

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

*One Hundred and Fourth
Legislature*

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1969

KENNEBEC JOURNAL
AUGUSTA, MAINE

SENATE

Thursday, January 9, 1969

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Brigadier Alfred C. Davey of Augusta.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

Out of Order and Under Suspension of the Rules:

On motion by Mr. Hoffses of Knox,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they adjourn to Tuesday, January 14, at 10 o'clock in the morning. (S. P. 27)

Which was Read and Passed.

Sent forthwith to the House for concurrence.

Order

Out of Order and Under Suspension of the Rules:

On motion by Mr. Hoffses of Knox

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of both branches in the Hall of the House, for the purpose of extending to His Excellency, Governor Kenneth M. Curtis, an invitation to attend the Convention and make such communication as pleases him.

Which was Read and Passed.

On request of the President, Mr. Hoffses delivered the message and reported that he had performed the duty assigned to him.

Subsequently a message was received from the House, through Representative Harrison Richardson, concurring in the proposition.

The Senate then retired to the Hall of the House of Representatives where a Joint Convention was formed.

(For proceedings of Joint Convention, see House Report.)

In Senate

Senate called to order by the President.

House Papers Joint Order

ORDERED, the Senate con-

curring, that the joint rules be amended by adding a new Joint Rule 17-B, to read as follows:

17-B. Ought not to pass referrals. Any bill or resolve, which bears a unanimous ought not to pass notation by the committee to which it has been referred, shall be delivered to the Joint Standing Committee on Reference of Bills, which committee shall notify the house of origin of the delivery of such bill or resolve. No further action shall be taken on such bill or resolve unless within 10 calendar days after notification on the informational calendar a majority of the members of the house of origin sign a petition of discharge.

(H. P. 84)

Comes from the House Read and Passed.

Which was Read.

(On motion by Mr. Katz of Kennebec, tabled unassigned pending passage.)

Communications

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
OFFICE OF THE CLERK
AUGUSTA, MAINE

January 8, 1969

Honorable Jerrold B. Speers

Secretary of the Senate

104th Legislature

Augusta, Maine

Sir:

The Speaker today appointed the following members to serve on the State Transportation Commission:

Messrs. CROSBY of Kennebunk
LEBEL of Van Buren

He also appointed the following members to serve on the Committee on Campaign Reports:

Mrs. BAKER of Orrington
Messrs. HANSON of Vassalboro
CAREY of Waterville

He also appointed the following member to serve on the Commission on Interstate Cooperation:

Messrs. HARDY of Hope
DUDLEY of Enfield (Continuing)

SUSI of Pittsfield (Continuing)

Respectfully,
BERTHA W. JOHNSON
Clerk of the House

Which was Read and Ordered
Placed on File.

MAINE STATE HIGHWAY
COMMISSION
AUGUSTA, MAINE

January 9, 1969

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

In accordance with the wishes
of the 103rd Maine Legislature as
expressed in the provisions of L.
D. 1339, entitled AN ACT TO PRO-
VIDE A FEASIBILITY STUDY
FOR EXPRESS HIGHWAY
THROUGH WASHINGTON
COUNTY, the State Highway Com-
mission herewith submits the en-
closed report which has been
prepared by Edwards and Kelsey,
Inc., Consultants. Documentation
of the feasibility and cost estimates
for each of the three proposals
studied are indicated in the report.

Respectfully,
Maine State Highway Commission
(Signed)

DAVID H. STEVENS, Chairman
BERTRAND A. LACHARITE
STEVEN D. SHAW
(S. P. 36)

Which was Read and with
accompanying papers Ordered
Placed on File.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate Papers

**Appropriations and Financial
Affairs**

Mr. Barnes of Aroostook
presented

Bill, "An Act to Provide Funds
for Enforcement of the Potato
Branding Law." (S. P. 28) (L. D.
86)

Mr. Greeley of Waldo presented
Resolve, Appropriating Funds for
the, perambulation of the Maine-
New Hampshire Boundary Line. (S.
P. 29) (L. D. 87)

Which were referred to the
Committee on Appropriations and
Financial Affairs and Ordered
Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Highways

