out of order? The Chair hears none. The Clerk will proceed with Supplement 2.

Senate Reports of Committees Ought to Pass with Senate Amendment

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Ellsworth as to Nominations and Elections" (S. P. 613) (L. D. 1614)

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A".

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

Senate Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 613, L. D. 1614, Bill, "An Act

to Amend the Charter of the City of Ellsworth as to Nominations and Elections."

Amend said Bill in section 2 by striking out in the 7th and 8th lines (Same in L. D. 1614) the underlined words and punctuation "**to be held on the first Monday in March, 1966.**"

Further amend said Bill by striking out the emergency clause at the end and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the City of Ellsworth at the next regular city election to be held in March, 1966.

The city clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this Act to the following question: "Shall the Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Ellsworth as to Nominations and Elections, passed by the First Special Session of the 102nd Legislature, be accepted?" The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same.

This Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the legal voters voting at said election; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act at said election equaled or exceeded 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in said city at the next preceding gubernatorial election.

The result of such election shall be declared by the municipal officers of the City of Ellsworth and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the city clerk with the Secretary of State.'

Senate Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

**Ought to Pass with
Committee Amendment**

Report of the Committee on
Appropriations and Financial Af-

fairs on Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Capital Construction and Equipment at the Augusta State Hospital, Maine State Prison and Stevens Training Center and Reallocating Funds Appropriated to the Governor Baxter State School for the Deaf" (S. P. 617) (L. D. 1615) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
"A" to S. P. 617, L. D. 1615, Bill, "An Act Appropriating Funds for Capital Construction and Equipment at the Augusta State Hospital, Maine State Prison and Stevens Training Center and Reallocating Funds Appropriated to the Governor Baxter State School for the Deaf."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 1. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Mental Health and Corrections the sum of \$80,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1966. The breakdown shall be as follows:

Department	1965-66
MENTAL HEALTH AND CORRECTIONS,	
DEPARTMENT OF	
Augusta State Hospital	
Capital-Replacement of X-ray equipment	\$35,500
Maine State Prison	
Capital-Purchase of essential emergency security equipment	5,000
Stevens Training Center	
Capital-To complete construction of gymnasium	
authorized under P. & S. L., 1965, c. 161, Section B	40,000
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	\$80,500'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 3. Unencumbered balances. Any unencumbered balances remaining in section 1 at June 30, 1966 shall lapse, except that any unencumbered balance in the appropriation to the Stevens Training Center for the gymnasium construction completion remaining at June 30, 1966 shall not lapse but shall carry forward into the 1966-67 fiscal year to be expended for the same purpose. Any unencumbered balance in the appropriation to the Stevens Training Center for gymnasium construction completion at June 30, 1967, shall lapse, unless sufficient evidence in the form of encumbrances is filed with the State Controller prior to June 30, 1967, showing that the project is in process, in which case all moneys appropriated to the project shall carry forward to be expended for the same purpose until such project is completed, unless otherwise directed by the Legislature.'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Providing Funds to Complete the Harbor Project in the Town of Wells" (S. P. 620) (L. D. 1617) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 620, L. D. 1617, Bill, "An Act Providing Funds to Complete the Harbor Project in the Town of Wells."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the next to the last

paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:

"State funds. There is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$30,000 to the Town of Wells, to aid said town to complete the Wells Harbor Project, so called.

The above appropriation is contingent upon a like amount being provided, from whatever sources the town may find available, to supplement the state's contribution to complete the project.'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act to Authorize Bond Issue in Amount of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars to Develop the Maximum Wilderness Character of the Allagash Waterway" (S. P. 696) (L. D. 1780) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 696, L. D. 1780, Bill, "An Act to Authorize Bond Issue in Amount of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars to Develop the Maximum Wilderness Character of the Allagash Waterway."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 2nd line of the 2nd paragraph of section 2 (same in L. D. 1780) the figure "40" and inserting in place thereof the figure '20'

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Dixfield, Mr. Eustis.

Mr. EUSTIS: Mr. Speaker, I request indefinite postponement of Committee Amendment "A".

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Dixfield, Mr. Eustis, moves

that Committee Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Levesque of Madawaska requested a division.

The SPEAKER: A division has been requested. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Denmark, Mr. Dunn.

Mr. DUNN: Mr. Speaker, I believe this amendment just limits the bonding time from a forty year down to a twenty year figure, I think that is all that is accomplished in this amendment.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Dixfield, Mr. Eustis.

