

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

*One Hundred and Third  
Legislature*

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1967

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## SENATE

Tuesday, January 24, 1967

Senate called to order by the President

Prayer by Rev. Herbert L. Reid of Fairfield.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

### Out of Order and Under Suspension of the Rules

#### Communication

State of Maine  
Office of the Governor  
Augusta, Maine

January 24, 1967

To the Senate and  
House of Representatives  
Of the 103rd  
Legislature:

Dear Members:

Today, in accordance with my Constitutional duty, I am submitting a message on Government Reform.

It contains proposals which supplement those in my Inaugural and Budget Messages.

Respectfully,

KENNETH M. CURTIS  
Governor

(S. P. 147)

Which was Read and Ordered placed on file with the accompanying message.

Sent forthwith to the House for concurrence.

### Papers from the House

Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Airport at Bar Harbor." (Emergency) (H. P. 50) (L. D. 75)

Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Time and a Half Overtime Payment for State Employees." (H. P. 51) (L. D. 76)

Bill "An Act Relating to Non-lapsing Funds for Armory Construction." (H. P. 52) (L. D. 88)

Bill "An Act Appropriating Money to Supplement Federal Vocational Funds for Area Education Programs for Apprentices and Other Adult Workers." (H. P. 81) (L. D. 111)

Bill "An Act to Allocate Moneys for the Administrative Expenses

of the State Liquor Commission for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1968 and June 30, 1969." (H. P. 82) (L. D. 112)

Bill "An Act Relating to salaries Paid by the State to Ministers of the Gospel." (H. P. 83) (L. D. 113)

Bill "An Act to Authorize a Bond Issue in Amount of Four Hundred and Five Thousand Dollars for Construction of a Multipurpose Building at Southern Maine Vocational Technical Institute." (H. P. 84) (L. D. 114)

Bill "An Act Increasing Payments to Hancock County Law Library." (H. P. 85) (L. D. 115)

Bill "An Act Appropriating Moneys to Provide Uniforms for Employees of Maine State Ferry Service." (H. P. 86) (L. D. 116)

Bill "An Act to Authorize Construction of Self-liquidating Student Housing and Dining Facilities for the State Colleges and the Maine Maritime Academy, and the Issuance of Not Exceeding \$5,227,300 Bonds of the State of Maine for the Financing Thereof." (H. P. 87) (L. D. 117)

Bill "An Act Increasing Payments to Piscataquis County Law Library." (H. P. 88) (L. D. 118)

Resolve Extending Time for Ramp and Docking Facilities at Long Island Plantation." (H. P. 53) (L. D. 78)

Resolve Providing Funds for the Narraguagus River Water Control Program." (H. P. 90) (L. D. 119)

Come from the House referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Augusta Mutual Insurance Company." (H. P. 91) (L. D. 120)

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on Business Legislation.

Which was referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in concurrence.

Resolve in Favor of Herbert Parsons of Gorham. (H. P. 54) (L. D. 79)

Resolve to Reimburse Marguerite Spohrer of York for Well Damage

Resulting from Use of Salt on Route 1. (H. P. 93) (L. D. 121)

Resolve to Reimburse James Robinson of Palmyra for Property and Well Damage by Highway Construction. (H. P. 94) (L. D. 122)

Come from the House referred to the Committee on Claims.

Which were referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to a compact for Education." (H. P. 55) (L. D. 80)

Bill "An Act Relating to Exceptional Children." (H. P. 56) (L. D. 81)

Bill "An Act to Create a School Administrative District in the Town of Cape Elizabeth." (H. P. 95) (L. D. 123)

Bill "An Act Relating to Industrial and Vocational Training in State Institutions." (H. P. 96) (L. D. 124)

Come from the House referred to the Committee on Education.

Which were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Time for Voting on Local Option Questions Under Liquor Laws." (H. P. 57) (L. D. 82)

Bill "An Act Providing for a Presidential Preference Primary." (H. P. 58) (L. D. 83)

Bill "An Act Relating to Compensation of Ballot Clerks During Recounts." (H. P. 98) (L. D. 125)

Come from the House referred to the Committee on Election Laws.

