

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## SENATE

Saturday, March 15, 1919.

Senate called to order by the President.

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

Journal of previous session read and approved.

On motion by Mr. Gannett of Kennebec, under suspension of the rules it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet Monday, March 17, at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the Chair reported that the House had passed the order in concurrence.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: H. D. 381, An Act to amend Chapter 32 Revised Statutes, relating to cinematograph and moving pictures.

In the House this bill was recommended to the committee on mercantile affairs and insurance.

On motion by Mr. Dearth of Penobscot, the Senate voted to concur with the action of the House.

### House Bills in First Reading

H. D. 387: Resolve to appropriate money for the maintenance of the reformatory for women at Skowhegan.

H. D. 385: An Act to amend paragraph 9 of Section 6 of Chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, in reference to the assessment of taxes on estates of soldiers and sailors.

From the House: State of Maine, in the Senate, March 12, 1919.

Ordered, the House concurring, that all bills and resolves presented to the Legislature after Thursday, March 13, with the exception of such resolves as relate to the administration and the expenditures of the Legislature, be referred to the next Legislature.

In the House this order was indefinitely postponed.

On motion by Mr. Cobb, of Kennebec, the Senate concurred in the action of the House.

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

### Appropriations and Financial Affairs

By Mr. WALKER of Somerset, resolve, in favor of the official reporter of the Senate for services of assistant reporter, typewriter operator and additional compensation in the preparation and completion of the Legislative Record.

By Mr. THOMBS of Penobscot, resolve, in favor of Charles J. Hutchings for services in assisting members of the Legislature in drawing bills and resolves.

### Education

By Mr. AMES of Washington, resolve, in favor of the Washington State Normal school at Machias for the completion of the school building.

### Interior Waters

By Mr. BABB of Cumberland, resolve, making an appropriation in favor of Sebago Lake, Songo River, Bay of Naples, Chutes River and Long Lake in Cumberland county.

### Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. PEACOCK of Washington, An Act to amend Chapter 293 of the Public Laws of 1917, entitled 'An Act to create a commission of sea and shore fisheries.'

### Bills in First Reading

S. D. 204: Resolve appropriating money for the public roads of Oxford county in accordance with an act of Congress approved May 23, 1908.

S. D. 205: Resolve for the laying of county taxes for the year 1920.

S. D. 206: Resolve laying county taxes for the year 1919.

S. D. 207: An Act relative to diseases, infectious, contagious or dangerous to public health.

### Reports of Committees

Mr. Stanley for the committee on banks and banking, on An Act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes, increasing the

registration fee of dealers in securities and their agents or salesmen, reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Walker for the committee on education, on An Act to amend Section 104 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the reports of academies and private school, (Senate No. 69), submitted the same in a new draft under the same title and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. Gurney for the committee on legal affairs, on An Act to create the Portland Harbor District (Senate No. 89), that legislation thereon is inexpedient at this time.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Gurney for the same committee, on Resolve amending Article 9 of the Constitution so as to provide for a bond issue for the purposes of building and maintaining public wharves and for the establishment of adequate port facilities in the State of Maine (Senate No. 168), that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and under suspension of the rules the bill was given its first reading.

Mr. Thombs for the same committee, on An Act to create a lien on lumber for sawing and sticking, reported same ought not to pass.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Gurney for the same committee, on An Act to provide for the building of public wharves and for the establishment of adequate port facilities for the advancement of Commerce (House No. 100), submitted the same in an new draft under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. Ricker for the committee on library, on Resolve to appropriate money for the purchase of history of York, reported same be referred to the next Legislature.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Peacock for the committee on sea and shore fisheries, on An Act to

provide for the licensing of the sardine packers, herring fishermen and boatmen of Maine, to improve the quality of fish used for sardines and to establish standards of measures for sardine herring (House No. 333), submitted the same in a new draft under the title of bill An Act to provide for the licensing of the sardine packers, to improve the quality of fish used for sardines and to establish standards of measures for sardine herring, and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. Peacock for the same committee, on An Act to prohibit the use of cod nets or trawls between the first day of February and the first day of June of each year within certain waters (Senate No. 131), reported same ought not to pass.

