

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

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**SENATE**

Monday, April 9, 1945.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Douglas H. Robbins of Augusta.

Journal of Friday, April 6th, 1945 read and approved.

**House Papers**

"Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Grant Permits for Setting and Maintaining Poles and Wires on a Public School Lot in Webster Plantation." (H. P. 1455)

Which was received by unanimous consent, and referred to the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation in concurrence.

From the House:

"Resolve to Reimburse the City of Biddeford." (H. P. 622) (L. D. 285)

(In Senate on April 5th, "Ought Not to Pass" Report was read and adopted in non-concurrence)

Comes from the House, that body having insisted on its former action whereby the bill was substituted for the report, and passed to be engrossed, and now ask for a committee of conference, the Speaker having appointed as members of such a committee on the part of the House: Messrs. DONAHUE of Biddeford

RENOUF of Biddeford  
POULIN of Rumford

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Dunbar of Washington, the Senate voted to insist on its former action of April 5, and join with the House in a Committee of Conference.

Bill "An Act Relating to Exception to the Licensing of Steam Engineers and Firemen." (H. P. 830) (L. D. 435)

(In Senate, on April 5th, passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" in non-concurrence.)

Comes from the House, that body having insisted on its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Hopkins of Kennebec, the Senate voted to recede from its former action whereby it adopted Senate Amendment A; and on further mo-

tion by the same Senator, the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

**House Committee Reports**

The Committee on Aeronautics on Bill "An Act Relating to Town Air Fields," (H. P. 915) (L. D. 607) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The Committee on Claims on "Resolve to Reimburse the Town of Newport for Supplies Furnished Fannie Norton of Newport," (H. P. 930) (L. D. 568) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Fort Fairfield," (H. P. 921) (L. D. 561) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Albion," (H. P. 1257) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of the George Green Estate," (H. P. 492) (L. D. 243) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve to Reimburse the Town of Lubec for the Funeral Expenses of Merton Rice," (H. P. 1123) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of the City of Bath for Loss of Taxes," (H. P. 746) (L. D. 395) reported that the same ought not to pass.

(On motion by Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc, tabled pending adoption of the report.)

The Committee on Education on Bill "An Act Relating to Teachers' Pensions," (H. P. 1192) (L. D. 751) reported that the same is inexpedient as covered by other legislation.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Apportionment to Towns for Teaching Positions," (H. P. 934) (L. D. 538) reported that the same is inexpedient as covered by other legislation.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Apportionment to Towns for Teaching Positions," (H. P. 1177) (L. D. 739) reported that the same is inexpedient as covered by other legislation.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Apportionment to Towns for Teaching Positions," (H. P. 935) (L. D. 569) reported that the same is inexpedient, as covered by other legislation.

The Committee on Judiciary on "Resolve Permitting Fox & Ginn, Inc., to Sue the State of Maine," (H. P. 1308) (L. D. 959) reported that leave be granted to withdraw the same.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act to Revise the Fire and Safety Laws," (H. P. 816) (L. D. 429) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The Committee on Motor Vehicles on Bill "An Act Relating to Operators' Licenses," (H. P. 1206) (L. D. 707) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The Committee on Ways and Bridges on "Resolve for the Maintenance and Repair of Roads and Bridges," (H. P. 1161) (L. D. 733) reported that the same ought not to pass as taken care of in other legislative matter.

Which reports were severally read and adopted in concurrence.

The Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Relating to Inheritance Taxes," (H. P. 685) (L. D. 277) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1385) (L. D. 1046) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

Comes from the House, passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A".

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Boucher of Androscoggin, the report and accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending adoption of the report.

The Majority of the Committee on Ways and Bridges on Bill "An Act Relating to Snow Removal in Unorganized Territory," (H. P. 1221) (L. D. 771) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Senators:  
(signed)

DORR of Oxford  
HALL of Franklin

Representatives:

DOW of Eliot  
BOULIER of Stacyville  
COLE of West Gardiner  
DEAN of South Portland

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

Senator:  
(signed)

BROWN of Aroostook

Representative:

LACKEE of Addison

Comes from the House, the Majority Report read and adopted.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Hall of Franklin, the Majority Report "Ought not to Pass" was read and adopted in concurrence.

The Majority of the Committee on Ways and Bridges on Bill "An Act Relating to Snow Removal," (H. P. 1157) (L. D. 732) reported that the same ought not to pass.

