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OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1955

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HOUSE

Wednesday, March 9, 1955

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. John H. Miller of Second Congregational Church, South Brewer.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate:

Resolve in favor of Jim Adams, Inc., of Bangor (S. P. 421) (L. D. 1170)

Resolve in favor of Page House of Bangor (S. P. 422) (L. D. 1168)

Came from the Senate received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Claims.

In the House, received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Transfer of Prisoners at Maine State Prison to Federal Penal Institution" (S. P. 437) (L. D. 1196)

Came from the Senate received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the House, received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act to Require Public Buildings to be Safely Constructed" (S. P. 420) (L. D. 1171)

Came from the Senate received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Labor.

In the House, received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Labor in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Providing for Compensation for Members of the Board of Education of the City of Rockland" (S. P. 423) (L. D. 1169)

Came from the Senate received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

In the House, received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to the Duties of the Commissioner of Agriculture Re Sardine Canning Inspection Law" (S. P. 386) (L. D. 1182)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Increasing Salary of the Insurance Commissioner" (S. P. 425) (L. D. 1185)

Bill "An Act Increasing Salary of Adjutant General" (S. P. 426) (L. D. 1186)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Resolve in favor of Town of Mariaville, Hancock County (S. P. 428) (L. D. 1187)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Highways.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Highways in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Amending the Financial Responsibility Law" (S. P. 408) (L. D. 1183)

Bill "An Act relating to Discharge in Bankruptcy Re Financial Responsibility Law" (S. P. 409) (L. D. 1173)

Bill "An Act relating to Liens for Inheritance Taxes and Fixing a Period of Limitations Therefor" (S. P. 410) (L. D. 1174)

Bill "An Act Modifying and Clarifying the Rule Against Perpetuities" (S. P. 411) (L. D. 1175)

Bill "An Act relating to Registers of Probate Pro Tempore" (S. P. 430) (L. D. 1189)

Bill "An Act relating to Extension of Tax Lien Foreclosure" (S. P. 431) (L. D. 1190)

Bill "An Act relating to Moving Motor Vehicles Seized on Attachment" (S. P. 432) (L. D. 1191)

Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Extending Pardon Powers of Governor and Council to Offenses of Juvenile Delinquency (S. P. 429) (L. D. 1118)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Amending the Maine Employment Security Law as to Disqualifications for Benefits" (S. P. 412) (L. D. 1181)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Labor.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Labor in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Pensions for Dependents of Deceased Firemen of City of Lewiston" (S. P. 413) (L. D. 1176)

Bill "An Act Creating the Maine Board of Auctioneers" (S. P. 414) (L. D. 1184)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Operating Motor Trucks for Hire" (S. P. 415) (L. D. 1172)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Public Utilities.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Public Utilities in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Service Retirement Benefits for Employees at State Prison" (S. P. 416) (L. D. 1177)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to the Taking of Alewives in the Town of Columbia Falls" (S. P. 417) (L. D. 1178)

Bill "An Act relating to the Taking of Marine Worms in Hancock County" (S. P. 433) (L. D. 1192)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries in concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Liens on Property for Inheritance Taxes" (S. P. 434) (L. D. 1193)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Taxation.

In the House: On motion of Mr. Childs of Portland, the Bill was tabled pending reference to any Committee and specially assigned for tomorrow.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of the County Attorney of Sagadahoc County" (S.P. 435) (L. D. 1194)

Bill "An Act relating to Salary of Deputy Clerk of Courts in Hancock County" (S. P. 436) (L. D. 1195)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Weight Tolerances for Motor Vehicles Carrying Firewood, Pulpwood, Logs or Bolts" (S. P. 418) (L. D. 1179)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Transportation.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Transportation in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Burial Expenses: Under Old Age Assistance Laws" (S. P. 419) (L. D. 1180)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Welfare.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Welfare in concurrence.

Senate Reports of Committees Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought to pass" on

Bill "An Act to Coordinate Development and Regulatory Activities relating to the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy" (S. P. 266) (L. D. 697)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Uniform Interstate Compact on Juveniles" (S. P. 268) (L. D. 699)

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

In the House, the Reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is informed that there are in the balcony of the House this morning a delegation of the Maine Council of Catholic Women.

