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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

One Hundred and Fourth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1969

KENNEBEC JOURNAL AUGUSTA, MAINE

SENATE

Tuesday, January 14, 1969 Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Lawrence E. Merckens of Hallowell.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

House Papers

Bills and Resolves today received from the House requiring reference to committees were acted upon in concurrence, with the following exceptions:

On motion by Mr. Barnes of Aroostook, the Senate voted to reconsider its previous action of this morning whereby Bill, "An Act Relating to the Authority to Regulate Motor Vehicle Speeds" (H.P. 60) (L.D. 62), was referred to the Committee on Highways and Ordered printed in concurrence.

On further motion by the same Senator, tabled and tomorrow assigned, pending Reference to Committee.

Communications STATE OF MAINE DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH AUGUSTA, MAINE

January 13, 1969 To the Honorable Jerrold B. Speers Secretary of the Senate of the 104th Legislature

In accordance with the Revised Statutes, Title 3, Section 164, Subsection 10, I hereby submit the report of the Director of Legislative Research.

Since a new revision of the public laws of Maine was enacted by the 101st Legislature, it is suggested that any criticisms of the 1964 Revision, whether constructive or otherwise, be forwarded to the Director for aid in planning future revisions.

In order to facilitate the work of the Legislature, this office sent letters to each administrative department and each member of the present Legislature urging the use of the available facilities of the office in the preparation of bills to be introduced. Around 300 Acts and resolves were drafted before the Legislature was convened and it is hoped that such cooperation may be continued and extended in the future.

The members of the Legislature are reminded that the Senate and House rules provide that the members who present bills, resolves and petitions must sign them.

In order to continue and promote uniformity of procedure, to avoid confusion and to permit an orderly transition from revision to revision, all bills, before presentation to the Legislature, should be checked by the office of the Director. The cooperation of the members of the 104th Legislature in this respect is earnestly requested.

> Respectfully SAMUEL H. SLOSBERG Director

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

MAINE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION AUGUSTA, MAINE

January 8, 1969 To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the One Hundred and Fourth Legislature

Transmitted herewith is a report entitled "Bridge Study for New

Meadows River Bridge".

This report is being submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Resolves of the One Hundred and Third Legislature, Chapter 10, a copy of which is included and made a part of this report.

The report was prepared by the Maine State Highway Commission.

Bridge Division.

Respectfully. MAINE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION

David H. Stevens, Chairman Bertrand A. Lacharite, Member Steven D. Shaw, Member (S. P. 52)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

MAINE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION AUGUSTA, MAINE January 8, 1969

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

Transmitted herewith is a report entitled "Bridge Study for Winne-

gance Bridge".

This report is being submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Private and Special Laws of the One Hundred and Third Legislature, Chapter 144, a copy of which is included and made a part of this report.

The report was prepared by the Maine State Highway Commission,

Bridge Division.

Respectfully,

(Signed)
MAINE STATE HIGHWAY
COMMISSION

David H. Stevens, Chairman Bertrand A. Lacharite, Member Steven D. Shaw, Member (S. P. 53)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate Papers Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Mr. Wyman of Washington presented Bill, "An Act to Provide for a Statistician in the Department of Agriculture." (S. P. 37) (L. D. 120)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Claims

Mr. Conley of Cumberland presented Resolve, to Reimburse Charles A. Holden of Portland as Agent of Conservator of Casco Mercantile Trust Company. (S. P. 38) L. D. 121)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

Mr. Wyman of Washington presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Fishing in Narraguagus River, Washington County." (S. P. 39) (L. D. 122)

Which was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and Ordered Printed. Sent down for concurrence. Judiciary

Mr. Tanous of Penobscot presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Time for Claims for and Extension of Liens." (S. P. 40) (L. D. 123)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Settlement with Joint Tortfeasors." (S. P. 41) (L. D. 124)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Workmen's Compensation Third-Party Actions". (S. P. 42) (L. D. 125)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Admission of Treatises and Books in Malpractice Actions." (S. P. 43) (L. D. 126)

Which were referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

State Government

Mr. Wyman of Washington presented Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Regulating the Size of the State Senate. (S. P. 44) (L. D. 147)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Taxation

Mr. Martin of Piscataquis presented Bill, "An Act to Exempt Television Sets and Musical Instruments from Property Taxation." (S. P. 45) (L. D. 148)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Credits." (S. P. 46) (L. D. 149)

Mr. Hanson of Kennebec presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Sales and Use Tax on Property Registered for Use in Maine." (S. P. 47) (L. D. 150)

Which were referred to the Committee on Taxation and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Towns and Counties

Mr. Tanous of Penobscot presented Bill, "An Act Increasing Salary of Clerk of Courts and Deputy Clerk of Courts of Penobscot County." (S. P. 48) (L. D. 151)

Which was referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Transportation

Mr. Barnes of Aroostook presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Application for Registration of Motor Vehicle by Minor Under 15 Years of Age." (S. P. 49) (L. D. 152)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Sewall of Penobscot,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be paid to John F. Nelson, Representative of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians and to Albert Dana, Representative of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians from the legislative appropriation the sum of \$100 per month, paid on a monthly basis until the amount authorized for such Representatives by statute is exhausted. (S. P. 51)

Which was Read and Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Quinn of Penobscot,

ORDERED, that the President of the Senate be authorized, at his discretion, to permit radio or sound television film or live television, or any two or three of these communication media, in the Senate Chamber while the Senate is in session.

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Hoffses of Knox,

ORDERED, that the Senate Majority Floor leader and the Senate Minority Floor leader be authorized to hire one secretary each, the respective salaries to be determined by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Sewall of Penobscot,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Chief Committee Clerk be appointed by the chairman of the Joint Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs: and be it further

ORDERED, that the Chief Committee Clerk shall coordinate the activities and duties of the several committee clerks.

(S. P. 50) Which was Read and Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

(Off Record Remarks)

Enactor

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

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following:

Emergency

"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)

This being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 26 Senators, was passed to be enacted and, having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion by Mr. Hoffses of Knox,

Adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.