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SENATE

Friday, March 7, 1947.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend David R. Hickland of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

**Order
(Out of Order)**

On motion by Mr. Cross of Kennebec, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, March 11th, 1947, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. (S. P. 452)

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the foregoing order was returned from the House, having been read and passed in concurrence.

Papers from the House referred in concurrence.

House Committee Reports

The Committee on Education on "Resolve in Favor of Teacher-Pension Status of Martha O. Crosby of Benton," (H. P. 1158) (L. D. 1225) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which report was read and adopted in concurrence, the resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Commitment of Children to the Custody of Certain Officers," (H. P. 659) (L. D. 457) 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.

The Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation on "Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey the State's Interest in Certain Lands," (H. P. 955) (L. D. 558) reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Which report was read and adopted 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:

Inland Fisheries and Game

Mr. Bishop of Sagadahoc presented Bill "An Act to Extend the Open Season for Hunting Migratory Birds." (S. P. 448)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Public Health

Miss Clough of Penobscot presented Bill "An Act Relating to the Advisory Council for the Hospital Survey Act." (S. P. 449)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Mr. Davis of York presented Bill "An Act Creating a Sewer District for Town of York." (S. P. 450)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Ways and Bridges

Mr. Cross of Kennebec presented "Resolve Proposing an Amendment of the Constitution to Authorize a Bond Issue for Construction and Reconstruction of State and State Aid Roads and Bridges, and to provide Means for Amortization of same." (S. P. 451)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate Committee Reports

Mr. Bishop from the Committee on Education on Bill "An Act Relating to Instruction in Scientific Alcohol Education in the Public Schools," (S. P. 343) (L. D. 976) reported that the same ought not to pass as it is covered by other legislation.

(On motion by Mr. Welch of Aroostook, tabled pending adoption of the report.)

Mr. Dunbar from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Providing that the State of Maine May Become a Party to the New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Compact," (S. P. 260) (L. D. 722) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which report was read and adopted.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Providing Appeal from Decision of Court Setting Aside a Jury Verdict," (S. P. 348) (L. D. 981) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which report was read and adopted.

Mr. Ela from the Committee on Library on "Resolve for the Purchase of Four Hundred Copies of 'The Length and Breadth of Maine,'" (S. P. 336) (L. D. 987) reported that the same ought not to pass.

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

Mr. Batchelder from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to the Salaries of the Police Department of the City of Lewiston," (S. P. 234) (L. D. 648) reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

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

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Police Commission of the City of Lewiston," (S. P. 322) (L. D. 870) reported that the same ought not to pass.

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

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Police Matron of the City of Lewiston," (S. P. 321) (L. D. 871) reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

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

Mr. Baker from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Salaries of Police Officers of the City of Lewiston," (S. P. 320) (L. D. 872) reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

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

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Fire Department of the City of Lewiston," (S. P. 317) (L. D. 875) reported that the same ought not to pass.

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

Mr. Welch from the Committee on Ways and Bridges on "Resolve in

Favor of the Town of Palermo," (S. P. 34) reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 453) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. Bishop from the Committee on Education on "Resolve Relating to Teaching Service of Frank Kent, of Guilford," (S. P. 201) reported that the same ought to pass.

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

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act to Provide for Compliance with the National School Lunch Act and to Provide for the Establishment, Maintenance, Operation and Expansion of Nonprofit School Lunch Programs in Schools in the State," (S. P. 230) (L. D. 641) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Leavitt from the same Committee on Bill "An Act to Provide for Maintenance and Operation of State Technical and Vocational Schools," (S. P. 275) (L. D. 815) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Blanchard from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to the Control of Rats on Public Dumping Grounds," (S. P. 241) (L. D. 662) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Hopkins from the Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act to Validate Bonds of Presque Isle Water District and Authorize Their Refunding," (S. P. 324) (L. D. 868) reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. Baker from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to School Committee in Town of Rumford," (S. P. 98) (L. D. 197) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A."

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

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act to Provide Driver Education in Secondary Schools." (H. P. 486) (L. D. 316)

(On motion by Mr. Hopkins of Kennebec, tabled pending passage to be engrossed.)

