

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

*One Hundred and Fourth  
Legislature*

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1969

KENNEBEC JOURNAL  
AUGUSTA, MAINE

**HOUSE**

Wednesday, January 15, 1969

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Harold Rowley of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

**Papers from the Senate**

The following Communication: (S. P. 52)

MAINE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION  
Augusta

January 8, 1969

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the One Hundred and Fourth Legislature

Transmitted herewith is a report entitled "Bridge Study for New Meadows River Bridge".

This report is being submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Resolves of the One Hundred and Third Legislature, Chapter 10, a copy of which is included and made a part of this report.

The report was prepared by the Maine State Highway Commission, Bridge Division.

Respectfully,  
Maine State Highway Commission  
(Signed)

DAVID H. STEVENS

David H. Stevens, Chairman  
BERTRAND A. LACHARITE  
Bertrand A. Lacharite, Member  
STEVEN D. SHAW

Steven D. Shaw, Member  
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.

The following Communication: (S. P. 53)

MAINE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION  
Augusta

January 8, 1969

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the One Hundred and Fourth Legislature

Transmitted herewith is a report entitled "Bridge Study for Winnegance Bridge".

This report is being submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Private and Special Laws of the One Hundred and Third Legislature, Chapter 144, a copy of which is included and made a part of this report.

The report was prepared by the Maine State Highway Commission, Bridge Division.

Respectfully,  
Maine State Highway Commission  
(Signed)

DAVID H. STEVENS

David H. Stevens, Chairman  
BERTRAND A. LACHARITE  
Bertrand A. Lacharite, Member  
STEVEN D. SHAW

Steven D. Shaw, Member  
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 Orders:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Chief Committee Clerk be appointed by the chairman of the Joint Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Chief Committee Clerk shall coordinate the activities and duties of the several committee clerks (S. P. 50)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be paid to John F. Nelson, Representative of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians and to Albert Dana, Representative of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians from the legislative appropriation the sum of \$100 per month, paid on a monthly basis until the amount authorized for such Representatives by statute is exhausted (S. P. 51)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Orders were read and passed in concurrence.

Bills and Resolves from the Senate requiring reference were disposed of in concurrence.

**Messages and Documents**

The following Communication:  
 STATE OF MAINE  
 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
 OFFICE OF THE CLERK

January 15, 1969

Honorable David J. Kennedy  
 Speaker of the House  
 104th Legislature

Sir:

Acting under authority of the House Order passed January 1, 1969, I hereby appoint:

Audrey J. Bennett of Bucksport, and Helena C. Rogers of Lewiston, Secretaries to the Clerk of the House;

Patricia N. Day of Augusta, Secretary to the Assistant Clerk of the House;

Janet L. Sadler of Brunswick, Legislative Docket Clerk;

Alicia E. Hanley of Dresden, Assistant Legislative Docket Clerk; Linda J. McDonald of Augusta, Journal Copy Clerk;

Carolyn A. Wheeler of Gardiner, Public Address Operator.

Respectfully,

(Signed)

BERTHA W. JOHNSON

Bertha W. Johnson  
 Clerk of the House

The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

**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 relating to Cost of Marketing and Advertising Farm Products" (H. P. 131) (Presented by Mr. Johnston of Fort Fairfield)

Resolve Appropriating Funds for Ramp and Docking Facilities at Long Island Plantation (H. P. 132) (Presented by Mr. Richardson of Stonington)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Business Legislation**

Bill "An Act to Revise the Laws Relating to Real Estate Brokers and Salesmen" (H. P. 133) (Presented by Mr. Hewes of Cape Elizabeth)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate Dead River Acceptance Credit Corporation" (H. P. 134) (Presented by Mr. Norris of Brewer)

Bill "An Act to Permit Nonstock Corporations to Engage in Budget Planning" (H. P. 135) (Presented by Mr. Ross of Bath)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Claims**

Resolve to Reimburse the Town of Strong for Support of Evangeline C. Bean (H. P. 136) (Presented by Mr. Dyar of Strong)

Resolve to Reimburse Ernest J. Powers of Kennebunkport for Well Damage by Highway Construction (H. P. 137) (Presented by Mr. Tyndale of Kennebunkport)

Resolve to Reimburse Mrs. Harry H. Smart of Kennebunkport for Well Damage by Highway Reconstruction (H. P. 138) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Education**

Bill "An Act relating to Leave of Absence for Teachers and Principals" (H. P. 139) (Presented by Mr. Stillings of Berwick)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Election Laws**

Bill "An Act relating to Date of Town Meeting of Town of Fort Fairfield" (H. P. 140) (Presented by Mr. Johnston of Fort Fairfield)

Bill "An Act Providing for a Presidential Preference Primary" (H. P. 141) (Presented by Mr. Ross of Bath)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Inland Fisheries and Game**

Bill "An Act relating to Open Season for Fishing in Brooks and Streams" (H. P. 142) (Presented by Mr. Corson of Madison)

Bill "An Act Prohibiting Hunting from Snow Traveling Vehicles" (H. P. 143) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Judiciary**

Bill "An Act relating to Duty

of Receiver of Unsolicited Merchandise" (H. P. 144) (Presented by Mr. Lund of Augusta)

Bill "An Act Increasing Limits of Liability Under Financial Responsibility Law and Uninsured Motorist Law" (H. P. 145) (Presented by Mr. McTeague of Brunswick)

