

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

*One Hundred and Third  
Legislature*

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1967

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**HOUSE**

Thursday, January 19, 1967

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ondon P. Stairs of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

**Papers from the Senate**

From the Senate. The following Communication: (S. P. 73)

STATE OF MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Motor Vehicle Division

January 12, 1967

To the Members of the 103rd Maine State Legislature

Transmitted herewith are copies of the report, dated December 30, 1966, prepared under the direction of Kenneth M. Curtis, Secretary of State, in compliance with Chapter 179, Private and Special Laws of 1965.

This report is the result of a study in making comparison of the Maine Motor Vehicle Laws with the Uniform Vehicle Code.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) STANTON S. WEED  
Director Motor Vehicles

Came from the Senate read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file.

In the House, the Communication was read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Communication: (S. P. 92)

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

December 1, 1966

To the Members of the 103rd Legislature:

I have the honor to transmit herewith the second summary report of the Legislative Research Committee, designated as Committee Publication 103-9, on studies authorized by the 102nd Legislature for the period ending January, 1967.

This is the second of two summary reports containing the find-

ings and recommendations on seven remaining matters assigned by the Legislature for Research Committee study and determination. The seven studies included are listed as follows: Nursing Homes, Phase I; Children's Homes, Phase II; School Transportation Safety; Training & Instruction of the Blind; Westport-Wiscasset Bridge; County Government and Guardianship of Retarded Persons.

Also included in this publication for reference purposes is a listing of the Legislative Research Committee Authority, Rules and Committee Members, 1941-1966.

The first summary report which has been presented under a separate cover, Committee Publication 103-8, included studies on such matters as Air Pollution; Alcoholic Rehabilitation; Department of Economic Development; Gasoline Price Variances; Home Repair Financing Act, Phase I; Second Mortgage Loans, Phase II; Public School Laws, Phase I; and Public School Laws, Phase II.

The following studies authorized by the 102nd Legislature were contractually studied and have been separately reported as indicated: Committee Publication 103-1, Feasibility of Establishing a Medical School in Maine; Committee Publication 103-2, Maine State Retirement System; Committee Publication 103-3, The Maine Economy and its Revenue Resources; Committee Publication 103-4, The Legislative Manual; Committee Publication 103-5, A Proposed Classification Plan; Committee Publication 103-6, A Proposed Salary Plan for State Employees; and Committee Publication 103-7, Organization and Policies for State Personnel Administration.

The members of the Committee wish to express their appreciation for being chosen to participate in these assignments, and sincerely hope that the reports submitted will prove of benefit to the members of the Legislature and the people of the State of Maine.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS JALBERT  
Legislative Research Committee

Came from the Senate read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file.

In the House, the Communication was read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, January twenty-fourth, at ten o'clock in the morning. (S. P. 100)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order was read and passed in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Communication: (S. P. 101)

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
Augusta, Maine

January 19, 1967

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the 103rd Legislature:

Dear Members:

Today, in accordance with my Constitutional duty, I am submitting a message on Economic and Natural Resources.

It contains proposals which supplement those in my Inaugural and Budget Messages.

Respectfully,

(Signed) KENNETH M. CURTIS  
Governor

Came from the Senate, read and with accompanying message ordered placed on file.

In the House, the Communication was read and with accompanying message ordered placed on file in concurrence.

#### **Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference**

The following Bills and Resolves were received and, upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

#### **Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Bill "An Act Providing Funds for Drugs for Medical Care Pro-

grams" (H. P. 125) (Presented by Mr. Hinds of South Portland)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Increasing Payments to Sagadahoc County Law Library" (H. P. 126) (Presented by Mr. McMann of Bath)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Testimonials for Marking Unmarked Graves of Revolutionary War Soldiers" (H. P. 127) (Presented by Mr. Philbrook of South Portland)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Increasing Borrowing Power of Maine Maritime Academy" (H. P. 128) (Presented by Mr. Richardson of Stonington)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Repealing Bond Issue for Dining Facilities for the Maine Maritime Academy" (H. P. 129) (Presented by same gentleman)  
(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **Claims**

Resolve to Reimburse Town of Hanover for Aid Extended Floyd Merrill (H. P. 130) (Presented by Mrs. Lincoln of Bethel)  
(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **Education**

Bill "An Act relating to the Powers and Purposes of the Town of Wiscasset School District" (H. P. 131) (Presented by Mr. Buck of Southport)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Permitting Town of Newcastle to Pay Certain Out-of-State Tuition" (H. P. 132) (Presented by Mr. Lewis of Bristol)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Create a School Administrative District in the Town of Easton" (H. P. 133) (Presented by Mr. Rackliff of Easton)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Increasing Minimum Salaries for Teachers" (H. P. 134) (Presented by Mr. Richardson of Stonington)  
(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **Health and Institutional Services**