Bill "An Act Relating to Returns to Commissioner of Education of Towns Having Seventy five or More Teachers." (H. P. 600) (L. D. 369)

"Resolve Abolishing Commission for Promotion of International Good Will in Education." (H. P. 601) (L. D. 370)

Bill "An Act Relating to Service in Divorce Cases." (H. P. 921) (L. D. 617)

Bill "An Act Relating to the County Law Library at Rumford in the County of Oxford." (H. P. 968) (L. D. 619)

Bill "An Act Relating to Education of Physically Handicapped Children." (H. P. 972) (L. D. 623)

Bill "An Act Relating to Lincoln County Law Library." (H. P. 1072) (L. D. 702)

"Resolve, Appropriating Money to Improve the Approach to the Fish Way at Aroostook Falls." (H. P. 1573) (L. D. 1216)

"Resolve to Provide for Repair of Fish Screen at Porter Lake." (H. P. 1574) (L. D. 1217)

Bill "An Act Relating to Non-Resident Deer Hunting Licenses." (H. P. 1575) (L. D. 1215)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Charter of Lucerne-In-Maine Village Corporation." (H. P. 1582) (L. D. 1225)

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

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Incorporation of the Madison Village Corporation." (H. P. 247) (L. D. 174)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Van Buren School District." (H. P. 612) (L. D. 377)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Freeport Sewer District." (H. P. 684) (L. D. 440)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Enfield Water District." (H. P. 874) (L. D. 486)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Lincolnville School District." (H. P. 27) (L. D. 561)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of North Berwick School District." (H. P. 929) (L. D. 622)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Yarmouth Sewerage District." (H. P. 946) (L. D. 562)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of Rumford Falls Village Corporation." (H. P. 969) (L. D. 623)

Which were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed, as amended, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of the County Attorney of Washington County." (S. P. 63) (L. D. 38)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the County Attorney of Hancock County." (S. P. 83) (L. D. 114)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of the Judge and Recorder of Western Washington Municipal Court." (S. P. 115) (L. D. 231)

Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of the Judge of the Calais Municipal Court." (S. P. 162) (L. D. 401)

Which were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed, as amended.

Sent down for concurrence.

Passed to be Enacted

Bill "An Act Amending the Law Relative to Publication of Notice of Hearing on Applications for Liquor Licenses." (S. P. 73) (L. D. 65)

Bill "An Act Relating to Registration or Transfer of Securities to or by Fiduciaries or Their Nominees." (S. P. 82) (L. D. 103)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Board of Registration of Nurses." (S. P. 125) (L. D. 290)

Bill "An Act to Provide for Plant Railroads." (S. P. 133) (L. D. 282)

Bill "An Act Relating to Validity of Signature of Outgoing State Controller." (S. P. 142) (L. D. 337)

Bill "An Act Relating to Liens on Articles of Clothing and Household or Office Goods." (S. P. 143) (L. D. 338)

Bill "An Act Relating to Service of Writs in Western Somerset Municipal Court." (S. P. 160) (L. D. 400)

Bill "An Act Permitting Soil Conservation Districts to Acquire Surplus Property." (S. P. 161) (L. D. 398)

Bill "An Act Defining and Authorizing the Use of a System of Plane Coordinates for Designating and Stating Positions of Points on the Surface of the Earth Within the State of Maine." (H. P. 170) (L. D. 150)

Bill "An Act Relating to Disposition of Uncollectible Accounts Due the State." (H. P. 220) (L. D. 153)

Bill "An Act to Change the Name of the Maine Universalist Convention." (H. P. 495) (L. D. 317)

Bill "An Act Relating to System of Records and Accounting by Maine Teachers' Retirement Board." (H. P. 497) (L. D. 319)

Bill "An Act Relating to Duties of the Deputy Treasurer of State." (H. P. 498) (L. D. 320)

Bill "An Act to Authorize the Town of York to Construct Tide Water Gates." (H. P. 609) (L. D. 374)

Bill "An Act Validating Certain Divorces." (H. P. 920) (L. D. 544)

Finally Passed

"Resolve, Designating an Expiration Date for the Civilian Defense Act." (H. P. 843) (L. D. 538)

Emergency Measure

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Hartland School District." (S. P. 851) (L. D. 507)

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

Referred to Committee

(Out of Order)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to the Gasoline Tax." (H. P. 1604)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Use Fuel Tax." (H. P. 1605)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Cross of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table Bill, "An Act Relating to Membership of Farm Lands Loan Commissioners," (H. P. 340) (L. D. 213) tabled by that Senator on February 13 pending passage to be engrossed.

Mr. CROSS of Kennebec: Mr. President and Members of the Senate, I tabled this bill some weeks ago because there was another measure in the process of going through which would repeal the act in regard to farm land loans. This act went through yesterday for final enactment and I presume the Governor has it in his possession and will probably sign it. So this bill here is completely unnecessary and I therefore move that it be indefinitely postponed.

The motion prevailed and the bill was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Morrill of Cumberland

Adjourned until Tuesday, March 11th at ten o'clock in the forenoon.