

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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**SENATE**

Thursday, February 2, 1933.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. William Robins of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

On motion by Mr. Robie of Cumberland, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, February 7, 1933 at ten o'clock in the forenoon. (S. P. 276).

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the foregoing order came back from the House, read and passed in concurrence.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House:

Bill, An Act authorizing suspension of state normal schools. (H. P. 587, L. D. 175).

In the House, referred to the Committee on Education.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. McDonald of Washington, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

From the House:

Resolve granting teacher's pension to Miss Nancy Rankin of Hiram. (H. P. 834).

In the House, referred to the Committee on Education.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Jackson of Sagadahoc, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

From the House:

Bill, An Act to repeal the act incorporating Number XIV plantation in Washington county. (H. P. 623, L. D. 184).

In the House, referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. McDonald of Washington, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

From the House:

Bill, An Act relating to town council and manager form of government for the town of Presque Isle. (H. P. 639, L. D. 190).

In the House, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Kitchen of Aroostook, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

From the House:

Resolve for investigating lighting costs in York County. (H. P. 654, L. D. 194).

In the House, referred to the Committee on Public Utilities.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Weatherbee of Penobscot, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

From the House:

Bill, An Act relating to exemptions from taxation. (H. P. 666, L. D. 198).

In the House, referred to the Committee on Taxation.

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

**House Bill in First Reading**

An Act to extend the charter granted to the Sandy River and Rangeley Lakes Railroad Company. (H. P. 78, L. D. 107).

**Communication**

Communication (S. P. 275) from the State Controller as follows:

**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE  
BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS  
AND CONTROL**

Augusta, January 31, 1933.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I report to you certain deficiencies, being bills coming into my hands dated several years ago and for which no appropriation is now available to pay the same. These bills amount to \$370.60 and are reported to you by authority of Chap. 2, Sec. 100, R. S. 1930, which reads in part: . . . "Whenever any appropriation or fund is expended all bills and accounts presented to the state auditor, (now state controller), and drawn on said expended appropriation shall not be approved by him, but shall be reported by him to the next session of the legislature."

The bills relating to these deficiencies are on file in the office of the State Controller and will be furnished to the Legislature or the appropriate committee when required.

Respectfully submitted,  
(Signed)

**WILLIAM A. RUNNELLS,**  
State Controller.

Which was read and accepted and on motion by Mr. Robie of Cumberland, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

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

#### **Agriculture**

Mr. Story of Aroostook: An Act to amend Section 25 of Chapter 39 as amended by Chapter 24 of the public Laws of 1931. (S. P. 252). (500 copies ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Mr. Jackson of Sagadahoc: Resolve in favor of State Military and Naval Children's Home. (S. P. 253). Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Banks and Banking**

Mr. Jackson of Cumberland: An Act to amend the laws relating to Loan and Building Associations. (S. P. 254).

The same Senator: An Act to amend the laws relating to Loan and Building Associations. (S. P. 255).

The same Senator: An Act to amend the laws relating to Loan and Building Associations. (S. P. 256).

The same Senator: An Act to permit Loan and Building Associations to borrow money. (S. P. 257).

The same Senator: An Act to amend the laws relating to Loan and Building Associations. (S. P. 258).

The same Senator: An Act amending the banking law. (S. P. 259). (500 copies of each ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Inland Fisheries and Game**

Mr. Schnurle of Cumberland: An Act relative to the Standish Game Preserve in the town of Standish, Cumberland County. (S. P. 260).

The same Senator: Resolve to appropriate money for the purpose of preventing damage to domestic animals by bears. (S. P. 261).

(500 copies of resolve ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Judiciary**

Mr. Weeks of Somerset: An Act penalizing the fraudulent operation

of slot machines, coin-box telephones and other coin receptacles, and the manufacture and sale of devices intended to be used in such operation. (S. P. 262).

The same Senator: An Act relating to commitment to hospitals by municipal officers. (S. P. 263).

Mr. Cooper of Waldo: Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution changing the date of the biennial election. (S. P. 264).

(500 copies of each ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Pension**

Mr. Jackson of Sagadahoc: Resolve in favor of Nancy Rankin. (S. P. 265).

Mr. Pillsbury of Kennebec: Resolve for Teacher's Pension for Mrs. Elsie T. McKenney. (S. P. 266).

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Salaries and Fees**

Mr. Pillsbury of Kennebec: An Act relating to referees. (S. P. 267). (500 ordered printed).

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Temperance**

Mr. Murchie of Washington: Remonstrance of George W. Davis and W. N. Miner of Calais and twenty others against the resubmission of the prohibitory amendment. (S. P. 268).

