

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

Thursday, February 18, 1943

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Charles A. Clough of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House referred in concurrence.

From the House:

The Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act To Incorporate the 'Maine State Fair Society,'" (H. P. 461) (L. D. 263) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Relating to the Use Fuel Tax," (H. P. 266) (L. D. 103) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Providing a Penalty for Non-performance of the Duties of Town Treasurer," (H. P. 182) (L. D. 125) reported that leave be granted to withdraw the same.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Special Deputies in Cumberland County," (H. P. 322) (L. D. 211) reported that leave be granted to withdraw the same.

The Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Amending the Gasoline Tax Act," (H. P. 154) (L. D. 113) reported that leave be granted to withdraw the same.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

From the House:

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on "Resolve Relating to Ice Fishing in the Aroostook River," (H. P. 134) reported that the same ought not to pass.

In the House, recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

In the Senate, recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in concurrence.

From the House:

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to the Method of Financing the Jointly-Contributory Retirement System for State Employees, Except Teachers," (H. P. 18) (L. D. 23) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Membership of Teachers in the Jointly-Contributory Retirement System for State Employees," (H. P. 17) (L. D. 22) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Abatements and Supplementary Assessments of Taxes by State Tax Assessor," (H. P. 136) (L. D. 108) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Transfers from Appropriations for the Courts to Meet Expenses of Board of Bar Examiners," (H. P. 454) (L. D. 258) reported that the same ought to pass.

The Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act to Enlarge the Powers of the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company," (H. P. 465) (L. D. 265) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act to Extend the Charter of the Central Aroostook Railway Company," (H. P. 261) (L. D. 168) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Taxation of Railroad Companies," (H. P. 212) (L. D. 134) 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.

From the House:

The Majority of the Committee on Temperance on Bill "An Act Relating to Approval of Licenses for Sale of Malt Liquors Within Three Hundred Feet of Churches," (H. P. 122) (L. D. 75) reported that the same ought not to pass.

(signed)

Senators: TOWNSEND of Penobscot
GOOD of Aroostook

Representatives:

BUBAR of Weston
LITTLEFIELD of Alfred
PRINCE of Harpswell
HARVEY of Sangerville
PIERCE of Bucksport
DAVIS of Montville
COOMBS of Belfast

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter, reported that the same ought to pass.

(signed)

Senator:

BOUCHER of Androscoggin

In the House, the Majority report, "Ought Not to Pass" read and accepted.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Good of Aroostook, the majority report "Ought Not to Pass" was accepted in concurrence.

Order

On motion by Mr. Farris of Kennebec, it was

ORDERED, that five hundred (500) copies of (S. P. 45) Bill "An Act Enacting the 'Uniform Arrest Act', be printed.

First Reading of a Printed Bill

Bill "An Act Relating to the Registration of Farm Tractors." (S. P. 348) (L. D. 550)

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

Committee Reports

Mr. Sanborn from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to Endorsement of Bonds in State Treasury," (S. P. 198) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Dunbar from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Emergency Municipal Finance Board," (S. P. 101) (L. D. 37) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Sanborn from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Membership in Farm Lands Loan Commission and Emergency Municipal Finance Board," (S. P. 197) (L. D. 280) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the Associated Hospital Service of Maine," (S. P. 221) (L. D. 340) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Dunbar from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Publication of the Maine Reports," (S. P. 196) (L. D. 279) reported that the same ought to pass.

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

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act to Unite

two Academies in the Town of Bluehill," (S. P. 218) (L. D. 339) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Which report was read and accepted and the bill was given its first reading. The Secretary read Committee Amendment "A":

"Committee Amendment A to S. P. 218, L. D. 330. An Act to Unite two Academies in the Town of Bluehill.