Mr. EUSTIS: Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my motion.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman withdraws his motion.

Thereupon, Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Resolve Providing for a Maine Key Number Digest (S. P. 623) (L. D. 1605) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. DUQUETTE of York
BROWN of Hancock
HARDING of Aroostook
— of the Senate.

Messrs. JALBERT of Lewiston
BRAGDON of Perham
BIRT of East Millinocket
HEALY of Portland
BISHOP of Presque Isle
— of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Resolve.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. FAUCHER of Solon
DUNN of Denmark
— of the House.

Came from the Senate with the Majority Report accepted and the Resolve passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A"

In the House: Reports were read, the Majority "Ought to pass" Report accepted in concurrence and the Resolve read once.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows: COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 623, L. D. 1605, Resolve, Providing for a Maine Key Number Digest.

Amend said Resolve by striking out all of the 3rd paragraph (3rd paragraph in L. D. 1605) and inserting in place thereof the following:

Resolved: That the sum of \$48,600 be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve, and the unexpended balance shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until June 30, 1967. The break-down to be as follows:

Department 1965-66

Attorney General	
All Other	\$48,600'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Resolve assigned for second reading tomorrow.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Operation of Homemakers Service by Department of Health and Welfare" (S. P. 674) (L. D. 1712) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. HARDING of Aroostook
DUQUETTE of York
BROWN of Hancock
— of the Senate.

Messrs. JALBERT of Lewiston
FAUCHER of Solon
HEALY of Portland
BISHOP of Presque Isle
— of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. BIRT of East Millinocket
DUNN of Denmark

BRAGDON of Perham
— of the House.

Came from the Senate with the Majority Report accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House: Reports were read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Denmark, Mr. Dunn.

Mr. DUNN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would just like to say this piece, my feeling on this bill that this program is a wonderful community program and I think as long as it is kept that way it is fine, but I do hate to see the state get into it. I think that — one statement that was made that as this got organized the state would gradually draw back and the towns would take over. I have yet to see anything work that way. I can't quite imagine it.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from East Millinocket, Mr. Birt.

Mr. BIRT: Mr. Speaker, has a motion been made on this?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may make a motion if he so desires.

Mr. BIRT: Mr. Speaker, I would move that the Minority Report be accepted and I would speak briefly on that.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House now is on the motion of the gentleman from East Millinocket, Mr. Birt, that the Minority "Ought not to pass" Report be accepted. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. BIRT: I would support the remarks of the gentleman from Denmark, Mr. Dunn, and point out that this increases a good deal the number of personnel employed by the State because this requires thirteen people and an expenditure of \$50,000, and I have every confidence in my own mind that these programs do have a tendency to accelerate and I would certainly hope that the House would support the Minority "Ought not to pass" Report.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Bishop.

Mr. BISHOP: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I hope that you will defeat the motion to accept the Minority Report. The majority of the committee felt that this was a very worthwhile project. While I don't always attach too much importance to the pleas I get in the mail I certainly have received more telephone calls and more letters advocating support of this program than anything else that has been before us this session.

This is the program that enables people to come into a home which is in danger of being dissolved because of sickness or death of a parent or something of that nature. And while it's true that up until now this program has been carried on more or less privately and one in Bangor and one or two in the larger centers, this bill is to make it possible to extend it into the communities where there is no public agency now doing this. And I hope that you will defeat this motion.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Old Town, Mr. Binnette.

Mr. BINNETTE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: After looking over this amendment and hearing from my good friend from East Millinocket, Mr. Birt, he gave me to understand that this was going to be about a \$50,000 job. This amendment calls for 24,000, and I really believe that this program is greatly needed and I for one would greatly support it.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Camden, Mr. Haynes.

Mr. HAYNES: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I rise in support of the gentleman from Presque Isle. I have seen this particular program operate in my own community and I feel that it fulfills a definite need in between some of the other area aids.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Portland, Mrs. Carswell.

Mrs. CARSWELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: While the voluntary program probably worked very well it didn't generate any federal funds as far as I know. I could be wrong. But I think this is the difference in the two propositions. I am in favor of this proposal.

Mr. Levesque of Madawaska requested a division.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bristol, Mr. Lewis.

Mr. LEWIS: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen: I rise in support of this bill. This program was in operation in my town two years ago and I can certainly vouch for the good work that it did in my community. I have had many calls in regard to this program and I certainly would like to see it go through. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kennebunkport, Mr. Pendergast.

