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**OF THE**

***Ninety-Fifth Legislature***

**OF THE**

**STATE OF MAINE**

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**HOUSE**

Friday, April 6, 1951

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Rundlett of Augusta.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

**Papers from the Senate**

From the Senate: The following Order:

**ORDERED**, the House concurring, that H. P. 1121, L. D. 708, Bill "An Act Relating to the Ogunquit Village Corporation" be recalled from the Legislative files to the Senate. (S. P. 533)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, read and passed in concurrence.

**Senate Reports of Committee Divided Report**

Majority Report of the Committee on Transportation reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Overloaded Trucks" (S. P. 400) (L. D. 947)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. ALLEN of Cumberland  
CHRISTENSEN

of Washington  
BOYKER of Oxford  
—of the Senate.

JONES of Bowdoinham  
NOWELL of Hermon  
TRAVIS of Westbrook  
KELLY of Rumford  
PERRY of Chelsea

—of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. TURNER of Auburn  
MAGUIRE of Auburn

—of the House.

Came from the Senate with the Majority Report accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed.

In the House: Report was read.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Bowdoinham, the House voted to accept the Majority Report "Ought to pass" in concurrence.

Thereupon, the Bill had its two several readings and was assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

**Ought Not to Pass**

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought not to pass" on Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Changing the Qualifications for Voting (S. P. 322) (L. D. 722)

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

In the House, read and accepted in concurrence.

**Ought to Pass**

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Taking of Certain Property by the Town of Naples by Right of Eminent Domain" (S. P. 345) (L. D. 810)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Trustee of Wages" (S. P. 163) (L. D. 339)

Came from the Senate with the Reports read and accepted and the Bills passed to be engrossed.

In the House, Reports were read and accepted in concurrence, and the Bills read twice, and assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

**Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment**

Report of the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries on Bill "An Act relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries Laws" (S. P. 174) (L. D. 346) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House, Report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"** to S. P. 174, L. D. 346, Bill "An Act Relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries Laws."

Amend said Bill by striking out in "Sec. 5" the underlined word

"either" in the 5th line; by striking out the underlined words "or a scallop fishing license upon the additional payment of \$5," in the 5th and 6th lines; and by striking out the underlined words "or scallop fishing license" in the 8th line.

Further amend said Bill by striking out in "Sec. 6" the underlined words "provided, however, a person holding a lobster and crab fishing license or a commercial shellfish license shall be allowed to take fish by these means for his personal use as bait without procuring said license" in the 6th, 7th and 8th lines.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence, and the Bill was assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

#### Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act relating to Tuition High School Pupils in Mechanic Falls" (H. P. 458) (L. D. 289) which was passed to be engrossed in the House on March 6.

Came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Education in non-concurrence.

In the House:

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Turner, Mr. Ricker.

Mr. RICKER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: There have been some things come to the attention of the committee since the hearing on this bill, and I move that the House concur with the Senate and it be recommitted to the Committee on Education.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Turner, Mr. Ricker, moves that the House recede and concur with the Senate. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

#### Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act relating to the Superintending School Committee of the Town of Houlton" (S. P. 309) (L. D. 660) which was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" in the House on March 23.

Came from the Senate passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and Senate Amendment "A" as amended by

Senate Amendment "A" thereto in non-concurrence.

In the House: Under suspension of the rules the House voted to reconsider its action whereby it passed this Bill, to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" on March 23rd.

Senate Amendment "A" was then read by the Clerk as follows:

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 309, L. D. 660, Bill "An Act Relating to the Superintending School Committee of the Town of Houlton."

Amend said Bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

"P. & S. L., 1939, c. 3, §2, amended.

The 1st paragraph of section 2 of chapter 3 of the private and special laws of 1939, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'At such annual town meetings, the voters shall elect, by ballot as hereinafter provided, 7 persons who are qualified to vote in said town to be known as councillors, and [a member or] 5 members of the superintending school committee, in accordance with the provisions of the revised statutes of 1944 and amendments thereto, 1 of the 2 additional members shall be elected for a term of 4 years and the other shall be elected for a term of 5 years, and thereafter 1 member shall be elected each year for a term of 5 years, and a trustee or trustees of the Cary Library.'

Thereupon, Senate Amendment "A" to Senate Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 309, L. D. 660, Bill "An Act Relating to the Superintending School Committee of the Town of Houlton."

Amend said Amendment by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph to read as follows:

'Referendum. This act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of the legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the qualified voters of the town of Houlton at the next annual town meeting held not later than 1 year after the effective date of this act. Said meeting shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to

municipal elections, a proper article being inserted in the call for said meeting. The town clerk shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall the Act Relating to the Superintending School Committee of the Town of Houlton, passed by the 95th legislature, be accepted," and the voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed over the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting. The result of said vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the town of Houlton and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the town clerk with the secretary of state."

Senate Amendment "A" to Senate Amendment "A" was then adopted.

Senate Amendment "A" as amended by Senate Amendment "A" thereto was thereupon adopted.

The Bill was then passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and by Senate Amendment "A", as amended by Senate Amendment "A" thereto, in concurrence.

#### **Non-Concurrent Matter Tabled**

Bill "An Act relating to Greely Institute" (H. P. 1070) (L. D. 604) which was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" in the House on March 15, in non-concurrence.

Came from the Senate with that Body voting to insist on its former action whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed without amendment.

In the House:

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow.

Mr. DOW: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I move that this item lie on the table. There is a gentleman absent today, and he might like to hear what I have to say about it.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow, moves that Bill "An Act relating to Greely Institute" lie on the table pending

further consideration. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the Bill was so tabled.

#### **Messages and Documents**

The following Communications:

Friday, April 6, 1951

Honorable Harvey R. Pease  
Clerk of the House of  
Representatives  
Augusta, Maine

Sir:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 8, the House is hereby notified that the following Act which had been passed to be enacted in the House, was today indefinitely postponed in the Senate:

An Act to Authorize the Withdrawal of Southport from the Boothbay Region Community School District. (H. P. 27) (L. D. 10)

Respectfully,

(Signed) Chester T. Winslow  
Secretary of the Senate

The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

STATE OF MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
AND WELFARE  
AUGUSTA

April 4, 1951

Honorable Harvey R. Pease, Clerk  
State of Maine House  
of Representatives  
Ninety-fifth Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, Maine

Dear Mr. Pease:

In accordance with the request contained in the House Order passed by the House of Representatives on March 28, 1951, there is transmitted herewith material relating to the plans filed by the Department of Health and Welfare with the Federal Security Agency under the provisions of the various titles of the Social Security Act.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) David H. Stevens  
Commissioner.

The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mrs. Hanson of Lebanon, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of to-

day's session, in order to permit smoking.

#### Orders

Mr. BUBAR of Blaine: Mr. Speaker —

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. BUBAR: To ask unanimous consent to address the House, Mr. Speaker, on an important matter for a few minutes.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Blaine, Mr. Bubar, requests unanimous consent to address the House. Is there objection?

Calls of "Yes."

The SPEAKER: The Chair hears objection. The gentleman cannot proceed.

#### House Reports of Committees Resolution Adopted

Mr. McGlauffin from the Committee on Elections on Return of votes cast for Representatives to the Legislature in the City of Brewer at the special election held March 26, 1951, reported the following Resolution:

#### House Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED, that Honorable Wesley C. Archer of Brewer, having received a plurality of the votes cast at the special election held March 26, 1951 for Representative to the Legislature in the City of Brewer, is hereby declared to be the legally elected Representative of the said City to the 95th Legislature.

Report was read and accepted and the Resolution read and adopted.

#### Divided Report Tabled and Assigned

Majority Report of the Committee on Labor reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act to Create an Industrial Safety Code Commission" (H. P. 321) (L. D. 179)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. MARSHALL of York  
REID of Kennebec  
COLLINS of Aroostook  
—in the Senate.

WEST of Stockton Springs  
CASWELL of New Sharon  
LARRABEE of Westbrook  
—in the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. BROWN of Baileyville  
CASTONGUAY  
of Waterville  
WALLS of Millinocket  
LETOURNEAU of Sanford  
—in the House.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown.

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker, I wish to make a motion, but before making that motion I would like to ask a question through the Chair.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may state his question.

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker, I was asked this morning by Mr. Peterson, the gentleman who introduced this bill, as it is impossible for him to be here—I would like to ask: Is it possible for me to table this matter under his name and make an assignment?

The SPEAKER: The Chair must inform the gentleman that he cannot table the matter under any other name than his own.

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker, under those conditions, I wish to table this matter and specially assign it for Tuesday, April 24th.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown, moves that the two reports, with accompanying papers, on Bill "An Act to Create an Industrial Safety Code Commission" lie on the table and be specially assigned for Tuesday, April 24, pending acceptance of either report of the committee. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

#### Ought Not to Pass Tabled and Assigned

Mr. Center from the Committee on Agriculture reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act to Stabilize the Prices of Milk and Cream During the Present Emergency" (H. P. 1296) (L. D. 854)

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Belfast, Mr. Clements.

Mr. CLEMENTS: Mr. Speaker, I move that the House substitute the bill for the report of the Committee. I feel that it is too bad for

the people of Maine to penalize the consumers of milk, by paying more money than they have to pay in Massachusetts and New York at the present time.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Belfast, Mr. Clements, moves that Bill "An Act to Stabilize the Prices of Milk and Cream During the Present Emergency" be substituted for the report of the committee.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Standish, Mr. Center.

Mr. CENTER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Due to the absence this morning of several members who are vitally interested in this matter, I move that this item be laid on the table and be specially assigned for next Wednesday.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Standish, Mr. Center, moves that Bill "An Act to Stabilize the Prices of Milk and Cream During the Present Emergency" lie on the table pending the motion of the gentleman from Belfast, Mr. Clements, to substitute the bill for the report, and be specially assigned for April 11th, Wednesday next. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the matter was so tabled and so assigned.

