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SENATE

Monday, June 23, 1975

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Honorable Samuel W. Collins, Jr., of Rockland:

To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the Heaven, a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to pluck up that which is planted, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to break down and a time to build up, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to cast away stones and a time to gather stones together, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to get and a time to lose, a time to keep and a time to cast away, a time to rend and a time to sow, a time to keep silence and a time to speak, a time to concur and a time to adhere. Help us to know what time it is. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of Friday, June 20, 1975.

Papers from the House
Non-concurrent Matter

Bill, "An Act to Amend the Air Pollution Standards to Expand the Definition of Treatment and to Affirm that Projects Meeting State Air Quality and Emission Standards will not Significantly Deteriorate Existing Air Quality." (S. P. 443) (L. D. 1503)

In the Senate June 12, 1975, Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-275).

Comes from the House, Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by Committee Amendment "A", as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-813) Thereto, in non-concurrence.

Mr. Berry of Cumberland moved that the Senate Recede and Concur.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator O'Leary.

Mr. O'LEARY: Mr. President, I would move for the indefinite postponement of House Amendment "A", H-813, and would speak briefly to it.

Mr. President, this amendment will do nothing but confuse the intent of the bill. As of Wednesday of last week, the Board of Environmental Protection said, in a statement by Mr. Bill Adams, Chairman, that the bill as it came out of committee was a good bill and that this amendment, as we have it before us as H-813, according to the Attorney General, will do nothing but confuse the whole issue. Therefore, I hope you will not recede and concur and that you—

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will interrupt the Senator from Oxford, Senator O'Leary, to inform him that his motion is not at this point and time in order. It would be necessary for the Senate to recede in two instances before the motion to indefinitely postpone would be in order.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator O'Leary.

On motion by Mr. O'Leary of Oxford, the Senate then voted to Recede from its former action whereby the Bill was Passed to be Engrossed.

The same Senator moved that the Senate reconsider its action whereby Committee Amendment "A" was Adopted.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Berry of Cumberland, the Bill and accompanying papers were Indefinitely Postponed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

Non-concurrent Matter

Bill, "An Act to Extend the Effective Date for Regulations Concerning Solid Waste Disposal." (H. P. 1746) (L. D. 1943)

In the Senate June 19, 1975, Passed to be Engrossed, in concurrence.

Comes from the House, Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-815), in non-concurrence.

Thereupon, the Senate voted to Adhere. (See action later in today's session.)

Non-concurrent Matter

Bill, "An Act Revising Lobbyist Disclosure Procedures." (S. P. 150) (L. D. 513)

In the Senate June 17, 1975, Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-312), as Amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-324) Thereto.

Comes from the House, Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by Committee Amendment "A", as Amended by House Amendment "D" (807) Thereto, in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Conley of Cumberland, the Senate voted to Recede and Concur.

Reconsidered Matter

On motion by Mr. Berry of Cumberland, the Senate voted to reconsider its former action whereby it voted to Adhere on Bill, "An Act to Extend the Effective Date for Regulations Concerning Solid Waste Disposal" (H. P. 1746) (L. D. 1943)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the same Senator.

Mr. BERRY: Mr. President, the House action put on the emergency measure. In view of the fact that this is setting forward the date for solid waste disposal, accelerating it, it seems to me that this would help many of the municipalities in the State. I move the Senate recede and concur.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Berry, now moves that the Senate recede and concur. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

The motion prevailed.

Non-concurrent Matter

Bill, "An Act to Authorize the Board of Environmental Protection to Regulate the Anchorage of Tankers in Casco Bay." (H. P. 1700) (L. D. 1933)

In the Senate June 20, 1975, Bill and accompanying papers, Indefinitely Postponed, in non-concurrence.

Comes from the House, Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-786), as Amended by House Amendment "B" (H-816) Thereto, in non-concurrence.

Mr. Conley of Cumberland moved that the Senate Recede and Concur.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Somerset, Senator Cianchette.

Mr. CIANCHETTE: Mr. President, I don't care to belabor this bill too much, but there are some things that sincerely concern me, and I think they probably concern other members of this body. There are some questions that I haven't had answered here about this bill and I don't understand the ramifications of the bill.

I don't know how much it is going to cost the DEP to administer this bill, and I don't believe some of the statements that we heard here in favor of the bill last time were absolutely correct.

I would like to see more time given to this kind of legislation. I do feel that much

of it is duplication. I have some very good friends that are very much interested in this bill and would like to see its passage. I have talked with some of them and asked them questions and they don't seem to be able to answer. Their concern is the same as mine, that we don't want a mess down in Casco Bay of oil tankers.

It seems to me that if we work through the Coast Guard regulations, if we feel that there may be a problem, it seems like by dealing through the Coast Guard we could prevent any kind of tragedy from happening in Casco Bay.

Until the questions have been answered and we know the ramifications of this bill, I think we would be better off to defeat the motion to recede and concur and take more time in planning this bill. So when the vote is taken, I would ask for a division.

The PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is the motion by the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley, to recede and concur.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Berry.

Mr. BERRY: Mr. President, I haven't heard anything added to the debate by Senator Cianchette. He has talked generalities and he questions the cost to DEP. The DEP feels that there is no expense involved on their part. Such statements as I might have made the other day that are incorrect, I would appreciate very much if he would tell me what statements I made that were incorrect. He talks about a duplication of effort. I assume he is talking about the Coast Guard, and in the debate I pointed out that the Coast Guard carries total authorization and supervision relative to the conduct of the boats themselves when they are at the moorings. There is no duplication of this effort by DEP in any way, shape or manner.