Mr. PENDERGAST: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I attended this hearing of the Appropriations Committee, last week I believe it was. I am also a director of a hospital and we have just completed a \$800,000 expansion. With the coming of Medicare it seems to me this Homemaker Service could take the pressure off the hospitals, that is if these homemakers did well it would keep homes going and maybe release beds, particularly in the older groups, for the people who need acute help in the hospitals. Therefore I support this bill.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Lebanon, Mrs. Hanson.

Mrs. HANSON: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I arise in support of this bill. I feel that it will fill in the gap as someone has already said, and furthermore it will train some of these people who at this time are on the town to more or less take care of themselves, if not financially at least in other ways. I think that it would be very beneficial to the small towns.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from East Mil-

linocket, Mr. Birt, that we accept the Minority "Ought not to pass" Report. Mr. Levesque of Madawaska has requested a division. All those in favor of accepting the Minority "Ought not to pass" Report will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had. Twelve having voted in the affirmative and ninety-six having voted in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

Thereupon, the Majority "Ought to pass" Report was accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT to S. P. 674, L. D. 1712, Bill, "An Act Relating to Operation of Homemaker Service by Department of Health and Welfare."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Welfare the sum of \$24,500 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown of expenditures shall be as follows:

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HEALTH AND WELFARE,		
DEPARTMENT OF		
Personal Services	(6)	\$20,000
All Other		4,000
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Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Operation of the Treasury Department" (S. P. 692) (L. D. 1778) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. DUQUETTE of York
HARDING of Aroostook

BROWN of Hancock
—of the Senate.

Messrs. FAUCHER of Solon
HEALY of Portland
JALBERT of Lewiston
BISHOP of Presque Isle
BIRT of East Millinocket
—of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. DUNN of Denmark
BRAGDON of Perham
—of the House.

Came from the Senate with the Majority Report accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House: Reports were read.

The Majority Report "Ought to pass" was accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 692, L. D. 1778, Bill, "An Act Appropriating Funds for Operation of the Treasury Department."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the first paragraph except the breakdown and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Treasury Department; funds for. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Office of the Treasurer of State the sum of \$5,900. The breakdown of expenditures shall be as follows:'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Natural Resources on Bill "An Act Creating the Allagash Wilderness Waterway" (S. P. 689) (L. D. 1772) reporting same in a new draft (S. P. 714) (L. D. 1796) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. DUNN of Kennebec
MOORE of Washington

CAHILL of Somerset
— of the Senate.

Mrs. HARVEY of Windham
Messrs. O'GARA of Westbrook
PALMER of Phillips
HAWKES of Standish
EUSTIS of Dixfield
— of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. SAHAGIAN of Belgrade
JEWELL of Monticello
— of the House.

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

In the House: Reports were read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Phillips, Mr. Palmer.

Mr. PALMER: Mr. Speaker, I move that we accept the Majority "Ought to pass" Report and I would speak briefly on it if I may.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Phillips, Mr. Palmer, to accept the Majority "Ought to pass" Report. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. PALMER: This bill is a good deal the same as judging a beauty contest in which the — not the most beautiful, nor the most talented, nor the most shapely girl is named Miss Maine, but one that has a combination of all of these things. I believe that this bill is similar to this in the sense that it is not the most of anything, but a combination of things, which should present it to us in similar terms of being a Miss Allagash, which future legislators may amend after the experience of the Commissioners to a thing that will be of beauty not only to the state but something that we, as members of the 102nd Legislature, can proudly say that we had a part in.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Monticello, Mr. Jewell.

Mr. JEWELL: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen: Being one of the signers of the Minority

"Ought not to pass" Report, I would like to explain my position. Now I am in favor of an Allagash Waterway bill, but I am not in favor of this one. I would like to go back and, last spring, and explain about the bill that we worked on last winter. We worked probably half of the winter on it, we had our Park Commissioner, Attorney General Dubord, the Fish and Game Commissioner, the Forest Commissioner, and several other people working with us at the different meetings we had, and we were all getting along real nice. Everybody was satisfied with the plan that we had worked up, until somewhere some information came from Washington. I don't know whether it was somebody inquired from Washington, or if they got in touch with the people here, but all at once the atmosphere changed. The bill was dropped. An Interim Committee was formed to study the thing and they worked very diligently. I think they made a couple of trips to Washington, got in touch with the Department of the Interior, and the two bills in a way were something alike. In the old bill, Telos Lake and Chamberlain Lake would have been excluded, and that was just about twenty percent of the shoreline of this whole system. When you go to buy the land that means somewhere around \$300,000 you are paying for the land around those two lakes.