On behalf of the House, the Chair extends to you a hearty and cordial welcome. (Applause)

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the Caribou Hospital District" (S. P. 264) (L. D. 692)

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

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

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Briggs of Caribou, under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its third reading, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Ought to Pass with Senate Amendment

Report of the Committee on Education reporting "Ought to pass" on Resolve Continuing Unexpended Balances for Repairs and Construction in Certain State Institutions" (S. P. 177) (L. D. 429)

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

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Resolve read once.

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

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 177, L. D. 429, Resolve Continuing Unexpended Balances for Repairs and Construction in Certain State Institutions.

Amend said Resolve by adding at the end of the Title thereof, before the period, the words 'and State Teachers' Colleges'.

Further amend said Resolve by adding at the end thereof, before the Emergency Clause, the following:

"; and be it further

Resolves, 1953, c. 114, amended. Resolved: That the second paragraph of chapter 114 of the resolves of 1953 be, and hereby is, repealed and the following underlined paragraph enacted in place thereof:

'Any unexpended balances shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purpose of the resolve shall be accomplished.'; and be it further

Resolves, 1953, c. 109, amended. Resolved: That the second paragraph of chapter 109 of the resolves of 1953 be, and hereby is, repealed and the following underlined paragraph enacted in place thereof:

'Any unexpended balances shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purpose of the resolve shall be accomplished.'; and be it further

Resolves, 1953, c. 119, amended. Resolved: That the second paragraph of chapter 119 of the resolves of 1953 be, and hereby is, repealed and the following underlined paragraph enacted in place thereof:

'Any unexpended balances shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purpose of the resolve shall be accomplished.'; and be it further

Resolves, 1953, c. 115, amended. Resolved: That the second paragraph of chapter 115 of the resolves of 1953 be, and hereby is, repealed and the following underlined paragraph enacted in place thereof:

'Any unexpended balances shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purpose of the resolve shall be accomplished.'

Senate Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Resolve assigned for second reading tomorrow.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Repealing County Laws Relating to Meridian Lines and Standards of Length" (S. P. 156) (L. D. 350)

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

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

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

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 156, L. D. 350, Bill "An Act Repealing County Laws Relating to Meridian Lines and Standards of Length."

Amend said Bill by striking out the Title and inserting in place thereof the following Title:

'An Act Relating to Meridian Lines and Standards of Length in Kennebec County.'

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

'R. S., c. 89, Sec. 94-A, additional. Chapter 89 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section, to be numbered 94-A, to read as follows:

Sec. 94-A. Exception. The provisions of sections 89 to 94, inclusive, shall not apply to the county of Kennebec.'

Senate Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Messages and Documents

From the Senate: The following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE
SENATE CHAMBER
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Augusta, Maine
March 8, 1955

Honorable Harvey R. Pease
Clerk of the House of Representatives

Ninety-seventh Legislature

Dear Sir:

On March 3, 1955, the President of the Senate appointed the following members of the Senate to serve

on the Joint Select Committee (created by Joint Order H. P. 1057) to study utilization by the State of the Marine Hospital at Portland:

Senators:

COLLINS of Aroostook
LORD of Cumberland
CUMMINGS of Sagadahoc
DOW of Lincoln

The President also appointed the following Senate conferees on the disagreeing action of the two branches on Bill "An Act relating to Free Fishing Licenses to Residents 75 Years of Age" (H. P. 101) (L. D. 109):

Senators:

HILLMAN of Penobscot
HALL of York
CHAPMAN of Cumberland

Respectfully,

(Signed) Chester T. Winslow
Secretary of the Senate

The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lisbon, Mr. Beal.

Mr. BEAL: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask unanimous consent to take up out of order Legislative Document 777, An Act relating to the Lisbon Water Department. It is Item 4 on page 7 of today's calendar.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lisbon, Mr. Beal, requests unanimous consent to take up out of order and under suspension of the rules at this time Bill "An Act relating to the Lisbon Water Department" on which there is a committee report from the Committee on Legal Affairs. Does the Chair hear objection? The Chair hears none. The report of the Committee will be announced.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Childs from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to the Lisbon Water Department" (H. P. 709) (L. D. 777) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Was taken up out of order and under suspension of the rules, the

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 709, L. D. 777, Bill "An Act relating to the Lisbon Water Department."