#### Tabled and Assigned

Mr. Larrabee from the Committee on Labor reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Including Dust and Fumes as Occupational Diseases" (H. P. 1426) (L. D. 1033) Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Rollins of Greenville, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report, and specially assigned for Thursday, April 12th)

Mr. Clements from the Committee on Welfare reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve Providing for Increase in State Pension for Lewis E. Tuttle, of Liberty (H. P. 666)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for William Carleton, of Winterport (H. P. 398)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for

Eiva Morton, of Mechanic Falls (H. P. 953)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for Hattie V. Hunt, of Clinton (H. P. 1155)

Mr. Fenn from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for Guy Lendall Moore, of Clinton (H. P. 1156)

Mr. Lessard from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for Harold Alexander of Brunswick (H. P. 857)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for Mrs. Nellie Kimball, of Albion (H. P. 1382)

Mr. Maxwell from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for Mrs. Larie Tyler of Oakland (H. P. 665)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for George Huntley, of Patten (H. P. 867)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for Mrs. Earl Lemont of Brunswick (H. P. 1048)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for a State Pension for George W. Worthing, of Levant (H. P. 948)

Mr. Patterson from same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for Sydney McLeod, of Mexico (H. P. 945)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

#### Ought to Pass in New Draft

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act relating to Domestic Mutual Insurance Companies" (H. P. 1401) (L. D. 1062) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1687) (L. D. 1262) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Taylor from the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act relating to Boards of Registration in Towns Under Three Thousand Five Hundred Inhabitants" (H. P. 340) (L. D. 202) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1688)

(L. D. 1263) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Reports were read and accepted, and the Bills, having already been printed, were read twice under suspension of the rules, and assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

#### Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Totman from the Committee on Agriculture reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Crop Dusting by Aeroplanes" (H. P. 1466) (L. D. 1082)

Mr. Center from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Showing of Cattle at Fairs" (H. P. 1507) (L. D. 1102)

Mr. Sanborn from the Committee on Business Legislation reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Permitting Closing of Banks on Saturday" (H. P. 1255) (L. D. 829)

Mr. Bradeen from the Committee on Natural Resources reported same on Resolve Authorizing the Maine Public Utilities Commission to set out and Maintain Buoys on Sebago Lake (H. P. 1590) (L. D. 1162)

Mr. Brown from the same Committee reported same on Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interest of the State in the Island in Cumberland County to H. Norman Cole of Gray (H. P. 1589) (L. D. 1161)

Mr. Philbrook from the same Committee reported same on Resolve Authorizing the State Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interest of the State in Property formerly Owned by Anna Gray (H. P. 1644) (L. D. 1207)

Mr. Taylor from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Supervision and Control of Certain State Lands" (H. P. 1551) (L. D. 1111)

Reports were read and accepted, and the Bills and Resolves having already been printed, the Bills were read twice under suspension of the rules, the Resolves read once, and the next legislative day assigned.

#### Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Gosline from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act

relating to Transportation of Poultry" (H. P. 1399) (L. D. 1012) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"**  
to H. P. 1399, L. D. 1012, Bill "An Act Relating to Transportation of Poultry."

Amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the following underlined sentence:

**This section shall not apply to the transportation of dressed poultry by merchants, the transportation of live or dressed poultry by the actual producer, the transportation of poultry by householders for immediate consumption, the transportation of live poultry for egg production or breeding purposes, or the transportation of poultry by common carriers or contract carriers under the authority of the public utilities commission or interstate carriers operating under authority of the interstate commerce commission.**

Committee Amendment "A" was then adopted and the Bill was assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Gosline from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act Creating the Maine Frozen Dairy Products Law" (H. P. 254) (L. D. 190) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" was then read by the Clerk as follows:

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"**  
to H. P. 254, L. D. 190, Bill "An Act Creating the Maine Frozen Dairy Products Law."

Amend said Bill by striking out the last paragraph of that part designated "Sec. 224-B" and inserting in place thereof the following underlined paragraph:

**"Wholesale manufacturer" shall mean any person, firm, corporation, association, or society who manu-**



**factures frozen dairy products, any of which are sold to another for re-sale, or who manufactures frozen dairy products mix within the state, or for sale within the state.'**

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill was assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

#### Tabled

Mr. Gosline from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act relating to Dealers in Livestock" (H. P. 1398) (L. D. 1011) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Turner of Auburn, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report)

Mr. Brown from the Committee on Natural Resources on Bill "An Act to Authorize the Building of a Road across Massacre Pond, in Scarborough" (H. P. 61) (L. D. 27) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"** to H. P. 61, L. D. 27, Bill "An Act to Authorize the Building of a Road Across Massacre Pond, in Scarborough."

Amend said Bill by striking out the last line thereof and inserting in place thereof the following: 'provided that a bridge be constructed in said road at least 8 feet in length and of sufficient height to permit the passage of rowboats and canoes through said road.'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill was assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

#### Divided Report Tabled and Assigned

Majority Report of the Committee on Claims reporting "Ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of Francis M. Carroll of South Paris (H. P. 959) (L. D. 571)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. SMART of Hancock  
WEEKS of Cumberland  
TURGEON of Androscoggin  
—of the Senate.

HALL of Calais  
POTTER of Medway  
GOWELL of Berwick  
INGRAHAM of Rockport  
GAY of Damariscotta  
HAMILTON of Hartland  
—of the House.

Minority Report of the same Committee on same Resolve reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following member:

Mr. FOGG of Madison  
—of the House.

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Fogg of Madison, the two reports, with accompanying papers, were tabled pending acceptance of either report and specially assigned for Thursday, April 19th)

#### Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Fuller from the Committee on Education reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Joint Operation of School" (H. P. 883) (L. D. 525) which was recommended.

Mr. Delahanty from the Committee on Judiciary reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Payment to Androscoggin County Law Library" (H. P. 1417) (L. D. 1025)

Mr. Burkett from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported same on Bill "An Act to Create Town of Owl's Head School District" (H. P. 1652) (L. D. 1222)

Same gentleman from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to a Ferry Between Beals and Jonesport" (H. P. 1658) (L. D. 1230)

Mr. Hand from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Enlarging the Powers of Wiscasset Academy" (H. P. 1324) (L. D. 887)

Mr. Knapp from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries reported same on Bill "An Act relating to the Digging of Shellfish and Marine

**Worms in the Town of Freeport"**  
(H. P. 652) (L. D. 371)

Same gentleman from the same Committee reported same on Resolve relating to the Protection of Clams Within the Town of Freeport" (H. P. 655) (L. D. 373)

Reports were read and accepted and the Bills, having already been printed, were read twice under suspension of the rules, the Resolve read once, and assigned the next legislative day.

**Ought to Pass With  
Committee Amendment**

Mr. Burkett from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act to Incorporate the George H. Robertson Elementary School District in Belfast" (H. P. 200) (L. D. 122) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"**  
to H. P. 200, L. D. 122, Bill "An Act to Incorporate the George H. Robertson Elementary School District in Belfast."

Amend said bill by removing the word "Elementary" both in the title and any place wherever found in the body of the Act.

Thereupon, Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill was assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

**Passed to be Engrossed**

Bill "An Act Amending the Voluntary Apprenticeship Law" (S. P. 458) (L. D. 1072)

Bill "An Act relating to Baxter State Park" (S. P. 521) (L. D. 1243)

Bill "An Act relating to the Importation of Poisonous Snakes" (H. P. 327) (L. D. 187)

Bill "An Act relating to the Rights of Minority Stockholders" (H. P. 1229) (L. D. 782)

Bill "An Act relating to Swan Island Game Preserve" (H. P. 1684) (L. D. 1259)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

**Amended**

Bill "An Act relating to the Taking of Clams and Quahogs in the Town of Brunswick" (H. P. 1685) (L. D. 1260)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Mr. Lacharite of Brunswick presented House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

**HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1685, L. D. 1260, Bill "An Act Relating to the Taking of Clams and Quahogs in the Town of Brunswick."**

Amend the title of said bill by striking out all after the word "Relating" and inserting in place thereof the following: "to Taking of and Dealing in Clams, Quahogs, and Marine Worms in the Town of Brunswick."

Further amend said bill by striking out in the paragraph beginning "Sec. 88-E" the underlined figure and letter "88-G" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure and letter "88-H"

Further amend said bill by inserting before the paragraph beginning "Sec. 88-F" the following underlined paragraph:

**'Sec. 88-F. Dealers' licenses required; definition. No person shall be a dealer in clams, quahogs, clam-worms or blood-worms in the town of Brunswick without having first obtained a license from the municipal officers of said town, who are authorized to issue such license and fix the fee therefor. For the purpose of sections 88-E to 88-H, inclusive, the term "dealer" herein used shall mean any person, firm or corporation buying clams, quahogs, clam-worms or blood-worms for resale.'**

Further amend said bill by re-numbering Sections 88-F and 88-G to be 88-G and 88-H.

House Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill had its third reading and was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Resolve Providing Funds for Maintenance at Teachers Colleges and Normal Schools (S. P. 224) (L. D. 499)

Resolve Authorizing the Trustees of the Town of Houlton School District to Convey Certain Land to the Inhabitants of the Town of Houlton (S. P. 480) (L. D. 1143)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

#### Tabled

Resolve for Development of State Park Facilities (H. P. 1125) (L. D. 697)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, Item 9 is an appropriation resolve outside of the regular budget for Park Facilities, which will cost approximately \$91,000 the first year and \$88,000 the second year. It is, therefore, an addition to the growing pile of L. D. Special Appropriations which are beginning to assume a formidable total.

Thereupon, the resolve had its second reading.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Bath, Mrs. Moffatt.

Mrs. MOFFATT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, in order to get a little more information and possibly have an amendment prepared, I move that Legislative Document 697 lie upon the table.

The SPEAKER: The gentlewoman from Bath, Mrs. Moffatt, moves that Item 9, House Paper 1125, Legislative Document 697, Resolve for Development of State Park Facilities, lie on the table pending passage to be engrossed. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the resolve was so tabled.

Resolve in favor of the Town of Sebec (H. P. 1663) (L. D. 1261)

Bill "An Act relating to Membership of the Emergency Municipal Finance Board" (S. P. 39) (L. D. 22)

Bill "An Act Authorizing Approval of the Interstate Civil Defense and Disaster Compact" (S. P. 117) (L. D. 207)

Bill "An Act relating to the Salaries of the Judge and the Clerk and Clerk Hire of the Auburn

Municipal Court" (S. P. 288) (L. D. 627)

Bill "An Act relating to the Taking of Alewives in the New Meadows River in the Towns of Brunswick and West Bath" (S. P. 279) (L. D. 618)

Bill "An Act relating to Wholesale Lobster Dealer's License" (S. P. 311) (L. D. 662)

Bill "An Act relating to Sale and Lease of Lands in Indian Township" (S. P. 328) (L. D. 815)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, Bills read the third time, Resolve read the second time, all passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

#### Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act relating to the Municipal Regulation of Motor Vehicles" (S. P. 397) (L. D. 944)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Vinalhaven, Mr. Barton.