Which were referred to the Committee on Election Laws in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Transportation of Disabled, Collision Damaged, Wrecked or Repossessed Highway Motor Vehicles." (H. P. 59) (L. D. 84)

Bill "An Act to Make Allocations from the General Highway Fund for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1968 and June 30, 1969. (Emergency)" (H. P. 99) (L. D. 126)

Bill "An Act to Allocate Money from the General Highway Fund for State Aid Construction."

(Emergency) (H. P. 100) (L. D. 127)

Bill "An Act Relating to Permits to Operate Heavy Motor Vehicles in Unorganized Territory." (H. P. 101) (L. D. 128)

Come from the House referred to the Committee on Highways.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Construction, Maintenance of Boat Facilities, Public Access and Marking the Waters." (Emergency) (H. P. 60) (L. D. 85)

Come from the House referred to the Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development.

Which was referred to the Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development in concurrence.

Bill "A Act Relating to Open Season on Muskrat in Penobscot County." (H. P. 61) (L. D. 86)

Bill "An Act Relating to Closed Season on Rabbits in Washington County." (H. P. 62) (L. D. 87)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Certain Waters in Franklin County. (H. P. 63) (L. D. 88)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Certain Waters in Cumberland County. (H. P. 102) (L. D. 129)

Come from the House referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Which were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Actions of Married Women for Loss of Consortium of Husband." (H. P. 64) (L. D. 89)

Bill "An Act Relating to Suspension of Motor Vehicle Operator's License by Courts." (H. P. 65) (L. D. 90)

Bill "An Act Relating to Definition of Mental Defect in Responsibility for Criminal Conduct." (H. P. 103) (L. D. 130)

Bill "An Act Relating to Divorce Actions by Military Non-residents Stationed in Maine." (H. P. 104) (L. D. 131)

Bill "An Act Relating to Sale of Fireworks." (H. P. 105) (L. D. 132)

Bill "An Act Relating to Examination of Vehicles by Police Officers." (H. P. 106) (L. D. 133)

Bill "An Act Relating to Licensing and Regulation of Use of Explosives." (H. P. 107) (L. D. 134)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Construction and Assembling of Bombs." (H. P. 108) (L. D. 135)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Prohibited Practices of Collection Agencies." (H. P. 109) (L. D. 136)

Come from the House referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Which were referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Elevators Used on Farms." (H. P. 66) (L. D. 91)

Bill "An Act Relating to Applicability of Workmen's Compensation Law to Employers of One or More Employees." (H. P. 67) (L. D. 92)

Bill "An Act Establishing Asbestosis as an Occupational Disease." (H. P. 68) (L. D. 93)

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on Labor.

Which were referred to the Committee on Labor in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Validating the Vote to Convert St. Francis Plantation into the Town of St. Francis." (Emergency) (H. P. 69) (L. D. 94)

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Which was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Providing Local Option for Sunday Sales of Liquor by Hotels, Restaurants and Taverns." (H. P. 70) (L. D. 95)

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on Liquor Control

Which was referred to the Committee on Liquor Control in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the York Water District." (H. P. 71) (L. D. 96)

Bill "An Act Increasing Indebtedness of Dover and Foxcroft Water District." (Emergency) (H. P. 72) (L. D. 97)

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on Public Utilities.

Which were referred to the Committee on Public Utilities in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Harvesting of Shellfish in Surry." (H. P. 73) (L. D. 98)

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries

Which was referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Investments by Board of Trustees of State Retirement System." (H. P. 74) (L. D. 99)

Bill "An Act to Create a Maine State Board of Human Research Research and Development." (H. P. 75) (L. D. 100)

Come from the House referred to the Committee on State Government.

Which were referred to the Committee on State Government in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Disposition of Tax on Transient Rentals under Sales Tax Law." (H. P. 76) (L. D. 101)

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Which was referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Expending Aroostook County Funds for Ricker College." (H. P. 77) (L. D. 102)

Bill "An Act Providing a Fire Chief for the Dover and Foxcroft Water District." (Emergency) (H. P. 78) (L. D. 103)

On motion by Mr. Lund of Kennebec, bill was tabled pending reference to a committee.

Come from the House and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

Which were referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Weight and Weight Tolerance of Vehicles Loaded with Minerals." (H. P. 79) (L. D. 104)

Bill "An Act Relating to Registration of Motor Vehicles by Blind Veterans." (H. P. 110) (L. D. 137)

Come from the House referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Which were referred to the Committee on Transportation in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Relating to Definition of Child Under World War Assistance Program of Department of Veterans Services." (H. P. 80) (L. D. 105)

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs.

