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SENATE

Tuesday, March 20, 1945.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

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

Journal of Friday, March 16th, 1945, read and approved.

House Committee Reports:

The Committee on Education on Bill "An Act to Permit Establishment of Area Schools," (H. P. 938) (L. D. 541) reported that the same ought to pass.

Comes from the House, recommended to the Committee on Education.

In the Senate, recommended to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

The Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act Relating to Dumping of Waste Potatoes," (H. P. 1285) (L. D. 932) reported that the same ought to pass.

The Committee on Federal Relations on Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Charges Against Employers' Experience Rating Records," (H. P. 948) (L. D. 604) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Filing Pay Roll Reports and Penalty," (H. P. 949) (L. D. 605) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Act as to Employer's Experience Rating Classifications," (H. P. 950) (L. D. 606) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Employer Coverage," (H. P. 1241) (L. D. 866) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Court Review of Commission Decisions," (H. P. 1243) (L. D. 868) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Employer's Experience Classifications," (H. P.

1249) (L. D. 874) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Employer's Experience Classifications," (H. P. 1250) (L. D. 875) reported that the same ought to pass.

The Committee on Indian Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to Ferry Between Indian Island and Old Town," (H. P. 319) (L. D. 141) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Authorizing the Governor to Appoint Special Officers to Enforce Police Regulations Among the Indian Tribes of the State," (H. P. 320) (L. D. 142) reported that the same ought to pass.

The Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on Bill "An Act Relating to Insurance for Children by Fraternal Beneficiary Societies," (H. P. 341) (L. D. 119) reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Order

On motion by Mr. Owen of Kennebec, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring that Senate Paper 190, Legislative Document 491, bill An Act Relating to Reenactment of Law Dealing with Unexpended Appropriations be re-called to the Senate from the Governor.

First Reading of a Printed Bill

Bill "An Act Relating to Compromise on Claims," (S. P. 385) (L. D. 985)

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

Senate Committee Reports

Mr. Owen from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to State Aid for Agricultural Societies," (S. P. 301) (L. D. 648) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Dunbar from the Committee on Judiciary on "Resolve Permitting Examination of William J. Brasier, of Portland by State Board of Examiners of Funeral Directors and Embalmers," (S. P. 118)

(L. D. 225) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Increasing the Payment to the Treasurer of the Law Library Association of Somerset County," (S. P. 57) (L. D. 24) reported that the same ought not to pass as it is covered by other legislation.

Miss Clough from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to State Personnel Law," (S. P. 248) (L. D. 636) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which reports were severally read and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Gould from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to the Police Commission for the City of Lewiston," (S. P. 142) (L. D. 348) reported that the same ought not to pass.

(On motion by Mr. Boucher of Androscoggin, tabled pending adoption of the report.)

Mr. Good from the Committee on Welfare on Bill "An Act Relating to Old Age Assistance," (S. P. 331) (L. D. 820) reported that the same ought not to pass.

(On motion by Mr. Willey of Hancock, tabled pending adoption of the report.)

Mr. Owen from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to the Audit of the Department of Education and the Teachers' Retirement System," (S. P. 193) (L. D. 438) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Leavitt from the Committee on Education on Bill "An Act to Accomplish Conformity to State School Building Standards," (S. P. 197) (L. D. 487) reported that the same ought to pass.

Miss Clough from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Preference in State Employment for Veterans," (S. P. 249) (L. D. 635) reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. Bishop from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act Relating to Animal Husbandry," (S. P. 233) (L. D. 651) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A":

"Committee Amendment A to L. D. 651. "Amend said bill by deleting (drawing a line through) the word 'metal' in the 4th line after the enacting clause."

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

Mr. Owen from the Committee on Education on Bill "An Act Relating to School Age and Kindergartens," (S. P. 240) (L. D. 644) reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 388) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Leavitt from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Amending An Act to Authorize the Incorporation of Credit Unions," (S. P. 368) (L. D. 928) reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 389) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Batchelder from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending Act to Create the Port of Portland Authority," (S. P. 146) (L. D. 352) reported the same in a new draft, (S. P. 390) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and adopted, and the bills in new draft laid upon the table for printing under the joint rules.