Sent down for concurrence.

#### **Ways and Bridges**

Mr. Littlefield of York: Resolve in favor of the town of Wells. (S. P. 269).

(On motion by Mr. Littlefield of York, tabled pending reference).

The same Senator: Resolve in favor of the town of Kennebunk. (S. P. 270).

(On motion by Mr. Littlefield of York, tabled pending reference).

#### **Orders**

On motion by Mr. Seavey of Oxford, it was

Ordered, that one thousand copies of S. P. 170 "An Act relating to construction and maintenance of highways" be printed. (S. P. 272).

On motion by Mr. Page of Somerset, it was

Ordered, that five hundred copies of S. P. 158 "An Act relating to Insurance Money" be printed. (S. P. 273).

On motion by Mr. Blaisdell of Hancock, it was

Ordered, that five hundred copies of S. P. 157 "An Act to abolish the December term of the Superior Court for the County of Hancock" be printed. (S. P. 274).

On motion by Mr. Viles of Kennebec, it was

Ordered, that the Treasurer of State be authorized to pay to Mrs. William E. Lawless the salary and mileage due William E. Lawless, Senator from Androscoggin County.

### Committee Reports

Mr. Weatherbee from the Committee on Claims on "Resolve in favor of the town of New Gloucester." (S. P. 20) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Littlefield from the Committee on Claims on "Resolve in favor of James H. Kerr of Rumford." (S. P. 22) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Blaisdell from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bi "An Act relating to disposition of inheritance taxes." (S. P. 24) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Page from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill, "An Act to amend the charter of Somerset Academy." (S. P. 49) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Farnsworth from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill, "An Act to extend charter of Hinckley Development Company." (S. P. 47) reported the same in a new draft, under the same title (S. P. 271) and that it ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted, and the bills laid up on the table for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Bissett from the Committee on Public Utilities on Bill, "An Act relating to costs recoverable in the Law Court." (S. P. 60, L. D. 57) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted, the bill read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Mr. Holmes from the Committee on Judiciary on, "Petition from Arthur L. Hersey." (S. P. 32) reported the same be placed on file.

Which was read and accepted and the Petition placed on file.

### Passed to be Engrossed

An Act to extend the Charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company. (H. P. 77, L. D. 106).

Sent down for concurrence.

### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Littlefield of York, the Senate voted to take from the table, Resolve in favor of the town of Wells (S. P. 269), tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending reference; and on further motion by the same Senator the resolve was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Littlefield of York, the Senate voted to take from the table, Resolve in favor of the town of Kennebunk (S. P. 270), tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending reference; and on further motion by the same Senator the resolve was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Littlefield of York, the Senate voted to take from the table, An Act relating to costs in municipal courts (H. P. 213, L. D. 119), tabled by that Senator on January 31st pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Littlefield of York, the Senate voted to take from the table, An Act to provide for the payment of recount expenses (H. P. 575), tabled by that Senator on February 1st pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Littlefield of York, the Senate voted to take from the table, An Act relating to exemption of property from attachment (S. P. 226), tabled by that Senator on February 1st, pending reference; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bissett of Cum-

berland, the Senate voted to take from the table, An Act relating to exemption from taxation (H. P. 666, L. D. 193), tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Kitchen of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the table, An Act relating to town council and manager form of government for the town of Presque Isle (H. P. 639, L. D. 190), tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Weatherbee of Penobscot, the Senate voted to reconsider its action of yesterday whereby a communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the county estimates of the several counties within the State for the years 1933 and 1934, was referred with the accompanying estimates to the Committee on County Estimates; and on further motion by the same Senator the communication and accompanying papers were sent to the House.

The PRESIDENT: Is there any

further business to come before the Senate at this moment?

Before we adjourn the Chair wishes to advise the Senate that the Revisor of Statutes this morning stated that he would have all bills which he has been requested to draft ready for introduction next Tuesday to come within the closing order. A week ago we organized a sufficient force to get all matters of private and special legislation drafted so that everything was introduced and the closing order on that class of legislation was observed. If any member of the Senate has any bill of a public nature that he wishes drafted to be ready for introduction next Tuesday will he please notify the Revisor of Statutes today?

Again, over this week-end, a sufficient force will be put to work to have every bill drafted if the request is filed with the Revisor of Statutes any time today. May the Chair express the hope that we will get all our public legislation in by four o'clock next Tuesday and that, for the first time in his knowledge of Maine legislative history, the order passed for the closing date of legislation will be rigidly observed.

On motion by Mr. Holmes of Androscoggin,

Adjourned, until next Tuesday morning, February 7th, at ten o'clock.