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HOUSE

Tuesday, March 29, 1977

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Reverend Richard E. Wrentzel of the East Auburn Baptist Church.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

The Following Joint Order, An Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing that: The Orono Red Riots of Orono High School have won their third straight Eastern Maine Indoor Track League Championships for both boys and girls. (S. P. 369)

Came from the Senate read and passed. In the House, the Order was read and passed in concurrence.

The following Joint Order: (S. P. 351) ORDERED, the House concurring, that, notwithstanding Joint Rule 23, all bills and resolves now in the Office of the Director of Legislative Research shall be introduced in complete and final form in the appropriate House not later than 5 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 1977.

Came from the Senate read and passed. In the House, the Order was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide Home Health Care Coverage in all Health Care Policies and Contracts" (S. P. 341) (L. D. 1125)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Business Legislation and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Requirements that Registrars View Naturalization Papers of Naturalized Citizens" (S. P. 343) (L. D. 1127)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Election Laws and ordered printed. In the House, referred to the Committee on Election Laws in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide for Special Education Facilities for Children at Drug Treatment Centers" (S. P. 342) (L. D. 1126)

Bill "An Act to Require Implementation of Standards of Treatment for Residential Drug Treatment Centers Related to Special Education" (S. P. 339) (L. D. 1124)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds to Provide Services to Older Blind Persons to Assist them in Remaining in their own Homes and in Caring for Themselves" (S. P. 338) (L. D. 1123)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Child Abuse and Neglect Laws" (S. P. 337) (L. D. 1122)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Human Resources and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Human Resources in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Employment of Minors" (S. P. 335) (L. D. 1120)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Labor and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Labor in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require Telephone Companies to List the Name of a Customer's

Spouse in the Telephone Directory if the Spouse so Chooses" (S. P. 344) (L. D. 1128)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Public Utilities and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Public Utilities in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide that Regular Annual Reports of the Executive Branch be Made Through the Maine State Government Annual Report" (S. P. 336) (L. D. 1121)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Government and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on State Government in concurrence.

Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bills and Resolve were received and referred to the following Committees:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for the Adult Dental Clinic in Bangor" (H. P. 1108) (Presented by Mr. Henderson of Bangor)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act to Provide for Municipal Licensing of Public Dancing and to Authorize Suspension or Revocation of Municipal Licenses for Exhibitions and Amusements" (H. P. 1109) (Presented by Mr. Sprowl of Hope)

Committee on Business Legislation was suggested.

On motion of Ms. Clark of Freeport, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

Business Legislation

Bill "An Act to Increase Certain Fees under the Pharmacists Law" (H. P. 1110) (Presented by Mr. Perkins of Blue Hill)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Laws Relating to Amusements and Sports" (H. P. 1111) (Presented by Mr. Green of Auburn) (Cosponsor: Mr. Howe of South Portland)

Committee on Business Legislation was suggested.

On motion of Ms. Clark of Freeport, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

Education

Bill "An Act to Validate Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds or Notes by Region 5 Vocational Region" (H. P. 1112) (Emergency) (Presented by Mr. Silsby of Ellsworth) (Approved for introduction by a Majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 25)

Bill "An Act to Dissolve Vocational Region 9 and to Establish a Vocational Center to Serve Northern Oxford County" (Emergency) (H. P. 1113) (Presented by Mr. Rollins of Dixfield)

Bill "An Act Providing for Student and Faculty Members of the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine" (H. P. 1114) (Presented by Mrs. Prescott of Hampden) (Cosponsor: Mr. Davies of Orono)

Bill "An Act Concerning the Issuing of School Teaching Certificates" (H. P. 1115) (Presented by Mr. Laffin of Westbrook)

Bill "An Act to Authorize a Bond Issue in the Amount of \$2,950,000, for a Fine Arts Classroom Building at the University of Maine at Portland-Gorham" (H. P. 1116) (Presented by Mr. Quinn

of Gorham) (Cosponsor: Mr. Spencer of Standish)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Election Laws

Bill "An Act to Revise the Election Laws Concerning Political Activity at Elections and Requirements for Absentee Ballots" (H. P. 1117) (Presented by Mrs. Boudreau of Portland) (Cosponsor: Mr. Pearson of Old Town)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act to Permit the Taking of Togue from Sebago Lake" (H. P. 1118) (Presented by Mr. Spencer of Standish)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act to Clarify Actual Notice Under the Recording Laws in Regard to Exceptions and Reservations" (H. P. 1119) (Presented by Mr. Hobbins of Saco)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Labor