Amend said Bill by adding the following underlined sentence at the end of that part of Section 7 designated 'Sec. 7.' **'Said rates shall be subject to the approval of the Public Utilities Commission.'**

Further amend said Bill by striking out the last line of that part of Section 11 designated 'Sec. 11.' and inserting in place thereof the following underlined words and punctuation:

"'the rules and regulations of the Public Utilities Commission.'"

Further amend said Bill by striking out the underlined words **"current replacements and"** in the 2nd line of subsection III of that part of Section II designated 'Sec. 14.' and by striking out in the 2nd line of subsection V of said 'Sec. 14.' the underlined figures **"10%"** and inserting in place thereof the underlined figures **"5%"**

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lisbon, Mr. Beal.

Mr. BEAL: Mr. Speaker, inasmuch as this is emergency legislation designed to get this bill before the annual town meeting on Saturday for referendum, I now move that it be given its third reading, be passed to be engrossed and transmitted forthwith to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lisbon, Mr. Beal, moves that, under suspension of the rules, this bill be given its third reading, be passed to be engrossed and sent forthwith to the Senate. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and, under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its third reading, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

On further motion of the same gentleman, by unanimous consent, the Bill was ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

On motion of the gentlewoman from Presque Isle, Mrs. Christie, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session in order to permit smoking.

Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bills and Resolves (transmitted by the Director of Legislative Research pursuant to Joint Order S. P. 25) were received and, upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

Business Legislation

Bill "An Act relating to Deception as to Retail Prices of Motor Fuel" (H. P. 1060) (Presented by Mr. Evans of Cornish)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Sales of Goods and Merchandise Other Than at Retail" (H. P. 1061) (Presented by Mr. Haughn of Bridgton)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Correctional Institutions

Bill "An Act relating to Age of Commitment to State School for Boys" (H. P. 1062) (Presented by Mr. Childs of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Education

Bill "An Act relating to Licenses to Teach in Public Schools" (H. P. 1063) (Presented by Mr. Crockett of Freeport by request)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Highways

Bill "An Act Permitting Transfer of Town Road Improvement Funds to State Aid Accounts" (H. P. 1064) (Presented by Mr. Carter of Etna)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

Bill "An Act relating to Penalty for Transporting Live Fish in Certain Counties" (H. P. 1065) (Presented by Mr. Cook of Portage Lake)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Bounty on Bobcats" (H. P. 1066) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act relating to Validity of Acts of Selectmen" (H. P. 1067) (Presented by Mr. Haughn of Bridgton)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Teacher's Oath and Prohibited Teaching" (H. P. 1068) (Presented by Mr. MacDonald of Rumford by request)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Reapportion the House of Representatives by a Commission if the Legislature Fails to Act (H. P. 1069) (Presented by Mr. Bowie of Durham)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Labor

Bill "An Act relating to Weekly Benefits for Total Unemployment Under Employment Security Law" (H. P. 1070) (Presented by Mr. Couture of Bath)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is informed that there are in the balcony of the House thirty students from the Senior Class of Problems in Democracy and Student Council of an unnamed town under the supervision of their teacher, Clifford Tinkham.

To them, on behalf of the House, the Chair extends a hearty and cordial welcome and hopes that their stay with us this morning will be profitable. (Applause)

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. Haughn.

Mr. HAUGHN: Mr. Speaker, I might state that that unknown town is the town of Bridgton.