Mr. BARTON: Mr. Speaker, in order to have an amendment prepared, I move that this item be tabled pending third reading and I would like to assign it for Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Vinalhaven, Mr. Barton, moves that Bill "An Act relating to the Municipal Regulation of Motor Vehicles" lie on the table pending third reading and be specially assigned for Wednesday, April 11th. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed, and the bill was so tabled and so assigned.

Bill "An Act Creating the Eastport Public Landing Authority" (S. P. 440) (L. D. 1003)

Bill "An Act relating to Qualifications for Lobster Licenses for Veterans" (S. P. 443) (L. D. 1006)

Bill "An Act relating to Interest of Unorganized and Organized Townships Funds" (S. P. 444) (L. D. 1007)

Bill "An Act relative to Itinerant Photographers" (S. P. 459) (L. D. 1073)

Bill "An Act relating to Liquor Licenses in Unincorporated Places" (S. P. 523) (L. D. 1249)

Resolve Authorizing Forest Commissioner to Renew Lease to Passa-

maquoddy Lumber Company (S. P. 327) (L. D. 816)

Resolve to Repeal Certain Special Resolve Pensions (S. P. 482) (L. D. 1145)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, Bills read the third time, Resolves read the second time, all passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

#### Amended Bill

Resolve Authorizing Expenditure of Certain Moneys in Possession of Bangor State Hospital (S. P. 336) (L. D. 752)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" in concurrence.

#### Passed to be Enacted

An Act to Incorporate the Town of Kittery School District (S. P. 105) (L. D. 159)

An Act to Amend the Charter of Somerset Academy (S. P. 178) (L. D. 390)

An Act relating to Apportionments from School Funds (S. P. 251) (L. D. 550)

An Act relating to the Taking of Alewives in the Town of Franklin (S. P. 278) (L. D. 617)

An Act relating to Published Records of Vital Statistics (S. P. 373) (L. D. 899)

An Act relating to the Use of Drags in Bluehill Bay, Hancock County (S. P. 468) (L. D. 1101)

An Act relating to Hunting of Foxes (S. P. 487) (L. D. 1168)

An Act relating to Uniforms of Deputy Sheriffs (H. P. 440) (L. D. 258)

An Act relating to the Releasing or Dumping of Fish (H. P. 544) (L. D. 369)

An Act relating to the Protection of Alewives in East Machias River in the Town of East Machias (H. P. 1065) (L. D. 645)

An Act relating to Inspection of Children's Homes (H. P. 1142) (L. D. 674)

An Act relating to Subjects to be Taught in Public Schools (H. P. 1339) (L. D. 914)

An Act Closing Certain Flats in Lubec, Washington County (H. P. 1444) (L. D. 1040)

An Act relating to Schooling of Children of Parents who Reside on State-owned Property (H. P. 1471) (L. D. 1083)

An Act relating to Salaries of Trustees of Community School Districts (H. P. 1484) (L. D. 1091)

An Act relating to Representations of the State House in Liquor Advertising (H. P. 1669) (L. D. 1239)

Resolve relating to Catching of White Perch in Pushaw Lakes, Penobscot County (H. P. 1616) (L. D. 1176)

Resolve Closing Pleasant Lake and its Tributaries to Dipping or Netting of Smelts (H. P. 1667) (L. D. 1237)

Resolve relating to Closed Season for White Perch in Echo Lake, Kennebec County (H. P. 1534) (L. D. 1127)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Province Lake, York County (H. P. 1538) (L. D. 1131)

Resolve Limiting the Catch of Trout or Salmon in Adams Pond in the Town of Boothbay (H. P. 1541) (L. D. 1134)

Resolve Closing Three Mile Pond to Ice Fishing (H. P. 1614) (L. D. 1174)

Resolve Closing Certain Ponds in Dedham and Bucksport, in Hancock County, to Fishing (H. P. 1668) (L. D. 1238)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, Bills passed to be enacted, Resolves finally passed, all signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The following paper from the Senate was taken up out of order and under suspension of the rules:  
From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, April 10th, 1951, at ten o'clock in the morning. (S. P. 535)

Came from the Senate in that body read and passed.

In the House, the order received a passage in concurrence.

#### Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow.

Mr. DOW: Mr. Speaker, would it be possible, under suspension of the rules or in some other way, for me to make apology at this time to one of the members and state the reasons?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow, requests unanimous consent to address the House. Is there objection? The Chair hears none, and the gentleman may proceed.

Mr. DOW: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: A little while ago a member, the gentleman from Blaine, (Mr. Bubar) asked unanimous consent to address the House, to which I objected. I want to assure the gentleman that there was no discourtesy intended, and it was solely to expedite the business of the House, but I felt that the time for unanimous consent should wait until the Orders of the Day or later, and that was my sole motive, and the only reason I picked on the gentleman from Blaine, Mr. Bubar, is that he is an old member of the Legislature, and I felt that when I stated the reason, he would understand the motive and not hold it against me. That was the only reason, Mr. Speaker, that I thought we should get rid of the items on the calendar before anyone did receive unanimous consent to make a speech. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair appreciates the explanation made by the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow.

The Chair would like to state, at this time, that in view of the fact that we have such a heavy calendar to consider each and every day, it would be cooperating with the work that we have before us if all members would refrain from requesting unanimous consent to address the House on some subject matter that is not too material for the House to consider until such time as we have disposed of all of the business of the day and under Orders of the Day. In other words, the Chair believes that the proper time for unanimous consent at this time or in the future is just before the adjournment.

I hope the members will understand and appreciate the position of the Chair, and the work that the House has to consider.

Mr. BUBAR of Blaine: Mr. Speaker - -

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, I just want to comment to my brother here, if possible.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Blaine, Mr. Bubar, requests unanimous consent to address the House on the subject matter that has just been raised by the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow. Is there any objection, if not, the gentleman may proceed.

Mr. BUBAR: I just want to say, Mr. Speaker, that I have no hard feelings against the gentleman. I never knew it to be done before. O.K., if there comes a chance between now and the time when the House adjourns this afternoon, I have a little matter which I think is very necessary, but I will refrain from it at this present time. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The SPEAKER: Under Orders of the Day the Chair lays before the House the unfinished business of yesterday, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953," at the time of adjournment the bill was being read the third time and "Old Age Assistance Burials" in the paragraph entitled "Health and Welfare Department" was under consideration, pending the question on the adoption of House Amendment "U."

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Low.

Mr. LOW: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: During the past few sessions we have been voting money just as though we had plenty of it. Obviously we don't. At the same time your Taxation Committee, on which I have the responsibility of serving, has been trying to put together a tax bill which would meet with the reasonable and demonstrated needs of the State, giving due regard to the capacity of the people to pay.

If we keep on with the same extravagance that we have shown in the past, no sales tax bill, no income tax bill, no corporation tax

bill, nor any reasonable combination of these bills, will provide us with enough money. I hope, I urge, I beg that the House will use restraint in voting money from now on.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Casco, Mr. Hancock.

Mr. HANCOCK: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: When I came down here last January I was reconciled to the idea that the State was going to need additional revenues and from new sources. After hearing the Governor's message, examining the budget book and since then studying the report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, I was convinced that the State did need new revenues and I was prepared to vote for some new tax. However, this fantastic and sky-high appropriation bill that we are now in the process of preparing seems to me to go way beyond providing for necessary expenses with which to run the State's business. I cannot believe that I would be fulfilling my responsibilities as a Representative in the State by attempting to place this tremendous burden on the people that a tax of such proportions would be required. Therefore I would like, respectfully, to serve notice that in the event the Appropriations Bill does go through, as it now appears to be going through in such grandiose proportions, I will not vote for any tax in any form. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Freeport, Mr. Patterson.

Mr. PATTERSON: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I will move for indefinite postponement of the amendment relating to the Old Age Assistance burials as other legislation will take care of the situation.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Freeport, Mr. Patterson, moves that House Amendment "U" to the item "Old Age Assistance Burials" be indefinitely postponed. All those in favor of indefinitely postponing House Amendment "U" will say aye; those opposed will say no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed, and House

Amendment "U" was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will proceed.

The CLERK: (Reading)

"Special Pensions . . . .	80,000	78,000
General Relief—		
Jefferson Camp	55,336	51,903

Total Health and Welfare .	7,772,869	8,067,029
HISTORIAN, STATE Expenses . . .	500	500
INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT COMMISSION		
Departmental Operations . . ."		

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I would like to go back to the total just read by the Clerk under Health and Welfare. The total of \$7,772,869 and \$8,067,029 now becomes, with the Senate Amendments and with the House Amendments and what we put back into the budget, it now becomes \$8,902,869 the first year and in the second year \$9,121,029.

The SPEAKER: The Chair would inform the members of the House that the Clerk is reading the bill as it is written. He does not take the responsibility of the amendment on any bill.

Mr. JALBERT: I just thought, Mr. Speaker, that I would point out that that is the total now.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, I would like to explain the increase in the Industrial Accident Commission. The first year there was an increase of \$3,298, and \$3,152 the second year. That provides for increased travel costs due to anticipated increased numbers of industrial accident hearings.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk may proceed.

The CLERK: (Reading)

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE		
Departmental Operations . . . .	67,290	67,352
Operations . . . .	31,310	30,753

Emergency Tuberculosis Fund . . . .	20,100	20,100
Parole Board . . . . .	41,927	43,357
Mackworth Island . . . . .	1,930	4,630

Institutional Emergency Fund . . . . . 370,777 414,745  
 (Any balance of the Institutional Emergency Fund shall not lapse but be carried forward to the 1952-53 fiscal year to be expended for the same purposes)"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Caribou, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, I would like to explain that the increase for the two years in the Institutional Emergency Fund is due to an estimated increase in commodity prices in the amount of fifteen percent over the total commodity cost in previous years, and it further provides for the estimated increased population in the institutions.

I would also like to explain that the money appropriated for the Institutional Emergency Fund may be expended only with the approval of the State Budget Officer and the Governor and Council and then only as these estimated increases materialize.

The CLERK: (Reading)  
 "Total Administrative . . . . \$ 466,044 \$ 513,585  
 INSTITUTIONS  
 Augusta State Hospital .. 1,384,300 1,353,550"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, I can give an explanation of all these institutions, but if you had just as soon I wouldn't, I will give them as they are taken up item by item.

The increase in the Augusta State Hospital provides the living-out maintenance of forty employees and provides the money to increase the standards of living at the Augusta State Hospital to that which now exists at the Bangor State Hospital.

The CLERK: (Reading)  
 "Bangor State Hospital . . . . . 948,109 968,831"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, the decrease in this appropriation

for the Bangor State Hospital is the result of the increase in the Emergency Fund to provide for estimated increased population.