(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**Legal Affairs**

Bill "An Act Changing Name of Methodist Church to United Methodist Church" (H. P. 146) (Presented by Mr. Richardson of Stonington)

(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**Natural Resources**

Bill "An Act Prohibiting the Sale or Use of DDT" (H. P. 147) (Presented by Mr. Corson of Madison)

Bill "An Act relating to Cutting of Trees Near Waterways and Highways" (H. P. 148) (Presented by Mr. Dyar of Strong)

Bill "An Act relating to Logging Near Waterways and on Slopes" (H. P. 149) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**State Government**

Bill "An Act Designating Landlocked Salmon as the State of Maine Fish" (H. P. 150) (Presented by Mr. Corson of Madison)

(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**Towns and Counties**

Bill "An Act Increasing Salaries of County Officials of Sagadahoc County" (H. P. 151) (Presented by Mr. Ross of Bath)

Bill "An Act Increasing Compensation of City of Bath Councillors and School Board Members" (H. P. 152) (Presented by same gentleman)

Bill "An Act Increasing Payments to Sagadahoc County Law Library" (H. P. 153) (Presented by same gentleman)

Bill "An Act relating to Sale of Laws to Municipalities" (H. P. 154) (Presented by Mr. Snow of Caribou)

(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**Transportation**

Bill "An Act relating to Headlights and Mirrors on Motorcycles and Motor Driven Cycles" (H. P. 155) (Presented by Mr. Stillings of Berwick)

(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**Veterans and Military Affairs**

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Law for the Establishment of Veterans Memorial Cemetery" (H. P. 156) (Presented by Mr. Lewin of Augusta)

Bill "An Act relating to Residency Requirements for Aid to Dependents of Veterans" (H. P. 157) (Presented by Mr. Shaw of Chelsea)

(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

**Orders**

On motion of Mr. Faucher of Solon, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. Herbert Reid of Fairfield be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House on Thursday, January 16, 1969.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion of Mr. Hichens of Eliot, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. J. Wesley Stuart of South Berwick be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House on Tuesday, March 18, 1969.

On motion of Mr. Heselton of Gardiner, it was

ORDERED, that David Luken and Paul Reynolds of Gardiner be invited to serve as Honorary Pages for today.

(Off Record Remarks)

The SPEAKER: The Chair is always willing to graciously acknowledge or recognize any person on the Floor under unanimous consent, but I earnestly recommend and hope that you will wait until Orders of the Day, and that is after our business is completed. Either off the record remarks or on the record remarks should be made

under Orders of the day rather than breaking into the general process of legislation.

**House Reports of Committees  
Ought to Pass  
Printed Bill**

Mr. Donaghy from the Committee on State Government reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Tenure of Office of Assistant Director of Legislative Research" (H. P. 42) (L. D. 43)

Report was read and accepted, the Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned.

**Divided Report  
Tabled and Assigned**

Majority Report of the Committee on State Government reporting "Ought to pass" on Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Providing for Convening of the Legislature at Such Times as the Legislature Deems Necessary (H. P. 21) (L. D. 24)

Report was signed by the following members:

Mr. WYMAN of Washington  
— of the Senate  
Messrs. DENNETT of Kittery  
STARBIRD of Kingman  
Township  
M A R S T A L L E R of  
Freeport  
RIDEOUT of Manchester  
DONAGHY of Lubec

— of the House  
Minority Report of same  
Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Resolve.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. LETOURNEAU of York  
BELIVEAU of Oxford  
— of the Senate  
Miss WATSON of Bath  
Mr. D'ALFONSO of Portland  
— of the House

Reports were read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bath, Mr. Ross.

Mr. ROSS: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: This is the bill that the gentleman from Turner, Mr. Gilbert, talked about. I understand that I was falsely labelled a Democrat. You know I've been called all sorts of things, but this is too much. (laughter)

I now wish that some kind soul would table this item until next Tuesday, January 21st.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Rideout of Manchester, tabled pending acceptance of either Report and specially assigned for Tuesday, January 21.

**Orders of the Day**

Mr. Levesque of Madawaska was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. LEVESQUE: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: You have heard unfortunately this morning the remarks of Representative Hunter off the record this morning. My personal feeling is that gems of remarks that are made, such as were made by Mr. Hunter this morning, should be on the record, but the gentleman chose to have them off the record, but I think those are some of the feelings that have been expressed over the years as to whether we are qualified to make the laws of the State so that the Executive could see that these are carried out, and I think probably it is unfortunate that we in Maine, as he labelled, have all been carrying the label of a State being quite conservative. I still fail to see how Mr. Hunter in his administration of the fifty telephone calls could possibly stay home for a whole day waiting for a call or how he devises his card to have half a call a week, but be that as it may, I think probably these are kind remarks that were made this morning, and I think they might very well have been made on the record, because it is not too often that the people of Maine have a chance to look at the Legislative Record and find such orderly remarks as was made.

My other comment this morning is that if Mr. Ross feels that his integrity as a Republican is being questioned, I think there is no question in our mind that he has been labelled a Democratic thinking person more often than he has been referred to as a Republican thinking Representative; so if there should be any afterthoughts of the gentleman from Bath, Mr. Ross, I think probably the minor differences could be ironed out in

a very short period of time. So with those few remarks this morning, if Mr. Ross is still reconsidering, we will have an open mind as to whether we should like to accept him or not. Thank you.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion of Mr. Allen of Caribou,

Adjourned until one-thirty o'clock tomorrow afternoon.