The SPEAKER: The Chair has heard the information and thanks the gentleman.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Calais" (H. P. 1071) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Calais)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Appointment of Corporation Counsel and All Board Members in City of Lewiston" (H. P. 1072) (Presented by Mr. Jacques of Lewiston)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Paris Village Corporation" (H. P. 1073) (Presented by Mrs. Mann of Paris)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Licensing of Oil Burner Installers and Servicemen" (H. P. 1074) (Presented by Mr. Stanley of Bangor)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Grant a Charter to the Town of Brunswick" (H. P. 1075) (Presented by Mr. Walsh of Brunswick)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to State Purchases of Maine Agricultural Products" (H. P. 1076) (Presented by Mr. Woodworth of Benton)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Liquor Control

Bill "An Act relating to Liquor License Credit" (H. P. 1077) (Presented by Mr. Call of Cumberland)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Natural Resources

Bill "An Act relating to Public Camp Sites and Lunch Grounds Maintained by Forestry Department" (H. P. 1078) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Hodgdon)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Kindling Fires on Land" (H. P. 1079) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Public Health

Bill "An Act relating to Apothecaries and the Sale of Poisons" (H. P. 1080) (Presented by Mr. Jones of South Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Sea and Shore Fisheries

Bill "An Act Permitting Importation of Lobster Meat for Commercial Freezing and Canning" (H. P.

1081) (Presented by Mr. Jack of Topsham)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Taxation

Bill "An Act Repealing Exemption of Coal, Oil and Wood Under Sales and Use Tax Law" (H. P. 1082) (Presented by Mr. Willey of Ellsworth by request)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Towns and Counties

Bill "An Act Increasing Salary of County Treasurer of Hancock County" (H. P. 1083) (Presented by Mr. Willey of Ellsworth)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Transportation

Bill "An Act relating to Exhaust Pipes on Certain Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 1084) (Presented by Mr. Allen of Chelsea)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Splash Guards for Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 1085) (Presented by Mr. Stilphen of Rockland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Blinker Lights on Plowing and Sanding Units" (H. P. 1036) (Presented by Mr. Totman of Bangor)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Joint Resolution

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker, I wish to present an order and move its passage.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is informed that the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis, presents a Joint Resolution and moves that, under suspension of the rules, it be adopted. The Clerk will read the Joint Resolution.

STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
97th LEGISLATURE

JOINT RESOLUTION

Whereas the State Highway Commission transmitted to the members

of the Legislature a report on evaluation of State Aid Highways in which it outlined five plans for the administration of the State Aid Highway System; and,

WHEREAS the Joint Standing Committee on Highways after studying the report of the Highway Commission in accordance with a Joint Order passed by both branches of the Legislature; and,

WHEREAS the Joint Standing Committee on Highways found that it was not desirable to increase the cost of maintenance or construction of Highways at the local level and would recommend to the Legislature the adoption of Plan 1 with the provision that any town which so desired might apply to the State Highway Commission for reconsideration of any part of its State Aid Highway System; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the 97th Legislature after due consideration of the report and the five plans suggested therein and the recommendation of its Committee on Highways that Plan 1 should be followed by the State Highway Commission with the same provision that any town which so desires may apply for reclassification of any part of its State Aid Highway system. (H. P. 1087)

Thereupon, under suspension of the rules, the Resolution was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Orders

Mr. Jacobs of Auburn presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that a Joint Select Committee on Legislative Facilities be appointed, to consist of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House ex officio, two members of the Senate and three members of the House.

This committee shall study the needs of the Legislature and its committees, the number and location of offices and hearing rooms in the State House required for the proper, convenient and efficient conduct of the business of the Legislature and shall report its findings, together with such Bill, Resolve or Order, as it deems necessary and desirable,

notwithstanding the provisions of any Joint Rule or Joint Order. (H. P. 1088)

The Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

House Reports of Committees Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Higgins from the Committee on Highways reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Designating New Bridge at Dresden as "Dresden Memorial Bridge" (H. P. 528) (L. D. 587)

Mr. Pullen from same Committee reported same on Resolve Designating Certain Bridge in Oxford County as "Martin Memorial Bridge" (H. P. 586) (L. D. 642)

Reports were read and accepted, the Resolves read once and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Briggs from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to Trapping for Bear" (H. P. 413) (L. D. 460) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 413, L. D. 460, Bill "An Act relating to Trapping for Bear."

