

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**HOUSE.**

Thursday, January 11, 1917.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Gibson of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting a copy of the Maine Insurance Report for the year 1915, a copy of the Report of the State Board of Health for the year 1915, and a copy of the 33d Report of the Librarian of the State of Maine, the same having been in the Senate placed on file.

The communication was ordered placed on file in concurrence.

From the Senate: Bond of Hon. Joseph W. Simpson, State treasurer, for the State of Maine, dated January 1, 1917.

In the Senate read and referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

On motion by Mr. Dutton of Bingham, unanimous consent being given, the rules were suspended.

On further motion by the same gentleman, the bond was referred directly to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs in concurrence.

From the Senate: Bond Number 14,145 of Hon. Joseph W. Simpson, State treasurer, for the year 1917.

In the Senate read and referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will inform the House that this is not the same bond, but is in regard to the same business as the other one.

On motion by Mr. Garcelon of Auburn, unanimous consent being given, the rules were suspended.

On further motion by the same gentleman, the bond was referred directly

to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs in concurrence.

The following bills and resolves were presented and, upon recommendation of the committee on reference of bills were referred to the following committees:

**Agriculture.**

By Mr. King of Orono: Resolve making an appropriation for co-operative agricultural work between the College of Agriculture of the University of Maine and the United States Department of Agriculture.

**Appropriations and Financial Affairs.**

By Mr. Gannett of Augusta: Resolve in favor of Augusta General Hospital for maintenance.

By Mr. Holt of Skowhegan: Resolve in favor of Edward S. Austin.

By Mr. Descoteaux of Biddeford: Resolve in favor of Frank A. Leonard, assistant messenger of the 77th Legislature for attendance at the organization of the 78th Legislature.

**Banks and Banking**

By Mr. Cole of Eliot: An Act to allow savings banks to invest in certain state and municipal bonds.

By the same gentleman: An Act to permit savings banks to invest in certain corporation bonds. (500 copies ordered printed.)

**Education**

By Mr. Kneeland of Lincoln: Resolve in favor of Lee Academy.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of Lee Academy for the payment of instructors.

By Mr. King of Orono: Resolve appropriating moneys for the erection and construction of buildings at the University of Maine.

By the same gentleman: Resolve making an appropriation for the general maintenance and support of the University of Maine.

**Interior Waters**

By Mr. Holt of Skowhegan: An Act to amend the charter of the Kennebec Log Driving Co. as amended by Chapter 402 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885.

**Judiciary**

By Mr. Cole of Elliot: An Act to amend Section 73, Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes relating to the making of false reports by trust companies.

**Labor**

By Mr. Rounds of Portland: An Act relative to the hours of labor of conductors and motormen. (1,000 copies ordered printed.)

**Legal Affairs**

By Mr. Gannett of Augusta: An Act to provide for mothers with dependent children. (2,000 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Holt of Skowhegan: An Act to amend Chapter 171 of the Private and Special Laws of 1879 entitled "An Act amendatory to an amended Act incorporating the Kennebec Log Driving Co.," approved March 5, 1869. (500 copies ordered printed.)

**Ways and Bridges**

By Mr. Jordan of Baileyville: Resolve in favor of repairing roads and bridges in the towns of Alexander and Princeton. (On motion by Mr. Jordan, tabled for printing and 500 copies ordered printed.)

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of the town of Talmadge for building a road. (On motion by Mr. Jordan, tabled for printing and 500 copies ordered printed.)

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of Indian township for the repair of roads and bridges. On motion by Mr. Jordan, tabled for printing and 500 copies ordered printed.)

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of the town of Baileyville for re-location of a portion of the Houlton road. (On motion by Mr. Jordan, tabled for printing and 500 copies ordered printed.)

Mr. DESCOTEAUX of Biddeford: Mr. Speaker, do I understand that that labor bill came from the Senate?

The SPEAKER: The bill that was referred to the Committee on Labor was introduced in the House yester-

day and referred by the Committee on Reference to the Committee on Labor.

**Orders**

Mr. BARNES of Houlton: Mr. Speaker, referring to Section 11 of the Joint Rules of the 77th Legislature, which we have adopted as the rules of this body, relative to the duty of the Committee of Reference, page 41 of the handbook of the last session, it seems that in the printing of the section the principal duty of the Committee on Reference of Bills was omitted; and I wish to present an order which shall amend the rule by adding in the second line after the word "bills," so that the first part of said section, which is long, and which I will not read, shall read as follows:

"It shall be the duty of the Committee on Reference of Bills to suggest the reference to appropriate committees of all bills, resolves, orders and petitions offered in either house, and to recommend the printing of documents, etc."

On motion by Mr. Barnes, the amendment was tabled.

On motion by Mr. Cushman of Auburn, it was

Ordered: That the use of this hall shall be granted the Maine Sportsmen's Fish and Game Association the afternoon and evening of Jan. 18 for the purpose of holding public meetings therein.

On motion by Mr. Farrington of Augusta, it was

Ordered: That all petitions, bills and resolves publicly introduced in the House shall be placed in the hopper in front of the clerk's desk not later than 4 P. M. in order to be introduced the next day.

From the Senate: Report of the Committee on appropriations and financial affairs on the bond of State Treasurer Joseph W. Simpson. Came from the Senate read and accepted.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

From the Senate: Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet at 4.30 P. M., Tuesday, Jan. 16.

On motion by Mr. Wilson of Portland,

Adjourned until Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 16, at 4.30 P. M.

The order received a passage in concurrence.