It could be that being inland, that some people like Senator Cianchette aren't too concerned about what can happen on the seashore. This is a very serious problem to those in the area, and the same situation takes place right up the coast in Penobscot Bay, Frenchman's Bay, and down in Eastport.

This is a new era in Maine's history. The interest and concern of a regulatory authority like DEP just points out how foresighted we were in the legislature to set up procedures whereby tanker anchorage can be controlled. There is no intent here or thought on anybody's part to be restrictive; merely to see that if this new concept is put in effect it is done in the proper laws of the state to safeguard all aspects of pollution. I hope that we would vote for Senator Conley's motion to recede and concur.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Somerset, Senator Cianchette.

Mr. CIANCHETTE: Mr. President, I have a letter here signed by Clark Neily, Director of Economic Development, City of Portland. His last statement in the letter says, "In summary, there is not a single logical reason to add another layer of government regulations on top of that which is already provided for in the handling of tank vessels that would be placed in such storage. It is also totally unfair to deny the water front business of Portland the opportunity to do additional business without even consulting them ahead of time on this regulatory bill. The City of Portland officials also were not consulted by Mr. LaPointe when this bill was drafted." Item three in the letter says,

"These vessels would not be allowed to swing around in any one thousand foot radius circle, as described by Senator Berry, but would be moored fore and aft and would not swing at all."

In the committee amendment, in the scope of regulations, it sets up that the Board of Environmental Protection within 90 days after the effective date of this act shall adopt regulations limiting or, to the extent the board determines necessary, prohibiting the anchorage in Maine coastal waters, estuaries or rivers under the jurisdiction of the State of Maine vessels designed or used to carry oil as cargo.

I really don't understand — there may be an answer as to why this bill won't cost any money, but it seems like to set up regulations and to administer these regulations that in their scope they are asked something like eight or nine different areas that they are supposed to deal with and concern themselves with. How many times in this legislature have we been concerned about the fact that we have put off bills for the departments around the state to promulgate regulations, and they have come back to haunt this legislature afterwards? If this bill were drafted so that the regulations would be promulgated with the approval of the legislature, I certainly would feel a lot better about this. But there have been laws passed and we have seen them passed, we have seen the problems, and then we say, we allowed the departments to promulgate the rules and they did not follow the intent of the legislation, but it is too late then.

I am just concerned, when I see people like the very Honorable Jon Lund here lobbying for this bill, that are there some extreme groups in the state looking for loopholes whereby they can further harass business. I see this law as that kind of possibility. I don't know it is true but I don't know it isn't true. For these concerns, I think that we should restrain ourselves and not jump into this regulation.

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

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, I would like to point out to the Senate that the good Senator from Somerset, Senator Cianchette, has made note of Mr. Clark Neily, and I would just like the Senate to know that the House Amendment that is presently on the bill is an amendment drafted by Mr. Neily and his associates, and what it does is really protect current business of operations that are now being conducted in Casco Bay.

Primarily we are concerned about these additional tankers that are going to be moored out of Hussey Sound just waiting there for orders, and we want to make sure that in no way are they just placed there without any type of regulations or someone keeping an eye on them, and they don't become a graveyard or a polluting yard for residents of Casco Bay. I think we in the coastal area in that part of Cumberland County are greatly concerned about this problem, and I would hope the Senate would support the motion to recede and concur.

The PRESIDENT: Is the Senate ready for the question? The pending question before the Senate is the motion by the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley, that the Senate recede and concur with the House. Will all those Senators in favor of receding and concurring rise in their places until counted.

A division was had. 19 having voted in

the affirmative and 10 having voted in the negative, the motion prevailed.

House Paper

Bill, "An Act to Establish Uniform Standards for the Measurement of Wood." (H. P. 1758) (L. D. 1944)

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

Thereupon, under suspension of the rules, referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Ordered Printed in concurrence.

There being no objection, all matters previously acted upon in today's session requiring concurrence were sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Joint Orders

WHEREAS, there is a great need for legislation to conserve the lobster resources of the State as these resources are presently being overfished; and

WHEREAS, diverse methods of fishing and different regional fishing traditions make it impractical to make one general statute apply uniformly to all regions of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Mainer Legislature and Maine lobstermen recognize that there is a need for legislation designed to address regional problems where they exist; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative to have the participation of Maine's lobstermen in drafting such legislation; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Council, through the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources, be authorized to study means to conserve the lobster fishery and to improve the fishing practices of the lobster fishery, these means to include, but not be limited to, limited entry, trap restrictions and regulation by area or district; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Council is authorized to consult with, solicit and receive information from the Department of Marine Resources, other governmental and private agencies, and groups and organizations representing Maine lobstermen from all regions of the State; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Council report the results of its findings together with any proposed recommendations and necessary implementing legislation to the next special or regular session of the Legislature; and be it further

ORDERED, upon passage in concurrence, that suitable copies of this order be transmitted forthwith to said agencies as notice of this directive. (H. P. 1761)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, tabled pending Passage.