The CLERK: (Reading)

"Boys, State School for . . . . 142,496 145,361"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, the decrease in this appropriation is the result of increasing the Emergency Fund to provide for estimated increased population.

The CLERK: (Reading)

"Central Maine Sanatorium . . . . 436,387 417,743"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, the decrease in this appropriation is the result of increasing the Emergency Fund to provide for the estimated increased population.

The CLERK: (Reading)

"Deaf, Maine School for . . . . . 104,958 109,531"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, this increase provides for salary adjustments for certain employees, increased medical service allowance and for an increase in their repair program.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, I don't know just how to break into that, but I want to go back to that Augusta State Hospital item, to consider the increase—

The SPEAKER: Would the gentleman defer until the Clerk has read the entire paragraph.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Yes, Mr. Speaker.

The CLERK: (Reading)

"Deaf, Maine School for . . . . 104,958 109,531  
 Girls, State School for . . . . 152,447 152,265

Men's Reformatory . . . . 174,885 164,560

Military and Naval Children's Home . . . . . 51,957 51,237

Northern Maine Sanatorium ..	219,011	220,547
Pownal State School .....	901,095	902,650
Prison, Maine State .....	354,504	353,141
(Current or accrued profits from Prison Industries may be made available by Governor and Council for institutional operation if necessary.)		
Western Maine Sanatorium ...	248,411	251,085
Women's Reformatory ....	138,956	141,464
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Total Institutions ....	5,257,516	5,231,965
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Total Department of Institutional Service .....	5,723,560	5,745,550
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The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, I would like to inquire of a representative of the Appropriations Committee whether or not that appropriation for the Augusta State Hospital includes the cost of improvements which may possibly be included in a building fund bond issue, in accordance with a bill now pending in the Legislature.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth, through the Chair, requests information from any member of the Appropriations Committee, and any member of the Appropriations Committee may answer the gentleman's question, through the Chair, if he chooses.

Mr. JAMIESON of Presque Isle: Mr. Speaker, I did not just understand the gentleman's question.

The SPEAKER: Would the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth, repeat his question again?

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, doesn't a bond issue which is under consideration also cover various increases in the Augusta State Hospital allotment?

Mr. JAMIESON: I do not believe it does, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Liberty, Mr. Cole.

Mr. COLE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: One reason for the increase is due to the fact that the patients at the Augusta State Hospital have been fed on an average cost of thirty-eight cents per day, which we thought was insufficient diet. I might state at the State Prison at Thomaston the average daily cost per inmate was sixty-five cents. This increase brings the cost up in line with other institutions.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Bath, Mrs. Moffatt.

Mrs. MOFFATT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I do not arise to take much time, but I would just like to give a brief explanation of what the cut in the Military and Naval Children's Home Appropriation will do. There are approximately forty boys and girls in the Military and Naval Children's Home in Bath. There is no night watchman, and the superintendent of the Home has chipped in that amount in order to have a night watchman on duty. I am not putting up any argument with the Appropriations Committee. This is just an explanation of why that additional amount was asked by the Superintendent.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalberty.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, just to possibly clarify it, at the Augusta State Hospital in further explanation is the forty additional employees that have been granted by the committee and also the merit award increases that have not been granted there for a number of years. The cut in the Military Affairs—when you see these figures in parentheses, those are not cuts. In further explanation of the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson, this merely sets it into an emergency fund. It is based, as Mr. Jamieson has explained, on fifteen percent increase in commodity costs actually, and based on increase in population. To simplify it, it means just this: In the



past the various department heads would be granted additional money on the basis of what they estimated their increased population would be, and necessarily the increase in population calls for increase in commodity costs. If that money was not used, it was felt it would be possible for the money to be placed elsewhere. As it stands now, for instance, if the Central Maine Sanatorium, or let us take the State School for Girls, if they have an increase in population, they then go to the budget officer and tell them they have three additional people, and he will figure out the cost of three additional people at the institution and go to the Governor and Council, and that money will be taken out of the emergency fund and given to them. In other words, if the State School for Girls does not use this money it cannot be transferred from one department to another. It is left there to be used in later appropriations. This system was put in by the Budget Officer and his assistants, Mr. Mudge and Mr. Williams, and the Committee was very high in their praise and I know now that you people should be very high in your praise of their putting in this system, because it makes certain that those funds will not be used for building or repair but for increase in population.

In answer further to the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth, the non-recurring capital expenditures were not included in these increases of building programs for any of these institutions, either the Augusta State Hospital or the Men's Reformatory or the like.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Portland, Mrs. Fay.

Mrs. FAY: Mr. Speaker, may I ask a question that pertains to this division as well as to the preceding category?

The SPEAKER: The gentlewoman may ask the question.

Mrs. FAY: I would like to ask a member of the Appropriations Committee or possibly a member of the Committee on Health and Welfare in relation to this emergency fund. Two years ago we had no such appropriation. The Governor allo-

cated \$125,000; the Appropriations Committee jumped it by an increase of \$245,000. The deductions in the particular institution total roughly \$42,000 as compared to the \$245,000 increase. I cannot understand the reasons for the differences, and, if it is going to be an emergency fund for the possibility of an increase in the population in the institution, why the estimate is placed so high.

The SPEAKER: The gentlewoman from Portland, Mrs. Fay, requests information through the Chair of any member of the Appropriations Committee. Any member may answer if he chooses.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The appropriation is higher because the cost of living, as I have explained, is higher. It has gone up fifteen per cent, based on national figures, since last October when the Budget Committee went into session. It is not a decrease. I want to explain again: it is merely set aside for estimated or possible added increase in population. In the past the monies that have been set aside for estimated increase in population have been used elsewhere. This locks it up in each and every department.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brunswick, Mr. Senter.

Mr. SENTER: Mr. Speaker, I would like to inquire through the Chair of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, whether or not that emergency fund might also be used in the event any equipment at any of the institutions breaks down. There have been several instances that I know of where there have been unexpected expenses, since I have visited all these institutions. Now would it be possible for the budget officer and the Governor and Council to give permission that the funds be used for those purposes such as breakdown of equipment? These institutions have to carry on.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Brunswick, Mr. Senter, asks a question through the Chair of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert. The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, may answer if he chooses.

Mr. JALBERT: As I understand it, Mr. Senter, this can be used only for possible increases in population and, naturally, the commodity costs that go along with it. As I understand it, on breakdowns they would have to go to the Governor and Council and state their reasons and possibly get it out of the emergency fund, the general fund, but I do not believe they can touch this.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Ashland, Mrs. Daggett.

Mrs. DAGGETT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: As a member of the Committee on Public Health, I will say that we visited the different institutions and we found that the Home for the Deaf was the most needy of any in the state that we visited. When we consider that the Home for the Deaf means that those children are mute, you will understand their need. They cannot be taught anywhere else excepting in that school. They have teachers there, but not enough, nor do they have enough equipment to help them. There is a plan on to have a new building, but this appropriation does not cover that amount. There are one hundred and eighteen in the building and one hundred on the waiting list. With the help that they receive there they may become self-supporting. There is one girl who has gone from that institution who has been working in the City of Portland, I think it is for fifteen years, supporting herself. Boys have gone out from there into machine shops and printing establishments and have supported themselves. The amount allowed by the Appropriations Committee does not cover enough to help them to hire new teachers, and I move that the Governor's recommendation be accepted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Blaine, Mr. Bubar.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, in regard to the Institution for the Deaf—perhaps I had better ask the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow, whether or not a member can express his views in this House. I take it for granted he has no objection—in regard to the Home for the Deaf, I know of several cases

on the river that have been sent down to that School for the Deaf and they have come back and made a success in life when they otherwise would have been a burden upon the State. I beg of you that you do not in any way cut on the Institution for the Deaf of the State of Maine.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, in regard to the School for the Deaf, I will say that it was discussed at the budget hearing and in the Appropriations Committee at length. I think that the Committee and certainly the Governor wanted to show every indication to further the program and facilities there. However, I do not think that seems to be appropriate, because there is very strong talk of moving the School for the Deaf and straightening that program out. I assure you that if anything would be needed as far as the School for the Deaf is concerned—I think if you will bear with the members a little longer you will see possibly a program coming along that will make better facilities all around in the School for the Deaf.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell.

Mr. CAMPBELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would call attention to this appropriation. You will note that for the School for Deaf it is \$6,337 the first year and \$5,747 for the second year over the Governor's recommendation.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Ashland, Mrs. Daggett.

Mrs. DAGGETT: Mr. Speaker, and Members of the House: I wish to say I made an error: I meant the Appropriations Committee.

The SPEAKER: The Chair understands that the gentlewoman from Ashland, Mrs. Daggett, withdraws her motion?

Mrs. DAGGETT: Yes, Mr. Speaker.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hebron, Mr. Bearce.

Mr. BEARCE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I note in this schedule that the item for Western Maine Sanatorium has suffered a decrease from \$254,351 and \$257,025 to \$248,411 and \$251,085. From the discussion that has

been had this morning I judge that these institutions such as the Western Maine Sanatorium, if they suffer a breakdown in equipment, will not be able to go to this emergency fund for relief. Now the Western Maine Sanatorium happens to be in my home town; I know the situation very well: I know they are in serious circumstances for funds; they are short of nurses and doctors and they are short of equipment. I will therefore offer an amendment which will in effect return this item to the recommendation as submitted by the Governor in his budget.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Hebron, Mr. Bearce, presents House Amendment "P" to item Western Maine Sanatorium, and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read the amendment.

House Amendment "P" was read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "P" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by striking out from the paragraph entitled "INSTITUTIONS" the line "Western Maine

Sanatorium ... 248,411 251,085" and inserting in place thereof the line

'Western Maine

Sanatorium .... 254,351 257,025'

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, if I remember correctly, the cut that we recommended in that appropriation is due to the fact that they have had somewheres around fourteen men working on the farm over there and they had to buy between six and seven thousand dollars worth of feed for their stock. We thought it would be better, if the farm was not adapted to raising the feed that they require, for them to sell their stock and give that to some of their men or something, rather than work at a loss.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hebron, Mr. Bearce.

Mr. BEARCE: Mr. Speaker, I think the gentleman is slightly in error in regard to the profit or loss

on the farm at the Western Maine Sanatorium. A report was issued some weeks ago, which all of you no doubt have, to show that that farm at the Western Maine Sanatorium has earned a very substantial profit. I do not have the report with me, but you can look it up. As a matter of fact the farm and the stock to which the gentleman referred is not a liability but is a profit. They made a very substantial profit on the farm. This item, as you note, is very small in comparison with the hundreds of thousands we have been spending around here in the last few days. It is, however, a very substantial sum in this instance. It would make the difference between inadequate support and reasonably adequate support for an institution that is doing very valuable work for the people of the State of Maine.

