

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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**SENATE**

Thursday, January 30, 1947.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend S. C. Taylor of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House referred in concurrence.

**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:

**Claims**

Mr. Cross of Kennebec presented "Resolve in Favor of Alfred E. Allen, of Augusta." (S. P. 138) (Ordered printed.) Sent down for concurrence.

**Inland Fisheries and Game**

Mr. MacKinnon of Oxford presented

"Resolve Opening Cushman Pond in the Town of Sumner to Ice Fishing." (S. P. 139)

The same Senator presented "Resolve Opening Northeast Pond in the Town of Hartford to Ice Fishing." (S. P. 140)

(Each ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Judiciary**

Mr. Crosby of Franklin presented Bill "An Act Relating to Fire Wards in Organized Towns." (S. P. 141)

Mr. Williams of Penobscot presented

Bill "An Act Relating to Validity of Signature of Outgoing State Controllor." (S. P. 142)

Mr. Cross of Kennebec presented Bill "An Act Relating to Liens on Articles of Clothing and Household or Office Goods." (S. P. 143)

Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc presented

Bill "An Act to Validate the Use of Check Marks in Elections." (S. P. 144)

Mr. Boucher of Androscoggin presented

Bill "An Act Relating to Representation of Political Parties on Senate Committees." (S. P. 145) (Each ordered printed.) Sent down for concurrence.

**Labor**

Miss Clough of Penobscot presented

Bill "An Act Relating to the Employment of Minors." (S. P. 146) (Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Legal Affairs**

Mr. McKusick of Piscataquis presented

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Parkman School District." (S. P. 147)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Pensions**

Mr. MacKinnon of Oxford presented "Resolve providing for an Increase in State Pension for Clarence Thomas of Rumford Point." (S. P. 148)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Salaries and Fees**

Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc presented

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Governor." (S. P. 149) (Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Ways and Bridges**

Mr. MacKinnon of Oxford presented

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Mexico." (S. P. 150)

The same Senator presented "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Rumford." (S. P. 151)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Order**

On motion by Mr. Denny of Lincoln, it was

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to invite the Reverend Stanley Washburn of Coopers Mills to officiate as Chaplain of the Senate on Friday, January 31, 1947, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

Which was read and passed.

**Senate Committee Reports**

Mr. Baker from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of Mayor of the City of Gardiner," (S. P. 61)

(L. D. 37) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Blanchard from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Change of Purposes of Corporations Without Capital Stock," (S. P. 52) (L. D. 24) 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 Writ of Audita Querela Before Justice in Vacation," (H. P. 7) L. D. 6)

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

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Barnes of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the table bill An Act Relating to Trustee Process Against Banks (S. P. 41) (L. D. 15) tabled by that Senator on January 29 pending passage to be engrossed; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Morrill of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table Resolve Directing Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries to make Study of Life and Habits of Seals (S. P. 118) tabled by that Senator on January 29 pending reference to a committee; and that

Senator yielded to the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Cross.

Mr. CROSS of Kennebec: Mr. President and members of the Senate, I would like to make a slight explanation in regard to this resolve and the reference suggested by the Committee on Reference of Bills.

I will call your attention first to the language I just used which is "suggested by the Committee on Reference of Bills." There is nothing sacred about any suggestion that we might make, and being human we try not to be wrong. Some of these bills are obvious at the start as to their purpose. Some of them are rather obscure and the suggestion of the Committee on Reference of Bills in regard to this is due to the fact that it might incur an appropriation from the General Fund so we suggested that it go to the Committee on Appropriations. However, on perusing this resolve a little more closely it seems to be rather technical in nature and directly involves the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries. I would move, therefore, that this resolve be referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.

Thereupon, the resolve was referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Willey of Hancock.

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.