The Majority of the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to Appointment of Police Commission for City of Lewiston," (S. P. 141) (L. D. 346) reported that the same ought not to pass.

(signed)

Senators:

BATCHELDER of York
LEAVITT of Cumberland
GOULD of Androscoggin

Representatives:

PAYSON of Portland
RANKIN of Bridgton
WEEKS of Waterville
WARREN of Westbrook
SNOW of Auburn
WELCH of Mars Hill

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

(signed)

Representative:

DONAHUE of Biddeford

Mr. **BATCHELDER** of York: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the Majority Report "Ought Not to Pass."

Mr. **BOUCHER** of Androscoggin: Mr. President, I move that this matter be laid upon the table pending adoption of either report.

Mr. **GOULD** of Androscoggin: Mr. President, I presume—

The **PRESIDENT**: The Chair will state that a motion to table is not debatable. The question before the Senate is on the motion of the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Boucher that the reports and accompanying papers be laid upon the table pending motion of the Senator from York, Senator Batcheler that the Majority Report "Ought Not to Pass" be adopted. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

A viva voce vote being had
The motion to table prevailed.

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to Greeley Institute." (H. P. 317) (L. D. 100)

"Resolve in Relation to Teacher-Pension Status of Carrie M. Wight of Bethel, Maine." (H. P. 725) (L. D. 397)

"Resolve Designating Hospital Building at State School for Girls as 'Stevens Building'." (H. P. 1327) (L. D. 971)

Bill "An Act to Provide a Town Council and Manager Form of Government for the Town of Mechanic Falls, in the County of Androscoggin." (H. P. 426) (L. D. 189)

Bill "An Act Relating to Retiring Allowances or Life Insurance for Officers and Employees of Savings Banks." (H. P. 1163) (L. D. 700)

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

Bill "An Act to Provide for Scientific Investigation with Blueberries." (S. P. 72) (L. D. 68)

Bill "An Act Relating to Prevention of Bang's Disease by the Department of Agriculture." (S. P. 125) (L. D. 330)

Bill "An Act Relating to Aid to Veterans." (S. P. 204) (L. D. 480)

Bill "An Act to Establish a Seed Potato Board and Define its Powers and Duties." (S. P. 300) (L. D. 849)

Bill "An Act Relating to Removal of Notices on Roads Closed for Repairs." (S. P. 340) (L. D. 811)

"Resolve Authorizing Conveyance of the Interest of the State in Certain Land in Township 1, Range 1, N. B. K. P. in Somerset County." (S. P. 97) (L. D. 139)

Bill "An Act Relating to Baxter State Park Payments to the Maine Forestry District." (S. P. 274) (L. D. 613)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Joint Order

(Out of Order)

Additional House Paper, out of order and under suspension of the rules:

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Committee on Salaries and Fees be authorized to confer with the Personnel Board forthwith on the question of adjusting scale of compensation of the classified employees of the State in order to determine the advisability or necessity for enacting legislation designed to give the Personnel Board authority to make proper wage adjustments for classified personnel.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Personnel Board is hereby directed to appear before the Committee on Salaries and Fees at such time as that committee may desire. (H. P. 1345)

Comes from the House read and passed.

In the Senate, read and passed in concurrence.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Smith of Knox, the Senate voted to take from the table bill "An Act Relating to the Issuance of Licenses for Firearms" (H. P. 525) (L. D. 256) tabled by that Senator on March 15 pending assignment for second reading; and on further motion by the same Senator, the rules were suspended and the bill was given its second reading and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Boucher of Androscoggin, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, "An Act to Increase State Aid to Towns for the Support of Schools to Establish Minimum Salaries for Teachers" (H. P. 1268) (L. D. 901) tabled by that Senator on March 9 pend-

ing passage to be engrossed in concurrence; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Gould of Androscoggin

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.