

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

of the

Seventy-Third Legislature

of the

State of Maine.

1907.

Mr. Irving of Aroostook: on that part of the Governor's message relating to financial conditions; reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Also, on that part relative to shipbuilding that the same be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Also, on that part relative to the Sturgis Law and Resubmission; that the same be referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Also, on that part relative to taxation that the same be referred to the Committee on Taxation.

The report was accepted.

The senate order in relation to the matter of postage stamps came back from the House with House amendment A attached as follows:

House Amendment A. Amend by adding after the word "Senate" in the second line the following: "and each member and officer of the House of Representatives.

The Senate thereupon voted to reconsider its action by which the order was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs and House amendment A was adopted in concurrence and the order as amended was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

On motion by Mr. Hastings of Oxford the senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Thursday, January 10, 1907

Prayer by Rev. Fr. Doherty of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The following order came from the Senate referred in that body to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs: Ordered, That the secretary of the Senate be authorized to furnish wrappers and postage stamps to each member and officer of the Senate not to exceed ten dollars to each, for the purpose of distributing various reports of departments of State, and such other documents as they may desire to distribute.

Mr. Stubbs of Strong offered House amendment A, by adding after the word "Senate" in the second line the words "and each member and officer of the House of representatives."

The amendment was adopted, and the order than received a passage in concurrence as amended.

The following petitions, bills, etc., were presented and referred:

Judiciary.

By Mr. Stover of Brunswick—Petition of Samuel Knight and others in regard to the support of insane persons.

By Mr. Waldron of Dexter—An enabling act for sheriffs and their deputies.

By Mr. Tolman of Portland—An Act in addition to chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes relating to the commitment of the insane.

By Mr. Spear of South Portland—An Act to authorize the Portland Wharf and Land Company to erect and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Casco Bay in the city of South Portland.

By Mr. Moore of Saco—An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 213 of the Special Laws of 1891 entitled "An Act to incorporate the York Light and Heat Company."

By Mr. Thomas of Harpswell—An Act creating certain islands in the town of Harpswell in the county of

Cumberland and State of Maine into a voting district.

By Mr. Moore of Saco—Resolves proposing an amendment to the constitution providing that the right of citizens of the State to vote and hold office shall not be denied or abridged on account of sex. (Tabled for printing on motion of Mr. Moore.)

By Mr. Weeks of Fairfield—An Act to provide for the choosing of candidates for public office by direct nominating election. (Tabled for printing on motion of Mr. Weeks.)

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Titcomb of Farmington—An Act to prevent the pollution of North or Varnum's Pond.

By Mr. Tolman of Portland—An Act to Amend Chapter 34 of the Public Laws concerning holidays.

By Mr. Strickland of Bangor—An Act in relation to the employment of custodians of elevators.

By Mr. Putman of Danforth—An Act to legalize and make valid certain doings of the town of Danforth in the county of Washington.

By Mr. Strickland of Bangor—An Act to amend Chapter 163 of the Public Laws of 1905 relating to exemption of soldiers and sailors from a poll tax.

By Mr. Hall of Gardiner—An Act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 114 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 134 of the Acts and Resolves of 1905 relating to relief of poor debtors.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Davies of Yarmouth—Petition of citizens and residents of Yarmouth for appropriations for Temporary Home for Women and Children at Portland.

By Mr. Newbert of Augusta—Petition of John F. Hill and 12 others for same.

By Mr. Martin of Rumford—Petition of Walter G. Morse of Rumford and 42 others in favor of Maine State Sanatorium Association.

By Mr. Strickland of Bangor—Resolve in favor of King's Daughters' Union of Bangor; Resolve in favor of Eastern Maine General Hospital.

By Mr. Dutton of Belfast—Resolve in

favor of Waldo County General Hospital.

By Mr. Frost of Lewiston—Resolve in favor of the Healy Asylum of city of Lewiston.

By Mr. Edwards of Lewiston—Resolve in favor of the Girls' Orphanage in the city of Lewiston, under the auspices of the Sisters of Charity.

By Mr. Dunton of Belfast—Resolve in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine for benefit of Girls' Home in Belfast.

By Mr. Johnson of Waterville—Resolve in favor of the Maine Home for Friendless Boys.

By Mr. Joy of Eden—Resolve in favor of the Bar Harbor Medical and Surgical Hospital located at Bar Harbor, Me.

By Mr. Mullen of Bangor—Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the treasurer be instructed to furnish the committee on railroads and expresses postage stamps to an amount not exceeding ten dollars.

By Mr. Waldron of Dexter—An Act to establish the Central Maine Normal School.

By Mr. Davies of Yarmouth—An Act to provide an annual appropriation for the maintenance of the University of Maine; resolve in favor of the Maine institution for the Blind.

By Mr. Irving of Presque Isle—Resolve in favor of the Aroostook State Normal School, with statement of facts.

Railroads and Expresses.

By Mr. Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor—An Act to extend the time of construction of the Boothbay railroad.

By Mr. Emerson of Stow—An Act to amend the charter of the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company.

By Mr. Havey of Sullivan—An Act to incorporate the Sullivan and Winter Harbor Street Railway Company.

Education.

By Mr. Libby of Amity—Petition of Mystic Lodge of Good Templars in favor of an appropriation for an industrial workshop for the blind; petition of Arcana Lodge of Good Templars for same; petition of the Lincoln Club of Portland for same; petition of Deer-
ing Club for same.