If you members will go back a little further in this document you are working on this morning, you will find the State Prison has been given a very substantial increase over and above the amount asked for in the Governor's Budget. As far as I am concerned, I would much rather spend some of this money on good respectable sick people who are in hospitals rather than on murderers, jailbreakers and thugs in general who are in State Prison.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, this is not a cut. This money that you see in parentheses under Western Maine Sanatorium reflects itself not wholly but in part upon the increased population and commodity cost. As far as repairs are concerned, maintenance and repairs, the department itself requested \$15,802 for the first year and \$19,010 for the second year and the budget recommendation was granted at \$17,159 and \$19,936, which is more actually than they asked for, than the department itself requested.

You will see that actually all of these departments are being increased. It is only that this money, and I will explain it again, this money that is being given and set aside into an emergency fund has not been granted now on a basis

of what the department requests on estimated increase in population. They will get the money on the population when the population shows an increase. No money has been granted for maintenance and repairs, actually, by the budget recommendation of the Governor and by the Appropriations Committee than there has been requested by the department, itself, so that just because these figures are in parentheses, or would be a cut-down, doesn't mean necessarily that it is a cut. I am trying to explain it as well as I can. It means simply "based on increase in population." To be blunt, it means this: In the past, the various departments heads have been given money based on increase in population. If they did not use that money for the increase in population, they would use it elsewhere. You will find that two years from now that if this fine system is put in we may well have a return of between \$75,000 and \$100,000 that was not used because the increase in population did not occur.

On that basis, Mr. Speaker, I move the indefinite postponement of the amendment.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, that House Amendment "P" to item "Western Maine Sanatorium" be indefinitely postponed. Is the House ready for the question?

All those in favor of the motion will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce being taken, House Amendment "P" was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will proceed.

The CLERK (reading): "INSURANCE, DEPARTMENT OF"

The SPEAKER: The Chair, at this time, feels that a ten minutes recess would probably be acceptable to all of us and therefore the House is declared recessed for ten minutes.

**After Recess**

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The matter before the House is "Insurance, Department of."

The Clerk will continue reading.

The CLERK (Reading):

"INSURANCE, DEPARTMENT OF"

Departmental Operations . . . .	\$ 33,486	\$ 33,823
Fire Insurance	85,000	85,000
Fidelity Insurance . . . . .	3,050	3,050

Total Insurance Department ..	121,536	121,873
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INTERSTATE COOPERATION, COMMISSION ON

ON . . . . .	3,000	3,500
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LABOR AND INDUSTRY, DEPARTMENT OF

Departmental Operations . . . .	\$ 60,200	\$ 60,071
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LEGISLATIVE

Legislative Expense . . . . .	195,455	195,455
(Any balance of this appropriation shall not lapse but be carried forward from year to year to be expended for the same purposes.)		
Legislative Research Committee . . . . .	44,689	21,751

Total Legislative	240,144	217,206
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LIBRARY, STATE OF MAINE

Departmental Operations . . . .	82,189	82,944
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The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs felt that the Governor's Budget recommendations would curtail present services rendered in this department, and therefore they granted an increase in the amount of \$8,824 the first year and \$6,755 the second year, an amount that was felt necessary by this committee to maintain current services. Book costs have been and now are increasing rapidly, and the library has a lot of good books there that have got to be rebound, and they really need more money.

The SPEAKER: Is there any discussion? If not the Clerk will proceed.

The CLERK (Reading):

"Maine Court Reports and Ancient Vital Records—Purchase and Distribution	\$7,825	\$4,430
Total Library	90,014	87,374
MAINE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY COMMISSION (See Contributions and Transfers)		
MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY	95,000	95,000"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell.

Mr. CAMPBELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: In support of our position on this matter, I would like to read to you a statement presented to our committee in regard to the Maritime Academy.

"Applications to date amount to over three hundred to fill eighty vacancies and applications are still coming in. This means that the Academy will have to expand its physical capacity this year beyond that of last year. To do so will require small capital outlay for new furniture to accommodate the extra men. Increased costs result from normal increase in all goods and services, also there is an annual increase in salaries of about twelve per cent per year within the approved salary schedule."

The State provides one dollar out of each three dollars and fifty cents expended in this Academy, and in view of the evidence that was presented we felt that the increase of \$20,000 each year was warranted.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion? If not, the Clerk may proceed.

The CLERK (Reading):

"MERIT AWARD BOARD	10,341	10,634"
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The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: The Appropriations Committee felt that the increase of \$3,124 the first year and \$3,409 the second year was necessary to maintain the present oper-

ation of the Merit Award Board for the next two years.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion? If not, the Clerk may proceed.

"PARK COMMISSION, STATE

Departmental Operations	76,819	78,742
PARK COMMISSION, BAXTER STATE	14,249	14,829
PERSONNEL, DEPARTMENT OF		
Departmental Operations	59,750	60,856
Advisory Council of Personnel	250	250
Total Personnel Department	\$60,000	\$61,106"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, the increase in the amount of \$18,750 the first year and \$19,856 the second year provides the number of dollars requested by the Personnel Department. It is the feeling of the committee that the Personnel Department has not in the past been given sufficient funds with which to do a proper job and this recommended amount would put them in a position to do it.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Webster, Mr. Wood.

Mr. WOOD: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I think we have arrived at an item in the budget that has proved of no real value to the departments of the State of Maine. We all know we have to have a Personnel Department to handle federal funds, but the Governor has the power to set up a Personnel Department within the department to handle it. We have also heard and we have reason to believe, that all departments do not go by the State Personnel Board's recommendations. Therefore, I move that we indefinitely postpone this item.

The SPEAKER: Does the gentleman wish to draft an amendment which will strike out this item?

Mr. WOOD: Yes, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The House may be at ease while the amendment is being drafted.

**House At Ease**

Called to Order by the Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Webster, Mr. Wood, presents House Amendment "V" to Personnel Department and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read the amendment.

House Amendment "V" was read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "V" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by striking out the paragraph reading as follows:

"PERSONNEL,		
DEPARTMENT		
OF		
Departmental		
Operations . . .	59,750	60,856
Advisory Council		
of Personnel . .	250	250

Total Personnel		
Department . . .	60,000	61,106"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell.

Mr. CAMPBELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would like to read to you from a brief that was presented to us on this matter and from the report of the Legislative Research Committee to the 95th Legislature. This is the report of the Research Committee:

"So far as personnel policy is concerned, the committee is convinced that the statute is a good law and we note no requirement of substantial amendment. So far as the administration of the law is concerned, the committee is equally firm in the conviction that substantial improvement could be made. The comment we note is without reflection on those who are currently administering the department. Each of the three members of the board is well qualified, and, within the limits of the department appropriation, the job is being well handled. However, a payroll of some nineteen million dollars is being administered on a budget of \$36,000 per year."

We all know that the Personnel Department has been criticised and

the charge has been made that they are inefficient, and they have always said they never had had funds enough to operate efficiently on. With this end in view, we recommended this increase in appropriation, hoping that they might be able to do a good job in the next few years. I therefore move the indefinite postponement of this amendment.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell, that House Amendment "V" to "PERSONNEL, DEPARTMENT OF" be indefinitely postponed. Is the House ready for the question?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: I ask for a division, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The Chairman of the Appropriations Committee at the hearing asked Mr. Vaughn this question: "You contend that you have not had sufficient funds to do the job. Would you be able to do it if we gave you additional funds?" The consensus of the majority of the members of the committee was that if they could not and did not do the job, then would be the time to dissolve the Personnel Department, and throw it into the various departments.

You must be aware of the fact that the federal government stipulates that we must have the Personnel Board within the Department; there must be a personnel set-up.

I will go along with the motion of the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell. I would like to have you bear in mind that I don't think there is a member in this House who has been a foe of the Personnel Board more than I have ever since I have been here but this is a once and for all thought: either do it now or that will be the end.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Spear.

Mr. SPEAR: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I might not be particularly happy about affairs in Washington and the House of Congress and so forth but I don't think that remedial action would be to throw anything out of the window down there. It is the same way here. Although I might not be 100 per cent satisfied with the actions of the Personnel Board, I think the Personnel Board has functioned the best they could, conscientiously and rightfully and I think the solution is not to do away with the Personnel Board. I will go along with the motion of the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell.

The SPEAKER: Is the House read for the question?

The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell, that House Amendment "V" be indefinitely postponed. The gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, has requested that when the vote is taken, it be taken by division.

All those in favor of the indefinite postponement of House Amendment "V" will please rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Fifty-four having voted in the affirmative and thirty-three in the negative, the motion prevailed and House Amendment "V" was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will read the next item.

The Clerk (Reading):

"POLICE, STATE

(90% Highway Fund, 10% General Fund, Contributions and Transfers to Other Funds.)

Fingerprinting of School Children ...	9,597	9,701
<b>PUBLIC BUILDINGS, SUPER-INTENDENT OF</b>		
Departmental Operations ..	211,000	205,000"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell.

Mr. CAMPBELL: Mr. Speaker, the function of this department entails the maintenance and upkeep of the State House, Highway and Health Building, Welfare Building, Vickery & Hill Building, Auto-

mobile Registration Building, State Police Barracks, Hill Home, Blaine Memorial and State Parks.

The increase in the amount of \$1,154 the first year and \$1,237 the second year provides for temporary employees during the summer months, an item which is not provided in the Governor's Budget.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion?

If not, the Clerk may proceed.

The Clerk (Reading):

"PUBLIC UTILITIES

COMMISSION

Departmental Operations ...	90,350	92,850
Topographic Mapping ....	10,000	10,000

(Any unexpended balance of the Topographic Mapping Appropriation shall not lapse but be carried forward from year to year to be expended for the same purposes.)

Total Public Utilities Commission	100,350	102,850
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PURCHASES, BUREAU OF

Departmental Operations ...	43,000	44,000
Central Mailing Room ....	13,939	13,799
Division of Public Printing ...	16,349	14,535

Total Bureau of Purchases	73,288	72,334"
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The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, the increase of \$686 for the first year and \$474 for the second year provides for meter postage cost, travel cost and commodity cost.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion?

If not, the Clerk may proceed.

