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Legislative Record

OF THE

Seventy-Sixth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1913

SENATE.

Tuesday, February 4, 1913.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Benjamin P. Hope of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

An Act to amend Section 38 of Chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relative to giving notice of the time and place of the sale of shares of stock in corporations to pay assessments, came from the House by that Branch referred to the committee on judiciary, and on motion by Mr. Hersey of Aroostook, was tabled for printing pending reference in concurrence.

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for instruction in thrift and economy in the public schools."

An Act to amend Sections 41, 42, 43 and 44 of the Revised Statutes as amended, relating to the employment of superintendents of towns comprising school unions.

These bills came from the House by that Branch referred to the committee on education, and on motion by Mr. Murphy of Cumberland, were tabled for printing pending reference in concurrence.

An Act to amend Section 21 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 65, Laws of 1909, came from the House by that Branch referred to the committee on sea and shore fisheries, and on motion by Mr. Cole of York, was tabled pending reference in concurrence.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Hersey of Aroostook: Petition of Lydia W. Woodman and 30 others of Munroe in favor of Woman's Suffrage; also petition of Gertrude E. Berry and 25 others of Berry's Mills for same.

By Mr. Jillson of Cumberland: Petition of Mary W. Martin and 15 others for same; also petition of Lucy Hobart Day and 50 others of Portland for same.

By Mr. Stearns of Oxford: An Act to authorize the county commissioners of Oxford county to procure a copy of Volume 1 of the Records of Deeds in Western Registry of Deeds for said county.

By Mr. Dutton of Kennebec: Resolve in favor of Percy F. Jones and Rose L. Jones.

By Mr. Burleigh of Aroostook: Petition of Aroostook Pomona Grange for change of time of holding the September term of the S. J. C. Court in Aroostook county.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Boynton of Lincoln: An Act to establish the Lincoln Municipal Court in Lincoln county. (On motion by Mr. Boynton, tabled for printing pending reference.)

By Mr. Bailey of Penobscot: An Act to authorize the Bangor Railway & Electric Company to take water from Chemo Lake. (On motion by Mr. Bailey, tabled for printing pending reference.)

Education.

By Mr. Allen of Kennebec: Petition of A. E. Reed and 29 others of Kennebec county in favor of an Act to increase the efficiency of the public schools of Maine by retiring teachers of long service with pensions.

By Mr. Murphy of Cumberland: An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 198 of the Public Laws of 1909 as amended, relating to the school equalization fund. (On motion by Mr. Murphy, tabled for printing pending reference.)

By the same senator: An Act to amend Section 123 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes providing for the apportionment of State school funds by the State auditor. (On motion by Mr. Murphy, tabled for printing pending reference.)

By the same senator: An Act to amend Section 15 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, relating to the payment of school money as to unexpended balances in common school

accounts. (On motion by Mr. Murphy, tabled for printing pending reference.)

By the same senator: An Act to amend Section 63 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, relating to the payment of tuition in secondary schools. (On motion by Mr. Murphy, tabled for printing pending reference.)

Railroads and Expresses.

By Mr. Hersey of Aroostook: An Act to incorporate the Houlton Street Railway Company. (On motion by Mr. Hersey, tabled for printing pending reference.)

Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Packard of Knox: Petition of G. L. Ferrand and 27 others for appropriation for repairs on trunk line highway between Rockland and Rockport.

By Mr. Maxwell of Sagadahoc: Petition of W. E. Tarr and 28 others of Bowdoinham relating to rebuilding Bay Bridge in Sagadahoc county.

Senate Bills in First Reading.

An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Baker and Spencer Brook Dam and Improvement Company.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Colby from the committee on ways and bridges on Resolve in favor of the town of Norridgewock, reported same in a new draft under the title of "Resolve in favor of repair of bridge in the town of Norridgewock," and that it ought to pass.

The same senator from the same committee on Resolve in favor of repairing a highway in the town of Moscow and the Plantations of Caratunk and The Forks, reported the same in a new draft under the title "Resolve in favor of repairing the bridge across the Kennebec river between the Plantations of West Fork and The Forks," and that it ought to pass.

The reports were accepted, and the resolves tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act relating to the Eastport Water Company.

An Act to complete the records in

Piscataquis county registry of deeds.

Resolve in favor of E. L. Manhire.

Resolve in favor of the New England Fruit Show.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Pomological Society.

An Act in relation to the Lincoln county jail.

Resolve in favor of preserving the life of the fish in the several fish hatcheries and for the temporary operation of the hatcheries and feeding stations for fish in this State and for the protection of fish, game and bird.

Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Stearns of Oxford, Report of the Portland Delegation of the 76th Legislature on bill, entitled "An Act to amend the charter of the Portland Gas Light Company," was taken from the table.

Mr. STEARNS: Mr. President, I yield to the senator from Cumberland, Senator Flaherty.

Mr. FLAHERTY: Mr. President, I move that we non-concur with the action of the House in accepting the report of the committee, "ought not to pass," on this bill.

The motion was agreed to, and on further motion by the same senator, the bill was recommitted to the Portland Delegation.

On motion by Mr. Allen of Kennebec, An Act relating to the taxation of telegraph companies was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator, was referred to the committee on taxation in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Cole of York, House Document 48, Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution by striking out in Article 4, Section 11, the words "Post-officers excepted," was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator, was referred to the committee on judiciary in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Conant of Waldo, unanimous consent was given and that senator presented out of order, An Act to abolish the Belfast Muni-

cial Court and establish a Police Court in the city of Belfast.

On further motion by the same senator, the bill was referred to the committee on legal affairs.

On motion by Mr. Dutton of Kennebec, unanimous consent was given and that senator presented out of order, Resolve making an appropriation for indexing the Legislative Record.

On further motion by the same senator, the resolve was referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

Mr. DUTTON: Mr. President, I wish to say that I present this resolve without prejudice.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair de-

sires to call the attention of all members of the Senate again to the fact that the time limit on private and special legislation is tomorrow, the 5th of February. Which means that all matters involving private and special legislation must be in the hands of the secretary of the Senate by 4 o'clock this afternoon. If any senator has any matter of that sort that is not completely in form, he should present it in some form, and if the bill or resolve is not ready, he should present a petition covering the subject matter in order to protect his rights.

On motion by Mr. Allan of Washington, adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.