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SENATE

Wednesday, February 24, 1943

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Wm. R. Wood of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House referred in concurrence.

From the House:

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on "Resolve Closing Cobbossee Stream and Tributaries to Muskrat Trapping," (H. P. 321) reported that the same ought not to pass.

(In the Senate on Feb. 19, the "Ought Not to Pass" report of the committee was accepted in non-concurrence.)

Comes from the House, that body having insisted on its former action whereby the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, and now asks for a Committee of Conference, the Speaker having appointed as members of such a committee on the part of the House:

Representatives:

DAVIS of Buxton
THOMPSON of Chelsea
SMITH of Newport

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Harold of Cumberland, that Body voted to insist on its former action whereby it accepted the "Ought Not to Pass" report of the committee, and join with the House in a Committee of Conference.

From the House:

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Granting Prior Service to Stenographers of the Former Superior Court," (H. P. 93) (L. D. 81) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and by House Amendment "A".

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Emery of Hancock, the bill was tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence.

From the House:

The Committee on Legal Affairs

on Bill "An Act Relating to the Rules and Regulations of State Racing Commission," (H. P. 339) (L. D. 209) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relative to Racing Commission," (H. P. 338) (L. D. 222) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Abatement of Taxes," (H. P. 253) (L. D. 191) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1172) (L. D. 652) under the same title and that it 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 same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Notices to the State in Actions by Towns in Pauper Cases," (H. P. 189) (L. D. 139) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence, Committee Amendment "A" read and adopted in concurrence, and the bill as so amended, read once, and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Referred to Committees

The following bills and resolves were received and on recommendation by the Committee on Reference of Bills were referred to the following committees:

Banks and Banking

Mr. Washburn of Washington presented Bill "An Act Relating to Refunding of Washington County Bonds." (S. P. 415)

(Printing ordered)

Sent down for concurrence.

Indian Affairs

Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc presented "Resolve Creating an Interim Committee to Study the Tribal Rights and Needs of the Indians." (S. P. 416)

(Printing ordered)

Sent down for concurrence.

Judiciary

Mr. Boucher of Androscoggin presented Bill "An Act Relating to Legal Notices." (S. P. 417)

(Printing ordered)

Mr. Sterling of Somerset presented Bill "An Act Permitting Excise Tax Collectors to Issue Motor Ve-

hicle Registration Licenses." (S. P. 418)

The same senator presented Bill "An Act Permitting Excise Tax Collectors to Issue Motor Vehicle Operator's Licenses" (S. P. 419)

(Printing ordered)

Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc presented "Resolve Proposing Amendment to the Constitution Relating to the Number of Voters Necessary to Initiate Referendums." (S. P. 420)

(Printing ordered)

Mr. Hall of Franklin presented, by request Bill "An Act Relating to the Farmington Municipal Court." (S. P. 421)

(Printing ordered)

Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc presented Bill "An Act Forbidding the Use of Revolving Doors." (S. P. 422)

(Printing ordered)

Sent down for concurrence.

Pensions

Mr. Farris of Kennebec presented "Resolve Providing for a State Pension for Virginia R. Fisher of Augusta." (S. P. 423)

Sent down for concurrence.

First Reading of a Printed Bill

"Resolve Authorizing Removal of Screen at Outlet of Tunk Pond." (S. P. 318) (L. D. 671)

Bill "An Act Relating to Fees of Expert Witnesses in Homicide Cases." (S. P. 406) (L. D. 670)

Which bill and resolve were read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Senate Committee Reports

Mr. Bragdon from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act Relating to the Dumping of Waste Potatoes," (S. P. 155) (L. D. 175) reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to Convention of Town Assessors." (H. P. 164) (L. D. 117)

"Resolve Providing for Better Protection of Shellfish Within the Limits of the Town of Brunswick." (H. P. 208) (L. D. 132)

Bill "An Act Relating to Credit

for Excise Tax Paid." (H. P. 268) (L. D. 194)

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

Bill "An Act Amending the Old Age Assistance Law." (S. P. 71) (L. D. 6)

Bill "An Act Permitting Certain Aliens Who Have Applied for Naturalization Papers to Be Eligible for Old Age Assistance." (S. P. 107) (L. D. 76)

(On motion by Mr. Emery of Hancock, tabled pending second reading.)

Bill "An Act Relating to Penalties of Motor Vehicle Violations." (S. P. 300) (L. D. 436)

Bill "An Act Relating to Mirrors on Motor Vehicles." (S. P. 301) (L. D. 434)

Which bills were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. McGlauffin of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table bill "An Act Relating to Active Retired Justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts" (H. P. 19) (L. D. 24) tabled by that Senator on February 23 pending adoption of House Amendment A in concurrence; and on further motion by the same Senator, House Amendment A was read and adopted in concurrence and the bill as so amended was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

On motion by Mr. Bragdon of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the table, bill "An Act Relating to Compensation of Collectors" (S. P. 102) (L. D. 38) tabled by that Senator on February 10 pending assignment for second reading.

On motion by Mr. Elliot of Knox, Committee Amendment A was read.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Bragdon of Aroostook, the rules were suspended and the Senate voted to reconsider its action of February 10 whereby Committee Amendment A was adopted.

Mr. BRAGDON of Aroostook: Mr. President, I now move the indefinite postponement of Committee Amendment A.

A viva voce vote being had

Committee Amendment A was indefinitely postponed.

Thereupon, on further motion by the same Senator, under suspension of the rules, the bill was given its second reading and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc, the Senate voted to take from the table, bill "An Act Relating to the Expenses of the Board of Visitors of State Institutions" (S. P. 191) (L. D. 272) tabled by that Senator on February 16 pending acceptance of the report.

Mr. BISHOP of Sagadahoc: Mr. President, because of a misunderstanding on the part of the Committee in regard to the bill and things that have developed since, and in talking with some of the members of the committee because they did not get a true picture of the situation, they have asked that the bill be recommitted to them and I so move.

The motion prevailed and the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc, the Senate voted to take from the table, bill "An Act Relating to Swan Island Game Preserve, Game Farm and Game Management Area" (S. P. 160) (L. D. 176) tabled by that Senator on February 19 pending adoption of Committee Amendment A; and on further motion by the same Senator, Committee Amendment A was adopted and the bill as so amended was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

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

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that notwithstanding the provisions of any joint orders heretofore passed, no bill or resolve shall be received by either branch of the legislature unless deposited with the Secretary of the Senate or Clerk of the House before four P. M., Thursday, February 25, except as provided in Joint Orders S. P. 110 and S. P. 111.

In the House read and passed.

In the Senate read and passed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Elliot of Knox Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.