

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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**SENATE.**

Tuesday, February 20, 1917.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. E. S. Philbrook of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: An Act to amend the Charter of the Portland Water District.

In the House this bill was referred to the Portland Delegation and ordered printed.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Holt of Cumberland, it was tabled, pending reference in concurrence.

**House Bills in First Reading.**

House 271. An Act to amend Chapter 195, of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled "An Act to amend an act incorporating the city of Waterville."

House 272. An Act to amend Section 56 of Chapter 53 of the Revised Statutes, relating to retiring of guaranty capital of a mutual fire insurance company.

**Messages and Documents from the Heads of Departments.**

The following communications were received from the office of the Secretary of State:

County estimates for the several counties for the years 1917 and 1918 (Referred to the committee on counties.)

Eighth annual report of the Maine School for Feeble Minded. (Referred to the committee on school for feeble minded.)

Report of the Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner for 1916. (Referred to the committee on agriculture.)

The following bills, petitions, etc., were received and on recommendation of the committee on reference of bills were referred to the following committees:

**Banks and Banking.**

By Mr. Bartlett of Kennebec: An Act relative to the term of office of bank commissioner. (Ordered printed.)

**Inland Fisheries and Game.**

By Mr. Gillin of Penobscot: Petition of F. H. Griffin and 33 others of Levant remonstrating against the passage of An Act to repeal Section 73 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes relative to Sunday being a closed season for game or birds.

**Judiciary.**

By Mr. Hastings of Androscoggin, "An Act in addition to Sections 44, 45, 46 and 47, Chapter 86, Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to attachment of property mortgaged or pledged. (Ordered printed.)

**Bills in First Reading.**

S. D. 188. An Act to amend Section 45 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the amounts to be paid for clerk hire in the county offices.

S. D. 189. An Act to extend the Charter of the Salisbury Cove Water Company.

S. D. 195. An Act to extend the powers of the Mile Electric Light and Power Company.

S. D. 196. An Act to extend the Charter of the Rockland, South Thomaston and Saint George Railway.

**Reports of Committees.**

Mr. Davis from the committee on interior waters, reported ought to pass on An Act changing the name of McCurdy Pond to Hilton Lake.

The report was accepted and the bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Davies from the committee on judiciary, reported ought not to pass on An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 95 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, relating to recording mortgages of personal property.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

**Passed to Be Engrossed.**

H. D. 194. An Act to extend the Charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company.

H. D. 245. An Act to amend Section 78 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes relating to State stipend for public library. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Mr. Ricker of Hancock, pending passage to be engrossed.)

Mr. RICKER of Hancock: Mr. President, it may be possible that in this bill and the next three that I shall move to lay on the table, there may be some question in regard to their future disposition. It is done simply to expedite business in the future.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will suggest that the bills be given their several readings and then you can take them up on their passage to be engrossed.

H. D. 246. An Act to establish a legislative reference bureau in the State library. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Ricker of Hancock, pending passage to be engrossed.)

H. D. 247. An Act to amend Section 82 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, relating to librarians receiving instruction. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Ricker of Hancock, pending passage to be engrossed.)

H. D. 248. An Act to amend Section 75 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, relating to free public libraries. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Ricker of Hancock, pending passage to be engrossed.)

H. D. 251. An Act to authorize the York Shore Water Company to acquire and own certain local securities.

H. D. 252. An Act to amend Section 45 of Chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the care and custody of minors.

S. D. 183. Resolve in favor of Charles F. Barnes for services as Page at the organization of the 78th Legislature.

#### Finally Passed.

Resolve in favor of Rachel Stanley.

#### Orders.

On motion by Mr. Butler of Franklin, it was

Ordered, that the use of the Senate Chamber be granted to the committee on interior waters for a hearing to be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

#### Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Davies of Cumberland, by unanimous consent the rules were suspended and that Senator presented the remonstrance of G. E. Ackerman of Brunswick and 62 others against the passage of House Document 44, relating to Sunday being a closed season for game and birds.

On further motion by the same Senator the remonstrance was referred to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### A Correction.

Mr. DAVIES of Cumberland: Mr. President, I rise to a question of personal privilege.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator will state his question of personal privilege.

Mr. DAVIES. I notice in the Legislative Record, Senate, February 14, 1917, on page 196, there are certain remarks credited to Mr. Deering of Saco which were made by myself, and I desire to correct the record by stating that the remarks on that page attributed to Mr. Deering were made by myself down to that point indicated by the words "Mr. President," and from there following the words are Mr. Deering's. I move that this correction be made on the record.

Motion was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. Davis of Piscataquis,

Adjourned.