

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Ninety-first Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE



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SENATE

Thursday, January 21, 1943

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Herbert Aldrich of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

ORDERS

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, Mr. Elliot of Knox presented the following order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that no bill for private or special legislation be received by this legislature after four o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, February 3, 1943, except by unanimous consent in the body in which it is introduced, and further

THAT any bill for private or special legislation which shall be received in either body of this legislature by unanimous consent after four o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, February 3, 1943, shall be referred to the Ninety-second Legislature if unanimous consent for its reception is not given in the other body in concurrence, and further,

THAT the Secretary of the Senate cause a copy of the above orders to be published in all the daily and weekly papers of the State, commencing January 23rd, 1943, and continuing up to and including February 3, 1943. (S. P. 110)

Mr. SANBORN of Cumberland: Mr. President, may I through the Chair make inquiry of the Senator who introduced the order (Senator Elliot of Knox)? My inquiry is simply to this effect: I wish to know whether it is the purpose and effect of this order, and as I recall it is similar to one we have usually had in previous sessions limiting and fixing the time limit on which private and special bills can be introduced, but as I listened to the reading, any bills introduced after the closing are necessarily and automatically referred to the next legislature.

I had in mind on other occasions where there was real interest or seemingly real interest, we had given unanimous consent to the introduction of measures on the general understanding that they would go ahead and receive passage in this

session. I wondered if it was the intent that this possibility should be cut.

Mr. ELLIOT of Knox: Mr. President, in reply to the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Sanborn, I believe the order reads: "any bill for private or special legislation which shall be received in either body of this legislature by unanimous consent after four o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, February 3, 1943 shall be referred to the 92nd legislature if unanimous consent for its reception is not given in the other body in concurrence."

Mr. SANBORN: Mr. President, as I say, I heard it read but I did not understand it. I am satisfied with the information and thank you.

Thereupon the order received passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, on motion by Mr. Elliot of Knox, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring, that no bill or resolve be received by this Legislature after four o'clock on the afternoon of Wednesday, February 10, 1943, except by unanimous consent in the body in which it is introduced, and further

ORDERED, that any bill or resolve which shall be received in either body of this Legislature by unanimous consent after four o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, February 10, 1943, shall be referred to the Ninety-second Legislature if unanimous consent for its reception is not given in the other body in concurrence. These orders shall not apply to bills reported by any joint standing or joint select committee, in the regular course of business, nor to such bills and resolves as are intended only to facilitate the business of the Ninety-first Legislature; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate cause a copy of the above orders to be published in all the daily and weekly papers of the State, commencing January 23, 1943, and continuing up to and including February 10, 1943. (S. P. 111)

Sent down for concurrence.

Papers from the House referred in concurrence.

The following bills and resolves were received and on recommenda-

tion by the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following committees:

Claims

Mr. Washburn of Washington presented "Resolve in Favor of George A. Cline, of Lubec." (S. P. 112)

Mr. Friend of Somerset presented "Resolve in Favor of Thomas Robinson of Norridgewock." (S. P. 113)

Mr. Varney of York presented "Resolve to Reimburse the Town of South Berwick for Support of Joseph Rollins." (S. P. 114)

Sent down for concurrence.

Judiciary

Mr. Sanborn of Cumberland presented Bill "An Act to Repeal the So-called Hitch Hiking Law." (S. P. 115)

(Printing ordered.)

Mr. Emery of Hancock presented Bill "An Act Relating to Budgets." (S. P. 116)

(Printing ordered)

Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Mr. Peters of Androscoggin presented Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Lewiston." (S. P. 117)

(Printing ordered.)

Mr. Sanborn of Cumberland presented Bill "An Act to Provide for Safety Against Fire." (S. P. 118)

(Printing ordered)

Sent down for concurrence.

Mercantile Affairs and Insurance

Mr. Hanold of Cumberland presented Bill "An Act Providing for the Payment of Filing Fee for Statements of Domestic and Foreign Insurance Companies." (S. P. 119)

(Printing ordered)

Sent down for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Mr. Sanborn of Cumberland presented Bill "An Act Relating to the Capital Stock of the Atlantic & St. Lawrence Railroad Company." (S. P. 120)

(Printing ordered)

Sent down for concurrence.

Salaries and Fees

Mr. Sanborn of Cumberland presented Bill "An Act in Relation to Fees of Referees." (S. P. 121)

(Printing ordered)

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Hanold of Cumberland, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring,

that the hearing room in the Museum, now occupied by the Inheritance Tax Division, be assigned for the permanent use of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game. (S. P. 122)

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Farris of Kennebec, it was

ORDERED, that there be printed 500 copies each of S. P. 47 Bill "An Act Amending Administration of the Financial Responsibility Law"; S. P. 48 Bill "An Act Relating to Financial Responsibility for Automobile Accidents;" and S. P. 49, Bill "An Act Amending the Financial Responsibility Law."

On motion by Mr. Farris of Kennebec, it was

ORDERED, that there be printed 500 copies of S. P. 50 bill, An Act Relating to Ordinances for Certain Employees of the City of Bath; and S. P. 53, bill An Act Relating to the term of Certain Subordinate Officers of the City of Bath.

On motion by Mr. Bragdon of Aroostook, it was

ORDERED, that 500 copies of S. P. 57 bill, An Act Relating to the South Portland Municipal Court, be printed.

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ORDERED that 500 copies of S. P. 58 bill An Act Relating to the Amount of Salary to be Paid for Clerk Hire in the Office of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the City of Portland, be printed.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc from the Committee on Senatorial Vote for the political years 1943 and 1944, reported that a complete tabulation of the Senatorial votes is too bulky for the files, and that the same be placed on file in the office of the Secretary of State for the inspection and examination of the Senators.

Which report was read and accepted, and placed on file.

Additional papers from the House, out of order and under suspension of the rules, referred in concurrence.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Sanborn of Cumberland, the Senate voted to reconsider its action taken earlier in today's session, whereby bill An

Act in Relation to Fees of Referees (S. P. 121) was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was laid upon the table pending reference.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will say it has been called to his attention that there are in the Revisor of Statutes' office, quite a few bills and resolves that he has been asked to

draft for members of the legislature. The Revisor of Statutes cannot himself put these bills into the legislature so it is incumbent upon the members to get these bills from the Revisor as soon as they are ready and present them to the legislature.

On motion by Mr. Elliot of Knox
Adjourned until next Tuesday
morning at 11:30 o'clock.