(signed)

Senators:

DORR of Oxford  
HALL of Franklin  
BROWN of Aroostook

Representatives:

DOW of Eliot  
LACKEE of Addison  
BOULIER of Stacyville  
DEAN of South Portland  
COLE of West Gardiner

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

(signed)

Representative:

WOOD of Webster

Comes from the House, the Majority Report read and adopted.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Brown of Aroostook, the Majority Report "Ought not to Pass" was adopted in concurrence.

The Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Relating to Supplemental Assessments of State County and Forestry District Taxes," (H. P. 1376) (L. D. 1028) reported that the same ought to pass.

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to State Employees' Retirement System," (H. P. 955) (L. D. 545) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1438) (L. D. 1119) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

The Committee on Salaries and Fees on Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Register of Probate in Sagadahoc County," (H. P. 1093) (L. D. 780) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1431) (L. D. 1114) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of the Judge and the Recorder of the Waldo County Municipal Court," (H. P. 736) (L. D. 1116) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Clerk Hire in

County Offices in Sagadahoc County," (H. P. 681) (L. D. 274) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 4135) (L. D. 1117) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

The Committee on Ways and Bridges on Bill "An Act Authorizing Towns to Co-operate with Federal Government and Commission in Building Secondary Roads," (H. P. 871) (L. D. 513) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1437) (L. D. 1118) under a new title, Bill "An Act Authorizing Towns to Co-operate with Highway Commission in Maintaining Town Roads," and that it ought to pass.

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

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game to which was re-committed Bill "An Act Regulating the Use of Automatic Firearms," (H. P. 687) (L. D. 305) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A."

Comes from the House, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and by House Amendment "A."

In the Senate, the report of the committee was read and adopted in concurrence, and the bill was given its first reading; Committee Amendment A and House Amendment A were read and adopted in concurrence and the bill as so amended was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Teachers' Retirement System," (H. P. 423) (L. D. 165) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A."

Comes from the House, Committee Amendment "A" indefinitely postponed, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

In the Senate, the report was read and adopted in concurrence, and the bill was given its first reading; Committee Amendment A was read, and on motion by Mr. Dow of Oxford the amendment was indefinitely postponed in concurrence, and the bill was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Payment of Salaries and Wages of State

Officers and Employees," (H. P. 1188) (L. D. 749) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A."

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

### Communication

STATE OF MAINE  
House of Representatives  
Augusta  
Office of Clerk

April 4th, 1945.

Honorable Chester T. Winslow  
Secretary of the Senate  
Senate Chamber  
Sir:

On April 2nd the Speaker appointed the following conferees on the part of the House on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Joint Order Relative to Register of Bills with Final Disposition at Time of Adjournment. (H. P. 1310)

Messrs. Williams of Clifton  
Coombs of Belfast  
Burton of Milo

Respectfully

HARVEY R. PEASE

Clerk of the House

Which communication was read and ordered placed on file.

Mr. Hall of Franklin presented Petition of Cyrus N. Blanchard and 57 others of Franklin County, in favor of Resolution for Universal Military Training. (S. P. 438)

Which was read and ordered placed on file.

Sent to the House.

On motion by Mr. Dunbar of Washington, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring that bill, An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Unemployment Compensation Fund (H. P. 1253) (L. D. 878) be re-called from the Governor.

### First Reading of Printed Bills

Bill "An Act Relating to Presumption of Death." (S. P. 425) (L. D. 1127)

Bill "An Act Relating to Probation Officers in Penobscot County." (S. P. 426) (L. D. 1126)

Bill "An Act to Aid Towns in

Controlling Forest Fires." (S. P. 427) (L. D. 1128)

Bill "An Act Relating to Examination and Registration of Osteopathic Physicians." (S. P. 428) (L. D. 1129)

Which bills were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

#### Senate Committee Reports

Mr. Gould from the Committee on Interior Waters submitted its Final Report.

Mr. Hall from the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds submitted its Final Report.

Which reports were severally read and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Smith from the Committee on Salaries and Fees on Bill "An Act Relating to Fees of Registers of Probate in re Petitions," (S. P. 269) (L. D. 618) reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 437) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

Which report was read and adopted, and laid upon the table for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Cleaves from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Fees of Registers of Probate," (S. P. 268) (L. D. 619) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Salaries of Court Stenographers," (S. P. 105) (L. D. 177) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Hall from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Clarifying the Law Relating to Official Fees of Registers of Probate," (S. P. 160) (L. D. 363) reported that the same ought to pass.