Mr. Greeley of Waldo presented
Bill, "An Act Authorizing Applica-
tion of 1966 Assessed Valuation for
Reimbursement to Towns for Snow
Removal in Winter Season of 1968-
69." (Emergency) (S. P. 30) (L.
D. 88)

Which was referred to the
Committee on Highways and
Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Mr. Barnes of Aroostook
presented Bill, "An Act Increasing
Borrowing Capacity of Ashland
Water and Sewer District." (S. P.
31) (L. D. 89)

Which was referred to the
committee on Public Utilities and
Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

State Government

Mr. Levine of Kennebec pre-
sented, Resolve, Proposing an
Amendment to the Constitution
Providing for Annual Legislative
Sessions, (S. P. 35) (L. D. 93)

Mr. Levine of Kennebec
presented, Resolve, Proposing an
Amendment to the Constitution
Reducing the Voting Age to Nine-
teen Years. (S. P. 33) (L. D. 91)

Mr. Berry of Cumberland
presented, Resolve, Authorizing the
State Tax Assessor to Convey by
Sale the Interest of the State in
Certain Lands in the Unorganized
Territory. (S. P. 34) (L. D. 92)

(On motion by Mr. Berry of
Cumberland, temporarily set
aside.)

Mr. Levine of Kennebec
Presented, Resolve, Proposing an
Amendment to the Constitution to
Abolish the Council and Make
Changes in the Matter of Gubernatorial
Appointments and Their
Confirmation. (S. P. 32) (L. D.
90)

Which were referred to the
Committee on State Government
and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Natural Resources

The PRESIDENT: The Chair
recognizes the Senator from
Cumberland, Senator Berry.

Mr. BERRY of Cumberland: Mr.
President and Members of the
Senate: After consultation, and
with the approval of the Chairman
of the Joint Committee on State
Government, I would move that
Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax
Assessor to Convey by Sale the
Interest of the State in Certain

Lands in the Unorganized Territory, be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and ordered printed.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Berry, moves that Senate Paper 34 be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and ordered printed. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

The motion prevailed, and the Resolve was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Duquette of York,

ORDERED, that twenty-five hundred (2,500) copies of Governor's Budget Message be printed.

Which was Read and Passed.

At Ease

**Called to order by the President
Paper from the House
Committee Report
Ought to Pass**

Out of order and under suspension of the rules the President laid before the Senate the following paper from the House:

The Committee on Education on Bill, "An Act to Validate Certain Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Notes and the Execution of a Lease to the Maine School Building Authority by the Town of Cape Elizabeth" (H. P. 6) (L. D. 6)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House, report Read and Accepted and the Bill Passed to be Engrossed.

Which report was Read and Accepted and the Bill Read Once. Thereupon, under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its Second Reading and Passed to be Engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Mills of Franklin was granted unanimous consent to

briefly address the Senate.

Mr. MILLS: Mr. President, I don't think that the second consecutive day in which the whole Legislature has been the beneficiary of interesting souvenirs, at least, of our service here should be passed over without comment on it and without thanks to those who are responsible. I have in mind, of course, as all the Senators know and the members of the other body too, the very splendid gift that we all received yesterday from the trucking industry, the portfolios, which is a duplicate of two years ago.

Then I noticed this morning that we are favored with a tie clasp. The tie clasp is ominous, as you will note, but it got called two years ago, and I guess it is known in the trade as, "The Double Bottom." It is a trailer truck about 150 feet long going down a main highway, and I think we are expected to put it on our ties. Now, if it is going to have as much potency as those "500" things that I have seen on certain members, why, I am concerned.

I was over in Europe last year, last summer, and I saw a lot of double bottoms on the highways, even in the Alps, and I was quite impressed that my position might have been wrong two years ago when I voted against double bottoms. But I am going to watch the souvenirs as they come along day after day from the industry, and can only hope that the railroad people will be able to come up with counter fodder for us. Thank you.

(Off Record Remarks)

The adjournment order having been received from the House, on motion by Mr. Hoffses of Knox, adjourned until Tuesday, January 14, at 10 o'clock in the morning.