By Mr. Brackett of Sebago—Petition of E. F. Sawyer and 111 others of Sebago, Standish and Baldwin for a school of manual training for the blind.

Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Lynch of Washington—An Act to amend the charter of the Security Trust Company.

By Mr. Dunton of Belfast—An Act to extend the charter of the Belfast Banking Company.

By Mr. Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor—An Act to renew and extend the charter of the Boothbay Harbor Banking Company.

By Mr. Pooler of Waterville—An Act to incorporate the Franco-American Trust Company.

By Mr. Newbert of Augusta—An Act to renew and extend the charter of the Hamilton Trust Company of Augusta.

By Mr. Havey of Sullivan—An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Winter Harbor Trust Company.

Military Affairs.

By Mr. Flaherty of Portland—Resolve in favor of Private Hugh Monahan of Co. L, Portland.

Interior Waters.

By Mr. McKenney of Bridgton—Petitions of 1025 names for bench mark on Sebago Lake; An Act to establish a bench or water mark on Sebago Lake.

By Mr. Newbert of Augusta—An Act to incorporate the Allagash Improvement Company.

Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Havey of Sullivan—An Act to incorporate the Hancock and Sullivan Bridge Company.

By Mr. Donigan of Bingham—An Act to provide for the ownership and maintenance of highway bridges by the State and the several counties.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Brackett of Sebago—Petition of William H. Stevens and 31 others of Portland praying that Songo river be closed to all fishing, except the dipping of smelts and suckers from Oliver's camp at mouth of river to Songo lock, from Oct. 1 to June 1; also that Crook-en river be closed to all fishing except

the dipping of smelts and suckers, from Songo lock to Crooked river bridge, so-called, from Oct. 1 to June 1; petition of J. H. Rich of Sebago Lake and 43 others for same.

By Mr. Decker of Weld—Petition of E. A. Boothman of Skinner and eight others asking for additional close time on fishing in Indian pond in Lowelltown, county of Franklin.

By Mr. Newton of Webster—Resolve appropriating \$250 to screen Sabattus pond in Androscoggin county.

Towns.

By Mr. Libby of Amity—Petition of Edwin W. Smart and 39 others asking that lots numbered 16, 15, 14 and '23 in the town of Bancroft be annexed to the town of Weston.

By Mr. Folsom of Norridgewock—Petition of S. F. Butler and 29 others of Starks to be set off and be made a part of the town of Norridgewock.

Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Hathorn of Detroit—Petition of Will Osborn and 16 others of Pittsfield for the support of the insane by the State.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the superintendent of public buildings given charge of all assignments of rooms for hearings in the Capitol building, and that all applications for rooms must be made to him in writing 48 hours previous to being used for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. Davies of Yarmouth,

Ordered, That on the evening of the day of January 22 the House be placed at the disposal of the blind of this State that they may exhibit to so many of those who desire to see an exhibition of their skill and work in manufacturing articles of use and value.

Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. McKenney of Bridgton the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced the following:

An Act to prevent corrupt practices in elections and to provide for publicity of election expenses.

An Act to amend Section 22 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes.

An Act to amend Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to the regulation and conduct of elections.

On further motion by Mr. McKenney these bills were tabled for printing pending reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. Gleason of Mexico the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced a bill, An Act to further provide for nominating candidates for political parties, and on further motion by Mr. Gleason the bill was tabled for printing pending reference to a committee.

The House order providing for a joint special committee on salaries and fees, came from the Senate, that branch appointing on its part Messrs. Sewall of Sagadahoc, Staples of Knox and Page of Somerset, to which committee the House joins Messrs. Milliken of Island Falls, Peacock of Lubec, Reynolds of Winslow, Skidmore of Liberty, Newbert of Augusta, Giddings of Gorham and Stevens of Portage Lake.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Island Falls the report of the special committee with accompanying bill relating to free transportation was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was referred to the committee on salaries and fees.

On motion of Mr. Shaw of Brunswick,

Adjourned.

SENATE.

Friday, Jan. 11, 1907.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Evans of Augusta.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers of the House disposed of in concurrence.

The President announced that the House has joined on the special committee on salaries and fees, the following members: Milliken of Island Falls, Peacock of Lubec, Reynolds of Winslow, Skidmore of Livermore, Newbert of Augusta, Giddings of Gorham, Stevens of Portage Lake.

The following bills, petitions, etc., were presented and referred:

Judiciary.

By Mr. Philoon of Androscoggin: Bill, An Act to amend Section 29, Chapter 93 of Revised Statutes relating to liens on buildings and lots, wharves and piers. Referred to committee on judiciary.

By Mr. Libby of Waldo: Bill, An Act to amend Chapter 212 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, as amended by Chapter 139, by the Private and Special Laws of 1905, relating to the Scarsport Water Co. and the Stockton Springs Water Co.

By Mr. Deasy of Hancock: Bill, An Act granting certain Powers to the Mount Desert Transit Co.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Sewall of Sagadahoc: Petition of the Municipal officers of the city of Bath, the county commissioners of Sagadahoc, and others for maintenance by the State of all patients committed to the Insane hospital of the State, now maintained at the expense of the towns and cities.

Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Philoon of Androscoggin: An Act to extend the charter of the Merchants Trust Co. and change the name of some of the corporations.