

# 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

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Augusta, Maine

## SENATE

Wednesday, January 30, 1974

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Father Thomas J. Joyce of Augusta:

O God, we humbly ask your blessing on all gathered here this morning. We ask that you sustain them in their work and a special blessing in their behalf that they may always have the strength to accomplish the task which is theirs to fulfill. Realizing that all law emanates from you, theirs is both a pious and a patriotic duty. One's service to one's fellow man can be summed up in that one great virtue of charity, the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. Theirs is an all important duty, and with it goes obligations and responsibility of no less importance. We therefore ask your blessing and, as all things begin and end with you, this meeting begins with our humble prayer that you sustain them and assist them, that they may always live up to the high principles to which this state is dedicated. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

### House Papers

The Bill and Resolves today received from the House requiring Reference to Committees were acted upon in concurrence, except for the following:

Resolve, Designating a Certain Man-made Lake in Berwick as "Lake Hatfield." (H. P. 1924) (L. D. 2457)

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Ordered Printed.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Joly.

Mr. JOLY: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I haven't even looked at this bill and I don't know who put it in, but I move its indefinite postponement.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Kennebec, Senator Joly, now moves that Resolve, Designating a Certain Man-made Lake in Berwick as "Lake Hatfield", be indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and sent down for concurrence.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Hichens.

Mr. HICHENS: Mr. President, I would ask for a division on that motion. This bill was introduced by a member of the other body. It is something that has been stewing for the last four or five years, apparently, with this man who has had his own man-made lake and wanted to name it in honor of his father, and I feel that there should be no difficulties with it, at least in having it be heard.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Joly.

Mr. JOLY: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: This is supposed to be an emergency session. The Legal Affairs Committee has had hearing after hearing and we try to get them done, but every other day another little bill crops up. I cannot see how this can be an emergency. If it is in memory of his father, his father apparently is deceased, and the memory will continue next year. I see no reason for bills of this type coming in here. I am just trying to make a point out of this; if I am beat it is all right, but I am really mad at this whole idea.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Hichens.

Mr. HICHENS: Mr. President, not to prolong this discussion any further, I think this can be compared with about 150 bills which are before us at this special session.

The PRESIDENT: The pending motion before the Senate is the motion of the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Joly, that Resolve, Designating a Certain Man-made Lake in Berwick as "Lake Hatfield", be indefinitely postponed. A division has been requested. As many Senators as are in favor of the motion to indefinitely postpone will please rise and remain standing until counted.

A division was had. 12 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and 10 Senators having voted in the negative, the Resolve was Indefinitely Postponed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

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January 30, 1974

Honorable Members of the Senate of the Maine State Legislature:

I am today sending you a supplemental listing of the 89 legislative documents embodying 235 recommendations of the Maine Management and Cost Survey. This compilation is intended to afford easy identification of these bills, the committee to which each has been referred, recommendations and subsequent legislative action.

Once again let me remind the Legislature of the tremendous investment made by the Business community in making these recommendations and the considerable time expended by Departments of State Government and the Implementation Staff in drafting the proposed legislation. Of the resulting bills, I have recommended only 15 for further study because of their potentially far-reaching and as yet undetermined effects. The remaining 74 bills represent considerable savings through increased efficiency in State Government. I urge the Legislature to enact these bills after full and fair consideration.

Some of the bills carry implementation appropriations. These costs reflect either the estimate of the Survey or the preliminary estimate of the particular departments. Each such appropriation should be subjected to careful cost benefit scrutiny by the Legislature.

Respectfully,  
Kenneth M. Curtis  
Governor

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

### Senate Papers

#### Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Mr. MacLeod of Penobscot presented, Bill, "An Act Repealing the Budget Laws Providing for Work Programs and Allotments." (S. P. 881)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Business Legislation

Mr. Speers of Kennebec (by request) presented, Bill, "An Act to Create a Central Professional and Occupational

Licensing Bureau in the Department of Business Regulation." (S. P. 882)

Which was referred to the Committee on Business Legislation and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Health and Institutional Services

Mr. Hichens of York (by request) presented, Bill, "An Act to Amend Certain Provisions of the Laws Administered by the Department of Health and Welfare." (S. P. 883)

Which was referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Second Readers

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

##### House

Bill, "An Act Clarifying Banking Laws." (H. P. 1918) (L. D. 2450)

Which was Read a Second Time and Passed to be Engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, "An Act to Specifically Include Sundays in the Seasonal Date Limitations for Hunting in Commercial Shooting Areas." (H. P. 1836) (L. D. 2327)

Which was Read a Second Time.

Mr. Anderson of Hancock then presented Senate Amendment "A" and moved its Adoption.

Senate Amendment "A", Filing No. S-329, was Read and Adopted and the Bill, as Amended, Passed to be Engrossed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Enactors

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

An act Relating to Safety Glazing. (H. P. 1705) (L. D. 2098)

An Act Relating to the Regulation and Control of Dogs. (H. P. 1771) (L. D. 2243)

An Act to Clarify the Law Relating to Fishery Inspection. (H. P. 1747) (L. D. 2206)

An Act to Provide Inspection Fees for Certain Herring Products. (H. P. 1763) (L. D. 2231)

Which were Passed to be Enacted and, having been signed by the President,

were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

### Emergencies

An Act Clarifying Sprinkler System Requirements in Boarding Homes. (H. P. 1695) (L. D. 2088)

An Act to Permit Counties to Accept and Expend State and Federal Grants. (S. P. 708) (L. D. 2120)

These being emergency measures and having received the affirmative votes of 26 members of the Senate, were Passed to be Enacted and, having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

### Orders of the Day

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

Bill, "An Act Relating to Transporting School Children to Other Than Public Schools." (S. P. 880)

Tabled-January 29, 1974 by Senator Minkowsky of Androscoggin.

Pending-Reference.

(Legal Affairs Committee Suggested)

On motion by Mr. Katz of Kennebec, referred to the Committee on Education and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Sewall of Penobscot, Recessed until the sound of the bell.

### After Recess

Called to order by the President.

On motion by Mr. Sewall of Penobscot, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations Table Bill, "An Act Relating to a State-wide Food Stamp Program." (H. P. 1774) (L. D. 2246)

On further motion by the same Senator, and under suspension of the rules, the Senate voted to reconsider its prior action whereby the bill was Passed to be Engrossed.

The same Senator then presented

Senate Amendment "B" and moved its Adoption.

Senate Amendment "B", Filing No. S-330 was Read.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator has the floor.

Mr. SEWALL: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: This amendment was occasioned by the fact that on study of the state-wide food stamp bill, which is on the Appropriation Table, we found that the counties that this would affect, and that is all the counties in the state, might possibly need to borrow money in anticipation of this program because it must go into effect on July 1 in order not to have a gap between the present commodity surplus program and this new food stamp program. So this amendment, in effect, will allow the several county commissioners to borrow funds to operate this program in anticipation of it for the year 1974-75.

The PRESIDENT: Is the Senate ready for the question?

Thereupon, Senate Amendment "B" was Adopted and the Bill, as Amended, Passed to be Engrossed in non-concurrence.

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:

### Enactors

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

### Emergency

An Act Providing Funds for Marine Research. (H. P. 1768) (L. D. 2240)

This being an emergency measure and having received the affirmative votes of 28 members of the Senate 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. Sewall of Penobscot, Adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.