Bill "An Act Relating to Scope of Educational Bargaining" (H. P. 1120) (Presented by Mr. Mackel of Wells)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act to Repeal Certain Laws Relating to Public Safety" (H. P. 1121) (Presented by Mr. Spencer of Standish)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Liquor Control

Bill "An Act to Reduce Traffic Accidents and Fatalities by Providing for the Establishment of Education and Treatment Programs for Persons Convicted of Operating under the Influence of Alcohol" (H. P. 1122) (Presented by Mr. Henderson of Bangor) (Cosponsors: Mr. Spencer of Standish, Mr. Joyce of Portland, Mr. Moody of Richmond)

Bill "An Act Relating to Location of State Liquor Stores" (H. P. 1123) (Presented by Mr. Birt of East Millinocket)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Performance Audit

Bill "An Act to Require an Annual Adjustment in the Standards of Need for Families Receiving Aid to Dependent Children" (H. P. 1124) (Presented by Mr. Davies of Orono)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Bill "An Act to Prohibit the Washing of Domestic Animals in Sebago Lake" (H. P. 1125) (Presented by Mr. Spencer of Standish)

Bill "An Act to Require Public Disclosure of Certain Financial Information by Large Public Utilities" (H. P. 1126) (Presented by Mr. Laffin of Westbrook)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

State Government

Bill "An Act to Provide for Annual State Budgeting" (H. P. 1127) (Presented by Mr. Henderson of Bangor)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Membership and the Legislative Mandate of the Capitol Planning Commission" (H. P. 1128) (Presented by Mrs.

Kane of Augusta) (Cosponsor: Mr. Hickey of Augusta)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Taxation

Bill "An Act to Increase the Veterans Exemption for Paraplegics" (H. P. 1129) (Presented by Mr. Spencer of Standish)

Bill "An Act to Exempt the First 500 Kilowatt Hours of Residential Electricity per Month from the Sales Tax" (H. P. 1130) (Presented by Mrs. Huber of Falmouth)

Bill "An Act to Provide for State Valuation of Certain Property" (H. P. 1131) (Presented by Mrs. Byers of Newcastle)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Transportation

Bill "An Act Relating to Expenditures of the Town Road Improvement Fund" (H. P. 1132) (Presented by Mr. Silsby of Ellsworth)

Bill "An Act Pertaining to the Right of Way of Vehicles at Intersections" (H. P. 1133) (Presented by Mr. Cunningham of New Gloucester)

RESOLVE, to Abolish the Augusta State Airport (H. P. 1134) (Presented by Mrs. Kany of Waterville)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Orders

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment (H. P. 1103) recognizing that: Brian Cyr of Hampden, a member of Troop 41, has achieved the honor and distinction of Eagle Scout in the Boys Scouts of America (Presented by Mrs. Prescott of Hampden.)

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment (H. P. 1104) recognizing that: Mrs. Ivey Andrews of Dixmont, who at 93 is the town's oldest resident, has been presented the Boston Globe Gold Cane (Presented by Mrs. Prescott of Hampden.)

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment (H. P. 1106) recognizing that: Scott Noble, a member of the Bridgton Junior Rifle Club, has won the State Junior Individual Rifle Championship for 1977 (Presented by Mrs. Tarr of Bridgton)

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment (H. P. 1107) recognizing that: Frank Howell of Lake Region High School, a member of the Pleasant Mountain Ski Team, has won the 1977 National Freestyle Skiing Championship held at Cable, Wisconsin (Presented by Mrs. Tarr of Bridgton)

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

On Motion of Mr. Birt of East Millinocket, the following Joint Order: (H. P. 1105)

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, has requested that Maine establish a committee to work with the bureau to assist in the preparation of a 1980 census program designed to meet the state's needs for legislative reapportionment and redistricting purposes; and

WHEREAS, the 107th Legislature ordered a joint select committee to be established to study the census requirements for reapportionment and redistricting and that committee began that study; and

