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**SENATE**

Friday, June 5, 1959

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Roger D. Blinn of Gardiner.

On motion by Mr. Willey of Hancock, Journal of yesterday read and approved.

**Order**

On motion by Mr. Woodcock, out of order and under suspension of the rules:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Monday, June 8, at four o'clock in the afternoon. (S. P. 512)

Which was read and passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Papers from the House**

Bill, "An Act Relating to Salaries of County Officials and Clerk Hire." (S. P. 491) (L. D. 1369)

In Senate on May 28, passed to be engrossed as amended by: Senate Amendment A (Filing No. 430) as amended by Senate Amendment A (Filing No. 431) thereto; and as amended by Senate Amendments B (Filing No. 432); C (Filing No. 433); D (Filing No. 434).

Comes from the House, passed to be engrossed as amended by: Senate Amendment A as amended by Senate Amendment A and House Amendments B (Filing No. 449) and C (Filing No. 465) thereto; Senate Amendments B, C, and D; also House Amendments L (Filing No. 448); M (Filing No. 452); O (Filing No. 454); in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the bill and accompanying papers were tabled pending consideration.

Bill, "An Act Relating to Licensing and Safety Operation of Boats." (S. P. 494) (L. D. 1374)

In Senate on May 27, passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendments A (Filing No. 417) and B (Filing No. 418)

Comes from the House, passed to be engrossed as amended by Sen-

ate Amendments A and B; also House Amendments C (Filing No. 473) and D (Filing No. 475) in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, the bill and accompanying papers were tabled pending consideration.

Bill, "An Act Appropriating Monies to Effectuate Pay Plan for State Employees." (S. P. 505) (L. D. 1387)

In Senate on June 3, passed to be engrossed.

Comes from the House, passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment A (Filing No. 481) in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Pierce of Hancock, the bill and accompanying papers were tabled pending consideration.

**Joint Order**

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Research Committee be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to secure the latest scientific information and opinion concerning the use and toxic effect of insecticides, herbicides and rodenticides upon human beings and wild and domestic animals, and to make a full and complete report of such information to the 100th Legislature or to any special session of the 99th Legislature. (H. P. 980)

Which was read and passed in concurrence.

**Senate Committee Report Ought to Pass**

Mr. Hillman from the Committee on State Government, pursuant to Joint Order (S. P. 508) reported "Resolve Providing for the Date When the Amendment to the Constitution to Provide Continuity of Government in Case of Enemy Attack Shall be Voted Upon." (S. P. 511) and that the same Ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted and the resolve read once. Under suspension of the rules, the resolve was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Ordered sent forthwith to the House.

**Enactors**

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bills:

Bill, "An Act Relating to Disqualifications of Benefits Under Employment Security Law." (H. P. 957) (L. D. 1356)

Bill, "An Act to Reactivate a Maine Committee on Problems of the Mentally Retarded." (S. P. 195) (L. D. 538)

(On motion by Mr. Pierce of Hancock, placed on the Special Appropriations Table pending enactment.)

Bill, "An Act Creating a Committee to Study Establishment of Vocational Facilities for the Mentally Ill and Retarded." (S. P. 226) (L. D. 970)

(On motion by Mr. Pierce of Hancock, placed on the Special Appropriations Table pending enactment.)

Which were severally passed to be enacted.

**Orders of the Day  
Papers from the House  
Out of Order**

Bill, "An Act to Authorize the Construction of Housing for the University of Maine and the Issuance of not Exceeding \$24,000,000 Bonds of the State of Maine for the Financing Thereof." (H. P. 108) (L. D. 181)

In Senate on June 4, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment A (Filing No. 400) in non-concurrence.

Comes from the House, that body having insisted upon its previous action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment B (Filing No. 399), now asks for Committee of Conference.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Dow of Lincoln, the Senate voted to insist and join with the House in a Committee of Conference; the President named as Senate Conferees, Senators Dow of Lincoln, Bates of Penobscot, Coffin of Cumberland.

**House Reports  
Committee of Conference**

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on "Resolve Opening Cross Lake, Aroostook County, to Ice Fishing for

Cusk." (H. P. 113) (L. D. 168) reported that they are Unable to agree. In House, report accepted.

In Senate, report accepted in concurrence.