Now we come to the bill we have before us today, the state paid one and one-half million dollars for the bond issue. Secretary Udall promised us another half a million if Congress appropriates the money. We don't know whether they will appropriate the money or not. This year it will cost \$75,000 to set it up, and \$100,000 a year from now on each year, which will mean an appropriation of \$200,000 every session from now on. It is going to take over 14,000 acres of land off the tax rolls, and several taxes. The Forestry District taxes, the county taxes and the state taxes won't be taxed any more. One more

thing, the old plan took in a strip 300 feet on each side of the river. This plan calls for 400 feet.

Now I have a bill here that passed the Senate in Washington; it hasn't gone through the House yet, but it reads that wherever the power of condemnation has been conferred by this act, and that is written in this act that we have got right here, the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture may acquire in fee title by condemnation an area which may not extend more than 300 feet on either side of the stream, tributary or river. But they are asking for 400 feet. That may not be lawful either.

This is going to be an expensive affair for the State of Maine. Camps on the river are all going to be destroyed except ones that this commission is going to need for game wardens and fire wardens. There will be about three access points that you can get to the river. I want to say that I have got quite a lot of sympathy for the taxpayers. Very few of them are going to get up there to see this district at all. The camp owners are going to lose everything. They get paid for the camp; whatever the state wants to pay them they will take it. I don't think the landowners have had a fair show. They have been lumbering up there now for two hundred years and evidently they haven't done too much damage to the place yet.

People up there in our country when they want to go fishing, they can go in there on Saturday or go in any time they want to and stay as long as they want to, camp wherever they want to and come home whenever they want to; nobody bothers them. I understand that this will be restricted. If there are too many people on the river — we only have about three or four weeks of real good fishing up there anyway, and if you want to go fishing there and the river is crowded, you can't go. If it is crowded you may have to wait

until the fishing is all over with, so you don't get fishing.

It surely isn't going to be a paying proposition for the state. Last year more people were up there than ever have been before and there was only about a thousand people up there last year, so we are going to pay a million and a half dollars for our share of the right-of-way along the river; we are going to pay around forty-five to sixty thousand dollars a year interest on bonds; we are going to lose the taxes on the land that they are going to take, and I am not in favor of it. I move — I don't think that this bill should have come in this special session of the Legislature. We have had too short a time, and it should have had two or three months consideration instead of a week. I move that this be tabled until the next session of the Legislature.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman's motion is out of order. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque.

Mr. LEVESQUE: Mr. Speaker, a parliamentary inquiry. Is the motion of the gentleman from Monticello, Mr. Jewell, in order?

The SPEAKER: The Chair has ruled that the motion is out of order. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Monticello, Mr. Jewell.

Mr. JEWELL: Mr. Speaker, I would like to read an editorial that was in the Bangor Daily News this morning. The heading is: "With No Strings Attached?"

"Obviously, it is better to have the state operate the proposed Allagash Wilderness Waterway than the federal government. But we wonder if the U. S. Department of the Interior may not have considerable say about its operation in the end, if it becomes a reality.

"We note that the Maine Legislature is being urged to approve the project by the tempting bait of federal matching funds. If the Legislature and the people by referendum approve a \$1.2 million bond issue, Secretary of the

Interior Stewart Udall promises equal funds.

"The offer was underscored by a neatly timed statement from Udall himself last week. This indicates his department has more than passing interest in the plan. Surely, strings will be attached to any hand-out of matching funds.

"Udall's department actually started the whole business by coming up with plans to make the Allagash a federal conservation project. It's difficult to believe the department is ready to relinquish its interest when it is ready to put cash on the line.

"With or without federal funds, the project strikes us as being an expensive venture. It's a famed area, to be sure, but actually very few people have visited it and we doubt that few would in the future. The average vacationist is not much interested in roughing it these days. Its main attraction is for canoeing buffs — about 1,000 per year."

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Enfield, Mr. Dudley.

Mr. DUDLEY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: First, let me say I am for the Allagash, right the way it is now. It's a fine place and there are some people I am sure in this House that have visited it would agree with me, and I would like to say that I think these people today that are going to vote for the Allagash have never discussed it with their constituents back home, because if you tell them the truth, tell them what's on the other side of the coin, right today you are spending \$1,500,000 plus \$9,750.00 to the Attorney General Department, \$65,250.00 to the Park Commission.