WHEREAS, that study is presently in-

complete and needs to be completed as soon as possible; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that a joint select committee be established to assist the Bureau of the Census in preparing a 1980 census program for the purposes of meeting the state's needs for legislative reapportionment and redistricting; the committee to consist of 2 Senators appointed by the President of the Senate, 3 Members of the House appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Legislative Administrative Director or his designee and a representative of the State Planning Office, the committee shall elect a chairman who shall serve at the pleasure of the committee; and be it further

ORDERED, that the members of the committee shall serve without compensation, but the legislative members may be reimbursed for their actual expenses in attending meetings when the Legislature is not in session; and be it further

ORDERED, that the committee shall complete this study no later than May 15, 1977, and submit to the Legislative Council within the same period its findings and recommendations, including copies of any recommended legislation in final draft form; and be it further

ORDERED, upon passage in concurrence, that a suitable copy of this Order shall be forwarded to each member of the committee.

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment (H. P. 1136) recognizing that: Lee Lee Morrison of Lake Region High School, a member of the Pleasant Mountain Ski Team, has won the 1977 Eastern Regional Girls' Ski Ballet Championship held at Waterville Valley, New Hampshire (Presented by Mrs. Tarr of Bridgton)

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

A Joint Resolution (H. P. 1135) in memory of Sidney W. Thaxter, a prominent Portland attorney (Presented by Mrs. Beaulieu of Portland) (Cosponsor: Mrs. Huber of Falmouth)

The Resolution was read and adopted and sent up for concurrence.

On Motion of Mr. Nadeau of Sanford, it was ORDERED, that Armand LeBlanc of Van Buren be excused March 23rd and 24th for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that David Bustin of Augusta be excused March 30th and 31st for personal reasons.

At this point, the Sergeant-at-Arms escorted William J. Rogers to the rostrum amid the applause of the House, the members rising.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is pleased to welcome a native son back to Maine. Bill is a graduate of Edward Little High School and during World War II served in the Navy as a bomber pilot and achieved the grade of Lieutenant Senior Grade and is a graduate of Syracuse University.

He came back to Maine and became a founding member of the Keep Maine Scenic organization, served as Vice President for 20 years of the United States Brewers Association and held just about every post in the American Legion. His home post is still Post 153 in New Auburn. He resides now in Kennebunk.

For those of you who don't know, and I am sure there isn't anyone here who doesn't know, Bill has been elected National Commander of the American Legion. Of course, this brings not only pride upon himself but the entire State of Maine. For that reason, I am pleased to introduce to you the National Commander of the

American Legion, William J. Rogers. (Applause)

WILLIAM ROGERS: Thank you very much, Speaker John, distinguished members of the House of Representatives in Maine and my friends: It is a real pleasure to be back in the State of Maine again and particularly for me to be in these halls. I think probably many of you know that I spent a great deal of time here some 10 or 15 years ago fighting many battles. I think probably you know from John's introduction that I do work for the United States Brewers Association and there was a thing called bottles and cans we were concerned about in those days, and still are, incidentally. It was so far back that I remember when the Senator Motel was still selling those great lobster sandwiches for \$2. I understand they don't even sell them any more.

I am pleased to address you today for just a few moments. I know how busy your time is and I think perhaps I am going to take one point of personal privilege, if I may, Mr. Speaker, and I am not going to introduce all of the people who are up here, but I do want you to meet Mr. Legionnaire in the State of Maine. He was the Adjutant of the State of Maine for some 46 years and he still is very active, going to national conventions and to national executive committee meetings, and that is Jim Boyle from Waterville. (Prolonged applause)

We of the American Legion welcome the opportunity to speak to legislatures at all levels of government, and for me, this is a very special occasion, as I have said. I think it is to us a continuing evidence of the success of this great American system of government, by and for the people, which was once a noble experiment but is now a time tested, workable reality.

Two centuries of existence under every kind of circumstance the human condition can undergo is a demanding test of any system, and now we are embarked upon our third century as a strong, free and independent nation and the envy of the world.

Most of you are familiar with the role of the American Legion as far as our legislative activities are concerned, and you know that the vast majority of our legislative work is done with the Congress of the United States in areas such as veterans' affairs, rehabilitation, national security and other similar activities.