Amend said Bill by striking out the 6th line from the end, and inserting in place thereof the following: 'called, or by at least 2 strands of barbed wire, one 4 2 and one 5 4'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act to Change the Name of the Aroostook Mutual Fire Insurance Company" (S. P. 56) (L. D. 84)

Bill "An Act relating to Transfer of Property in Public Assistance" (S. P. 140) (L. D. 332)

Bill "An Act relating to Group Life Insurance Standard Provisions" (S. P. 149) (L. D. 344)

Bill "An Act relating to Definition of Group Life Insurance" (S. P. 150) (L. D. 343)

Bill "An Act relating to Operation of Motor Vehicles to Endanger Persons and Property" (S. P. 190) (L. D. 442)

Bill "An Act relating to Persons Found Intoxicated in Motor Vehicles" (S. P. 191) (L. D. 443)

Bill "An Act relating to Blood Tests in Drunken Driving as Evidence" (S. P. 192) (L. D. 444)

Bill "An Act providing for Contents of Certain Volumes of Cumberland County Records of Deeds to be Copied" (S. P. 204) (L. D. 498)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of Phillips Electric Light and Power Company" (S. P. 288) (L. D. 799)

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

Bill "An Act relating to Rabbit Hunting in Oxford, Franklin and Somerset Counties" (H. P. 8) (L. D. 7)

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Medway, Mr. Potter.

Mr. POTTER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This was originally a committee amendment but through an error it did not get on the calendar, yesterday, when the bill was in its second reading. I therefore offer House Amendment "A" to Legislative Document 7 and move its adoption.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Medway, Mr. Potter, offers House Amendment "A" and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read House Amendment "A".

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 8, L. D. 7, Bill "An Act relating to Rabbit Hunting in Oxford, Franklin and Somerset Counties."

Amend said Bill by amending the title thereof to read as follows:

'An Act Relating to Rabbit Hunting in Oxford, Franklin, Somerset, Penobscot, Piscataquis, Aroostook and York Counties.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out the underlined word, "and" in fourth line of the second paragraph and inserting in place thereof the underlined punctuation, ','.

Further amend said Bill by inserting in the fourth line of the second paragraph after the underlined word "Somerset" the following underlined words:

'Penobscot, Piscataquis, Aroostook and York'

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

Bill "An Act relating to Closed Time on Deer in Vinalhaven" (H. P. 143) (L. D. 143)

Bill "An Act Regulating the Taking of Marine Worms" (H. P. 312) (L. D. 289)

Bill "An Act relating to the Digging of Clams in the Town of Lincolnville" (H. P. 400) (L. D. 416)

Bill "An Act relating to Use of Gill Nets" (H. P. 418) (L. D. 465)

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

Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act relating to Open Season on Beaver" (H. P. 421) (L. D. 467)

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

(On motion of Mr. Brockway of Milo, tabled pending third reading and specially assigned for Wednesday, March 16.)

Bill "An Act relating to Membership on Harness Racing Commission" (H. P. 544) (L. D. 601)

Bill "An Act relating to Term of Office of Town Clerk of Fort Fairfield" (H. P. 629) (L. D. 669)

Bill "An Act relating to Repair of Private Common Sewers in the City of Portland" (H. P. 712) (L. D. 780)

Bill "An Act relating to Sporting Camps in Unorganized Territory" (H. P. 1036) (L. D. 1197)

Resolve providing for Construction of a Substitute Road in Howland (H. P. 356) (L. D. 394)

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

Resolve providing Review of Shellfish and Marine Worm Laws (H. P. 505) (L. D. 542)

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

(On motion of Mr. Childs of Portland, tabled pending second reading and specially assigned for Thursday, March 17.)

Amended Resolve

Resolve Authorizing Alfred Howard, Sr. and Ethel M. Howard of Moscow to Sue the State of Maine (H. P. 600) (L. D. 656)

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

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

Mr. MCGLAUFLIN: Mr. Speaker, I wish to offer House Amendment "A" to House Paper 600, L. D. 656, in order that this resolve may be legal.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaufflin, offers House Amendment "A" and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read House Amendment "A".

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 600, L. D. 656, Resolve Authorizing Alfred Howard, Sr., and Ethel M. Howard of Moscow to Sue the State of Maine.

Amend said resolve by adding before the last sentence therein the following sentence:

'In no case shall damages be assessed for more than the sum of \$4,000'

Further, amend said resolve by adding thereto the following:

'; and be it further

Resolved: that it is the sole intent of the Legislature to authorize the bringing of a suit and that the passage of this resolve shall not in any way be construed as a finding in respect to facts or liability, and such matters as well as the matters of damages, if any, shall be determined by the tribunal above described.'