WHEREAS, the State Legislature provides approximately \$175,000,000 annually in financial assistance to Maine cities and towns for programs such as education, highways, revenue sharing, general assistance, sewerage treatment and numerous other municipal aid programs; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature is annually confronted with taking immediate action on appropriation issues affecting communities, within the time

constraints and pressures on municipal officials to prepare local budgets for adoption, so that the amount of state financial assistance can be accurately reflected in municipal budgets; and

WHEREAS, both the Legislature and communities would benefit from having fiscal years that are similar; and

WHEREAS, L. D. 1452 provides a July 1st-June 30th fiscal year for all school units starting on July 1, 1977; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has enacted a change in the federal fiscal year to an October 1st-September 30th fiscal period; and

WHEREAS, local communities will have great difficulty attempting to comply with three or four different fiscal years: now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that that Legislative Council be authorized, through the Joint Standing Committee on Local and County Government to study the problems pertaining to uniform fiscal years including but not limited to:

1. The need for uniform state, county and municipal fiscal years;
2. The impact of the change in the federal fiscal year on state, county and municipal governments;
3. The impact upon present payment schedules for the collection of property taxes;
4. State revenue sources necessary to enable implementation of any fiscal year changes; and
5. Means to minimize the necessity for tax anticipatory borrowing; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Local and County Government Committee report the results of its study, together with any implementing legislation to the next special or regular session of the Legislature; and be it further

ORDERED, upon passage in concurrence, that suitable copies of this Order be transmitted forthwith to said agencies as notice of this directive. (H. P. 1760)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, tabled pending Passage.

WHEREAS, the public interest requires that effective uniform laws be established that eliminate conflicts, provide for effective enforcement and protect the rights of all; and

WHEREAS, the statutes regulating the harvesting, processing, transporting, buying and selling of fish and shellfish contain provisions which need clarification and improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources has considered several bills which attempted to resolve these problems; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Council be authorized, through the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources, to study the laws relating to the regulation of the shellfish and fishing industry, practices concerning that industry, and the provisions of L. D. 1790, 1759 and 1622 in order to determine a clear, equitable and uniform legislative policy governing the shellfish and fishing industry; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Legislative Council, acting through the Committee on Marine Resources, coordinate its study with the Department of Marine Resources and that such agencies and departments

as may be determined by the Legislative Council acting through the Committee on Marine Resources, be authorized and respectfully directed to provide the Council with such information, technical advice and assistance as the Committee deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this Order; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Council report the results of its findings together with any proposed recommendations and necessary implementing legislation to the next special or regular session of the Legislature; and be it further

ORDERED, upon passage in concurrence, that suitable copies of this Order be transmitted forthwith to said agencies as notice of this directive. (H. P. 1759)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, tabled pending Passage.

STATE OF MAINE

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-five.

WHEREAS, The Legislature has learned of the Outstanding Achievement and Exceptional Accomplishment of Virginia Brown of Mechanic Falls Upon Her Retirement After 42 Years of Dedicated Service as a Primary School Teacher

We the Members of the House of Representatives and Senate do hereby Order that our congratulations and acknowledgement be extended; and further

Order and direct, while duly assembled in session at the Capitol in Augusta, under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, that this official expression of pride be sent forthwith on behalf of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine. (H. P. 1762)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read and Passed in concurrence.

Order

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, on motion by Mr. Conley of Cumberland.

WHEREAS, the Senate bell is currently operating on automatic mode; and

WHEREAS, the resultant ringing in frequency and intensity threatens to disrupt the peace of the Senate, to further fray the nerves of the Members of the Senate and to violate decibel limits established under the Federal Ambient Noise statutes; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, that the Senate bell be returned to the manual mode of operation.

Which was Read.

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

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, I realize it is getting hot and it is getting late, but I did want to call to the attention of the presiding officer of this body that on occasion that bell does ring beyond its limitations and my limitations. Seeing that there is no Senate Paper number on this order, I think we can just bypass the order.

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

Mr. BERRY: Mr. President, just speaking briefly, I think if the coffee

klatch that gets together in the minority floor leader's office would respond to the bell quicker, it wouldn't have to ring so long.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair thanks the Senator. Is it now the pleasure of the Senate that this joint order be indefinitely postponed?

It is a vote.

Communications

STATE OF MAINE

One Hundred and Seventh Legislature
Committee on Transportation

June 18, 1975

Honorable Joseph Sewall
President of the Senate
State House
Augusta, Maine

Dear President Sewall:

It is a pleasure to inform you that the Committee on Transportation has considered and acted on all matters referred to it by the One Hundred and Seventh Legislature.

Following is the tabulation of bills as reported out of committee:

Total Number of Bills Received.	93
Ought to Pass	20
Ought to Pass as Amended	6
Ought to Pass in New Draft	6
Ought Not to Pass	18
Divided Reports	22
Leave to Withdraw	21

Very truly yours,

Signed:

EDWIN H. GREELEY
Chairman

Which was Read and Ordered Placed on File.

STATE OF MAINE

One Hundred and Seventh Legislature
House of Representatives

Office of the Clerk
Augusta, Maine 04330

June 20, 1975

Honorable Harry N. Starbranch
Secretary of the Senate
107th Legislature
Augusta, Maine

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The Chair appointed the following conferees to the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill "An Act to Reform the State Retirement System" (H. P. 1723) (L. D. 1939):

Representatives:

THERIAULT of Rumford
BUSTIN of Augusta
TYNDALE of Kennebunkport

Respectfully,

Signed:

EDWIN H. PERT
Clerk of the House

Which was Read and Ordered Placed on File.

Mr. Hichens of York was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate:

Mr. HICHENS: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: Before this mood of levity disappears altogether, I would like to add another contribution which was penned before the heat of the day struck me.

If its business legislation that may cause some agitation

There is one chap in this Senate we can blame.

When we have no fault insurance, it can be with the assurance

That with his supportive action hence it came.

He has by his mere presence, given the Senate the great essence

Of an intellectual feeling in this hall.