There have been occasions in the past, and there will be those occasions in the future, when we have had national programs requiring action at the state and local levels to make them effective. We have even had occasions when it took the collective voice of many state legislatures to convince the Congress of the United States that our objectives were proper, popular and reflective of the will of the people. The most recent example of the latter type was our long and strenuous battle to have Veterans' Day returned to its proper place of November 11. Our petitions to the Congress fell on deaf ears for a number of years, until we decided to appeal to the legislatures of the several states to enact legislation to return Veterans' Day to November 11 in their own states.

We worked diligently at this project for more than two years, and the response of most states was very heartwarming. By the time 46 states, either by declining to change the date of their Veterans' Day observance or by legislative action returning the date of the observance to November 11, the Congress saw the handwriting on the wall and heard the voices of the people through the collective voices of the state legislatures and voted overwhelmingly in both the House and the Senate to change our national holiday back to November 11.

This is a perfect example of accomplishing indirectly that which cannot be accomplished or could not be accomplished directly, and it further serves as an example of the fact that

our state legislatures are more responsive to the wishes of the people. The process, I believe, speaks well for our system of government by proving once again that this system of ours does work. The system is worth having, it is worth defending. Members of our organization, just as many of you have, have fought for it, and while it is our earnest prayer that neither we nor our children will ever have to fight again, the will of the American people for the defense of the freedom must always remain strong, and we do not believe that the will of the American people, whether it be proposed by Republican or Democrat, includes amnesty for draft dodgers.

We are going to carry this message to the Congress of the United States, the message of the American Legion on behalf of a strong system of national security. We are going to continue to carry that message to the American people. We are going to continue to carry it to governmental bodies such as this legislature, even though you do not shape national defense budgets or policies.

We take this approach to the problem of making known our position on the status of our national defense system because everyone should know it, and the more people who know it, the more people are concerned, and the more people who are concerned, there are more to voice that concern to the Congress of the United States.

Ladies and gentlemen of the Maine Legislature, I thank you again for allowing me to appear before you briefly. It is a pleasure to return to my native state of Maine. I left it for some 12 years, and moving back to Kennebunk was our choice, and believe me, it was a happy one. Thank you very much.

Thereupon, Mr. William Rogers was escorted from the hall by the Sergeant-at-Arms amid prolonged applause, the members rising.

On motion of Mr. Tierney of Lisbon Falls, Recessed until the sound of the gong.

After Recess
12:00 p.m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

House Reports of Committees
Ought Not to Pass

Mrs. Tarr from the Committee on Labor on Bill "An Act Relating to the Length of Labor Agreements" (H. P. 231) (L. D. 294) reporting "Ought Not to Pass"

Mr. Bustin from the Committee on Labor on Bill "An Act Concerning Representation Proceedings under the State Employees Act" (H. P. 197) (L. D. 258) reporting "Ought Not to Pass"

Was placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 20, and sent up for concurrence.

Referred to Committee on
Fisheries and Wildlife

Mr. Rollins from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act Concerning Unauthorized Possession of Birds and Animals" (H. P. 511) (L. D. 630) reporting that it be referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife.

Report was read and accepted, the Bill referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife and sent up for concurrence.

Consent Calendar
First Day

In accordance with House Rule 49, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(S. P. 134) (L. D. 376) Bill "An Act to Facilitate the Sale of Community Industrial Buildings" — Committee on State Government reporting "Ought to Pass"

(H. P. 492) (L. D. 611) RESOLVE, Authorizing Vandelia T. Rowe to Bring Action Against the State — Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-90)

(H. P. 434) (L. D. 541) Bill "An Act Concerning the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Construction Safety Rules and Regulations" — Committee on Labor reporting "Ought to Pass"

No objections being noted, the above items were ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar of March 30, under listing of Second Day.

Consent Calendar
Second Day

In accordance with House Rule 49, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the Second Day:

(H. P. 384) (L. D. 472) RESOLVE, Authorizing the Purchase of "University of Maine at Farmington — A Study of Education Change, 1864 to 1974" (C. "A" H-85)

(H. P. 219) (L. D. 283) Bill "An Act Relating to Representation of Maine Maritime Academy on the Post Secondary Education Commission of Maine" (C. "A" H-86)

(H. P. 279) (L. D. 344) Bill "An Act Concerning the Required Height of Motorcycle Handlebars"

No objections having been noted at the end of the Second Legislative Day, the House Papers were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act to Exempt Small Water Districts from Regulation by the Public Utilities Commission" (Emergency) (H. P. 1060) (L. D. 1116)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Passed to Be Enacted
Emergency Measure

