

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Augusta, Maine  
March 5, 1982

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Moses Baker of the Augusta Gospel Tabernacle of Augusta.

REVEREND BAKER: Our heavenly Father, this afternoon we thank You for this privilege of being able to call upon You, and ask You for wisdom and guidance, for Your word tells us that if we lack to ask, then You will give.

I pray for this Senate body, that You will give them the wisdom and guidance that they need even this day, God, that You will help them with every decision they have to make.

We just commit this day into Your care. We thank You, Father. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

**Committee Report  
House**

**Ought to Pass**

The Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans on, Bill, "An Act to Reduce Discrimination by Allowing Employees of Local Districts which Participate in the Social Security System the Option of Withdrawal from the Maine State Retirement System." (H. P. 1990) (L. D. 1966)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House, the Bill Passed to be Engrossed.

Which Report was Read and Accepted, in concurrence, and the Bill Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

**Senate**

The following **Ought Not to Pass** report shall be placed in the legislative files without further action pursuant to Rule 22 of the Joint Rules:

Bill, "An Act Relating to Detention of Shoplifters." (S. P. 747) (L. D. 1750)

**Second Readers**

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

**House — As Amended**

Bill, "An Act to Require the Towing of Unauthorized Vehicles from Parking Areas Designated for Handicapped Persons' Vehicles." (H. P. 1819) (L. D. 1804)

Bill, "An Act to Clarify Provisions of our Public Advocates Statutes." (S. P. 1735) (L. D. 1720)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Maintenance and Snow Removal in Compact Areas." (Emergency). (H. P. 2075) (L. D. 2018)

Which were Read and Second Time and Passed to be Engrossed, as amended, in concurrence.

**Senate — As Amended**

Bill, "An Act to Permit the Town of Freeport to Withdraw from the Maine State Retirement System." (Emergency). (S. P. 837) (L. D. 1960)

Which was Read a Second Time and Passed to be Engrossed, as amended.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill, "An Act Revising Executive Salary Ranges." (S. P. 813) (L. D. 1909)

Which was Read a Second Time.

On motion by Senator Pierce of Kennebec, the Senate voted to Reconsider its action whereby Committee Amendment "A" was Adopted.

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

Senator PIERCE: Mr. President, I now present an Amendment under filing number S-399 and move its adoption.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Kennebec, Senator Pierce, now offers Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" and moves its adoption.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-399) to Committee Amendment "A" was Read and Adopted. Committee Amendment "A" as amended by Senate Amendment "A" Thereto, was Adopted, and the Bill, as amended, Passed to be Engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Orders of the Day**

The President laid before the Senate the first Tabled and specially assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act Authorizing the County of Cumberland to Raise Funds for the Construction of a Court House, Capital Improvements and Related Facilities." (H. P. 2087) (L. D. 2024)

Tabled—March 3, 1982 by Senator CONLEY of Cumberland

Pending—Reference.

Which was referred to the Committee on Local and County Government, and Ordered Printed, in concurrence.

The President laid before the Senate the second Tabled and specially assigned matter:

JOINT ORDER—Relative to Recall of RESOLVE, Authorizing the Exchange of Certain Public Reserved Lands (H. P. 1739) (L. D. 1728) from the Governor's Desk (S. P. 909)

Tabled—March 4, 1982 by Senator COLLINS of Knox.

Pending—Passage.

On motion by Senator Collins of Knox, Retabled for 1 Legislative Day.

Out of Order and Under Suspension of the Rules, the Senate voted to consider the following:

**Order**

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

Ralph W. "Bud" Leavitt, Jr., revered outdoor writer and executive sports editor for the Bangor Daily News, who has won the Miramichi Salmon Association's covered "outstanding journalist award," and more recently the 1982 Arthur Sullivan Memorial Award presented to that journalist who best exemplified the spirit of conversation and love of the outdoors. (S. P. 916) presented by Senator SEWALL of Penobscot (Cosponsors: Senator CONLEY of Cumberland, Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Representative KELLEHER of Bangor).

Which was Read and Passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Out of order and Under Suspension of the Rules, the Senate voted to consider the following:

**Paper from the House**

**House Papers**

Bill, "An Act to Clarify the 1981 Amendments Relating to the Operating Under the Influence and Habitual Offender Laws. (Emergency) (H. P. 2136) (L. D. 2053)

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

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

**(Senate At Ease)**

The Senate called to order by the President.

Under Suspension of the Rules, the Senate voted to consider the following:

**Committee Report**

**House**

**Ought to Pass in New Draft**

The Committee on Public Utilities on, Bill, "An Act to Incorporate the Farmington Falls Water District." (H. P. 1985) (L. D. 1954)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass in New Draft under Same Title, (H. P. 2142) (L. D.

2051).

Comes from the House, the Bill, in New Draft, Passed to be Engrossed.

Which Report was Read and Accepted, in concurrence, and the Bill, in New Draft, Read Once. Under Suspension of the Rules, the Bill, in New Draft, Read a Second Time and Passed to be Engrossed, in concurrence.

Senator Hichens of York was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate, Off the Record.

Senator Wood of York was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate, Off the Record.

On motion by Senator Pierce of Kennebec, Adjourned until Monday, March 8, at 8:30 o'clock in the morning.