The CLERK (Reading):

"RACING COMMISSION (HARNESS) .....	23,000	23,144
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RACING COM-  
MISSION (RUN-  
NING) ..... 23,000 23,000"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This brings them on the same level in the amount of dollars as provided for the Harness Racing Commission.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will read Senate Amendment "H" which adds a new item to the bill.

Senate Amendment "H" was read by the Clerk as follows:

SENATE AMENDMENT "H" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by inserting in proper alphabetical order the following:

RECLASSIFICATION  
OF STATE EM-  
PLOYEES ..... 300,000 300,000'

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, I understand that the reclassification according to the reclassification plan would require a sum substantially in excess of the amount that was inserted by the Senate Amendment.

Since I am unable to adjust this whole problem of the State employees and think that the matter should be worked out later as a whole, I would suggest that we concur with the Senate in the adoption of the amendment, leaving whatever may be necessary to do hereafter to a supplemental appropriation.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the adoption of Senate Amendment "H".

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, several days ago, I tabled L. D. 477, which was an emergency bill to take care of additional pay for the State employees and which had been amended in the Senate to be effective March the 1st and which called for approximately \$198,000 for the next four months. That is about \$50,000 a month and it

doesn't take too much figuring to see that that would cost about \$600,000 a year, instead of \$300,000.

I understand that the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth (Mr. Chase) suggested that we close our eyes and skip this just now, but that wasn't the original plan. I think perhaps if we are going to do the job, we might as well finish it and get those figures straightened out now.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the adoption of Senate Amendment "H". Is the House ready for the question?

All those in favor of the adoption of Senate Amendment "H" will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, Senate Amendment "H" was adopted in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk may continue reading.

The CLERK (Reading):  
"SEA AND SHORE  
FISHERIES  
Departmental  
Operations .... 165,163 164,487  
Atlantic Sea Run  
Salmon Commis-  
sion ..... 16,150 10,000  
Closed Clam Areas  
Program ..... 10,000 10,000

Total Sea and  
Shore Fisheries 191,313 184,487"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, the increase of \$4,550 for the second year is to replace federal funds which it was anticipated would be received at the time the budget was drawn up but since then they have been found not to be forthcoming.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion?

If not, the Clerk may proceed.

The CLERK (Reading):  
"SECRETARY OF  
STATE  
Departmental  
Operations ..... 26,725 26,139  
Elections ..... 30,500 49,500  
Explanation of  
Constitutional  
Amendments ..... — 600  
Total Secretary  
of State ..... 57,225 76,239"



The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, the increase in the amount of \$1989 for the first year and \$5628 in the second, the Presidential Election year, provides for increased cost of printing ballots in the election division and you can see where these double elections cost money. (Laughter)

The SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion? If not, the Clerk may proceed.

The CLERK (Reading):

**"SUPREME JUDICIAL AND SUPERIOR COURTS**

Departmental		
Operations ....	\$259,000	\$269,000
<b>TAXATION, BUREAU OF</b>		
Departmental		
Operations ....	170,176	170,764
Delinquent Tax		
Lands .....	1,000	1,000
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Total Bureau of Taxation ....	171,176	171,764

**TREASURER OF STATE**

Departmental		
Operations ....	37,778	39,312
<b>UNIFORM LEGISLATION, COMMISSIONERS OF</b>		
Expenses .....	900	1,800
<b>UNIVERSITY OF MAINE</b> .....	818,596	818,596"

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will read Senate Amendment "F".

Senate Amendment "F" was read by the Clerk as follows:

**SENATE AMENDMENT "F" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."**

Amend said Bill by striking out that part which relates to "University of Maine" and inserting in place thereof the following:

**'UNIVERSITY OF MAINE ... 1,318,596 1,318,596'**

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Turner.

Mr. TURNER: Mr. Speaker, I move the indefinite postponement of Senate Amendment "F".

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Turner, moves that Senate Amendment "F" be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey.

Mr. DICKEY: Mr. Speaker, I believe we have faith in our Board of Trustees at the University of Maine: Senator Collins, Mr. Davis, Mr. Gardner, Commissioner of Agriculture, Mr. Ladd, Commissioner of Education, Mr. O'Connell, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Whitney and Mr. Williams. I also believe that we have faith in the President of the University, Dr. Hauck.

It is all right to get on the last end of the list when we are all a little worried about money. To yank a man on a relay team is a tough job. I suppose when they got out this book they could have put it in "Colleges of the University of Maine", we would have had it up in "C" before we got a little worried. However, we tried to save a matter of forty or fifty thousand dollars a moment ago; nobody wanted that. We have a lot of other items up here. We have raised a lot of money for institutions; nobody seemed to want to cut that. I don't see any reason why we should cut the opportunities for the boys and girls of the State of Maine who attend the University.

We know that in the last three years, they have jumped the tuition three times. I understand now that there is a freeze on them that they can't raise the tuition, therefore the University can't carry on.

I sincerely hope that the House will not go along with the motion to indefinitely postpone.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, according to the budget document they requested that \$762,176, \$962,176. They ought to know what they want. The recommendation in the Appropriation Bill is \$818,596, \$818,596, which is a substantial increase over what they asked for.

This amendment calls for a substantial increase over that figure. I do not know what that substantial increase shall be used for, but the story is floating around that we passed a bill to authorize the University of Maine to start a medical school if they could find the money anywhere, and it sort of looks as though they are going to start right in here.

I hope the motion to indefinitely postpone will prevail.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, I had not intended to speak to the House on this item, but in view of the fact that I am probably more familiar with the financial situation than anyone here, I feel that I ought to do so.

Some of you who were here—no, I guess I will have to go back just a little—the first public speech I ever made in my life was in the Public Speaking Class at the University of Maine in 1909 and the subject was “What the 1909 Legislature had appropriated for the University,” I having been a page in that Legislature. I was with the Treasurer of the University, the late Justice Dunn, for some time. I was on the Alumni Committee for ten years, a member of the Board of Trustees in 1929 to 1948 and during practically all of that time was Chairman of its Finance Committee.

The mill tax on the books of the State representing a policy of the University's support was a bill which I introduced in 1929 and the amount called for in this budget bill of \$818,000 was inserted because it is one mill on the valuation of the State and required within existing law, which was the basis on which the Governor drew it up.

Four years ago, I then being President of the Board of Trustees of the University and a member of this Legislature, urged the Legislature to exert its powers to give the University some clear-cut direction regarding policy. We were running the University in 1945 under the mill tax for less money at the expense of the State than when the mill tax was established

in 1929. I don't happen to know of any other department in the State government of which that can be said.

Along came the problem of the G. I. educational program, and it was necessary to do something for the veterans in educational facilities and the burden was very largely thrown on the University. They had to spend the reserve which they had accumulated during the war and had hoped to spend for needed construction. In any institution of that kind—and what I say now is critical, I hope objective—in any institution of that kind there is a force for expansion constantly at work, which it is the function, as I see it, of the Board of Trustees to subdue and abate and keep within bounds. The expansion due to the G. I. entrance continued and the University started to grow. We have kept, I thought, under reasonable control for some time. We have tried to run it on a quality basis; keep the standards for admission fairly high.

I have always believed that higher education at public expense is a privilege which ought to be earned by the students in school by demonstrated merit and diligence. I think the standards at the University for admission today, which is little more than a high school certificate and the ability to pay tuition, are too low. I think the State would run a better university, cheaper, if the Legislature had given, as I recommended, given the trustees a clear-cut direction of the kind of university that it wanted. The Legislature paid very little attention as usual to my recommendation. I made the recommendation to the University of Maine Committee and I predicted then—and this is one prediction which I made which hit it right on the nose—that four years from 1947 the University of Maine would require \$1,350,000 to sustain it and that is the exact figure to a dollar which the Board of Trustees came into this session stating as what they wanted.

Now, if the University is in the position which they now describe, and I believe they are, it isn't a situation which can be corrected now. It could have been corrected

four years ago but you can't correct it now. If you want to consider the policies of the University of Maine as the Legislature has a right to do, that is another matter. That can save money in future operations but there they are with these students, with great problems in hand, with their finances impaired, and operating at a deficit. I am speaking of this matter objectively because I feel it is my duty in view of my familiarity with the situation.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. March.

Mr. MARCH: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I feel that after hearing those remarks of the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, I should not talk but as I add up the figures \$818,596 — those are the figures recommended by the Governor in his budget — of course, the Appropriations Committee has had access to lots of information — that is one thing they decided to hold as the budget recommended. They would like to have, I suspect and I think I am pretty near right, two million more. I think if the Budget Committee thinks they can get by with that, and the Appropriations Committee thinks they can get by with that, that we should indefinitely postpone this amendment. We have got to save somewhere and that looks to me as good as any.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, merely in explanation of the step-up in the \$762,176, \$962,176, that is all they could do on the State grant to the University of Maine on a one mill tax on State valuation in accordance with Chapter 37, Section 117 of the Revised Statutes of 1944.

The one mill tax on State valuation now becomes \$818,596 for each year and that is all the committee could do, that is all anybody could do, you have got to give that amount by law. What you do on amendments is another thing. I recall that I have voted most vociferously against more money for the University of Maine. I met the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, a couple of years ago, we rode to-

gether coming back from Boston, and he explained to me what he has explained to you that it is a question of changing the policy and directing to the trustees the duties. I also understand there is in the Education Department an item that calls for the step-up — if I am right — to one and three-quarters mills that will be reported out "Ought not to pass" if this amendment is adopted. I am merely bringing this point out on the basis of information. If I am wrong in that assertion, I would like to have some member of the Education Committee explain it to me.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Island Falls, Mr. Crabtree.

Mr. CRABTREE: Mr. Speaker, I will be glad to answer through the Chair the question of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, as I think it is a question.

The bill to increase the mill tax we considered in the Education Committee an alternate measure. I can assure this House, because I have double-checked this with the Committee on Education, that that bill to increase the mill tax will come out of our committee with the report "Ought not to pass" provided this increase by the Senate prevails. I certainly hope that the motion to indefinitely postpone will fail. We are dealing, members, with our only university. We are dealing, members, with the only opportunity in the State of Maine for our young folks to obtain a college education at a moderate cost. They have been operating, as the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, so ably said and covered so much better than I can, in the red. The funds which have been available are now at the danger point.

This increase — many of us have tried to study it and thought it unavailable — of \$500,000 per year is urgently needed if we are going to maintain our university, as I know the citizens of Maine want it maintained.

I certainly hope that the motion to indefinitely postpone will fail.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bates.

Mr. BATES: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I think it

wise at this time to call the attention of the members of the House, so that there will be no doubt in the minds of any member, the Governor's feeling in regard to this matter despite the fact of what he proposed in his budget.