For as a college prexy — who oft suffers apoplexy

With the problems he's encountered by his call,

He has shared his feelings freely, like his good colleague, Ed Greeley,
And also shared his home and food, one night;

Where we all partook of dishes which exceeded all fond wishes.

And for all it was an evening of delight.

So it is with greatest pleasure — and good wishes beyond measure

That we tender Birthday Greetings here and now,

To our colleague, John L. Thomas — as the session departs from us.

And we wipe the well earned sweat from fevered brow.

(Applause)

(Off Record Remarks)

Committee Reports

House

Leave to Withdraw

The Committee on State Government on, Bill, "An Act to Establish Rules for Legislative Investigating Committees." (H. P. 898) (L. D. 1085)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Comes from the House, the Bill substituted for the Report and subsequently Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-789).

Which report was Read.

Thereupon, the Leave to Withdraw Report of the Committee was Accepted in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

Ought to Pass — As Amended

The Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on, Bill, "An Act to Increase Certain Hunting and Fishing License Fees." (H. P. 464) (L. D. 566)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-784).

Comes from the House, the Bill Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by Committee Amendment "B".

Which report was Read.

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

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, I wonder if perhaps the Chairman of the Fish and Game Committee or one of the members of that Committee might briefly explain to the Senate what changes are made in these registration fees at this time?

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley, now poses a question through the Chair to any member of the Fish and Game Committee who may care to answer.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Hancock, Senator McNally.

Mr. McNALLY: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: This is the second time that the committee tried to do their best to please everyone, realizing that that is an impossibility. But this is a set-up bunch of fees that is producing nearly \$500,000 less money than we had before. Now, how were we able to do that? Well, one thing in the cost and management survey was a request to automate the printing out of the licenses and that they would be all sold from down here in Augusta, that nobody around over the

state would be selling them, and through the years they would get back the approximate \$100,000 that is made up of the fifty cents that is given to the people who write them.

Another thing is that they have decided that they will get along somehow with thirty less people, and if there are any raises given to state employees, the \$300,000 that would be needed for the employees of Fisheries and Wildlife is not there. It is not in this amount of money that it produces now.

We completely left alone the licenses to the young people. And of course, to do that, we had to raise other licenses and keep other licenses. The licenses nearly as a whole average about 20 percent, with the exception of the nonresident licenses.

Now, when you stop to think that no license fees have been raised for four years, and you divide that 20 by 4, it doesn't look to me like too much of a raise when you have only allowed yourself a raise of 5 percent a year.

I don't question that there might be some other way the licenses could be set up, but I do know that what we had produced to run the program this year, hoping for the best all the way through, going along with the idea that there will be no raises for any employees, going along with the idea that the Governor said there must be a cut of approximately \$100,000, it has all been taken into consideration and has produced the \$500,000 that we have cut out of it.

I could go over each one of the items, but I don't think that is necessary. You all have Committee Amendment "B". I had hoped that we could have kept the nonresident down to a little less, but it is only raised \$2 more than what it was before.

When we got this finally drafted and into the mill in the House, we got a letter from the University of Maine whereby they had made a study, one professor had, as to what would happen when you raised nonresident licenses too much, how much money you would lose. Well, I can read that letter one way and I figure you would lose 5 percent, and I read it another way and you would lose 15 percent. And since the new modern professors have a funny way sometimes of expressing themselves, it is probably because of my ancient education that I don't particularly understand it, but I do know this much, that we had a statement of fact to work from, and I will be very merciful and only read you a statement of fact.

"The Fish and Game Department proposed operations for the coming biennium do not include any new programs, and they do include reductions in personnel services as directed by the Governor. The department has had to face cost increases of considerably more than 25 percent over the past two years in a wide variety of materials, supplies and services required for efficient operation." A few examples: wardens service and other divisions have found some items of uniforms to have increased as much as 129 percent, some boats and motors have gone up 39 to 75 percent, mobile two-way radios have jumped by 166 percent, gasoline and fuel oil up by around 125 percent, fish food used in the hatcheries 58 to 68 percent, office supplies an increase of 110 percent, and postage 27 percent. There are many other examples of increases, as we all know.

The situation means simply that if existing programs cannot be funded adequately in the face of these increases, some programs will have to be eliminated

or modified extensively. Much of the department's work benefits all Maine citizens, not just the hunter and fisherman, so everyone stands to lose if program cutbacks have to be made. I think you all realize that the Fish and Game Department is asked to administer and enforce the necessary LURC rules and regulations about if you want to move a rock in front of your camp or change your dock around the other way, east to west instead of north to south, and so forth, and at the present time I have a summary of about \$65,000 to date that has got to be paid by the method of licensing.

I don't know what more I could say, except that when we put the snowmobiles out, another way we thought would be fair for people was if they didn't put on until July 1, 1976 the extra raise on the snowmobile licenses. As I say, probably people could sit down and go over it every day and change them differently, but to arrive at the necessary figure which is absolutely the bare bones figure, I wouldn't know what else to do with it. I would like to have seen the first one but, if that is not to be, here is the second.

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

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, I wonder if the Chairman of the Fish and Game Committee could relate to the Senate as to the 1 million dollar reserve fund that the Fish and Game Department has?

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley, has posed a question through the Chair to the Senator from Hancock, who may answer if he cares to.

The Chair recognizes the same Senator.

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I have great difficulty in accepting the budget as presented. I compliment the good Senator from Hancock, Senator McNally, as I know he has worked very hard on this bill, but I just have a very difficult time accepting the figures from the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife for a number of reasons.

