

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

1st Special Session

OF THE

*One Hundred and Sixth
Legislature*

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1974

Kennebec Journal
Augusta, Maine

SENATE

Wednesday, January 9, 1974

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Richard R. Hunter of Portland.

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, Mr. Berry of Cumberland moved that the following be read and inserted into the record:

State of Maine
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, regardless of our religious affiliation or faith, we must all agree that our Creator is the source of hope for freedom and unity among mankind; and

WHEREAS, our nation has been gravely affected in recent months by numerous conflicts among and between her government and citizenry; and

WHEREAS, the prayers of a concerned people in the spirit of forgiveness and love can be a vital first step toward bridging the gap of separation and bringing unity of purpose; and

WHEREAS, God has blessed our nation with the freedom to publicly worship and call upon Him;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kenneth M. Curtis, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, January 9, 1974, as a

DAY OF PRAYER

in the State of Maine and urge all citizens, employees and officers of the State of Maine to unite in prayer so that our nation might be governed in accordance with God's will.

(SEAL)

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this Third day of January, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-eighth.

KENNETH M. CURTIS

By the Governor

JOSEPH T. EDGAR

Secretary of State

A true copy.

Attest: Joseph T. Edgar
Secretary of State

Which was Read and Ordered Placed on File.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

Papers From the House

Joint Resolution

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR

JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING GRATITUDE OF THE MAINE LEGISLATURE TO PREMIER HATFIELD AND THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK FOR AID DURING THE ENERGY CRISIS

WHEREAS, a shortage of petroleum for the mills of Maine's industrial economy constitutes a constant threat to the State's economic stability; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Maine fear 2 major paper mills may be forced to close, substantially reducing work forces or work hours for want of fuel to operate; and

WHEREAS, the Federal and Provincial Governments of Canada have demonstrated a willingness within their proper sphere of activity to do all within their power to keep such industry and commerce supplied; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Richard Hatfield, Premier of the Provincial Government of New Brunswick, Canada, has been instrumental in obtaining necessary relief in an atmosphere of friendly understanding on behalf of government management and labor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That we, the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the One Hundred and Sixth Legislature of the State of Maine now assembled in Special Legislative Session, extend to the Rt. Honorable Richard Hatfield, Premier, and the Provincial Government and people of New Brunswick, our sincere thanks for assisting

Maine industry in meeting its demand for petroleum at times of vital need; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith by the Secretary of State to said Premier and the citizens of New Brunswick, Canada, in token of our gratitude. (H. P. 1830)

Comes from the House, Read and Adopted.

Which was Read.

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

Mr. BERRY: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I think the Joint Resolution is a good opportunity to take public recognition of the outstanding work being done by the Department of Civil Defense, and in particular by the newly appointed department head, Timothy Wilson, and his associates who have been dealing with the energy crisis.

These people have been working exceptionally long hours and I know, from the comments I am getting from people around the state, that their work has been extremely effective. This is an area that several months ago none of us imagined that they would be working in. Tim Wilson is a man of tremendous capability, and I think we in the State of Maine are very fortunate to have him in this position in this time of crisis. I am very anxious that this be taken as an occasion to extend to him and his associates the thanks of everybody for a good job.

The PRESIDENT: Is it now the pleasure of the Senate that this Joint Resolution be adopted in concurrence?

Thereupon, the Joint Resolution was Adopted in concurrence.

(Off Record Remarks)

Senate Papers Judiciary

Mr. Tanous of Penobscot presented, Bill, "An Act to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Public Laws." (S. P. 821)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Committee Reports

Senate

Ought to Pass-As Amended

Mr. Tanous for the Committee on Judiciary on, Bill, "An Act to Correct an Inconsistency in the District Attorney Law." (S. P. 731) (L. D. 2143)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-309).

Which report was Read and Accepted and the Bill Read Once. Committee Amendment "A" was Read and Adopted and the Bill, as Amended, Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on Liquor Control on, Bill, "An Act to Permit Hours of Sale of Liquor in Take-out Stores to Correspond with On-premises Establishments." (S. P. 762) (L. D. 2193)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

OLFENE of Androscoggin
FORTIER of Oxford

Representatives:

KELLEHER of Bangor
TANGUAY of Lewiston
CRESSEY of North Berwick
RICKER of Lewiston
GENEST of Waterville
FAUCHER of Solon
STILLINGS of Berwick

The Majority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Representatives:

IMMONEN of West Paris
CHICK of Sanford
FARNHAM of Bangor

Which reports were Read and the Majority Ought to Pass Report of the Committee Accepted.

Thereupon, the Bill was Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

Second Readers

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following:

House

Bill, "An Act to Authorize the Transfer of Certain Funds Appropriated to the

Department of Indian Affairs from Capital Construction to All Other." (H. P. 1733) (L. D. 2179)

Bill, "An Act Relating to the Borrowing Capacity of School Administrative District No. 24." (H. P. 1662) (L. D. 2055)

(On motion by Mr. Berry of Cumberland, tabled and Tomorrow Assigned pending Passage to be Engrossed.)

Bill, "An Act Increasing Indebtedness of Town of York School District." (H. P. 1691) (L. D. 2084)

Bill, "An Act to Validate Certain Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Notes by S.A.D. #49." (H. P. 1744) (L. D. 2203)

Bill, "An Act Clarifying the Source of Payment of Bonds, Notes and Other Evidences of Indebtedness Issued for School Purposes." (H. P. 1761) (L. D. 2229)

Resolve, Relating to Granting Pipeline Easement by Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission to Town of Machias. (H. P. 1667) (L. D. 2060)

Bill, "An Act Increasing Indebtedness of Hospital Administrative District No. 3 in Aroostook and Penobscot Counties." (H. P. 1703) (L. D. 2096)

Bill, "An Act Changing Name of Peoples Benevolent Hospital to Northern Maine Medical Center." (H. P. 1669) (L. D. 2062)

Bill, "An Act Authorizing Use of Name 'The Children's Theatre of Maine'." (H. P. 1701) (L. D. 2094)

Resolve, to Reimburse Gerald Perkins of Bucksport for Loss of Beehives by Bear. (H. P. 1730) (L. D. 2174)

Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Exemption Date in the Minimum Lot Size Law." (H. P. 1731) (L. D. 2175)

Which were Read a Second Time and,

except for the tabled matter, Passed to be Engrossed in concurrence.

Thereupon, there being no objection, the Chair appointed Senator Graffam of Cumberland to the Committee on Agriculture.

Orders of the Day

The President laid before the Senate the following tabled and specially assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act to Establish a Small Grants Program for Municipal Conservation Commissions in the Department of Conservation." (S. P. 818)

Tabled — January 8, 1974 by Senator Morrell of Cumberland.

Pending — Reference.

(Committee on Natural Resources suggested.)

On motion by Mr. Berry of Cumberland, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Papers From the House

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, the Senate voted to take up the following:

House Papers

Bills today received from the House requiring Reference to Committees were acted upon in concurrence.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion by Mr. Berry of Cumberland,

Adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.