In the Budget Message, and I quote directly from that, he states: "It will be noted that the budget recommendation provides for the University of Maine in accordance with present laws an amount equal to a one mill tax on the State valuation or \$818,596 per year.

"However, the University of Maine is faced with a serious financial problem. State support for our only land grant college has not kept pace with mounting costs. If this institution is to continue its high educational standards at a tuition rate that does not preclude admission to a great many of our boys and girls, support beyond the returns of the one mill tax is necessary. An additional sum of not less than \$500,000 per year should be made available to compensate for the lessened value of the dollar the University of Maine receives under present law. Positive action is earnestly recommended on this matter."

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westbrook, Mr. Travis.

Mr. TRAVIS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I feel that I can speak briefly in support of Senate Amendment "F" from a viewpoint of absolute impartiality. Many of the members of the House here are graduates either of University of Maine or one of the other Maine colleges. I went to a small college in Connecticut so I can speak impartially.

I hope that the members of the House have listened very carefully to the explanation that our Majority Floor Leader, the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, has given us and the quote that the Assistant Floor Leader, the Representative from Orono, Mr. Bates, has given from the Governor's message. That, with the voluminous argument which was heard in the Senate on the same amendment—which I trust each member here has read, if not they should have read—should convince everyone present here that if the Maine

Legislature is to continue the University of Maine as a State university of which we and the people of the State of Maine can be proud, we have got to go along with Senate Amendment "F" and increase the budget recommendation by half a million dollars each year of the biennium. We can't do anything else if we are going to keep the State of Maine in competition with what is being done in other States and we certainly want to give an education to the poor boys of the State who would have no chance for higher education in any other way. We certainly can't go on record here in denying them that opportunity by refusing to give the University of Maine what the trustees and the Governor have set as an absolute minimum under which they can operate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, I thought I made it fairly clear where I stood and that I am in favor of the amendment but in view of the fact that one member just asked me I think I ought to say now that I hope the motion to indefinitely postpone will not prevail.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Livermore, Mr. Boothby.

Mr. BOOTHBY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I do not suppose I ought to speak on this; I never went to the University of Maine; I never had the opportunity. But I did send four boys there and I have got two grandsons there now. I am proud of the University of Maine. I am proud that we have got a university where all the boys and girls can go if they want to. Seeing that it is the only university they can go to, I don't think we should get small enough, I think that we should go along with this amendment. I think every one of us should be proud of our university and if it isn't what it should be, it can be made so.

I also think and I also know that we have lost in the University of Maine a great many on our faculty for the very reason that we could not pay the price, or wouldn't

pay the price; they didn't have the money. We have lost some of the very best men that we have had over there. We always lose them to Cornell.

We have got a President over there, today, who could command a great deal more, probably, anywhere else than he is getting at the University of Maine. He is there because he likes the University of Maine.

I want to go along with this Senate amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Blaine, Mr. Bubar.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: We have built the University of Maine, the taxpayers of this State. What do we propose to do with it? Give it up now? It seems to me that it is a good deal like the farmer who will put his money into a lot of machinery, send it out into the field, hire men to operate it but he won't furnish any gas to run it. Is that what we are going to do with the University of Maine? It is ours.

As long as I have had any voice have I denied it gas enough with which to run and turn out citizens, good citizens, the best citizens, to take over the business of the State of Maine. Let's not cripple the child to which we gave birth. Let's give them enough to live on and operate. Thank you, Members.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Turner.

Mr. TURNER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I, too, am proud of the University of Maine. I have a boy now who is deeply interested in agriculture, I think he is thirteen, and he wants to go to the University of Maine and I want him to go. But I think this bubble can get too big for us, it is a good thing but it can get too big. As this gentleman over here said: the university was in the red and was having a hard time to get along. I think the State of Maine is also having a hard time to get along. I believe it is all right, perhaps a hundred thousand might help a little, but when you jump into half a million that is half a million they are asking for and I think it is too much, and if some of those people

down there who are doing this teaching would show a little more business ability, I think that they might help a little.

I figure \$800,000 isn't much money but I would kind of like to have a little of it but I think that would be quite a business if it were done in a business way. I figure that place is getting too big for the State of Maine.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brunswick, Mr. Senter.

Mr. SENTER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: It has been emphasized what the university is doing for the boys and girls who are students in the university. We should not overlook the fact that the university is also serving the citizens of the State in another way through the extension work. I have been impressed with the service that our State University is rendering to the citizens of the State, particularly the farmers, those who have cattle, chickens. Our university has extended its extension work a great deal and thereby I believe is rendering a very valuable service to the State of Maine.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, I recall that four years ago the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, introduced an order requesting that the Legislature tell the trustees of the University of Maine how to run the place and the general sentiment of the Legislature at that time was that we had a board of trustees who were supposed to run the place and they were not expected to pass the buck to the Legislature.

On this business of not supporting the University of Maine, I have already pointed out that this recommendation of the Appropriations Committee gives them all that was requested by the department itself and more. There is no question here of any service now rendered by the State University being discontinued. If you are looking to the future, I think you are all aware that the outlook for the colleges and universities for the imme-

diate future is not very expansive. At any rate, most of them feel that if they can hold their own they will be doing very well.

I do not think that any case has been made out for an increase. Nobody has told us what the money is going to be used for; they just say: "Give it to us." Why should we? We haven't got it to give.

How can you get anywhere if every time that somebody has a favorable project he comes in and says: "Give me more money." Nobody is trying to hurt the University of Maine. The bite is just the other way. After we have fixed the budget or the Appropriations Committee has come in and established the budget which is more than the department asked for, they come in and ask for more. If you are going to give more to everybody who comes in and asks for it, I am going to be very interested to see if that proposed tax bill will be likewise.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hebron, Mr. Bearce.

Mr. BEARCE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would like to raise just one point which has not, I think, been mentioned up to this time. Most of you received some time ago a copy of the biennial report of the President of the University of Maine. On page 6, you will notice a chart which shows that in the years 1942 and 1943 there was a decrease in the student body which figures out to a decrease of fifty-five per cent.

Now, I must call your attention to the present situation in which many of the boys at the University and other universities are being called into the service of their country. I just want you to see what would happen if the present student body should suffer the same reduction at the present time as they suffered in 1942 and 1943. Fifty-five per cent off the present student body would mean a reduction of 2,420 students. The tuition at the university is now excessively high, \$295 per student. If the university should suffer any such reduction in the near future as it suffered in 1942-43, the university would lose in tuition alone considerably more than the amount being asked

for in this Senate Amendment. The reduction would amount to \$713,900. That, in itself, would be a very serious matter. It would exceed the amount called for in the Senate Amendment.

I think that some statements that have been made here by some of the previous speakers are a little misleading when they say that this bill gives all that the university trustees ask for and all that the Governor asked for. You heard the statement read by the gentleman from Orono which clearly pointed out that the Governor, himself, realized that the university needs much more money than will be yielded by the mill tax and has clearly shown that it needs the \$500,000 which has been asked in this amendment.

I, therefore, hope that the Senate Amendment will be adopted and that the motion to indefinitely postpone will not prevail.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Turner, that Senate Amendment "F" to University of Maine be indefinitely postponed. All those in favor of the motion will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion to indefinitely postpone Senate Amendment "F" did not prevail.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the adoption of the amendment. All those in favor of the adoption of Senate Amendment "F" will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, Senate Amendment "F" was adopted in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will proceed.

The CLERK (Reading):

"VETERANS' AFFAIRS,  
DIVISION OF

Departmental		
Operations	71,420	72,020
World War		
Assistance	367,953	367,953

General Law		
Pensions	32,000	32,000
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Total Veterans'		
Affairs	471,373	471,973
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Total—All		
Appropriations	\$27,335,850	\$27,576,060
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Amounting to \$27,335,850 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, and \$27,576,060 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble hereof, this act shall take effect July 1, 1951."

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess.

Mr. **BURGESS**: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I rise at this time to attempt what I consider to be the most important effort in my legislative career to assist in good legislation for the benefit not only of this House but of the taxpayers of Maine.

It is my honest, candid opinion, and I believe the opinion of a great many people in this House, perhaps a vast majority, that as we have taken up item by item of the Appropriations Bill that we have gradually but certainly arrived at a position where we are willing to admit to the public as well as to ourselves that we have gone overboard and definitely too far. I am confident that if a vote were to be taken at this time for the adoption of the appropriations bill as amended, that it would fall a majority vote.

In my experience in the Legislature, I have seen the good Governor of our State, after the House and the other branch had perhaps gone too far from the beaten path, come before us at a joint convention and very, very properly spank us, to the pleasure of the public and to the satisfaction of himself. I do not want that to occur again. I do not believe that you want it to occur again.

Now any correction that is made in bringing this, our appropriations bill, to a semblance of sanity must be done with a spirit of compromise; and, to show you members of the House that I am ready to enter into

a spirit of compromise, I would call your attention to the fact that a few days ago I proposed to this House and this House voted for an increase in aid to hospitals. I believe it to be a very worthy cause. But in the spirit of compromise, I would be willing at this time to forego whatever gain that you people see fit to make in the appropriation for that account in the interest of bringing about in this House a sensible, sound, economical appropriations bill before it is sent to the other branch of the Legislature.

If we were to vote upon this bill at this time and send it to the other branch of the Legislature, I think many of us know the outcome, and it would take days and days of debate in that other branch. So I am going to propose to this House and to finally make a motion with respect to this proposal that now, before we adjourn for this week end, that we refer the appropriations bill to the Committee on Ways and Means, with the understanding that the House members of the Committee on Appropriations will give them the benefit of their knowledge and advice and sit with them during their deliberations. I am going to propose in the form of a motion that that committee meet on Monday at ten o'clock in Augusta, so as not to delay further action upon the bill. I feel confident — and I hope that you members will join with me in voting favorably on this motion — that that group will report back to us, either in new draft or in form of suggested changes, a plan which will meet the required needs of the State, which will be economical and sound, and which will be acceptable to both of our political parties and to the taxpayers of Maine.

I do not believe that we would be justified in voting for the bill as it stands, neither do I believe that we could secure the passage of any tax measure that would take from our taxpayers any such amount as we have voted when you add up the total.