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill, "An Act Restating and Revising the Law Governing Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, and Fees." (H. P. 928) (L. D. 1312) reported: That the Senate recede and indefinitely postpone Senate Amendment A (Filing No. 458) and concur with the House in passing the bill to be engrossed without amendment.

In House, report accepted.

In the Senate, the conference committee report was read, and on motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington the bill and accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending acceptance of the Committee of Conference Report.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President I rise to inquire if L. D. 1304, bill, "An Act Relating to Hours, Vacations and Sick Pay for County Personnel is in the possession of the Senate.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would state that L. D. 1304 is in the possession of the Senate, having been held at the request of the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President, this, as you know, pertains to county personnel, and since the county salary bill is in somewhat of a confused state, it seems wise to hold this bill for a few days, and I move that the Senate reconsider its previous action whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The motion to reconsider prevailed and thereupon, on motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the bill was tabled pending consideration.

Mr. BOUCHER of Androscoggin: Mr. President, I would inquire if H. P. 963, L. D. 1365, Bill, "An Act Relieving Children and Certain Relatives of Financial Responsibility in Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind and Aid to the Disabled" is still in the possession of the Senate?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that it is, having been held at the request of the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Boucher.

Thereupon, Mr. Boucher yielded to the Senator from Hancock, Senator Willey.

Mr. WILLEY of Hancock: Mr. President, I move reconsideration of L. D. 1365 which was indefinitely postponed in the Senate yesterday.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would inquire if the Senator voted with the prevailing side?

Mr. WILLEY: I did, Mr. President.

Mr. WOODCOCK of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move that the bill be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT: In order to properly state the motion, the Senator must especially assign a day.

Mr. WOODCOCK: Mr. President, I move that it be tabled until next Tuesday.

The motion prevailed and the bill was laid upon the table pending motion by Mr. Willey of Hancock to reconsider the previous action of indefinite postponement; and the bill was especially assigned for Tuesday next.

On motion by Mr. Willey of Hancock, the Senate voted to take from the table the 5th tabled item being House Report from the Committee on Taxation: Ought not to pass, on bill, "An Act Increasing Tax on Cigarettes." (H. P. 78) (L. D. 116) tabled by that Senator on May 29 pending acceptance of the report; and on motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the bill was retabled.

On motion by Mr. Willey of Hancock, the Senate voted to take from the table the 6th tabled item being House Reports from the Committee on Taxation: Report A, ought to pass with Committee Amendment A; Report B, ought not to pass; on bill, "An Act Increasing State Property Taxes." (S. P. 448) (L. D. 654) tabled by that Senator on May 29 pending acceptance of either report; and on motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the bill was retabled.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot

Recessed until this afternoon at one-thirty.

#### After Recess

The Senate was called to order by the President.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair notes in the Senate Chamber the presence of a very distinguished citizen of the State of Maine, former two term presiding officer in this honorable Body and former Governor of the State of Maine. The Chair would ask the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort the Honorable Burton M. Cross to the rostrum.

This was done amidst the applause of the Senate, the members arising.

#### Papers from the House Out of Order Enactors

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills:

Bill, "An Act Relating to Taxation of Manufacturers' Inventories." (H. P. 509) (L. D. 722)

Bill, "An Act Revising Election Provisions in Charter of City of Lewiston." (H. P. 844) (L. D. 1207)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Juvenile Offenders." (H. P. 485) (L. D. 1357)

Which bills were passed to be enacted.

Bill, "An Act to Appropriate Monies for Capital Improvements, Construction, Repairs, Equipment, Supplies and Furnishings for Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1960 and June 30, 1961." (H. P. 973) (L. D. 1384)

On motion by Mr. Pierce of Hancock, the bill was placed on the Special Appropriations Table pending enactment.

On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, "An Act Restating and Revising the Law Governing Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, and Fees." (H. P. 928) (L. D. 1312) tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending acceptance of the Committee of Conference Report; and on further motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the Conference Committee report was accepted and the Senate voted to recede and concur with the House.

The PRESIDENT: At this time the Chair would like to make a com-

mittee appointment. On the Committee to Study Relocation of the State School for Boys, the Chair appoints as the Senate member of this committee, the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Lord.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock  
Recessed until this afternoon at two-thirty.

**After Recess**

The Senate was called to order by the President.

There being no further business to come before the Senate at this time,

Adjourned until Monday next at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.