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

#### Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to Employment of Minors and Females." (H. P. 332) (L. D. 111)

Bill "An Act Relating to Employment of Children." (H. P. 963) (L. D. 529)

Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Benefits." (H. P. 1231) (L. D. 857)

Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Payment of Benefits." (H. P. 1247) (L. D. 872)

Bill "An Act Relating to Tax on Street Railroad Corporations and Street Railways." (H. P. 1367) (L. D. 1027)

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

"Resolve to Appoint a State Board for Approval of Institutions Offering Specialized Training." (H. P. 941) (L. D. 543)

Which bill was read a second time as amended and passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Concerning Agricultural Cooperative Associations." (S. P. 343) (L. D. 897)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Passed to Be Enacted

An Act Relating to Salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the City of Biddeford. (S. P. 155) (L. D. 359)

An Act Relating to State Normal School and Teachers' College Board. (S. P. 283) (L. D. 727)

An Act Relating to Culverts Crossing Under Roads, Streets and Ways. (S. P. 362) (L. D. 903)

An Act Relating to the Salaries of the Judge and the Recorder of the Bangor Municipal Court. (S. P. 399) (L. D. 1039)

An Act to Increase the Amount to be Paid for Clerk Hire in the Office of Register of Deeds in the County of Cumberland. (H. P. 191) (L. D. 57)

An Act Relating to Clerk Hire in the Office of Clerk of Courts, Cumberland County. (H. P. 214) (L. D. 97)

An Act Relating to Yearly Fees for Boxers. (H. P. 355) (L. D. 121)

An Act Relating to the Salary of the Recorder of the Brunswick Municipal Court. (H. P. 546) (L. D. 215)

An Act Relating to Tuition to be Paid by Towns. (H. P. 803) (L. D. 500)

An Act Relating to Salary of Clerks in the Office of Register of Deeds in Hancock County. (H. P. 1000) (L. D. 600)

An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Judge and the Recorder of Westbrook Municipal Court. (H. P. 1151) (L. D. 730)

An Act Relating to Towns Having No Free High Schools. (H. P. 1382) (L. D. 1044)

An Act Relating to Permits for Truck Loads Upon Designated Roads. (H. P. 1386) (L. D. 1047)

#### Finally Passed

Resolve, Regulating Fly Fishing in Tributaries of Richardson Lake. (H. P. 324) (L. D. 145)

Resolve, Granting Additional Pension for Burtis F. Fowler, of Augusta. (H. P. 1103) (L. D. 787)

Resolve, Relating to Belgrade Stream. (H. P. 1183) (L. D. 744)

Resolve, in Favor of Roy Marshall, of Sanford. (H. P. 1389) (L. D. 1053)

#### Emergency Measures

Bill "An Act Relating to Compensation of Fire Wardens." (S. P. 265) (L. D. 622)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 27 members of the Senate, and none opposed was passed to be enacted.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Payment of Taxes by Domestic Insurance Companies." (H. P. 1419) (L. D. 1091)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 28 members of the Senate, and none opposed was passed to be enacted.

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Dow of Oxford, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, An Act Relating to State Bureau of Identification (H. P. 946) (L. D. 526) tabled by that Senator on April 5 pending passage to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment A; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Cross of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, An Act Relating to Small Claims, (H. P. 241) (L. D. 92) tabled by that Senator on April 5 pending passage to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment A; and on further motion by the

same Senator, the bill was passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Brown of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, An Act Relating to Dangerous Occupations for Minors (H. P. 1079) (L. D. 690) tabled by that Senator on April 6 pending motion of Mr. Hopkins of Kennebec to adopt Senate Amendment A.

Mr. HOPKINS: Mr. President, this bill came from the committee on a divided report and the information which came to the hands of the committee indicated that protection in the State of Maine under their laws at the present time extends only to subnormal children. Opposition to the bill was voiced by representatives of industry. Probably there is no great amount of hazardous work being done in Maine by children. The amendment which the committee attached to the bill and on which the divided report was made was not entirely satisfactory. The reason for amending on the floor was to save time. The Senate has had before it the amendment which I submitted and I think it should be ready for action.

Thereupon, Senate Amendment A was adopted in non-concurrence, and the bill as so amended was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

On motion by Mr. Dow of Oxford, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, An Act Relating to Salaries of Registers of Deeds in Oxford County (S. P. 262) (L. D. 625) tabled by that Senator on March 23 pending assignment for second reading.

Mr. DOW of Oxford: Mr. President and members of the Senate, there is another bill, a consolidated bill, for salaries which includes these same officials and I have held this on the table until that bill got along far enough to be signed by the Governor, if it was to be signed, and Legislative Document 886 covering these same people has been signed by the Governor and consequently I move that this bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Washburn of Washington

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.