This is just the beginning. This is just the start. Nobody has been able to tell me how many millions this is going to cost over the years. Who is it costing? It is costing the taxpayer. These very people that I talked to back home, many of them, I'm in business, I meet a lot of people every day and discuss these things; discussed it with many people in

my area. The first question they ask me: What does it cost? Why, when I tell them anywhere near the figure that it is costing, they think it is absurd, and I agree with them.

There are other things in the bill that don't meet with my approval. 400 feet on both sides of the stream. That's also absurd. That's a long ways ladies and gentlemen, 400 feet, taken from a landowner, and these landowners depend on this land to run their mills and so forth and they have owned it and paid taxes on it. Look at the tax loss to the State of Maine. We can't afford tax loss. We need taxes; we don't need tax losses.

I was just looking at some other bad things in it. I got some of them marked here. One of them, it says this land that they are going to acquire on page 4, down where it says 3, camps, it says they may lease back to the present owners. They are going to take all these camps. This I would be in favor of I think, if you are going to take the Allagash, take everything. It says they may lease back to the present owners or others. How do you like that? How would you like it if you owned something there and they took it from you and leased it to somebody else? I don't think that's good either.

I could go on all the afternoon and tell you things that I don't like about it. Second of all, it is very hasty. A bill, like the former legislator that just spoke, it should take a year or six months to be discussed, and little bugs like this picked out of it. We are trying to do it in a week. I don't feel that we should pass this. I also am not afraid of the Federal Government. I have seen Yellowstone Park, Acadia National Park. I have seen the tremendous amount of help it has taken to keep these parks clean and in order, and I know who pays them, the Federal Government. I don't want to see this burden thrown onto the State of Maine either. We have got more people than we can pay today, and they are asking for more money every time we meet, and

we are getting so we meet quite often.

I don't feel as though the State of Maine and the taxpayers of the State of Maine can afford this, and I think the Allagash is very fine the way it is now. I never had any trouble going there, go anytime. There is no gate up. I don't see any trouble with cutting a piece of wood. If you want to let it fall down and rot and climb over it; I think it is much better now, these companies have gone to selective cutting, and that's the way it should be. Trees have grown up there for us to use, not to fall down and rot and climb over and clutter up. These are the things that should be taken up and discussed. We don't have time this afternoon to go into the merits of every line of this and every paragraph. It is eight pages.

But let me tell you today if you talk to the people that you are representing, I am sure they will tell you that a fool and his money are soon parted, because this is only the beginning, and I don't know about you people, but back in the sticks where I come from \$1,500,000 is still a lot of money, not counting the fringe benefits, not counting the extra addition of the help we are going to need and, well, it's a tremendous thing running a park and there is a tremendous crew, even in a small park like Mt. Desert Island, Acadia National Park, if it is properly handled, it is a tremendous crew. I think these things we should stop and think. Let's not be hasty. This is something we should take some time on. I hope this motion to spend this amount of money does not prevail.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Gillan.

Mr. GILLAN: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I was a member of the Allagash Interim Study Committee that was formed by the regular session. We held public meetings throughout the State in Portland, Augusta, Bangor and Presque Isle. The purpose, of course, was to give all members of the public a chance

to appear and either support or oppose this proposed legislation, and if my memory serves me correctly, I believe that the proponents far outnumbered any opponents.

As the gentleman from Phillips, Mr. Palmer said, this may not be an ideal bill, but we have incorporated all the suggestions that we received from the public throughout the state, and as you know, the Allagash is receiving a lot of attention nationally, it is probably one of the last remaining wilderness areas east of the Mississippi, and there is a strong feeling that the Federal Government might eventually take it over if Congress passed a law. I feel that the State of Maine is quite capable of managing its own affairs. If there are Federal funds available, we are delighted to have them of course. As somebody said, money is something that passes through your hands on its way to Washington.

The situation now is that we feel that the state is matching the federal appropriation for this area. The state will control it through the Parks and Recreation Commission. And as far as we could determine from checking the loss of taxes for the land that is being taken out of public taxation it will amount to about \$6,000 only a year. Of course that is only, it is still \$6,000, but compared to the benefits of an area of this type properly managed, controlled, will bring to the State of Maine from the people who want to come in and visit there, it is tremendous.