First of all, it is my understanding that when they first brought their budget forward for this particular document they needed 1.3 million dollars to operate with. After they began understanding from the committee that the committee was not in the mood to support any document containing figures such as that, they then reduced their figure to a million dollars and said they could live comfortably with a million dollars. Again they had problems with the committee. Once again they adjusted their figure down to \$800,000, and that is when it came to both the House and the Senate, where it ran into difficulties. Now we see a document before us calling for \$650,000, and that disturbs me.

I see they have made many of their increases to the out-of-state residents, and I stated the last time this document was before me that that didn't bother me too much. Now, we all saw a formula or a study that was done by a professor from the University of Maine the other day sort of indicating in that report as to how much and how far one could go in increasing fees on out-of-staters, when it is most beneficial, at what price, and then when you go too high how it reflects and drops off and acts as a deterrent and not as a fund-raising document.

I spoke the other day with one of the deputy commissioners of Fisheries and Wildlife who called to ask if I had any

pertinent questions relative to this document, and the No. 1 problem that I have with this document is that it continues to increase the fees on the local residents of this state. The days of Huckleberry Finn and Tom Sawyer are gone. No longer will we see them on the byways or the highways or the country roads going to the familiar ponds to do their brook fishing or trout fishing because they can't afford it. As I pointed out a few weeks ago relative to this document, a family of four, under the prices being prescribed by the department, the price a family of four pays for a combination hunting and fishing license far exceeds that in funds which a family of four would pay under the state income tax.

Now, the increase right now as far as local residents are concerned is a dollar, in addition to what it is by law now. Everybody can say that a dollar really isn't a lot of money, but as far as I am concerned, I look back at this document and several others that have preceded it over the years — I can recall when we put in the 20-year retirement for wardens that it wasn't going to create any problem or any future increase for the department as far as raising revenues — and it seems to me that every session I am here a document such as this is before us.

I spoke with a member of Fish and Game Advisory Commission or Committee, whatever they call themselves, from up north the other evening when he called my motel room explaining this document, and he supports it, like everyone who is interested, and particularly those who are deeply interested and participate in the sports, and he wants to see this document passed. My personal feelings are that I don't think they need this money now, and I think the best thing to do is put this off until the special session and take a very hard look at it between now and then. Therefore, Mr. President, I am going to move that this bill and all its accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Hancock, Senator McNally.

Mr. McNALLY: Mr. President, I just wanted to answer that the only thing near a million dollars I know of that is left, that they have got, is in the bond issue that was passed last session, or at least that we were told about.

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

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, one of the other problems I have with this bill is what was told to me the other evening by one of the members of this statewide or countrywide, whatever they are, fish and game club, that they had to have the money because the department had to have a million dollars in escrow or in reserve in the event the woods are closed again. Now, that bothers me and disturbs me because of the fact that if one tries to figure out why the woods would be closed — and we know that the commissioner a couple of years ago exercised that authority that he has, but remember one thing, that when the woods are closed the people have already purchased their licenses, the money is already there, and I can't understand at all why there would be a problem with this one million dollar figure that has been mentioned.

Now, I know it is hot, it is warm, and it is late in the session, but I just think that for us to put an automatic stamp of approval

on a bill calling for the increases that this one calls for at this time is sort of foolhardy. My motion would give us an opportunity between now and the fall to really look the situation over, and if the need can be proven, I would be the first one to support this document. I don't believe it is needed right at this time and, therefore, I hope that the Senate would support the motion to indefinitely postpone. Mr. President, I would ask for a roll call.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Somerset, Senator Cianchette.

Mr. CIANCHETTE: Mr. President, I certainly agree with many of the things the Senior Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley, has said about this, and I think perhaps there was a lesson to be learned by the commission in asking for such a request in the beginning. I think they have been substantially cut down from what the request was and I think they have been under a good deal of criticism for that. I would expect that their lesson has been learned. I think that what we are allowing here now may be a lot more reasonable than what they originally asked for.

To kill this bill now is quite a drastic step, I feel, and I think, since we are coming up with a figure of about half of what they requested, if we had done that to more departments in the state this year that have had a request, and that probably could have lived with a lot less, we might be a little better off now. I think to cut in half the request that they ended up asking for, that is quite harsh treatment to cut that out altogether, and for that reason I am going to support the bill and vote against indefinite postponement.

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

Mr. MERRILL: Mr. President, I have some questions about this bill that I am sure grow out of ignorance, and I just wondered if they could be cleared up before we have to vote on this. In this government administration report, I note that the department under discussion started out the year 1974 with a \$1,759,000 surplus, and ended up the year with an unexpended balance brought forward of \$2,165,000. And I wondered if there could be some explanation offered as to what the purpose of carrying a 2 million dollar balance, a balance that is over one-third of the operating budget of the department, what the purpose of that is. I am sure there is a good purpose but I am just not aware of it.

Finally, I note that the actual operating expenses as reported here were 5 million dollars for the fiscal year 1974, and we are talking about an increase of over half a million dollars which, if my mathematics is right, represents an increase of somewhere in excess of 13 percent for the year over what was actually spent last year. Now, one of the problems with dedicated revenues, although I can see as I am here that they serve many purposes, one of the problems with dedicated revenues is that sometimes those things that are funded by dedicated revenues aren't looked at in the same priority, judgments as other things are. We don't look at them when we are making our priorities. And I wondered, in light of this 13 percent increase, if we could get a comparison as to how that compares with how we treated our State University or some of the other departments in terms of the percentage increase we offered them over the operating budget for the fiscal year 1974.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Merrill, has posed a question through the Chair to any Senator who may care to answer.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley.