Bill "An Act relating to Bureau of Corrections of the Department

of Mental Health and Corrections” (H. P. 135) (Presented by Mr. Gill of South Portland)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act relating to Collection of Amounts Due for the Support of Persons at State Institutions” (H. P. 136) (Presented by same gentleman)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act relating to Social Security Payments to Beneficiaries after Death of Individual” (H. P. 137) (Presented by Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake)

(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

#### Highways

Bill “An Act relating to Area Directional Sign for China Lake Region” (H. P. 138) (Presented by Mr. Farrington of China)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act relating to Certain Pneumatic Tires for Motor Vehicles” (H. P. 139) (Presented by Mr. Lycette of Houlton)  
(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in Favor of Oxford County for Snow Removal in Unorganized Territory (H. P. 140) (Presented by Mr. Dunn of Denmark)  
(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Inland Fisheries and Game

Bill “An Act relating to Boundaries of Androscoggin Game Preserve” (H. P. 141) (Presented by Mr. Drigotas of Auburn)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act relating to Legal Length of Salmon” (H. P. 142) (Presented by Mr. Mosher of Gorham)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act Permitting Advance Baiting for Taking Whitefish from Sebago Lake” (H. P. 143) (Presented by same gentleman)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act Regulating Fishing in Lakes and Ponds” (H. P. 144) (Presented by same gentleman)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act relating to Spear- ing Suckers in Rivers, Streams

and Brooks” (H. P. 145) (Presented by same gentleman)  
(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Opening Millimagassett Lake, Penobscot County, to Ice Fishing (H. P. 146) (Presented by Mr. Crommett of Millinocket)  
(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Portion of Jordan River, Cumberland County (H. P. 147) (Presented by Mr. Mosher of Gorham)  
(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Judiciary

Bill “An Act relating to Address of Purchaser on Deeds” (H. P. 148) (Presented by Mr. Dunn of Denmark)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act Revising the Laws Relating to Support at State Institutions” (H. P. 149) (Presented by Mr. Gill of South Portland)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act relating to Certificate of Organization of Nonprofit Corporations Organized Prior to 1911” (H. P. 150) (Presented by Mr. Minkowsky of Lewiston)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act relating to Waiver of Blood Test in Premarital Medical Examinations by District Court Judges” (H. P. 151) (Presented by Mr. Watts of Machias)  
(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Legal Affairs

Bill “An Act relating to Ratio Evidence in Appeals for Abatement of Property Taxes” (H. P. 152) (Presented by Mr. Hanson of Solon)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill “An Act relating to Reciprocity in Registration of Pharmacists” (H. P. 153) (Presented by Mr. McNally of Ellsworth) (Later reconsidered and tabled)  
(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Natural Resources

Bill “An Act Classifying Portion of Presumpscot River Basin” (H. P. 154) (Presented by Mr. Mosher of Gorham)  
(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Public Utilities**

Bill "An Act to Extend the Charter of the Eliot Water District" (H. P. 155) (Presented by Mr. Hichens of Eliot)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**Retirements and Pensions**

Bill "An Act relating to Retirement Allowances of Persons Who Become Legislative Employees or Legislators" (H. P. 156) (Presented by Mr. Benson of Southwest Harbor)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act relating to State Police Retirement Benefits Under the Maine State Retirement System" (H. P. 157) (Presented by Mr. Pendergast of Kennebunkport)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**State Government**

Bill "An Act relating to Farm Supervisor for Department of Mental Health and Corrections" (H. P. 158) (Presented by Mr. Gill of South Portland)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act Providing for a Full-time Attorney General and Relating to his Salary" (H. P. 159) (Presented by Mr. Watts of Machias)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act Establishing American History Month in Maine" (H. P. 160) (Presented by same gentleman)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**Taxation**

Bill "An Act Exempting Boats and Boat Motors from Property Tax" (H. P. 161) (Presented by Mr. Cote of Lewiston)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act relating to Payments to Maine Forestry District by Baxter State Park Authority and Indian Township Improvement Fund" (H. P. 162) (Presented by Mrs. Lincoln of Bethel)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act relating to Trade-in Credit for Vehicles Under Sales Tax" (H. P. 163) (Presented by Mr. Robinson of Carmel)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Sales Tax on Sales Between Parent and Subsidiary Corporations" (H. P. 164) (Presented by same gentleman)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**Towns and Counties**