It is planned, of course, to control it some way to have stores, small stores available to furnish necessities for the campers who are going up there. We felt that in time that would also produce some revenue for the state and that eventually the operating expenses could be taken care of through the revenue acquired. That is speculation of course, nobody can guarantee such a thing.

But, as I say, the Interim Study Committee did give everyone as much as possible a chance to appear, voice objections, and the sentiment as we found it was

very much in favor of the Allagash Waterway. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lubec, Mr. Pike.

Mr. PIKE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I too should like to back up Mr. Palmer's, the gentleman from Phillips motion, and if you will bear with me a minute it might be interesting to see what we had to do with in this Interim Committee. It soon became very clear that we had three choices if we wanted to do anything with the Allagash. The sentiment in the Legislature was that we should do something.

Choice number one, follow about the plan that the Advisory Committee put up to the Legislature in the regular session, in which case the state would pay the entire cost of acquisition and the entire cost of operation. Number two, tailor it to the minimum requirements of the Federal Government, in which case the Federal Government would put up half of the money, or acquisition and we would pay the cost of operation. The third one is to not do anything and let the Federal Government come in, which as close as I can get to reliable authority including the Senator from Maine and the Secretary of the Interior, the head of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, they plan to do if we don't do anything. In that case the Federal Government would pay it all, both acquisition and running, and they will control the situation.

Now under the guide lines under which we work it seemed very clear that this Legislature wanted state control. We had several conferences with the federal people and they came, quite gracefully I think, off of a quite high roost they seemed to be on before and gave in to a great deal of our feelings about not taking too much land and not being too rough on various things like outboard motors and so forth.

The bill, as it is put up here, is the best estimate that the committee could make and I take it after it has been through the committee hearing of the House since

you have been in special session, without much modification, about the best estimate we could make of the cost of acquisition and the cost of operation. Now this first year's cost of operation will be abnormally high because it will involve surveying, estimating, title work, and probably again, as I catch it, our Park people think that the annual cost of operation, after we get going, would be about \$25,000 a year. Personally I think that's too low. I would take a guess of twenty-five to fifty. There will be some revenue producing things, but I don't think they will meet the cost of operation.

In reference to the business of taking, this will not mean taking, it will mean purchasing. Now some of the landowners have felt very generous in that they would be willing to give to the state — they may not feel that way all the time, give to the state considerable areas on the banks of the river where the timber isn't worth much anyway, they are fairly steep banks. If you try to put a bulldozer in there it would probably fall over and the trees really aren't top drawer.

These estimates are the best guesses you could make. I think they are reasonable. Your committee, headed by Senator Violette from the other branch, worked very hard, had many hearings. We had many discussions among ourselves, discussions with the landowners, discussions with the federal people; and as the gentleman from Phillips said, it may not be perfect, it probably isn't, but I believe it's a good bill and I hope that it passes.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Poulin.

Mr. POULIN: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: When it comes to the choice of federal control or state control, I go for the state, and for one reason I will give you an example. It's Acadia National Park. On Mount Desert Island right now the federal rangers are shooting our Maine deer, because the herd is too heavy. Now if they, the federal takes over this

large area, they are going to eliminate a lot of hunting and fishing, and I think the sportsmen would rather keep it for themselves than give it to the federal.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time would like to recognize in the rear of the House our former President of the Senate and Governor of our State of Maine, the Honorable Robert Haskell. (Applause)

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Windham, Mrs. Harvey.

Mrs. HARVEY: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I rise in support of this bill. I think the Allagash wilderness should be controlled by the state and I would like to bring out a point that I don't think anyone else has, that at the public hearing there were no opponents to the bill, all proponents. I trust the bill is passed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hampden, Mr. Littlefield.

Mr. LITTLEFIELD: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: To my knowledge if anyone wishes to take the trip down the Allagash today, there's nothing to prevent it. I would make the motion that we indefinitely postpone this bill and all its papers.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House now is on the motion of the gentleman from Hampden, Mr. Littlefield that this bill and its accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque.

Mr. LEVESQUE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: At the outset I will ask for a division on the motion to indefinitely postpone this document. But first I would like to extend my most sincere congratulations to the Interim Study Committee who has come out with this document I think with flying colors. They have put in a tremendous amount of work in a very short period of time, and I think that those same

words were probably used by more influential people than myself.

This document has been acclaimed by some of the more prominent people of our own state. It has been acclaimed by the Junior Senator from the State of Maine in Washington, Senator Edmund S. Muskie. It has been acclaimed by the Secretary of the Interior, Stewart Udall, as one of the leading pieces of legislation that the rest of the country can look at with pride and dignity. This is probably one of the things that the State of Maine will be having an opportunity to do once in a lifetime.