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, I just want everyone to consider the people that they represent on this particular bill, and that is their constituents back home. And I would like to again bring to mind in the Senate that this is not the first departmental bill that has been before this body this year.

Some months ago we were dealing with the pheasants, which was supposed to be a pilot project within the state. We know the pheasant is not a migratory bird, that it can exist in the State of Maine, and I think surveys will show that there is something like three percent of them that last through the winter. In the beginning of the spring the department goes out and purchases these pheasants and has them distributed throughout the state generally by the wardens. The wardens are generally the only ones who know where they are, and they take their friends and go out and gun them down. Well, this year they came in and ask for a three dollar stamp increase. I think it is a dollar now or fifty cents — I don't know what it is — anyway, we did away with that bill because we realized they just couldn't get it through.

Secondly we came back with the traditional moose bill. That would have raised \$175,000, had we allowed that bill to become law. And a question in my mind at that time was whether or not the validity was actually an exercise in the department really to take care of a problem which they called some type of a disease amongst moose or whether again dollars and cents was their big objective.

Now, thirdly, this is the document that has really made me turn cool on them, because it just seems to me that they are arbitrarily asking for money to again expand the bureaucracy that they have, and I really and honestly feel there is no need or necessity for it. Until proven otherwise, like I said, I intend to vote against this bill. I hope that everyone else would give it that consideration, and if there is the need, then in the fall — when every other department in state government is putting off any new increases — I think that is the time we should come back and take a harder look at this department.

The PRESIDENT: A roll call has been requested. In order for the Chair to order a roll call, it must be the expressed desire of one-fifth of those Senators present and voting. Will all those Senators in favor of a roll call please rise in their places until counted.

Obviously more than one-fifth having arisen, a roll call is ordered.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Pray.

Mr. PRAY: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: As a member of the Fisheries and Wildlife Committee, we spent a lot of time working on the budget bill that is before you and the one that was previously before you, and I am one who stood here several weeks ago and defended the previous budget because I thought the committee had come out with a fair, compromise across-the-board increase to fund the department which needed funds. Some of the points that have been raised though, and from what I have noticed within the committee and from within the department, with the understanding that we are coming back here this fall, it would

be my intention to vote for the motion of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley. I think if we come back here in September, after the work study that is out on the department for this summer, that we still have plenty of time to give them the increase. The request in this bill calls for the increase starting in January of next year, so if we come back in September or October, we can still give them time before next year's licenses come out.

The PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is the motion by the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley, that L. D. 566 and all its accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed. A "Yes" vote will be in favor of indefinite postponement; a "No" vote will be opposed.

The Secretary will call the roll.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Senators Berry, E.; Carbonneau, Clifford, Conley, Corson, Cummings, Cyr, Danton, Graham, Jackson, Marcotte, Merrill, O'Leary, Pray, Reeves, Thomas.

NAYS: Senators Berry, R.; Cianchette, Collins, Curtis, Gahagan, Graffam, Greeley, Hichens, Huber, Johnston, McNally, Roberts, Speers, Trotzky, Wyman, Sewall.

ABSENT: Senator Katz.

A roll call was had. 16 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and 16 Senators having voted in the negative, with one Senator being absent, the motion did not prevail.

Thereupon, the Ought to Pass as Amended Report of the Committee was Accepted in concurrence and the Bill Read Once. Committee Amendment "B" was Read and Adopted in concurrence.

The PRESIDENT: Is it now the pleasure of the Senate that the rules be suspended in order to give this bill its second reading by title only at this time?

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Johnston.

Mr. JOHNSTON: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I have an amendment I would like to add to this bill, so I would rather it wouldn't get its second reading at this time, if that could be arranged.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would advise the Senator that if it were given its second reading it would then be in the proper posture to offer an amendment.

Is it now the pleasure of the Senate that the rules be suspended in order to give this bill its second reading at this time?

Thereupon, under suspension of the rules, the Bill was Read a Second Time.

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

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, in order to accommodate the good Senator from Aroostook, Senator Johnston, I wish someone would table this until later in today's session.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Pray.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Pray of Penobscot, tabled until later in today's session, pending Passage to be Engrossed.

The Committee on State Government on Bill, "An Act to Create the Department of State Police." (H. P. 1469) (L. D. 1813)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-785).

Comes from the House, the Bill Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by Committee Amendment "A", as Amended

by House Amendment "B" (H-812) Thereto.

Which report was Read and Accepted in concurrence and the Bill Read Once. Committee Amendment "A" was Read. House Amendment "B" to Committee Amendment "A" was Read and Adopted in concurrence and Committee Amendment "A", as Amended by House Amendment "B" Thereto, was Adopted in concurrence.

Whereupon, under suspension of the rules, the Bill, as Amended, was Read a Second Time.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I rise only to explain very briefly to the Senate what is in this document because I think it is a major piece of legislation and the Senate ought to be aware of what is included.

After a study of the Department of Public Safety by a Committee appointed by the Governor, with one member of the House and one member of the Senate included, including myself, having been appointed by the President of the Senate, and after a careful analysis by the State Government Committee, it was the opinion of the State Government Committee that the Department of Public Safety as presently constituted ought to be continued almost entirely in its same present status.

There are some changes that are contained in this document, and the entire bill is now under Filing No. H-785, as amended by one small House Amendment under Filing No. H-812.