House Amendment "A" was adopted, the Resolve was given its second reading, passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Amended Bills

Bill "An Act relating to Motor Vehicles Used for Driver Education in Secondary Schools" (S.P. 87) (L. D. 168)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Bath" (H. P. 112) (L. D. 120)

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

Bill "An Act Providing for Flares, Etc. for Large Trucks" (H. P. 134) (L. D. 135)

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

Mr. Totman of Bangor offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 134, L. D. 135, Bill "An Act Providing for Flares, Etc. for Large Trucks."

Amend the Title of said Bill to read as follows:

'An Act Relating to Flares, Lanterns and Reflectors for Large Trucks.'

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

Bill "An Act relating to the Taking of Clams or Quahogs in the Town of Harpswell" (H. P. 167) (L. D. 158)

Bill "An Act Regulating Fishing in Dennys River, Washington County" (H. P. 257) (L. D. 297)

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

Bill "An Act Prohibiting Gifts or Other Gratuities to Bank Officials for Procuring Loans" (H.P. 90) (L. D. 101)

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

Passed to Be Enacted Emergency Measure

An Act to Incorporate the Town of Eddington School District (S. P. 130) (L. D. 334)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 127 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act to Incorporate the Town of Parkman School District (H. P. 370) (L. D. 421)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 126 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act relating to License Fees for Barber Shops and Beauty Shops (H. P. 376) (L. D. 411)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 126 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act to Provide a Selectman-Manager Form of Government for the Town of Madawaska, in the County of Aroostook (H. P. 490) (L. D. 552)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 126 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act relating to Appropriation for Seed Potato Board (S. P. 48) (L. D. 45)

An Act relating to Compensation of Members of the Board of Registration in Medicine (S. P. 61) (L. D. 88)

An Act relating to Spot, Fog or Auxiliary Lights on Certain Vehicles (S. P. 69) (L. D. 94)

An Act relating to Restricting or Increasing Speed of Motor Vehicles by State Highway Commission (S. P. 71) (L. D. 96)

An Act to Repeal the Act Creating the Bethel Village Corporation (S. P. 96) (L. D. 227)

An Act Amending the Charter of Maine Public Service Company (S. P. 113) (L. D. 275)

An Act relating to Recording of Deeds of Land of the Penobscot Tribe (S. P. 123) (L. D. 319)

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

Enactor

Tabled and Assigned

An Act Exempting Real and Personal Property Occupied or Used by Tax Exempt Organizations from Taxation (S. P. 137) (L. D. 329)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker, I request that Item 12, An Act Exempting Real and Personal Property Occupied or Used by Tax Exempt Organizations from Taxation, Legislative Document 329, be tabled until Tuesday next. I wish to get a little more information from the Attorney General's Department in regard to it.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis, moves that the Bill be laid on the table pending passage to be enacted and be specially assigned for Tuesday next, March 15. Is this the pleasure of the House?

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

An Act relating to Reimbursement of Towns for Transportation or Board of School Children (S. P. 152) (L. D. 346)

An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of St. Joseph's College (S. P. 158) (L. D. 352)

An Act relating to Licensed Practical Nurses (S. P. 165) (L. D. 359)

An Act relating to Specially Designed Motor Vehicle Number Plates for Maine Members in Congress (S. P. 170) (L. D. 360)

An Act Repealing Special Duty of State Police Re Registration of Motor Vehicles and Licensing of Operators (S. P. 171) (L. D. 361)

An Act Repealing State Police Enforcement at Agricultural Fairs (S. P. 172) (L. D. 362)

An Act relating to Minimum Salaries of Teachers (S. P. 178) (L. D. 431)

An Act relating to Suspension of Liquor Licenses Pending Appeal (S. P. 207) (L. D. 501)

An Act relating to Sales of Liquor by the Commission to Government Instrumentalities (S. P. 208) (L. D. 502)

An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Auburn re Compensation of Members of the Council (H. P. 201) (L. D. 206)

An Act relating to Record of Proceedings before Public Utilities Commission (H. P. 205) (L. D. 210)

An Act relating to Definition of Motor Truck (H. P. 238) (L. D. 217)

An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Westbrook (H. P. 278) (L. D. 262)

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

Enactor Tabled and Assigned

An Act relating to Exits from and Means of Extinguishing Fire in School Buildings (H. P. 342) (L. D. 381)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed.