I feel certainly that we as members of the House of Representatives should not delegate our responsibility to any other body but to the Maine House of Representatives. It has been the feeling in the past, and I think very recently, that unless we take the initiative for protecting our own, other interests outside of the State of Maine will be more than glad and anxious to take the initiative and do what they think is right for it. Here we have an area that we feel will be definitely beneficial to the people of the State of Maine as a primary recreational area. You have found throughout the state and other parts of the country where we advertise the State of Maine, we advertise it as a recreational area. We are now in the process of having recreational areas for the four seasons. If we are going into the recreational areas, let us not go at it piecemeal or let somebody else do it for us.

I think that you ladies and gentlemen who have been here through the regular session, and those who have been here two and four years ago, will agree with the majority report of this committee that they have done an outstanding job. And I think that probably only years from now will tell us how progressive this piece of legislation will be to the people of the State of Maine. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Mars Hill, Mr. Dickinson.

Mr. DICKINSON: Mr. Speaker, Members of the House: During years of bushflying in this Allagash area, it became to me much like home. I know the many people with camps in the area, and any legislation regarding Allagash affecting them is of more than passing concern. I have favored state control of this valuable asset with unlimited potential and made a strong pitch for the proposal before the regular session. At this time, since Chamberlain to Telos area has been included, I don't think my thinking has changed. I can appreciate the reasons for including that area. I too appreciate all the work that has been done by the Interim Study Committee.

However, I would like to see some aspects more clearly spelled out, particularly the rights of present camp owners who have rendered a valuable service to all of us in the area, who have built their respective operations the hard way. I would just like to know a little bit more about procedure, to justify their existence. I have read that these properties may be leased back. However, there seems to be some vagueness in such wording. Again I say that I am in favor of state control of the Allagash, but I do want to see the people up there have some definite rights. Thank you.

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

Mr. MARTIN: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: At the outset perhaps I should thank the gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque, for his praise that he gives to the committee. I was also a member of that committee. Perhaps I can certainly agree with the remarks made by the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Gillan, when he said that there were very few people opposed to the Allagash bill. If I remember correctly at the hearings that we had at four different spots across the state, there was a total opposition of one. Many had suggestions and many of these suggestions were included in our report.

It was odd to me, anyway, this morning to find in the Bangor Daily News a statement by the Executive Director for the Associated Industries of Maine, in which he stated that the bill had been submitted first to the United States Interior Department before the timberland owners had seen the bill. To the best of my knowledge this is not the case. The contents were discussed with the Secretary of the Interior. This is true, that the proposal was discussed during the entire time that we studied it with the Department of the Interior. At the same time we also discussed this bill with the same timberland owners who say that we did not keep them well informed.

Perhaps I should make a few more comments about the remarks made by a few so-called proponents, or opponents. The money, as I understand it, will come from the Secretary of Interior's contingency fund which of course must be appropriated by Congress; but once that money goes into the contingency fund, as you well know, that money is under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, and Secretary Udall has pledged one million point five of this money to be used in regards to the Allagash.

We want to keep this a wilderness area and I hope that we do. I agree that in most cases the land companies have done a good job, but we must also think of the future. It is indeed odd that some of the so-called proponents this morning, or this afternoon, have now — I am sorry, some of the proponents that were proponents during the last regular session have now become opponents of this bill. I wonder if it is not because this time the bill does the job and the last one did not. I would suggest to the gentleman from Enfield, Mr. Dudley, that if you have or want anything good you have to pay for it.

This bill has taken a year and perhaps more. The special Interim Committee has worked on the bill since last June. It has studied every proposal that we thought was feasible. It is my opinion and I feel the opinion of the members of the

Interim Committee, that we must take action on the Allagash now. My people are in favor of it, I believe the people of Maine are in favor of it, and this includes my constituents.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brownville, Mr. Ross.

Mr. ROSS: Mr. Speaker, before this bill takes another year, I move the previous question.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Brownville, Mr. Ross, now moves the previous question. For the Chair to entertain a motion for the previous question it must have the expressed desire of one-third of the members present. All those in favor of the previous question will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A sufficient number arose.