The bill does the following things: It transfers two small boards from the Department of Public Safety to the Department of Business Regulation. Those boards are the Oilburnermen's Licensing Board, which has three full-time employees and a budget of \$50,000, and the Electricians Examining Board, which has a complement of five people and a budget of \$67,000.

The Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety would continue, as he is presently authorized under the Maine statutes, to be either one and the same person as the chief of the state police or two separate people. The chief of the state police would continue to be required to be chosen from the commissioned officer ranks of the state police. As you are very well aware, just recently the Governor decided to nominate, and the nomination was confirmed, the chief of the state police to also be the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, so Commissioner Nichols wears two hats.

Thirdly, the Bureau of Liquor Enforcement and the office of the State Fire Marshal continue to exist within the Department of Public Safety as bureaus. The heads of those bureaus would be appointed by the commissioner, and the personnel who would work for them would be subject to the personnel laws. The head of those departments or offices would serve at the pleasure of the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety.

Finally, we analyzed the Criminal Justice Academy, which has been the source of some controversy, and in addition to clarifying the statutes generally, we require that there will be a central training facility for the training of all police officers in the State of Maine. This will have the result of requiring the state police in the future to train their state police officers at the facility in Waterville. We also provided for staggered

terms for the board of directors, board of trustees, of the Criminal Justice Academy.

This is an important piece of legislation. It certainly will be of interest and concern to those of your constituents who are concerned with public safety.

The PRESIDENT: Is it now the pleasure of the Senate that the rules be suspended?

Thereupon, under suspension of the rules, the Bill, as Amended, was Read a Second Time and Passed to be Engrossed in concurrence.

Under further suspension of the rules, sent forthwith to the Engrossing Department.

Enactors

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

An Act Concerning the Municipal Valuation Appeals Board and Procedures for Municipal Appeals. (H. P. 1015) (L. D. 1520)

(On motion by Mr. Huber of Cumberland, placed on the Special Appropriations Table.)

An Act Relating to the Disposition of Property in Joint Savings Accounts When the Owners Thereof are Husband and Wife and One of the Owners Dies. (H. P. 2) (L. D. 7)

Which was Passed to be Enacted and, having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency

AN ACT Relating to the State Truth-in-Lending Act. (H. P. 1722) (L. D. 1911)

This being an emergency measure and having received the affirmative votes of 23 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.

Orders of the Day

The President laid before the Senate the first tabled and Specially Assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act Increasing the State Gasoline Tax." (H. P. 1055) (L. D. 1332)

Tabled — June 20, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed. (In the House — Bill and Accompanying Papers Indefinitely Postponed.)

(In the Senate — Committee Amendment "A" (H-743) Adopted, in non-concurrence.)

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, retabled and Tomorrow Assigned, pending Passage to be Engrossed.

The President laid before the Senate the second tabled and Specially Assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act to Amend the Maine Housing Authorities Act by Creating a Loans-to-Lenders Program and Making Changes to Improve the Efficiency of Using Federal Housing Funds." (S. P. 286) (L. D. 1002) Emergency

Tabled — June 20, 1975 by Senator Curtis of Penobscot.

Pending — Enactment. (In the House — Passed to be Enacted.) On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, retabled and Tomorrow Assigned, pending Enactment.

The President laid before the Senate the

third tabled and Specially Assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act Relating to Personnel Classification and Functions of the Review and Evaluation and Fraud Investigation Division of the Department of Audit." (H. P. 1122) (L. D. 1409)

Tabled — June 20, 1975 by Senator Berry of Cumberland.

Pending — Motion of Senator Speers of Kennebec to Suspend the Rules for the Purpose of Reconsideration.

(In the House — Passed to be Enacted.) (In the Senate — Passed to be Enacted.)

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, retabled and Tomorrow Assigned, pending the motion by that Senator to Suspend the Rules for the purpose of Reconsideration.

Reconsidered Matter

The following Bill was held at the request of Senator Huber of Cumberland, pending Consideration:

Bill, "An Act to Reorganize the State Personnel Board." (H. P. 1238) (L. D. 1264)

That Senator then moved that under suspension of the rules the Senate reconsider its action whereby the Bill was Passed to be Enacted.

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

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, I would pose a question through the Chair, if I may, to the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Huber as to what purpose he wishes to reconsider.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley, has posed a question through the Chair to the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Huber, who may answer if he so desires.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Huber.

Mr. HUBER: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: This bill was amended in this body to remove the necessity for an appropriation. The House removed that amendment and the Senate receded and concurred so, therefore, the appropriation is still necessary, and I now move that this be placed on the Special Appropriations Table.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Huber, now moves that the rules be suspended and the Senate reconsider its action whereby this bill was passed to be enacted. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

The motion prevailed. Thereupon, on further motion by the same Senator, placed on the Special Appropriations Table.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matters:

Joint Order — Relative to Joint Select Committee to study the Forest Resources. (H. P. 837)

Tabled — March 14, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage. (In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of Governor's Budget pertaining to the University of Maine. (H. P. 1492)

Tabled — April 15, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage. (In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of state budgetary process. (H. P. 1541)

Tabled — April 28, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.
(In the House — Read and Passed.)