"Amend said bill by striking out Section 3 thereof and by renumbering the following sections, Sections 3 and 4 respectively. Further amend Section 4 thereof as renumbered so as to read as follows:

"When all the debts of said Bluehill Academy shall have been paid and all its remaining property shall have been conveyed to said Bluehill-George Stevens Academy, the said Bluehill Academy shall be held to have been dissolved, and the trustees thereof shall file in the office of the Clerk of Courts of Hancock County a certificate stating such facts, and that said corporation has been dissolved and shall cause a certified copy thereof to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State."

On motion by Mr. Sanborn of Cumberland, the bill was laid upon the table pending adoption of Committee Amendment A.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to Unauthorized Insurance." (H. P. 920) (L. D. 468)

Which bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Building and Maintenance of Highway Crossings of Railroads." (S. P. 148) (L. D. 148)

Which bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act Relating to Payments to County Law Libraries. (S. P. 80) (L. D. 230)

An Act Relating to Compromise of Claims by Emergency Municipal Finance Boards. (S. P. 95) (L. D. 35)

(On motion by Mr. Farris of Kennebec, tabled pending passage to be enacted.)

An Act Relating to Budgets. (S. P. 116) (L. D. 41)

An Act Relating to the Capital Stock of the Atlantic & St. Lawrence Railroad Company. (S. P. 120) (L. D. 45)

An Act Establishing the Tomhegan Game Sanctuary. (H. P. 33) (L. D. 256)

An Act Providing for Destruction of Records. (H. P. 91) (L. D. 56)

An Act to Change Depository of State Treasurer's Bonds. (H. P. 94) (L. D. 58)

An Act Relating to Collection of Poll Taxes. (H. P. 96) (L. D. 59)

An Act to Extend the Charter of the Penobscot Boom Corporation for Fifteen Years. (H. P. 97) (L. D. 82)

An Act to Extend the Charter of the Penobscot Lumbering Association for Fifteen Years. (H. P. 98) (L. D. 83)

An Act Relating to Municipal Ordinances. (H. P. 101) (L. D. 61)

An Act Amending the Charter of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company. (H. P. 106) (L. D. 67)

An Act Relating to Return of Labeled Beaver Skins When the State Does Not Prevail. (H. P. 138) (L. D. 111)

An Act Placing Hatchery Employees of the Fish and Game Department in the Unclassified Service. (H. P. 161) (L. D. 103)

Emergency Measures

An Act Increasing the Limit of the Temporary Loan Authorized for Washington County. (S. P. 70) (L. D. 5)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 30 members of the Senate, and none opposed, was passed to be enacted.

An Act to Authorize the County Commissioners of Cumberland County to Issue Refunding Bonds. (S. P. 98) (L. D. 341)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 30 members of the Senate, and none opposed, was passed to be enacted.

An Act Relating to Regulation, Supervision and Control of Motor Vehicles Transporting for Hire Petroleum Products. (S. P. 135) (L. D. 97)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 31 members of

the Senate, and none opposed, was passed to be enacted.

Orders of the Day

The PRESIDENT: The Senate will recess within the sound of the bell awaiting additional papers from the House.

After Recess

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Emergency Measure

From the House, out of order and under suspension of the rules:

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Town of Fort Fairfield." (H. P. 100) (L. D. 60)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 25 members of the Senate, and none opposed, was passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Worthen of Penobscot, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, "An Act Relating to Fishing and Hunting Licenses" (S. P. 353) tabled by that Senator on February 17 pending reference.

Mr. WORTHEN of Penobscot: Mr. President, I now move that this bill be indefinitely postponed as it is covered by other legislation.

A viva voce vote being had The motion to indefinitely postpone the bill prevailed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Sanborn of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, "An Act to Unite Two Academies in the Town of Bluehill" (S. P. 218) (L. D. 330) tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending adoption of Committee Amendment A.

Mr. SANBORN of Cumberland: Mr. President, the bill was tabled because in listening to the reading of the amendment I was not certain that it had not been incorrectly transcribed. On examination I find that it is transcribed correctly and I now move the adoption of Committee Amendment A.

Committee Amendment A was adopted, and the bill as amended by Committee Amendment A was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

On motion by Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.