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HOUSE

Thursday, January 11, 1968

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. John W. Meisner of Dover - Foxcroft.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

The Speaker announced the presence of Mr. Danton of Old Orchard Beach and Mr. Gauthier of Sanford who had been recorded absent on the organization roll call.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate:

The following Communication:

THE SENATE OF MAINE
AUGUSTA, MAINE

January 9, 1968

Honorable Bertha W. Johnson
Clerk of the House
103rd Legislature

Dear Madam:

The President today nominated and the Senate subsequently appointed Senator Cope of Cumberland to fill the vacancies on the Joint Standing Committees on Education and Public Utilities and Senator Reed of Sagadahoc to fill the vacancies on the Joint Standing Committees on Health and Institutional Services, Retirements and Pensions, and Claims.

Respectfully,

(Signed)

JERROLD B. SPEERS
Secretary of the Senate

In the House, the Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

Orders

On motion of Mrs. Baker of Winthrop, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. Daniel Tuttle of East Winthrop be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House on Tuesday, January 16, 1968.

Mr. Dennett of Kittery presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on State Government is

directed to report out a bill which will relate to the expense allowances of members of the Legislature in attendance at sessions of the Legislature. (H. P. 1323)

The Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Minkowsky of Lewiston, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. David E. Siriano of Lewiston be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House on Wednesday, January 17, 1968.

On motion of Mr. Lewin of Augusta, it was

ORDERED, that Leila Dumont and James Fecteau, both of the Saint Augustine School in Augusta, be appointed to serve as Honorary Pages for today.

**House Reports of Committees
Ought Not to Pass
Tabled and Assigned**

Mr. Richardson from the Committee on Education reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act to Repeal State Scholarships for Higher Education." (H. P. 1253) (L. D. 1759)

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Littlefield of Hampden, tabled pending acceptance of the Report and tomorrow assigned.)

**Ought to Pass in New Draft
New Draft Printed**

Mr. Sahagian from the Committee on Natural Resources on Bill "An Act relating to Water and Air Environmental Improvement Commission." (H. P. 1275) (L. D. 1781) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1322) (L. D. 1868) under title of "An Act Relating to Hearings Before Water and Air Environmental Improvement Commission" and that it "Ought to pass"

Report was read and accepted, the New Draft read twice and tomorrow assigned.

**Ought to Pass
Printed Bills**

Mrs. Baker from the Committee on Education reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Reconstitute School Administrative

Districts Nos. 60, 64, 65 and 66” (H. P. 1257) (L. D. 1763)

Same member from same Committee reported same on Bill “An Act to Incorporate the Town of Litchfield School District.” (H. P. 1317) (L. D. 1860)

Mr. Carroll from same Committee reported same on Bill “An Act to Reconstitute School Administrative Districts Nos. 31, 32, 41 and 54.” (H. P. 1258) (L. D. 1766)

Same member from same Committee reported same on Bill “An Act to Validate Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Notes by School Administrative District No. 9.” (H. P. 1261) (L. D. 1767)

Mrs. Hanson from same Committee reported same on Bill “An Act to Incorporate the Town of Harmony School District.” (H. P. 1256) (L. D. 1762)

Mr. Levesque from same Committee reported same on Bill “An Act relating to the Borrowing Capacity of School Administrative District No. 58.” (H. P. 1260) (L. D. 1766)

Mrs. Baker from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported Same on Bill “An Act Creating a New Charter for the Town of Fairfield.” (H. P. 1271) (L. D. 1777)

Mr. Cushing from same Committee reported same on Bill “An Act relating to Date for Electing New School Board Members in City of South Portland.” (H. P. 1309) (L. D. 1838)

Mrs. Wheeler from same Committee reported same on Bill “An Act Providing Public Dump for Coburn Gore, Franklin County.” (H. P. 1272) (L. D. 1778)

Mr. Pike from the Committee on Natural Resources reported same on Bill “An Act to Reclassify Certain Tidal Waters of Hancock County.” (H. P. 1274) (L. D. 1780)

Mrs. White from the Committee on Retirements and Pensions reported same on Resolve Providing for a Retirement Allowance for Lois Blackwell Goodwin (H. P. 1280) (L. D. 1786)

Reports were read and accepted, the Bills read twice, Resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Shute from the Committee on Education on Bill “An Act Increasing the Borrowing Capacity of the Bucksport School District.” (H. P. 1254) (L. D. 1760) 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” (H-496) was read by the Clerk and adopted, and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Orders of the Day

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

House Order relative to tabled matters being automatically assigned for the next legislative day.

Tabled — January 9 under the Rules.

Pending — Passage.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque.

Mr. LEVESQUE: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I think probably where these changes will occur in the next regular session of the Legislature I would very humbly request by a member of the Committee to explain some of these rules and what it may affect as far as the next session of the Legislature, because some of these rules may be misunderstood by some of the members.

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

Mr. RICHARDSON: Mr. Speaker, I wish to advise the gentleman from Madawaska that we are talking about a House Order which is relating only to the business before this session, and we are talking about the fact that tabled matters shall be automatically assigned for the next legislative day. The proposed rule changes are not included in the order that is being debated here or discussed here.

The SPEAKER: Is it now the pleasure of the House that this Order receive passage?

The motion prevailed.

(Off Record Remarks)

Mr. Crommett of Millinocket was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. CROMMETT: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Last fall I had the good fortune to meet a delightful couple from New Jersey. I have a letter addressed to me which I would like to read to you in part. "Since

you represent the people of Maine, I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to them through you for the pleasant vacation we had in your beautiful and wonderful State of Maine. Sincerely yours, Mary and Ralph Tancardo."

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Cumberland,

Adjourned until one o'clock tomorrow afternoon.