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Orders received Passage in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matters:

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council to study (H. P. 323) (L. D. 454) "An Act to Transfer Authority for Truth-in-Lending Examinations and Enforcement from the Bureau of Banks and Banking to the Bureau of Consumer Protection." (S. P. 509)

Tabled — May 2, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council directing Committee on State Government to study subject matter of L. D. 910, L. D. 1022, L. D. 1082, L. D. 1775, and L. D. 1784. (S. P. 511)

Tabled — May 5, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Orders received Passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matter:

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of state tax structure. (H. P. 1555)

Tabled — May 6, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council to study Maine fisheries industry. (H. P. 1604)

Tabled — May 19, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of (H. P. 471) (L. D. 570) and (H. P. 1299) (L. D. 1575) relating to licensing and regulation of Private Detective, Watch, Guard and Patrol Agencies. (H. P. 1607)

Tabled — May 19, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Orders received Passage in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matters:

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council being authorized through Committee on Agriculture to study subject matter of (H. P. 794) (L. D. 967) (S. P. 530).

Tabled — May 22, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council thru Committee on Public Utilities study state regulation and rate control of water companies, water utilities and sewerage districts. (S. P. 540)

Tabled — May 29, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council thru Committee on Business Legislation examine subject matter of L. D. 1669. (S. P. 542)

Tabled — May 29, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Orders received Passage.
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matters:

Joint Order — Relative to authorization of Legislative Council to continue study of Election Laws. (H. P. 1646)

Tabled — June 2, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of judicial appeal procedure. (H. P. 1653)

Tabled — June 2, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of state-wide recycling system. (H. P. 1669)

Tabled — June 5, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of L. D. 845. (H. P. 1673)

Tabled — June 9, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Orders received Passage in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matter:

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council, thru the Committee on Public Utilities, study of subject matter of L. D. 1012. (S. P. 557)

Tabled — June 6, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Order received Passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matters:

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of local and county government and establishing a Joint Select Committee on County Government. (H. P. 1670)

Tabled — June 9, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relating to Legislative Council study of Maine's Organized Children's Camps. (H. P. 1705)

Tabled — June 13, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of L. D. 1683. (H. P. 1704)

Tabled — June 13, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of L. D. 1794. (H. P. 1711)

Tabled — June 16, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative

Council study of current methods of wood measurement. (H. P. 1710)

Tabled — June 16, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Orders received Passage in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matters:

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of unused hydroelectric dams. (H. P. 1716)

Tabled — June 17, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of priority of services to mentally retarded. (H. P. 1724)

Tabled — June 18, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council study of L. D. 1517. (H. P. 1728)

Tabled — June 18, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Orders received Passage in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matters:

Joint Order — Relative to Legislative Council being authorized thru Committee on Judiciary to study Title 15, section 2161-A and Title 16, Section 600. (S. P. 583)

Tabled — June 18, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

JOINT ORDER — Relative to Legislative Council thru Committee on Performance Audit, study operations and funding methods of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game. (S. P. 587)

Tabled — June 18, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Orders received Passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matters:

JOINT ORDER — Relative to Legislative Council to study performance and funding of state agencies. (H. P. 1735)

Tabled — June 19, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

JOINT ORDER — Relative to Legislative Council study of rules of procedure for legislative committees delegated with subpoena power. (H. P. 1741)

Tabled — June 19, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

JOINT ORDER — Relative to Legislative Council study of rules of procedure for legislative committees delegated with subpoena power. (H. P. 1741)

Tabled — June 20, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

JOINT ORDER Relative to Legislative Council to study provisions of Revised Statutes, Title 10, Chapter 603 re Liens on Buildings. (H. P. 1752)

Tabled — June 20, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

JOINT ORDER — Relative to Legislative Council study of patient and inmate rights within state institutions. (H. P. 1750)

Tabled — June 20, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the House — Read and Passed.)

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Orders received Passage in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table the following unassigned matters:

JOINT ORDER — Relative to Legislative Council, thru Committee on Education, study subject matter of L. D. 1081, L. D. 1609, L. D. 1702. (S. P. 600)

Tabled — June 20, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

JOINT ORDER — Relative to Legislative Council being authorized through Committee on Natural Resources to study the matter of solid waste problems of this State. (S. P. 538)

Tabled — June 20, 1975 by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

Pending — Passage.

(In the Senate — Senate Amendment, "A" (S-342) Adopted.)

On further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Orders received Passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

The President laid before the Senate the following tabled and Specially Assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act to Increase Certain Hunting and Fishing License Fees." (H. P. 464) (L. D. 566)

Tabled — earlier in today's session by Mr. Pray of Penobscot.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Johnston of Aroostook, retabled and Tomorrow Assigned, pending Passage to be Engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Huber of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations Table the following:

An Act to Create a Law Enforcement Education Section Within the Criminal Division of the Department of the Attorney General. (S. P. 141) (L. D. 444)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the same Senator.

Mr. HUBER: Mr. President, I move indefinite postponement of this L.D. 444 and I would like to speak to my motion.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator has the floor.

Mr. HUBER: Mr. President, this Bill to fund the Law Enforcement Education Section of the Attorney General's Department was funded in the Part I Budget, L.D. 1909, at \$50,000 per year, and this bill is no longer necessary.

The PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate that this bill with all of its accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed?

The motion prevailed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Huber of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations Table the following:

An Act Appropriating Funds to the Attorney General For the Purpose of Participating in Proceedings before the Public Utilities Commission. (H. P. 702) (L. D. 882)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the same Senator.

Mr. HUBER: Mr. President, I now move that this bill and all accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed and would like to speak to my motion.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator has the floor.

Mr. HUBER: Mr. President, again, this bill has been funded in the Part I Budget, L.D. 1909, in the amount of \$25,000 and, therefore, is no longer necessary.

The PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate that L.D. 882 be indefinitely postponed?

The motion prevailed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mrs. Cummings of Penobscot,

Adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.