

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE



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HOUSE

Wednesday, January 22, 1941.

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

Prayer by the Reverend Mr. Morrison of Winslow.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Resolves from the Senate requiring reference disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Forbidding Parking Motor Vehicles near Hydrants" (H. P. 249) (L. D. 88)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Motor Vehicles in non-concurrence.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Pierce of Bucksport, the House voted to recede from its former action whereby it referred this Bill to the Committee on Legal Affairs and concurred with the action of the Senate in the reference of the Bill to the Committee on Motor Vehicles.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the house concurring, that the state controller shall file as soon as possible with the secretary of the senate a report of all salary adjustments approved by the personnel board; and passed by the governor and council within the period from the date of the report of the director of personnel to the Joint Special Legislative Investigating Committee, concerning salary adjustments, to December 31, 1940 (S. P. 101)

Came from the Senate, read and passed.

In the House, read and passed in concurrence.

The following Bills and Resolves were received, and upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

Claims

Resolve to reimburse the town of Madawaska for Support of Barthelme Daigle, State Pauper (H. P. 326) (Presented by Mr. Babin of Frenchville)

Resolve to reimburse the town of Durham for certain Pauper Supplies (H. P. 327) (Presented by Mr. Buckley of Leeds)

Resolve in favor of Mrs. Arlene Remick (H. P. 328) (Presented by Mr. Hall of Wilton)

Resolve in favor of Earle S. Damon of Mechanic Falls (H. P. 329) (Presented by Mr. Pratt of Turner)

Resolve to reimburse Archie Sanborn, as Manager of the A. & P. Store in Greenville, for Supplies Furnished to Marie Guerette, State Pauper (H. P. 330) (Presented by Mr. Rollins of Greenville)

Sent up for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

Resolve Opening Lower Chain Lake, in Washington County, to Fishing for Pickerel (H. P. 331) (Presented by Mr. Boyd of Winn) (500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve Regulating Fishing on Long Pond (H. P. 332) (Presented by Mr. Megill of Belgrade) (500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve in favor of a Fish Screen in Cathance Lake (H. P. 333) (Presented by Mr. Murchie of Calais) (500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve relating to Fishing for Bass in Highland Lake (H. P. 334) (Presented by Mr. Rankin of Bridgton)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve Opening Adams Pond to Fishing (H. P. 335) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act relating to the Old Folks Home at Bath" (H. P. 336) (Presented by Miss Deering of Bath)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Liens on Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Radio Equipment" (H. P. 337) (Presented by Mr. Lambert of Lewiston)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Absent Voting" (H. P. 338) (Presented by Mr. Southard of Augusta)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act relating to Minimum Prices in Beauty Shops" (H. P. 339) (Presented by Mr. Shesong of Portland by request)

(1000 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Minimum Prices in Barber Shops" (H. P. 340) (Presented by same gentleman by request)

(1000 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Pensions

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Frank Emerson of Liberty (H. P. 341) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Montville)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Lewis E. Tuttle of Montville (H. P. 342) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Addie W. McCurdy of China (H. P. 343) (Presented by Mr. Fuller of China)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Nellie M. Doe of Windsor (H. P. 344) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve providing for an Increase in State Pension for Jessie S. Crocker of Pittston (H. P. 345) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve providing for an Increase in State Pension for Sadie E. Ballard of Sangerville (H. P. 346) (Presented by Mr. Harvey of Sangerville)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Elmina A. Brown of Auburn (H. P. 347) (Presented by Mr. Jacobs of Auburn)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Joseph William True of Garland (H. P. 348) (Presented by Mr. Otto of Dexter)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Fred Flood of Waterboro (H. P. 349) (Presented by Mr. Roberts of Waterboro)

Sent up for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Bill "An Act to Aid Agriculture by providing for the Organization of Rural Electrification Cooperatives" (H. P. 350) (Presented by Mr. Richardson of Strong)

(1000 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Hallowell Water District" (H. P. 351) (Presented by Mr. Keller of Hallowell)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act to Extend the Charter of the Central Aroostook Railway Company" (H. P. 352) (Presented by Mr. Smith of Bangor)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Salaries and Fees

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Judge of Probate of Androscoggin County" (H. P. 353) (Presented by Mr. Conant of Auburn by request)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

State Lands and Forest Preservation

Bill "An Act relating to the Slash Law" (H. P. 355) (Presented by Mr. Preble of Millinocket)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve Granting Authority to the Forestry Department to Convey certain Land to Zealie A. Smith of Springfield (H. P. 354) (Presented by Mr. Boyd of Winn)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Temperance

Bill "An Act relating to Enforcement of the Liquor Laws" (H. P. 356) (Presented by Mr. Mills of Farmington)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Towns

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Surrender by Unity Plantation of its Organization" (H. P. 357) (Presented by Mr. Littlefield of Albion)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Ways and Bridges

Resolve in favor of the town of Caribou (H. P. 358) (Presented by Mr. Libby of Caribou)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the town of Leeds (H. P. 359) (Presented by Mr. Buckley of Leeds)

Resolve in favor of the town of Sangerville (H. P. 360) (Presented by Mr. Harvey of Sangerville)

Resolve in favor of the town of Dover-Foxcroft (H. P. 361) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Sangerville (H. P. 362) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Manchester (H. P. 363) (Presented by Mr. Keller of Hallowell)

Resolve in favor of the town of Clinton (H. P. 364) (Presented by Mr. Littlefield of Albion)

Resolve in favor of the town of Albion (H. P. 365) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Perry (H. P. 336) (Presented by Mr. McFadden of Pembroke)

Resolve in favor of the town of Cooper (H. P. 367) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Woodstock (H. P. 368) (Presented by Mr. McKeen of Paris)

Resolve in favor of the town of

Paris (H. P. 369) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Paris (H. P. 370) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Athens (H. P. 371) (Presented by Mr. Milliken of Madison)

Resolve in favor of the town of Madison (H. P. 372) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Solon (H. P. 373) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Kenduskeag (H. P. 374) (Presented by Mr. Newcomb of Carmel)

Resolve in favor of the town of Penobscot (H. P. 375) (Presented by Mr. Pierce of Bucksport)

Resolve in favor of the town of Tremont (H. P. 376) (Presented by Mr. Teel of Long Island Pl.)

Resolve in favor of the town of Southwest Harbor (H. P. 377) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Lamoine (H. P. 378) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Long Island Plantation (H. P. 379) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Surry (H. P. 380) (Presented by Mr. Willey of Ellsworth)

Resolve in favor of the town of Bluehill (H. P. 381) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the city of Ellsworth (H. P. 382) (Presented by same gentleman)

Sent up for concurrence.

Orders

On motion of Mr. McGlauffin of Portland, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Gowell and Mr. Dean, both of South Portland, be excused from attendance during the present week because of illness; also that Mr. Briggs of Hampden, be excused during the present week because urgent business requires his presence in Boston; and that Mr. Robie of Auburn, be excused from attendance during the present week because of illness.

Mr. Megill of Belgrade, presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Audit report forthwith to the Ninetieth Legislature the cost of administer-

ing the provisions of Chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1937.

The Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Dwinall of Camden, it was

ORDERED, that there be printed 1000 extra copies of H. P. 113, L. D. 61, Bill "An Act Creating a State Lottery Commission."

Mr. PAYSON of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I present an Order amending House Rule No. 10, and give notice that I shall ask for its passage on the next legislative day. I call your attention to Rule No. 10 of the House:

"The seat which a member draws at the commencement of the session shall be his during the session, unless he shall have leave of the Speaker to change it."

The intention of that provision is that only House Members shall occupy these seats within the rail. At the present moment it may not be of any particular importance that others may sit in these seats. Later in the session, when you are having divisions on questions of great importance here, it may happen that there may be a miscout or some persons improperly sitting in these seats would be counted. That is the reason for the amendment I am now presenting and will ask you to consider for passage tomorrow.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. Payson, presents an Order involving the amendment of House Rule No. 10 and requests that the Clerk read the Order.

Thereupon, the Order was read by the Clerk as follows:

ORDERED, that Rule No. 10 of the House Rules be hereby amended by adding the following: "And no other person shall be permitted to occupy a member's seat at any time during a Session of the House."

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. Payson, now gives notice that he will ask for the passage of the Order on the next legislative day and moves that the Order lie on the table. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and Order was tabled pending passage.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Cousins of Old Town, the House voted to reconsider its action of yesterday whereby Bill "An Act relating to Tuition for Indian Scholars in Elementary Schools of Old Town" (H. P. 297) (L. D. 107) was referred to the Committee on Education; and on further motion by the same gentleman the Bill was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: Are there any further matters to come before the House under Orders of the Day?

The Chair would like to call to the attention of the Members that Thursday, January 30th, is the final day for presenting all Bills of a private and special nature, and will urge all of you to see that your Bills are seasonably prepared.

At this time the Chair wishes to express its gratitude to the gentleman from Bradford, Mr. Osgood, and to the Clerk of the House; to the gentleman from Bradford, Mr. Osgood, for the two very fine pieces of hornbeam, and to the Clerk of the House for his craftsmanship in working these pieces of hornbeam into this gavel, of sufficient size and strength, the Chair hopes, to enable the Chair to at all times command the proper amount of attention from the members of the House. (Applause)

If there are no further matters to come before the House under Orders of the Day, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion by Mr. Osgood of Bradford,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.