Mr. Peacock for the same committee, on An Act prohibiting the use of trawls of more than one thousand hooks to a boat in portions of Frenchman's bay, reported same ought not to pass.

The same senator for the same committee, on An Act prohibiting the taking of cod or other fish except herring by means of gill nets in portions of Frenchman's Bay, reported same ought not to pass.

The reports were accepted and sent down for concurrence.

#### Passed to Be Engrossed

H. D. 257: An Act to amend Section 53, 54 and 55, Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, requiring a permit for the burning of brush or slash near wood lands and providing for the better enforcement of the slash law.

In the House, House Amendment A was adopted.

In the Senate, House Amendment A was read, and on motion by Mr. Chick of Kennebec, the bill was tabled pending the adoption of the amendment.

H. D. 264: An Act providing for the preparation of the state budget; creating a committee on budget; prescribing its powers and duties; making an appropriation to defray the ex-

penses of this committee; and repealing sections 92, 93, 94 and 95 of Chapter two of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

H. D. 367: Resolve, reimbursing plantations because of reduction in the rate of interest paid by the state to plantations on their wild land school funds.

H. D. 368: An Act to amend section 12 of Chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes, relating to tools and implements for gambling, counterfeiting and burglar's tools.

H. D. 369: An Act to incorporate the Calais Power Company.

H. D. 370: Resolve continuing unexpended balance of appropriation provided by Chapter 321 of the resolves of 1913 entitled "Resolve in favor of aid in the construction of a highway bridge across the St. John river between Fort Kent, Me., and St. Francis, New Brunswick."

H. D. 371: An Act to provide for co-operation between the United States department of agriculture and the Maine department of agriculture in the collection and publication of statistics.

H. D. 372: An Act for better protection against adulterated, misbranded or inferior commercial fertilizers.

(Tabled on motion by Mr. Babb of Cumberland, pending its second reading.)

H. D. 374: Resolve in favor of Rena Cooley of Augusta for pension.

H. D. 375: Resolve in favor of Mary F. Fernald for military pension.

H. D. 376: Resolve providing a State pension of Julia E. Adams of Litchfield. (House Amendment A adopted in concurrence.)

H. D. 377: Resolve increasing pension of Catherine Nelligan of Brewer.

H. D. 378: Resolve in favor of Andrew Egan for military pension.

H. D. 379: Resolve in favor of Jennie Hayford Tilley of Canton for State pension.

S. D. 68: An Act to amend Section 66 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the attendance of children at school.

S. D. 119: An Act defining prostitution, lewdness and assignation and providing punishment therefor.

S. D. 130: An Act additional to Chapter 145 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the observation and care of persons to the State hospitals.

S. D. 199: Resolve in favor of the State tuberculosis sanatoriums for maintenance and other purposes for the years 1919 and 1920.

### Orders of the Day

Mr. METCALF of Piscataquis: Mr. President, at the request of Senator Stanley, I move that we take from the table Resolve in favor of the town of Porter.

The motion was agreed to and on further motion by the same senator the bill was retabled, together with the amendment, for printing.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair lays before the Senate two resolves which have been recalled from the Governor. The first one is a resolve providing for aid in the payment of premiums awarded by the Eastern Maine State fair, and the other is a resolve making appropriation to assist and encourage the poultry industry of Maine.

I will state for the information of the senators that these may be recommitted to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, in the case of the resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine State fair there is a clerical error, and in the resolve making an appropriation to assist and encourage the poultry industry of Maine the amount should be cut to \$1000.

On motion by Mr. Gannett of Kennebec, the Senate voted to reconsider the vote whereby these resolves were finally passed, and on further motion by the same senator the votes whereby these resolves were passed to be engrossed were reconsidered.

On further motion by the same senator the resolves were recommitted to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

On motion by Mr. Chick of Kennebec, Adjourned until next Monday, March 17, at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon.