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OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE



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SENATE

Wednesday, February 12, 1941.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Herbert E. P. Pressey of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and accepted.

From the House:

Communication

STATE OF MAINE
Department of Health and Welfare
Bureau of Health
Augusta

February 3, 1941.

To The
Honorable Senate and
The House of Representatives
Gentlemen:—

Herewith is submitted additional information with reference to kind and amounts of pollution of the Androscoggin River, in compliance with request dated October 22, 1940.

The accompanying information, concerning amounts of industrial wastes discharged into the Androscoggin River, was obtained through correspondence with the various industries along the river.

ROSCOE L. MITCHELL, M. D.
Director of Health
JOEL EARNEST
Commissioner of Health
and Welfare

(H. P. 1168)
Which was read and ordered placed on file in concurrence.

House Committee Reports

Ought Not to Pass

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act Creating a Bird Sanctuary on Bustin Island," (H. P. 4) (L. D. 3) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve Relating to Fishing for Bass in Highland Lake," (H. P. 334) (L. D. 130) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing on Long Pond," (H. P. 332) (L. D. 128) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in Chase's Pond," (H. P. 420) (L. D. 169) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Requiring Election of the Members of the Public Utilities Commission by the Legislature," (H. P. 100) (L. D. 55) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The Committee on Temperance on Bill "An Act Forbidding Sale of Liquor to Certain Persons," (H. P. 324) (L. D. 123) reported that the same ought not to pass as taken care of by other Legislation.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maine," (H. P. 428) (L. D. 177) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Liens on Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Radio Equipment," (H. P. 337) (L. D. 133) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Old Folks Home at Bath," (H. P. 336) (L. D. 132) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Inland Fish and Game Wardens," (H. P. 311) (L. D. 120) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence, the bills read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Communication

STATE OF MAINE
Bureau of Personnel
Augusta

February 11, 1941

To Honorable Royden V. Brown
Secretary of the Senate,
90th Legislature.

In compliance with Legislative Order S. P. 136, I submit herewith list of names and legal residence at time of employment or promotion, of all persons appointed to and/or promoted in the Classified service during the years 1939 and 1940, according to the records of this Bureau.

Respectfully submitted,

EARLE R. HAYES
Director of Personnel.

(S. P. 430)

Which communication and accompanying report was read and accepted and ordered placed on file.

Senate Committee Reports Ought Not to Pass

Mr. Boothby from the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Relating to Taxes on Cottages and Camps," (S. P. 60) (L. D. 19) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Bate from the Committee on Temperance on Bill "An Act Relating to the Consumption of Intoxicating Liquor upon the Premises," (S. P. 99) (L. D. 100) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Miss Laughlin from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Amending the Law Relating to Purchases by the State Highway Commission and Limiting the Powers of the Council with Relation to Highway Administration," (S. P. 82) (L. D. 71) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Recording and Copying of Public Documents," (S. P. 152) (L. D. 221) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Farris from the same Committee on Bill "An Act to Authorize the Charging Off of Uncollected Accounts," (S. P. 153) (L. D. 222) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Harvey from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Absentee Ballots," (S. P. 118) (L. D. 153) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Libby from the Committee on Salaries and Fees on Bill "An Act relating to Automobile Travel by State Inspectors of Seed Potatoes," (S. P. 55) (L. D. 10) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted, the bills read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Mr. Harvey from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Enlarging the Powers and Duties of the State Auditor," (S. P. 38) (L. D. 24) reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 431) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted, and the bill in new draft laid upon the table for printing under the joint rules.

Passed to be Engrossed

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Pierce Pond in Somerset County." (H. P. 43) (L. D. 26)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Grass Pond in the County of Somerset." (H. P. 44) (L. D. 27)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Kilgore Pond in Bowtown and Pierce Pond Townships." (H. P. 45) (L. D. 28)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Puffer's Pond in the Town of Dexter." (H. P. 98) (L. D. 54)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Peters Pond." (H. P. 242) (L. D. 81)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Lincoln County." (H. P. 243) (L. D. 82)

Which resolves were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Bachelder of York, it was

ORDERED, that the Committee on Public Utilities have the use of the Senate Chamber the evening of February 18.

On motion by Mr. Dow of Oxford, it was

ORDERED, that 200 additional copies be printed of the following: (H. P. 1228) (L. D. 491) An Act Relative to Guaranty Fund of Loan and Building Associations; (H. P. 1229) (L. D. 492) An Act Relative to Rate of Interest to be Charged by Loan and Building Associations; (H. P. 1230) (L. D. 493) An Act Relative to Annual Examination of Affairs of Loan and Building Associations; (H. P. 1231) (L. D. 499) An Act Relative to Rate of Interest to be Charged by Loan and Building Associations; (H. P. 1273) (L. D. 543) An Act Relating to Payment of the Special Tax for Investigation of Fires by the Insurance Commissioner.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, of Penobscot the Senate voted to take from the table An Act Relating to Vital Records (S. P. 409) tabled by that Senator on February 11 pending reference.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN of Cumberland: Mr. President, this particular paper, Senate Paper 409, An Act Relating to Vital Records, was yes-

terday determined to be sent to the Committee on Public Health. It has nothing whatever to do with health and should go, and I move that it be referred, to the Committee on Library.

The motion to refer prevailed.
(500 copies ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HARVEY of York: Mr. President, I beg leave to ask the Secretary if Senate Paper 334 An Act Relating to Town Appropriations for Advertising, is still in the possession of the Senate?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair is informed that it is.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Harvey of York the Senate voted to reconsider its action of yesterday whereby bill, An Act Relating to Town Appropriations for Advertising (S. P. 334) was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was laid upon the table pending reference.

On motion by Mr. Farris of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table An Act Relating to Compensation of Justices Upon Retirement (S. P. 315) tabled by that Senator on February 6 pending reference; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Snow of Piscataquis, the Senate voted to take from the table An Act Relating to Automobile Junk Yards, (S. P. 359) tabled by that Senator on February 11 pending reference; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Maine Publicity and 750 copies ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN of Penobscot: Mr. President, I would like to ask if Senate Paper 339, An Act Relating to Business and Recreation on Sundays and Holidays is still in the possession of the Senate?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair is informed that it is.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Chamberlain of Penobscot, the Senate voted to reconsider its action of yesterday whereby bill, An Act Relating to Business and Recreation on Sundays and Holidays (S. P. 339) was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN: Mr. President, it is an anomalous thing for a member of the legislature to stand and say that a bill entered on the calendar in his name, has never been seen by him and that in some way or other it was put on the calendar without his attention or knowledge. Such, however, is the fact.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would inquire of the Senator whether he has a motion to make.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN: I have, Mr. President. I move, Mr. President, that leave be given to withdraw Senate Paper 339, An Act Relating to Business and Recreation on Sundays and Holidays.

Unanimous consent to withdraw the bill was granted.

The PRESIDENT: It has been called to the attention of the Chair that a distinguished citizen of the United States is present, Congressman Charles S. Dewey of the Ninth Congressional District of Illinois. I will ask the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort Congressman Dewey of Illinois to a seat at the right of the Chair.

Thereupon, Congressman Dewey was escorted to a seat at the right of the President.

On motion by Mr. Friend of Somerset

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.