(On motion of Mr. Reed of Fort Fairfield, the Bill was tabled pending passage to be enacted and specially assigned for Wednesday, March 16.)

An Act relating to Children Attending School in Adjoining Town (H.P. 344) (L. D. 382)

An Act relating to Definition of Residence of Parents of Children of School Age (H. P. 345) (L. D. 383)

An Act relating to Time of Meeting of Joint Superintending School Committees (H. P. 347) (L. D. 384)

An Act relating to Requirements in Construction of School Buildings (H. P. 348) (L. D. 386)

An Act relating to Advance Educational Subsidy Payments (H. P. 350) (L. D. 388)

An Act relating to Duties of School Building Committees and School District Trustees re Schoolhouses (H. P. 371) (L. D. 406)

An Act Repealing Lighting of Railroad Cars by Naphtha (H. P. 379) (L. D. 414)

An Act Ratifying a Proposed Compact Between the State of Maine and Certain Other States Providing for the Establishment of the New England Board of Higher Education (H. P. 409) (L. D. 456)

An Act relating to Filling Vacancies in Membership of Council in Fort Kent (H. P. 433) (L. D. 479)

An Act relating to the Practice of Optometry (H. P. 442) (L. D. 488)

An Act to Establish a State Committee on Educational Television (H. P. 467) (L. D. 512)

An Act Regulating Advertising Relative to Sale or Offering for Sale of Merchandise, Commodities and Service (H. P. 860) (L. D. 880)

An Act relating to Willful Concealment of Merchandise in Stores (H. P. 861) (L. D. 881)

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

The SPEAKER: The next order of business is Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Cates.

Mr. CATES: Mr. Speaker, I present a resolution and move its adoption.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Cates, presents a resolution out of order and under suspension of the rules and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read the resolution.

The Resolution was read by the Clerk as follows:

STATE OF MAINE 97th LEGISLATURE HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

March 9, 1955

WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives of the Ninety - seventh Legislature have learned with profound sorrow of the death yesterday of an esteemed colleague, Honorable William C. Hanson, Representative from Machiasport, and a member of the House of Representatives in 1893, 1905, 1945, 1947, 1949, 1951, 1953, and 1955, and also Secretary of the Senate in 1911.

AND WHEREAS, in his association with the members of this House he was ever honorable and kindly, being highly regarded for his character and sterling qualities of mind and heart;

AND WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives sense in his passing a personal loss and a genuine grief;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State of Maine mourns the loss of a faithful and valued public servant, and the members of the House of Representatives lament the departure of an esteemed and trusted friend;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these Resolutions be entered in the Journal of the House and a copy transmitted to the Senate and an engrossed copy of these Resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as a further token of respect, the House do now stand adjourned.

Thereupon, the Resolution was adopted by unanimous vote.

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

Mr. McGLAUFFLIN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I wish to speak briefly regarding Mr. Hanson.

William C. Hanson was born in Machias eighty-nine years ago. He was educated in Washington Academy. He had a varied career. At one time or another, he was a school teacher, Superintendent of Schools, a merchant, an assessor, a

Selectman, carried on an insurance business, was an assistant postmaster, a secretary of the Senate, and was elected to the State Legislature eight times.

In religion, he was a Congregationalist. In politics, he was a Democrat. I served in this House with Mr. Hanson four terms. He endeared himself to every member of the House, be he Democrat or Republican. He was a gentleman. He was fair. He had a rare sense of humor. When he talked, members listened. They respected him, they honored him. They loved him. He was elected to the Legislature by both Democrats and Republicans. He made friends wherever he went. He will be greatly missed both in Machias and in the Legislature.

The SPEAKER: In accordance with the resolution, the Chair now declares the House adjourned until tomorrow at one-thirty o'clock in the afternoon.