Now in case there should be some feeling on the part of any person in this room that in asking that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and that committee use and ask for

—and I am sure that they would receive the benefit of the knowledge of the House members of the Committee on Appropriations—in case there is any fear that the Committee on Appropriations is being slapped down or that in any way an affront is being made to them, I want to assure you that they are not. The reason behind asking that it be referred in this manner is because I believe and I believe others in this room would like to keep possession of this bill and iron out our own difficulties before we send it to that other branch. I feel that I would not be violating any confidences if I say to you that this program has been discussed with your good Speaker, with your Floor Leader, and with others who are using their best efforts to bring about wise legislation in an expedient manner, and it meets with their approval.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I now move that the Appropriations Bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, with the understanding that that committee will ask for and I am sure will receive the benefit of the knowledge and the findings of the Committee on Appropriations, and that they be asked to meet in Augusta on Monday at ten o'clock, so that no more delay than necessary may be had. (Applause)

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. JALBERT.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Before I speak on the motion I would like to have the House know where we now stand, from the \$4,531,000 that the Appropriations Committee had referred to, up against the \$7,007,000 that the Governor's Budget called for against the \$9,003,000 with amendments from the other branch. When you come to your total of appropriations, the total of \$27,335,850 and \$27,576,060, that figure now becomes \$29,987,301, \$29,987,301 for the first year and \$30,481,596, \$30,481,596 for the second year, which is in excess of the revenues that we have, for the first year, \$4,835,688, \$4,835,688, and the second year \$5,452,744, \$5,452,744, a total for the biennium of

\$10,288,432, \$10,288,432 in excess of the revenue that we have.

Speaking on the motion, I will say that I have sat here for days and heard the remarks commending the Appropriations Committee for the job that they have done—"however" or "but." It behooves me that I want people to speak well of me after they say "however" or "but," because they may praise me before the "but" or the "however," but what a mutilation they can do to you or anything else that concerns you after the "however" or the "but"! When anyone would stand here and state that they would not for one moment want to have the Appropriations Committee feel that they are being slapped down, I want to know just what is happening, and I do not care who this is discussed with. It was discussed with me, and here is what I wanted to have done: I wanted to have the Appropriations Committee, 1. Invite the Ways and Means, 2. The Appropriations Committee invite the leadership of both parties and meet at ten o'clock in the morning. I will stand here with no "howevers" and no "buts." The Appropriations Committee has done a splendid job, and I want to commend the members of the opposition on that committee for the manner in which they treated me. Not once was a meeting held without my being there; not once was there discussion on anything being made without my being there. I was absent one day—I had to take a few tests in Portland and I went over, and they waited for me on anything, on any discussion. I for one, as a member of the Democratic Party on the Appropriations Committee, the sole Democrat on it, want to thank the opposition members of that committee.

We did not do this, my friends; it started on the other side of the alley and you people finished the job. Every once in a while somebody will get up and say "Let's stop spending." The time to have stopped spending was when we started on Amendment "A" on this one here, "Adjutant General." That was the time to start.

The SPEAKER: The Chair must remind the gentleman that the issue is the commitment of the bill and not debate on the bill.



Mr. JALBERT: I am speaking on the motion, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may proceed, on the motion.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, as far as this motion is concerned, certainly not that any member of the committee would not be happy to join, but an Appropriations Committee is an Appropriations Committee; a Ways and Means Committee is a Ways and Means Committee. This is the job of the Appropriations Committee; this is not the duty or the job of the Ways and Means Committee. If you feel that way about us, we should dissolve the Appropriations Committee. As it stands now, every member of this House has served as a member of the Appropriations Committee, and I want them to continue. The total membership of this House got themselves into this barrel and the total membership should get themselves out.

I certainly hope that the motion of the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, does not prevail.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, we had all of the information down in the Appropriations room in regard to these various items in this bill, and after all the time that we put in down there and the hard work that we spent on this Appropriations Bill, I won't say what I think about the gentleman that wants to take it away from us—but I think we are the ones it should be referred to, not the Ways and Means Committee.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Norway, Mr. Lord.

Mr. LORD: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I think, as I understand the motion of the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, that the Appropriations Committee would be more inclined to take it as a compliment than as a rebuff. I think what he is trying to do is get some semblance of reasonable appropriation back onto the floor and get the House appropriations that we have just passed as near as he can to the Appropriations Committee recommendations. In that way, I think he is definitely offering the Appropriations Com-

mittee a compliment for the good work that they did. He is trying to get it to some group of House members who can possibly arrive at some figure that could be met with a tax. I think we have gotten into such astronomical figures that even with a two per cent sales tax, with the recommendations of this House, we could not raise enough money to meet these appropriations. I think Mr. Burgess is trying to get a group of the House members to get some sort of a compromise measure which could be met by a reasonable tax and offer it to the House for consideration. I certainly hope that his motion will prevail.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Eustis, Mr. Carville.

Mr. CARVILLE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I do not think that it was Mr. Burgess's intention to jump on any committee here or to pick any committee that he thought was trying to upset anything that has been done. But with the information we have picked up here in the last few days, and the fact that we may lose this, as he says, when it gets into the other branch if a committee of conference is called, he feels that we may get what we got two years ago, and I agree with him. I think his movement is a good one. I do not believe that he would have any objection to the Appropriations Committee picking up, as he said, a group out of our own house here of the leaders and taking them into conference. I believe he would be glad to have them carry the ball on this and carry out the good work that they have done. I certainly, for one, would like to see Mr. Burgess's idea carried out.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: As I stated previously, I am sure the Appropriations Committee would be willing to meet Monday morning at ten o'clock—I would be willing to meet now for that matter. I will state, as I stated before when I was consulted upon this thing, that I, for one, would like to see the leadership of both branches.

The remark was made along the line that we could bring in a bill that was reasonable. The Appropriations Committee brought in something that was reasonable. It could have been too low in your minds. What I mean is that we did not do anything about this ten million dollars: we brought in what we thought we should bring in, and now for ten days we have been spending. This is not only the job but the duty of the Appropriations Committee. That is exactly where this belongs.

I certainly hope that the motion of the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, does not prevail.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, may I inquire if the third reading of the bill has been completed?

The SPEAKER: The Chair would inform the gentleman that the third reading of the bill has been completed.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, under the Order under which we are now proceeding, it is provided that "when the third reading of the bill is completed no further debate nor amendments shall be allowed." I understood the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, to say this was going to be referred to the Ways and Means Committee if his motion passes and that they would bring in some amendments. I do not believe that the order permits it.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is the motion to commit, which motion is in order.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, I merely raised the point that if any amendments are proposed they will not be in order.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may raise that point at the proper time.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess.

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, and particularly the House members of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs: May I with all deep sincerity and honesty say to the committee and to the members of the House that there is no intent to deprive the Committee on Appropriations of any of their functions.

The mechanics by which a Legislature operates permits some things and does not permit others. The reason for recommending the Committee on Ways and Means was because it was a standing committee and would require no new appointments, which might lead to criticism of selecting a group which is for or against. I do want to keep, and I believe you members want to keep, control of this measure in the hands of the House members until we are satisfied that we have done a good job, the kind of a job that we as reasonably intelligent people are expected to do.

May I again refer to what I said previously regarding the spirit of compromise? This matter is of so great importance that I do not believe any one of us should take affront, but we should compromise to the extent of rendering every effort towards a proper solution, with one thought in mind and only one thought in mind, and that is of providing the bare necessities required by the State to function properly and at the same time with due regard for the ability of the people to pay. That is our responsibility, gentlemen. And so I ask you, in the spirit of compromise and with good legislation in mind, to commit to the Committee on Ways and Means, with understanding that it is being kept in the control of the House because of the mechanics, and that the Committee on Appropriations will be asked to sit in and give them the benefit of their knowledge and their findings throughout the session. And out of that, I am firmly convinced, will come such compromises as this House will be willing to accept. I hope that you will support my motion because I am firmly and sincerely convinced that it is for the best interests of the House and for our people.

Mr. JALBERT of Lewiston: Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. JALBERT: To ask a parliamentary question.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may state his point.

Mr. JALBERT: I would like to ask, Mr. Speaker, if under the order, where the report of the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading has

not been accepted, it would not be possible to still retain the bill?

The SPEAKER: The report of the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading has been accepted.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, could I ask for unanimous consent to address the House?

The SPEAKER: Might the Chair inquire the purpose?

Mr. JALBERT: To speak on the motion, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, requests unanimous consent to address the House for a third time. Is there objection? The Chair hears no objection and the gentleman may proceed.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Thank you for your courtesy.

The thought just occurs to me, assuming that this bill went to another committee and some of the members of the Appropriations Committee could not or would not join, and the Ways and Means Committee comes back with another bill, I am just wondering whether or not there might be a little debate on that. So it might be in order, if this motion is defeated, to table this and then rehash it department by department, and we might save ourselves two or three days of further debate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Low.

Mr. LOW: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I feel very strongly that the motion of the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, should prevail. I think we will be far better off to keep this in our own hands for the present than to throw it into a committee consisting of both members of the Senate and the House. I hope that the motion prevails.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Standish, Mr. Center.

Mr. CENTER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would like to go along with the motion of the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess. I believe that each and every one of us are here to do the best possible job we can for the citizens of the State of Maine. I

appreciate the amount of time that the Appropriations Committee put on this bill and the fine job that they did. Nevertheless, it was not possible for all of the members of this House to attend the sessions of the Appropriations Committee, and, since we have been in session discussing this document, probably many new thoughts and ideas have been expressed which the members of the Appropriations Committee have heard. To refer this back to the Appropriations Committee would, of necessity, involve both chambers being represented, and I think that the intent of the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess' is simply that we might hash this over a little bit more in a small committee, and, in some way, I feel sure that parliamentary procedure will permit us to come down to earth and, in the final analysis, get what we believe is for the best interests of the State of Maine.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. March.

Mr. MARCH: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I move the previous question.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. March, moves the previous question. In order for the Chair to entertain the motion for the previous question it requires the consent of one-third of the members present.

All those in favor of the Chair entertaining the motion for the previous question will rise and stand in their places until counted and the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

The SPEAKER: Obviously more than one-third of the members present having arisen, the motion for the previous question is entertained.

The question before the House now is: Shall the main question be put now? All those in favor will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the main question was ordered.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, that the Appropriations Bill, L. D. 1196, be commit-

ted to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. BURGESS: When the vote is taken, Mr. Speaker, I ask that it be taken by a division.

The SPEAKER: All those in favor of the bill being committed to the House Committee on Ways and Means will rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

The SPEAKER: Seventy-one having voted in the affirmative and twenty-nine in the negative, the motion to commit the bill to the House Committee on Ways and Means prevails.

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On motion by Mr. Chase of Cape Elizabeth,

Adjourned until Tuesday, April 10th, at 10:00 A. M.