"An Act to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in Laws of Maine" (S. P. 186) (L. D. 531) (H. "C" H-53, H "D" H-81)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 110 voted in favor of same and none against and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Passed to be Enacted

"An Act to Amend the School Lunch and Milk Program" (H. P. 467) (L. D. 484) (S. "A" S-33 to H. "A" H-40)

"An Act to Clarify Authorization for Payment of Witness Fees for State Witnesses in Criminal Prosecutions" (H. P. 326) (L. D. 417)

"An Act to Clarify the Responsibility for Payment of Expenses on Rendition of Prisoners" (S. P. 155) (L. D. 395) (C. "A" S-32)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Enactor

Tabled and Assigned

"An Act Converting Rangeley Plantation into the Town of Haley" (S. P. 146) (L. D. 387) (C. "A" S-31)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed.

(On motion of Miss Brown of Bethel, tabled pending passage to be enacted and specially assigned for Thursday, March 31)

"An Act Relating to Maintaining Records on

Premises under the Laws Relating to Alcoholic Beverages" (S. P. 133) (L. D. 308)

"An Act Providing Legal Definition of Hunter Orange" (S. P. 100) (L. D. 229)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day

The Chair laid before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter:

Senate Report — "Ought to Pass" in New Draft under New Title: Bill "An Act to Empower Liquor Inspectors with Limited Powers of Arrest" (S. P. 308) (L. D. 970) — Committee on Judiciary on Bill, "An Act to Empower all Sworn Public Safety Department Personnel with Criminal Powers of Arrest" (S. P. 40) (L. D. 66)

Tabled — March 24, 1977 by Mr. Cote of Lewiston.

Pending — Motion of Mr. MacEachern of Lincoln to Indefinitely Postpone Bill and all accompanying papers.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lincoln, Mr. MacEachern.

Mr. MacEACHERN: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: As you all know, I made the motion to kill this bill the other day. I have had an opportunity to check it out with the Chief of State Police and I find that my fears on this bill have been quelled pretty much, and I would urge you to vote against the indefinite postponement at this time.

Whereupon, Mr. MacEachern of Lincoln withdrew his motion to indefinitely postpone.

The Report was accepted in concurrence, the New Draft read once and assigned for second reading tomorrow.

The Chair laid before the House the second tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act Concerning Open Alcoholic Beverage Containers in Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 83) (L. D. 103) — In House, Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-69) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-77) thereto, March 17. — In Senate, Bill and Accompanying Papers Indefinitely Postponed in non-concurrence.

Tabled — March 24, 1977 by Mr. Marshall of Millinocket.

Pending — Motion of the same gentleman to Adhere.

Mr. MacEachern of Lincoln moved that the House recede and concur.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Gray.

Mr. GRAY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I recommend that we defeat this present motion so that we can adhere.

The SPEAKER: The pending question is on the motion of the gentleman from Lincoln, Mr. MacEachern, that the House recede and concur. Those in favor of that motion will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

A vote of the House was taken. 73 having voted in the affirmative and 45 having voted in the negative, the motion did prevail.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lincoln, Mr. MacEachern.

Mr. MacEACHERN: Mr. Speaker, having voted on the prevailing side, I now move we reconsider our action and would ask you to vote against me.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lincoln, Mr. MacEachern, now moves that we reconsider our action whereby we voted to adhere. All those in favor of reconsideration will say yes; those opposed will say no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion did not prevail.

The Chair laid before the House the third

tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act to Require that Savings from Substitution of Generic Drugs be Passed on to the Purchaser" (H. P. 147) (L. D. 177)

Tabled — March 24, 1977 by Mr. Cox of Brewer.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Goodwin of South Berwick, retabled pending passage to be engrossed and tomorrow assigned.

The Chair laid before the House the fourth tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act Relating to Negotiability of Teacher Employment" (S. P. 330) (L. D. 1089) — In Senate, referred to Committee on Education.

Tabled — March 28, 1977 by Mr. Quinn of Gorham.

Pending — Reference in concurrence.

Thereupon, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Limerick, the House reconsidered its action of yesterday whereby Bill "An Act Concerning the Maine Agricultural Marketing and Bargaining Act of 1973," House Paper 1064, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion of Mr. Talbot of Portland,
Adjourned until nine-thirty tomorrow morning.