Which was referred to the Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act Repealing Prohibition of Use of Certain Names by Institutes Not Given Right to Grant Degrees." (H. P. 97)

Comes from the House Recommended to the Committee on Reference of Bills.

Which was recommitted to the Committee on Reference of Bills in concurrence.

### Communications

STATE OF MAINE  
Secretary of the Senate

January 24, 1967

To the Members of the Senate of the 103rd Legislature:

Pursuant to Senate Order relative to appointment of Subordinate Officers of the Senate, this is to inform you that the President of the Senate has appointed Sylvia Lehr as Secretary to the President, and the Secretary of the Senate has appointed Marjorie L. Sewell as Secretary to the Secretary; Elizabeth A. Crawford, Index Secretary; Imelda Vautour, Recording Secretary; Ruby T. Clark, Secretary to the Assistant Secretary of the Senate, and Mary Porter and Sharon Shaw, Senate Stenographers.

Respectfully,  
JERROLD B. SPEERS  
Secretary of the Senate

Which was Read and Ordered placed on file.

### STATE OF MAINE

January 24, 1967

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the One Hundred and Third Legislature

Transmitted herewith is a report entitled "Non-Scheduled Transportation".

This report is being submitted in accordance with the Interim Study Committee authorized by the One Hundred and Second Legislature.

Respectfully,  
ROMEO T. BOISVERT  
Senator Romeo T. Boisvert  
Chairman

(S. P. 144)

Which was Read and Ordered placed on file with the accompanying report.

Sent down for concurrence.

### STATE OF MAINE

January 24, 1967

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the One Hundred and Third Legislature

Transmitted herewith is a report entitled "Report of the Maine Legislative Power Study Committee".

This report is being submitted in accordance with the Interim Study Committee authorized by the One Hundred and Second Legislature.

Respectfully,  
ELMER H. VIOLETTE  
Chairman

(S. P. 145)

Which was Read and Ordered placed on file with the accompanying report.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Legislative Research  
Committee

January 24, 1967

To the Members of the 103rd Legislature:

The Legislative Research Committee has the honor to transmit herewith a three-phase study on State Personnel Laws and Administration pursuant to the following directive of the 102nd Legislature:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Legislative Research

Committee is directed to study the classification processes and procedures governing the employment of professional and technical employees in the Federal Government and other states for the purpose of determining necessary and possible improvements in the classification of such personnel in this State; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Committee report the results of its study to a special session of the 102nd Legislature or to the 103rd Legislature.

ORDERED, the House concurring that the Legislative Research Committee is directed to employ professional consultants to obtain the information necessary to determine whether changes are needed to improve the State Personnel Laws, special emphasis in the study to be given to the areas of classification and salary, present rules and regulations governing the hiring and discharging of state employees, and all phases of Personnel Department policies, functions and administration; and be it further

ORDERED, that a report of such study together with any recommendations deemed necessary be made to the 103rd Legislature.

Due to the broad scope of this assignment the Committee deemed it necessary to treat the study under three separate publications; Committee publication 103-5, A Proposed Classification Plan; Committee publication 103-6, A Proposed Salary Plan for State Employees; Committee publication 103-7, Proposed Organization and Policies for State Personnel Administration.

This assignment was contractually studied for the Committee, under authority of the Legislature and contains the findings and recommendations of the Legislative Research Committee as developed by the consultant firm of Cresap, McCormick and Paget, New York, New York.

The Committee sincerely hopes the information herein contained will prove of benefit to the

members of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS JALBERT

Chairman

Legislative Research  
Committee

(S. P. 146)

Which was Read and Ordered placed on file with the accompanying report.

Sent down for concurrence.

### Senate Papers

Mr. Johnson of Somerset presented the following Joint Resolution pursuant to Joint Rule 12 and with the approval of the majority of the Committee on Reference of Bills:

Joint Resolution Memorializing Congress to Extend the Northern Terminus of the Interstate and Defense Highway System in Maine From Houlton to Fort Kent.