Bill "An Act Increasing Salary of Sheriff of Hancock County" (H. P. 165) (Presented by Mr. Benson of Southwest Harbor)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act relating to Annual Postaudit for Municipalities" (H. P. 166) (Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act relating to Payment of Fees to Secretary of State Resulting in Protest" (H. P. 167) (Presented by Mrs. Kilroy of Portland)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act Increasing Salaries of Certain Sagadahoc County Officers" (H. P. 168) (Presented by Mr. McMann of Bath)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act relating to Expending Aroostook County Funds for Maine Potato Blossom Festival" (H. P. 169) (Presented by Mr. Rackliff of Easton)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of the Register of Deeds of Washington County" (H. P. 170) (Presented by Mr. Watts of Machias)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**Transportation**

Bill "An Act relating to Fines and Costs for Weight Violations of Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 171) (Presented by Mr. Bourgoin of Fort Kent)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act relating to Operation of Motor Vehicles by Minors Between Sunset and Sunrise" (H. P. 172) (Presented by Mr. Buck of Southport)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Bill "An Act relating to Inspection Certificates for Mechanics in Motor Vehicle Inspection Stations" (H. P. 173) (Presented by Mr. Crosby of Kennebunk)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to List of Recipients of Aid to the Blind for Determining Eligibility for Motor Vehicle Operators' Licenses" (H. P. 174) (Presented by Mr. Jewell of Monticello)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Regulating Parking of Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 175) (Presented by Mr. Keyte of Dexter)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Prohibiting Parking of Motor Vehicles in Specified Places" (H. P. 176) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Protective Headgear by Persons Riding Two-Wheeled Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 177) (Presented by Mr. Lebel of Van Buren)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Carrying Operator's License when Operating Motor Vehicle" (H. P. 178) (Presented by Mr. Lycette of Houlton)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Proof of Age for Applicant for Motor Vehicle Operator's Permits and Licenses" (H. P. 179) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Providing for Local Traffic-control Devices" (H. P. 180) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Initial Type Registration Plates for Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 181) (Presented by Mr. Pendergast of Kennebunkport)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Orders

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Southwest Harbor, Mr. Benson.

Mr. BENSON: Mr. Speaker, may I inquire if the House is in possession of House Paper 97, Bill "An Act Repealing Prohibition of Use of Certain Names by Institutes Not Given Right to Grant Degrees"?

The SPEAKER: The answer is in the affirmative.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Benson of Southwest Harbor, the House voted to reconsider its ac-

tion of January 18 whereby the bill was referred to the Committee on Education, and on further motion of the same gentleman the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Reference of Bills and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Richardson of Cumberland presented the following Order and moved its passage:

WHEREAS, the 102nd Legislature enacted legislation providing that all revenue received by the Document Clerk be credited to the General Fund, and

WHEREAS, no provision exists in the statutes concerning revenue to be received by the Document Clerk, and

WHEREAS, the number of persons and organizations requesting legislative documents is increasing with each legislative session, and

WHEREAS, the cost of printing legislative documents has increased, and

WHEREAS, the Document Clerk needs assistance and guidance in his work,

It is hereby ORDERED that:

The Committee on Rules and Business of the House be entrusted with the general administration and supervision of the document room including but not limited to the employment of persons by the Document Clerk; setting the salaries of such employees; the approval of vouchers for expenses; setting up of operating procedures and methods; charges to be made for legislative documents; conditions under which legislative documents may be given out without charge; and persons to whom legislative documents may be delivered.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cumberland, Mr. Richardson.

Mr. RICHARDSON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: With reference to the order before you, this order has been reproduced and is before you now on your desks. It is an attempt to have the Committee on Rules and Business of the House undertake general supervisory responsibility for the activities of the Document Clerk. As you know, the last session of the Legislature

provided that funds or revenue received from the operation of the Document Clerk's office would go into the general fund. In view of this fact, we think it essential to have some management of the activities in the Document Clerk's office since this office is a creature of the House and is our responsibility. Therefore, I urge you to vote in favor of the passage of this order.

Thereupon, the Order received passage.

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

Mr. GILL: Mr. Speaker, I move that number 29, a Bill "An Act relating to Reciprocity in Registration of Pharmacists," House Paper 153, be reconsidered whereby it was assigned to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Gill, now moves that the House reconsider its action whereby this bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Is this the pleasure of the House?

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Cumberland, tabled pending the motion of Mr. Gill of South Portland and assigned the next legislative day.

### House Report of Committee Ought to Pass Printed Bill

Mr. Carroll from the Committee on Education reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Validate Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds or Notes by School Administrative District No. 51" (H. P. 27) (L. D. 48)

Report was read and accepted, the Bill read twice, and assigned the next legislative day.

### Orders of the Day

The Chair laid before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter:

HOUSE ORDER Relative to Contesting Seat of Romeo Laberge of Auburn by Peter T. Snowe of Auburn.

Tabled—January 18, by Mr. Richardson of Cumberland.

Pending—Passage in accordance with House Rule 41.

Thereupon, the Order received passage.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Cumberland,

Adjourned until Tuesday, January 24, at ten o'clock in the morning.