The SPEAKER: Obviously more than one-third having arisen, the previous question is in order. The question before the House now is, shall the main question be put now, which is debatable for no more than five minutes by any one member. Shall the main question be put now? All those in favor of the main question being put now will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the main question was ordered.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House now is on the motion of the gentleman from Hampden, Mr. Littlefield, that this Bill "An Act Creating the Allagash Wilderness Waterway" Senate Paper 714, L. D. 1796, and its accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed. The gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque, has requested that the vote be taken by a division. All those in favor of this bill and its accompanying papers being indefinitely postponed will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Twelve having voted in the affirmative and one hundred two having voted in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House now is on the motion of the gentleman from Phillips, Mr. Palmer, that we accept the Majority "Ought to pass" Report in concurrence. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed, the New Draft read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Divided Report Tabled and Assigned

Majority Report of the Committee on Retirements and Pensions reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Retirement of Members of Police Department of the City of Bangor" (S. P. 651) (L. D. 1625)

Report was signed by the following members:

Mrs. CHISHOLM
 of Cumberland
Mr. BOISVERT
 of Androscoggin
 — of the Senate.

Mr. GLAZIER of Bangor
Mrs. CARSWELL of Portland
Messrs. GAUDREAU of Lewiston
 BUCK of Southport
 DROUIN of Auburn
 — of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Mrs. SPROUL of Lincoln
 — of the Senate.

Messrs. LANG of Belfast
 HUNTER of Clinton
 — of the House.

Came from the Senate with the Majority Report accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed.

In the House: Reports were read.

(On motion of Mr. Hunter of Clinton, tabled pending acceptance of either Report and tomorrow assigned)

Divided Report

Report "A" of the Committee on Judiciary on Resolve Authorizing Seaward Construction Company, Inc. to Interplead the State of Maine as a Party Defendant in a Pending Action by J. R. Cianchette & Sons, Inc. Against

Seaward Construction Company, Inc. and to Authorize Seaward Construction Company, Inc. to Bring Civil Action Against the State of Maine (S. P. 694) (L. D. 1779) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following members:

Mr. STERN of Penobscot
 — of the Senate.

Messrs. BRENNAN of Portland
 GILLAN
 of South Portland
 RICHARDSON
 of Cumberland
 BERMAN of Houlton
 — of the House.

Report "B" of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Resolve.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. VIOLETTE of Aroostook
 GLASS of Waldo
 — of the Senate.

Messrs. BISHOP of Presque Isle
 DAVIS of Calais
 DANTON
 of Old Orchard Beach
 — of the House.

Came from the Senate with Report "B" accepted.

In the House: Reports were read.

On motion of Mr. Levesque of Madawaska, Report "B" "Ought not to pass" was accepted in concurrence.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act Creating the Unity Utilities District" (H. P. 1276) (L. D. 1783) which was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" in the House on January 24.

Came from the Senate with Committee Amendment "A" indefinitely postponed and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" in non-concurrence.

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

The following House Reports were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Edwards from the Committee on State Government reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Creating the Maine State Museum" (H. P. 1196) (L. D. 1664)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act to Authorize Bond Issue in Amount of \$6,200,000 for Construction of a Maine State Cultural Building" (H. P. 1197) (L. D. 1665)

Reports were read and accepted, the Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Libhart from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Disclosure of Information to Insurers of State Hospital Patients" (H. P. 1216) (L. D. 1684) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Lund.

Mr. LUND: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: The purpose of this bill is to enable the State to recover from the insurers of patients in the State Hospital some portion of the cost of their insurance. The problem lies in obtaining consent from persons who are incompetent to furnish the information needed to insurance companies and governmental insurers. The original bill accomplished what the department hoped in assisting the recovery of substantial amounts of money. These amounts of money will increase when Medicare comes into effect. The Committee Amendment poses some

serious problems in the operation of the department, and I would hope some member of the House would table this until tomorrow.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Libhart.

Mr. LIBHART: Mr. Speaker, I would hope we could get through the second reading before it is tabled.

Thereupon, the Bill was read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1216, L. D. 1684, Bill, "An Act Relating to Disclosure of Information to Insurers of State Hospital Patients."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 8th line from the end (7th line in L. D. 1684) the underlined words "the disclosure of any information" and inserting in place thereof the underlined words and punctuation "when the patient has no legally appointed guardian, the disclosure of a medical diagnosis only"

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque.

Mr. LEVESQUE: Mr. Speaker, may I approach the rostrum please?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may. The House will be at ease.

House at Ease

Called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Levesque of Madawaska,

Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.