We your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the One Hundred and Third Legislative Session assembled, most respectfully present and petition your Honorable Body as follows:

WHEREAS, it has been recognized that the nation's economy and the nation's security require the construction of a national system of interstate and defense highways; and

WHEREAS, the primary responsibility for construction of such a system rests in the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, the objective is to complete the presently designated national system by 1972; and

WHEREAS, the people of Maine through appropriate action have deemed it essential that the highways of this State be integrated into the interstate and defense system; and

WHEREAS, the coinciding completion dates of U.S. Interstate 95 to the border east of Houlton and the entire Trans Canada Highway system will result in a great amount of potential traffic bypassing central and northern Aroostook County; and

WHEREAS, a high-standard, key-artery highway through Aroostook County will better serve present

industry, attract new industry and provide tourists and travelers with access to the many recreational possibilities of central and northern Aroostook County; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Defense of the U.S. Government has extensive defense installations in northern Aroostook County, namely Loring Air Force Base located in Limestone, Maine and supplemental installations to this base also located in the general area of northern Aroostook County, in the State of Maine; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: that we, your Memorialists, recommend and urge to the Congress of the United States, in order to more adequately serve the more heavily populated areas of central and northern Aroostook County and provide additional highway facilities for defense installations in northern Aroostook County, that appropriate action be taken to require the Department of Commerce, through the Bureau of Public Roads, to relocate the northern terminus of the Interstate and Defense Highway System in Maine from Houlton to Fort Kent; and be it further

RESOLVED: that a copy of this Memorial, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress and to the members of the said Senate and House of Representatives from this State. (S. P. 143)

Which was Read and Adopted.  
Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Mr. Wyman of Washington presented Bill "An Act Appropriating Operating Funds for Vocational Educational Institute in Washington County." (S. P. 136)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Providing a Bond Issue in the Amount of Six Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars for a Vocational Educational Institute in Washington County." (S. P. 137)

Which were referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Bills Tabled**

Mr. Lund of Kennebec presented Bill "An Act Relating to Conveyance of Reservation Lands for Penobscot Tribe of Indians." (S. P. 138)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Providing for Review of Laws Relating to Maine's Indian Tribes." (S. P. 139)

On motion by Mr. Johnson of Somerset, Tabled pending reference to a committee.

#### **Natural Resources**

Mr. Ferguson of Oxford presented Bill "An Act Classifying Certain Inland Waters of the Androscoggin River Basin." (S. P. 140)

Which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **State Government**

Mr. Harding of Aroostook presented Bill "An Act Providing for an Economist within the Department of Economic Development." (S. P. 141)

Mr. Wyman of Washington presented Bill "An Act Relating to Appointment of the Deputy Secretary of State." (S. P. 142)

Which were referred to the Committee on State Government and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Orders**

On motion by Mr. Albair of Aroostook

WHEREAS, the Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Maine, the Most Reverend Daniel Feeney, has been stricken by illness, and;

WHEREAS, Bishop Feeney, since his appointment to his high office, has exemplified the constitutional precepts of the separation of the church and the state, and;

WHEREAS, Bishop Feeney has established an enviable record as a spokesman for all denominations on issues related to religion; now THEREFORE, be it

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the 103rd Legislature



extend its best wishes to the Most Reverend Bishop Feeney for a speedy and complete recovery from his illness, and; be it further

ORDERED, that, under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, a suitably engrossed copy of this Joint Order be prepared and forwarded to Bishop Feeney to indicate the high esteem in which he is held by us, the elected representatives of the people of the State of Maine.

(S. P. 148)

Which was Read and Passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

### **Orders Of The Day**

#### **Order out of order**

On motion by Mr. Curtis of Penobscot,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that, in recognition of this week as "National Ski Week", our State of Maine Legislature commends and congratulates all in our Nation who participate in, and who promote this outstanding recreational activity. We encourage our citizens to participate with others throughout the country in the special events conducted during

the week for the purpose of stimulating interest in the great sport of skiing, particularly in Maine, now truly a four-season vacationland with its fast growing ski industry. The State of Maine is honored to host the 1967 National Collegiate Skiing Championship in March and we commend, and lend our complete support, to Maine's application as the site of the 1976 International Winter Olympics.

(S. P. 119)

Read and Passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Viles of Somerset the Senate voted to take from the table the first tabled and specially assigned matter Bill "An Act Relating to Disposal of Income of Organized Township Fund." tabled by that Senator on January 19 pending reference.

On further motion by the same Senator, the bill was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, ordered printed and sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Ross of Piscataquis,

Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.